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Minutes of the regular session of Municipal Council held on Tuesday, May 21, 2024, at 10:00 a.m., at the Municipal Administration Building, 752 St. George St. Annapolis Royal, NS.

### **ROLL CALL**

District 1 – Bruce Prout, present  
District 2 - Brian “Fuzzy” Connell, present  
District 3 – Dustin Enslow, absent  
District 4 – Clyde Barteaux, present  
District 5 – Lynn Longmire, present  
District 6 – Alex Morrison, Warden, present  
District 7 – David Hudson, present  
District 8 – Michael Gunn, present  
District 9 – Wendy Sheridan, present  
District 10 – Brad Redden, Deputy Warden, present  
District 11 – Diane Le Blanc, present

Also Present: CAO Chris McNeill; Municipal Clerk Carolyn Young; other staff, L. Bent, D. Campbell, and 1 member of the public.

### **Disclosure of Interest**

None.

### **Order of the Day**

Request to add two items In-Camera under 22(2)(c) contract negotiations and (f) litigation or potential litigation of the *Municipal Government Act*.

Request to add under New Business 6.2, IMSA (VW and KTA) Update

To approve the Order of the Day as amended.

Moved: Deputy Warden Redden

Seconded: Councillor Longmire

Motion carried.

### **Minutes**

Re: 2024-04-16 Regular Minutes

Approved, no errors or omissions.

### **COMMITTEE of the WHOLE RECOMMENDATIONS**

#### **• *Special Committee of the Whole Recommendations 2024-05-07***

Re: SR2024-30 S6 Commercial Activity on Municipal Property Bylaw Application – Tom’s Cool Bus.

#### **Motion 240521.01 SR2024-30 S6 Commercial Activity on Municipal Property Bylaw Application – Tom’s Cool Bus**

That Municipal Council authorize the Clerk to issue a Vendor on Municipal Property permit for the 2024-25 fiscal year to Tom Marshall, for the operation of Tom’s Cool Bus Canteen at the

Annapolis River Causeway Park in accordance with *S6 Commercial Activity on Municipal Property Bylaw*, in accordance with the recommendation of Committee of the Whole.

Moved: Councillor Gunn

Seconded: Councillor Barteaux

Motion carried.

Re: Policy 117 Fire Services Capital Funding – New

**Motion 240521.02 Policy 117 Fire Services Capital Funding New**

That Municipal Council approve *Policy 117 Fire Services Capital Funding*, pursuant to seven-day notice given on May 7, 2024.

Moved: Councillor Connell

Seconded: Councillor Hudson

Motion carried.

• ***Committee of the Whole Recommendations 2024-05-14***

Re: SR2024-31 Review Duplicate Road Names – Wilmot, Melvern Square

**Motion 240521.03 SR2024-31 Review Duplicate Road Names – Wilmot, Melvern Square**

That Municipal Council initiate the road name review process to review the duplicate road name of Pleasant Street in Wilmot and Pleasant Street in Melvern Square, in accordance with the recommendation of Committee of the Whole.

Moved: Councillor Prout

Seconded: Councillor LeBlanc

Motion carried.

Re: SR2024-33 Community Solar Program

**Motion 240521.04 SR2024-33 Community Solar Program Letter of Support**

That Municipal Council provide a letter of support to 4579183 Nova Scotia Limited in support of their application to the Province of Nova Scotia for a Community Solar Project on lands of PID #05060207, 196 Brooklyn Road, Brooklyn, Annapolis County, pursuant to the recommendation of Committee of the Whole.

Moved: Councillor Longmire

Seconded: Councillor Connell

Motion carried, 9 in favour, 1 against.

Re: SR2024-34 AM-2.7.8 COVID-19 Vaccination Policy – Repeal

**Motion 240521.05 SR2024-34 AM-2.7.8 COVID-19 Vaccination Policy - Repeal**

That Municipal Council repeal *AM-2.7.8 COVID-19 Vaccination Policy*, in accordance with seven-day notice given on May 14, 2024.

Moved: Deputy Warden Redden

Seconded: Councillor Longmire

Motion carried.

