



**Town of Westville
Regular Council Meeting
Monday, August 31, 2015**

Commencing at 6:00 pm

Council Members Present:	Mayor Roger MacKay; Deputy Mayor Bernie Murphy; Councillor Lennie White; Councillor Lynn MacDonald; Councillor Charlie Sutherland
Town Employees Present:	CAO Kelly D. Rice; Recording Secretary Bev Heighton
Regrets:	
Visitors Present:	A number of Westville residents
Media Organizations Present:	The Advocate; The News

1. CALLING OF MEETING TO ORDER

- 1.1 Mayor MacKay called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Westville Council Chambers welcoming everyone in attendance.
- 1.2 Mayor MacKay introduced Emily Jones Building Inspector.
- 1.3 Mayor MacKay congratulated Deputy Mayor Murphy on his gold Metal win at the Canadian Men's National Fast Pitch Ball Tournament in Quebec City this past weekend.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- 2.1 *It was moved by Deputy Mayor Murphy to approve the tentative agenda. Councillor MacDonald seconded. Motion Carried.*

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 3.1 *It was moved by Councillor White to approve the minutes of the July 27, 2015 Regular Council Meeting. Deputy Mayor Murphy seconded. Motion carried.*

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

- 4.1 Councillor MacDonald asked Councillor White if there had been any information from the Glen Haven Manor Board meeting with regards to an incident that was reported in The News dated July 25, 2015. Councillor White reported that the matter had been discussed and reviewed with Staff of the Glen Haven Manor. The Policy was reviewed and it had been followed by staff.

- 4.2 Councillor MacDonald asked Mayor MacKay if there were any updates regarding the meeting he attended concerning the temporary closing of the ~~Met~~ Mental Health Unit at the Aberdeen Hospital. Mayor MacKay informed Council the Hospital is reviewing applications but no interviews have taken place yet.

5. FINANCIAL REPORT

- 5.1 *It was moved by Deputy Mayor Murphy to accept the Expenditures Report as circulated. Councillor MacDonald seconded. Motion Carried*

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 6.1 **Police** - *It was moved by Councillor Sutherland to approve the Police Report as circulated. Councillor White seconded. Motion carried.*

- 6.2 **Fire Report** - *It was moved by Councillor MacDonald to approve the Fire Report as circulated. Deputy Mayor Murphy seconded. Motion carried.*

- 6.3 **Recreation Report** - *It was moved by Deputy Mayor Murphy to approve the Recreation Report as circulated. Councillor MacDonald seconded. Motion carried.*

Deputy Mayor Murphy thanked the Recreation Staff, Trails Committee, Public Works and the Public Volunteers for the work they did on the trails.

Councillor Sutherland informed Council that the Pictou-Antigonish Regional Library Westville Branch appreciate all the cooperation they received from the Recreation Department this summer.

Councillor MacDonald has had a lot of positive feedback regarding the recreation newsletter that was sent out with the tax bills.

- 6.4 **Compost, Garbage & Recycling Report** - *It was moved by Councillor Sutherland to approve the Compost, Garbage & Recycling Report as circulated. Councillor White seconded. Motion carried.*

- 6.5 **Environmental Health Report** - *It was moved by Councillor White to approve the Environmental Health Report as circulated. Councillor MacDonald seconded. Motion carried.*

- 6.6 **Transportation Report** – *It was moved by Councillor Sutherland to approve the Transportation Report as circulated. Deputy Mayor Murphy seconded. Motion Carried.*

Councillor Sutherland complimented the Public Works Department on the work they have been doing in the Town of Westville.

Councillor White stated he was impressed with the work that was done on Cowan Street where the shoulder of the road was built up.

Mayor MacKay informed Council and Superintendent of Public Works that he has had a lot of positive feedback from the Public with regards to the work the employees in the Public Works and Parks Department have been doing.

