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Special Municipal Council
March 18, 2020

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Minutes of the special **Municipal Council** meeting held on Wednesday, March 18, 2020, at 3:00 p.m., in the parking lot at the Municipal Administration Building, Annapolis Royal, N.S.

Roll Call: District 1 – Bruce Prout,
District 2 - John A MacDonald,
District 3 - Wayne Fowler,
District 4 - Burt McNeil,
District 5 - Gregory Heming,
District 6 - Alex Morrison,
District 7 – Warden Timothy Habinski, Chair,
District 8 - Michael J Gunn,
District 9 - Wendy Sheridan,
District 10 – Deputy Warden Martha Roberts,
District 11 - Diane LeBlanc,

Also

Present: CAO John Ferguson, Municipal Clerk Carolyn Young, other staff

COVID-19

The Warden announced that municipal council is taking very seriously the announcement by the Province of Nova Scotia to restriction personal contact and public gatherings.

He added that, in light of announcements from the province and the growing risk from the COVID-19 virus, meetings of Council and Committees will be suspended until further notice.

It may become our practice for any urgent decisions during the pandemic to meet outside or in an open space ensuring six feet of distance between those present, to be seen as transparent and open to the public.

In camera

It was moved by Councillor Fowler, seconded by Councillor LeBlanc, to meet in-camera from 3:01 p.m. until 4:31 p.m. in accordance with Section 22(2)(e) contract negotiations of the *Municipal Government Act*. Motion carried unanimously.

Amend Order of the Day

Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor Heming, to amend the Order of the Day to add three items as New Business: Kings Transit Request; Letter of Intent Internet; and Atalanta Hospice Society Request for Funding. Motion carried unanimously.

New Business

Re: Kings Transit Request – amendments to scheduling and fares in light of COVID-19.

MOTION 200318.01 Kings Transit Authority

It was moved by Deputy Warden Roberts, seconded by Councillor McNeil, that municipal council authorize Kings Transit Authority to provide a temporarily reduced service and a fare suspension in response to the COVID-19 Coronavirus crisis as outlined in the Kings Transit Authority March 18th Service Bulletin and to re-evaluate in two weeks or as circumstances require. Motion carried unanimously.

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MOTION 200318.02 Letter of Intent - Internet

Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor McNeil, that municipal council send a letter of intent to sign a contract for a Partnership to Deliver Products and Services for a Fiber-Optic Broadband Network and that Seaside Communications Inc. is selected as the preferred proponent for these services; transport and transit services not to be included in this contract. Motion carried, 10 in favour, 1 against (Roberts).

Re: Atalanta Hospice Society – David Cvet had made a presentation at March Committee of the Whole, requesting grant funding (no amount provided). A motion was made at Committee of the Whole to send the request for budget consideration. Mr. Cvet contacted the Warden and, noting current world circumstances, requested that it be withdrawn at this time.

MOTION 200318.03 Atalanta Hospice Society Request for Funding - Withdrawn

It was moved by Deputy Warden Roberts, seconded by Councillor Fowler, that the request for funding made by Atalanta Hospice Society be removed from budget consideration at this time. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

Upon motion of Councillors MacDonald and LeBlanc, the meeting adjourned at 4:37 p.m.

Warden

Municipal Clerk