Re: SR2024-34 AM-2.7.9 COVID-19 Response Policy – Repeal

**Motion 240521.06 SR2024-34 AM-2.7.9 COVID-19 Response Policy - Repeal**

That Municipal Council repeal *AM-2.7.9 COVID-19 Response Policy*, pursuant to seven-day notice given on May 14, 2024.

Moved: Deputy Warden Redden

Seconded: Councillor Hudson

Motion carried.

Re: AM-6.2.1 COVID-19 Property Tax Financing Program Policy – Repeal

**Motion 240521.07 SR2024-34 AM-6.2.1 COVID-19 Property Tax Financing Program Policy - Repeal**

That Municipal Council repeal *AM-6.2.1 COVID-19 Property Tax Financing Program Policy*, in accordance with seven-day notice given on May 14, 2024.

Moved: Deputy Warden Redden

Seconded: Councillor Sheridan

Motion carried.

Re: SR2024-35 AM-1.4.10 AC Fire Services Association Grant Policy Repeal

**Motion 240521.08 SR2024-35 AM-1.4.10 AC Fire Services Association Grant Policy - Repeal**

That Municipal Council repeal *AM-1.4.10 Annapolis County Fire Services Association Grant Policy*, pursuant to seven-day notice given on May 14, 2024.

Moved: Councillor Connell

Seconded: Councillor Prout

Motion carried.

Re: SR2024-36 Policy 119 Inaugural Council Meeting New

**Motion 240521.09 SR2024-36 Policy 119 Inaugural Council Meeting - New**

That Municipal Council approve *Policy 119 Inaugural Council Meeting*, in accordance with seven-day notice given on May 14, 2024.

Moved: Deputy Warden Redden

Seconded: Councillor LeBlanc

Motion carried.

Re: SR2024-38 Policy 116 Committees of Council and Council Meetings – Procedures Amend

**Motion 240521.10 SR2024-38 Policy 116 Committees of Council and Council Meetings Procedures - Amend**

That Municipal Council amend *Policy 116 Committees of Council and Council Meetings Procedures*, to remove *Article 1 Inaugural Meeting* and renumber, pursuant to seven-day notice given on May 14, 2024.

Moved: Councillor Sheridan

Seconded: Councillor LeBlanc

Motion carried.

Re: SR2024-37 Valley Waste Service Agreement Extension

**Motion 240521.11 SR2024-37 Valley Waste Service Agreement Extension**

That Municipal Council authorize staff to provide a notice of intention to Valley Waste-Resource Management on or before July 1, 2024, expressing that the Municipality wishes to extend or renew the service agreement beyond March 31, 2025, in accordance with the recommendation of Committee of the Whole.

Moved: Deputy Warden Redden

Seconded: Councillor Gunn

Motion carried.

Re: MTRI Woodlands for Wildlife Program (PID05101480 Hollow Mountain Road)

**Motion 240521.12 MTRI Woodlands for Wildlife Program PID05101480 Hollow Mountain Road**

That Municipal Council enter into an agreement with Mersey Tobeatic Research Institute for part of PID05101480, Hollow Mountain Rad, for their Woodland for Wildlife program, provided the protection does not impact the future development of the remaining lands, pursuant to the recommendation of Committee of the Whole.

Moved: Councillor Gunn

Seconded: Councillor Hudson

Motion carried.

Re: Letter of Support for SOOF Request for Provincial Protected Sites

**Motion 240521.13 Letter of Support for SOOF Request for Provincial Protected Sites**

That Municipal Council send a letter of support to Save Our Old Forests (SOOF) who are requesting Beals Brook and Goldsmith Lake Wilderness Areas to be designated by the province as protected sites, in accordance with the recommendation of Committee of the Whole.

Moved: Councillor Gunn

Seconded: Councillor Prout

Motion carried.

Re: Ecological Forestry – Graywood

**Motion 240521.14 Ecological Forestry - Graywood**

That Municipal Council recommend further develop the ecological forestry initiative on the Graywood location and neighbouring lots owned by the County, pursuant to the recommendation of Committee of the Whole.

Moved: Councillor Gunn

Seconded: Councillor Connell

Motion carried.