- 6.7 **Animal Control Report** - *It was moved by Deputy Mayor Murphy to approve the Animal Control Report as circulated. Councillor MacDonald seconded. Motion carried.*

- 6.8 **Building Report- It was moved by Councillor Sutherland to approve the Building Report as circulated. Deputy Mayor Murphy seconded. Motion carried.**
- 6.9 **Glen Haven Manor Report**
Councillor White gave his report under, "Business Arising From The Minutes."

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- 7.1 **New Glasgow 13U Pee Wee AA Blizzards**
CAO Rice read a letter from the New Glasgow 13U Pee Wee AA Blizzards baseball team. The team have been chosen to host the 2015 13U Pee Wee AA Atlantic Championship on September 18, 2015 and are looking for a donation to help with cost.
Councillor MacDonald made a motion to donate \$100.00 to sponsor an individual game at the New Glasgow 13U Pee Wee AA Blizzards Tournament. Deputy Mayor Murphy seconded. Motion carried.
- 7.2 **Pictou County Seniors' Festival**
CAO Rice read a thank you letter from the Pictou County Seniors' Festival for the Town of Westville's contribution to this year's festival.
- 7.3 **Minister of Municipal Affairs**
CAO Rice read a letter from the new Minister of Municipal Affairs Zach Churchill.
Minister Churchill intends to meet with all Municipalities in the next number of months to listen to concerns and learn about what matters to the respective residents.
- 7.4 **Nova Scotia 55+ 2015 Games**
CAO Rice read a letter from Nancy Dicks Co-Chair for the Nova Scotia 55+ Games inviting the Mayor, Council and CAO to the opening ceremonies taking place on Thursday, September 17, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. Anyone that will be attending is asked to RSVP to Geralyn.macdonald@newglasgow.ca before Friday, September 11, 2015.
- 7.5 **U14B North Nova Boys Soccer**
CAO Rice read a letter from the U14 North Nova Boys Soccer team who has been selected by Soccer Nova Scotia to host the 2015 Nova Scotia U14B Boys Provincial Championships from September 11-13, 2015. In order to assist with cost the team will be selling sponsorship space in their program.
Deputy Mayor Murphy made a motion to donate \$50.00 to sponsor a half page in the U14B North Nova Boys Soccer teams program. Councillor MacDonald seconded. Motion carried.

8. NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 8.1 **Municipal Alcohol Project (MAP)**
Councillor MacDonald informed Council that the Alcohol, Gaming, Fuel and Tobacco (AGFT) Division of Service Nova Scotia is looking at making changes to the Liquor Licensing Regulations. After a discussion Deputy Mayor Murphy asked that the policy be tabled until the September Council meeting so that Council can review the document further.
- 8.2 **Appointment of Dangerous & Unsightly Administrators**
Councillor White made a motion to appoint Emily Jones as the Dangerous & Unsightly Administrator for the Town of Westville. Deputy Mayor Murphy

seconded. Motion carried.

8.3 Appointment of Building Officials

Councillor Sutherland made a motion to appoint Glen LeLacheur and Emily Jones as the Building Officials for the Town of Westville. Deputy Mayor Murphy seconded. Motion carried.

8.4 Unsightly Property Complaint – 1959 Church Street

CAO Rice informed Council that all notices have been issued regarding the unsightly property complaint at 1959 Church Street. There are still some issues to be resolved and under Section 345 the property owner is entitled to a public hearing with Council. Council will have the Public Hearing on Tuesday, September 8, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

9. QUESTIONS FROM CITIZENS

Marilyn Cameron – Acadia Street

Ms. Cameron asked Council if there were any updates on the property that is next to her property. CAO Rice explained that the Town of Westville presently owns the property. Ms. Cameron asked if there would be any conditions on the property if it is sold. The Town of Westville has no plans for the property at this time.

10. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

- 10.1** *Councillor MacDonald moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:35pm. Deputy Mayor Murphy seconded. Motion carried.*

Certified to be a true copy of the minutes of the August 31, 2015 regular Council Meeting for the Town of Westville.


MAYOR


RECORDING SECRETARY