**New Business**

Re: Warden's May Update

Warden Morrison added that he also attended the Fun Run on the past weekend for the Annapolis Royal Pool fundraiser, as well as a presentation at the library regarding the wives of Pierre DuGua de Mons and Samuel Champlain.

Re: IMSA (VW and KTA) Update

Deputy Warden Redden reported that staff of IMSA Board are being encouraged to bring updates to councils, however, there are not yet enough details until likely their June meeting. Technically, the IMSA expires on July 12. (end of the funding). If things are ready before June, they will hold a special meeting. Then the information can be presented to the various councils.

**Councillor Comments***District 1 – Councillor Prout (as submitted)*

Good morning from District 1. I hope that everyone enjoyed a wonderful Victoria Day weekend with family and friends.

Since our last Regular Council meeting, I have attended a number of meetings along with my fellow Councillors. In addition, I attended a meeting of the Annapolis Valley Regional Library Board, the May meeting of the Wilmot and Area Neighborhood Watch, the county Recreation meeting at the Melvern Square Community Centre, the Police Day celebration at the Middleton Rotary Park, and, along with our Chairman of the Police Advisory Board (Dane Berringer), the Police Services Meeting in Liverpool last Friday. I also have spoken with a number of residents of Annapolis County on a variety of issues.

With the warmer weather now here activity in the County is on the rise. Our local farm markets often have their own greenhouses which are providing fresh local products to their businesses, along with other local produce which they have in stock. Please strongly consider buying local when you are out shopping, it will be a great benefit to our communities and to our county.

Finally, the largest outdoor flea market in the county, located in Wilmot, is now open on the weekends and is full of bargains to be found by those who drop in for a visit.

*District 2 – Councillor Connell attended a few meetings such as Fire Services and the Recreation meeting held in Port George. The Port George Hall is hosting jams on Monday nights, which is going well. The northern lights were a big natural event on the shore, with lots of cars along the road to enjoy the view. Garden shops throughout the county are now open. Shop local. Farming is good so far this year, no complaints about mud on the roads. It is a farming community and there might be some mud on the roads. Be patient.*

*District 4 – Councillor Barteaux noted he has attended lots of meetings taking care of county business, and council is very busy. Glad weather is warming up. Moschelle Hall is having their regular pancake breakfast May 25, 9-11. Card night on Thursday nights at 7pm.*

*District 5 – Councillor Longmire (as submitted)*

Good Morning from District 5,

This month, I want to give a special shoutout to all the county employees who work tirelessly in our districts. From hosting meetings and approving permits to conducting inspections, managing water and sewer systems, facilitating projects, taking minutes, organizing recreation events, reporting to the council on concerns, cleaning up our parks, creating trails, receiving and reviewing grant applications, and so much more, your dedication does not go unnoticed.

On behalf of the citizens in District 5, I wish to thank each and every Annapolis County employee for their hard work.

- Healthcare Recruitment Conference Truro - I was fortunate to attend the Healthcare Recruitment and Retention Community Conference held in Truro on April 23 and 24. We all face common challenges, and coming together to address these challenges was a powerful exercise. The goal was to make the recruitment process smarter, provide support, and meet the needs of all parties. Our priority was unity in the community and newcomers' success.
- Spring NSFM Cape Breton - Members of NS Municipalities gathered at the Spring NSFM at the beautiful Inverary Inn in Baddeck. Our guest speaker, Brad Gushue, delivered outstanding remarks that laid a solid foundation for the conference. His words often resonated with me: "Keep working hard, don't give in, and most importantly don't give up. Fight hard for what you believe in and be humble." Topics at the conference included:
  - Reliable Cellular and Internet Services for NS - Essential, especially in rural NS. The work is ongoing and close to connecting us all.
  - Youth Engagement - Summits in various communities highlighted the importance of listening to our youth, involving them in discussions, and recognizing their crucial role in our communities' futures. Including our newcomers is equally important.
  - Coastal Protection - Provincial commitment to providing a team of experts to aid municipalities in planning. I am always inspired by the opportunity to meet and discuss common concerns, see how others have solved challenges in their communities, and recognize the importance of collective voices and views. It is more than just time away from the office; it's a valuable opportunity to learn from others. I thank the County for the opportunity to attend these events.

*District 6 – Warden Morrison*

Looks forward to enhancement from an accessibility and standard use point of view for the parking space at Fundy View Park.

*District 7 – Councillor Hudson* Hopes all had a good Victoria Day weekend. He has attended many meetings including NSFM in Baddeck, a worthwhile conference. Unfortunately, the last day of the conference had to be cancelled because of an extended power outage.

Banking machine in Bridgetown, Bank of NS closing in November. Last week they announced they will install an ABM in Bridgetown. An ATM and ABM are basically the same. ATM is an American term, and ABM is Canadian term. The machines do the same things – either full service or simply cash dispensing machines. The location will be at Graves store and it will dispense cash, not a full service machine.

*District 8 – Councillor Gunn (as submitted)*

Good morning, and happy May. It's an especially reflective day today as it is the International day to recognize Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development.

This is particularly relevant in my district since the conversations I've had with constituents have included how to be heard and become better represented at the 3 levels of government.

Other communications have addressed the need for more recreation opportunities in District 8, the need for residents to support Community Halls, specific planning issues and bylaw restrictions, significant road issues, and employment.

April was a busy month for the many church and community halls to offer spring markets and fundraisers, and I'd like to recognize the many volunteers who are keeping these centres open and thriving for their residents.

I was also honoured to attend the Bear River Fire Department banquet that recognized the service of its many members, and to thank them for their commitment.

There was also a fundraising supper for the Bear River Health Centre that was well attended and a fabulous meal; and of course, the famed Maplefest of South Milford was an enormous success as always. I'm looking forward to the Forrester's Hall Spring Market in Clementsvalle next Saturday, and hope it is also a well-attended event.

The Forestry Committee met twice and recommendations have been made to Council.

There was a steady flow of people to the meeting in Bear River about bringing water to the downtown core, and I would like to thank our staff for explaining the progress they have made and the upcoming plans. The community certainly appreciated the updates.

I hope everyone is enjoying the sunshine and has given some thought to putting in a garden this year. It's looking like a great season for growing ahead of us.

*District 9 – Councillor Sheridan*

Nictaux playground group cleanup in Lorcan subdivision followed by a BBQ. The next Nictaux Fire Hall Bingo is May 25<sup>th</sup>.

*District 10 – Deputy Warden Redden (as submitted)*

Annapolis County Exhibition 50/50 Raffle is on, you can get your tickets online through the Exhibition Website or their Facebook page.

New Germany Farm market has started for the season, it runs on Fridays until October 11<sup>th</sup>. Beginning at 2pm in the afternoon and continuing until 6pm.

*District 11 – Councillor LeBlanc* warm weather and people are out and about. Please be safe, wherever you are, watch for motorcycles, kids on bikes, on the waterways, roads and trails.

Turkey supper on Thursday at 3 rivers comm centre – 18\$ for full turkey supper. Pre order by today. Encourage all volunteers who run these events activities at our halls and centres. Check out their Facebook page – always something going on!

**IN-CAMERA**

To meet in-camera from 10:46 a.m. to 11:40 a.m. in accordance with Sections 22(2)(c) contract negotiations and (f) litigation or potential litigation of the *Municipal Government Act*.

Moved: Deputy Warden

Seconded: Councillor Longmire

Motion carried.

**Amend the Order of the Day**

To amend the Order of the Day to add *Bear River Water Project Easement*.

Moved Deputy Warden Redden

Seconded: Councillor LeBlanc

Motion carried.

Re: Bear River Water Project – Easement PID 30140537



**Motion 240521.15 Bear River Water Project Grant of Easement PID#30140537**

To authorize the Warden and Clerk to sign the Grant of Easement on PID 30140537 between the Grantor and the Municipality of the County of Annapolis for the Bear River Water Project.

Moved: Deputy Warden Redden

Seconded: Councillor Gunn

Motion carried.

**Adjournment**

The Warden declared the meeting adjourned at 11:46 a.m.

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Municipal Clerk