



**Town of Westville  
Regular Council Meeting  
Monday, March 21, 2016**

*Commencing at 6:00 pm*

**Council Members Present:** Mayor Roger MacKay  
Deputy Mayor Bernie Murphy  
Councillor Lennie White  
Councillor Lynn MacDonald  
Councillor Charlie Sutherland

**Staff Present:** CAO Kelly D. Rice  
Recording Secretary Bev Heighton

**Regrets:** None

**Public in Attendance:** Yes

**Media Organizations Present:** The Advocate; The News

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**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.

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

2.1 *It was moved by Councillor MacDonald to approve the tentative agenda as amended. Councillor Sutherland seconded. Motion Carried.*

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

3.1 *It was moved by Councillor Murphy to approve the minutes of the February 22, 2016 Regular Council Meeting. Deputy Mayor White seconded. Motion carried.*

**4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

4.1 **Westville Social Committee / Warm Hearts**  
Deputy Mayor White informed Council that the Westville Social Committee had a Gospel Concert for their first event on March 19, 2016. The event was well attended and the proceeds were donated to Warm Hearts for refugee re-settlement.

4.2 **Pictou County Minor Hockey Reorganization**  
Councillor MacDonald asked Mayor MacKay if he was able to find out any information on the Pictou County Minor Hockey Reorganization. Mayor

MacKay informed Council that Pictou County Minor Hockey is holding a meeting tonight March 21, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Town of Westville Gymnasium with regards to the reorganization.

- 4.4 **Chignecto-Central Regional School Board**  
*It was moved by Councillor MacDonald to request the maintenance and financial records for the schools in Westville as well as the feeder schools. Councillor Murphy seconded. Motion carried*

*It was moved by Councillor MacDonald to request the information regarding the renovation costs for the Dr. W.A. MacLeod Elementary School. Councillor Murphy seconded. Motion carried.*

Deputy Mayor White requested that Mr. Marks be contacted and asked to come to a Council meeting to give an update on the renovations at the school.

## 5. FINANCIAL REPORTS

*It was moved by Councillor Murphy to approve the Financial Statements 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. Deputy Mayor White seconded. Motion carried.*
- 6.2 **Fire Report** – *It was moved by Deputy Mayor White to approve the Fire Report as circulated. Councillor MacDonald seconded. Motion carried.*
- 6.3 **Recreation Report** – *It was moved by Councillor Murphy to approve the Fire Report as circulated. Councillor Sutherland seconded. Motion carried.*
- 6.4 **Compost, Garbage & Recycling Report** - *It was moved by Councillor MacDonald to approve the Compost, Garbage & Recycling Report as circulated. Councillor Sutherland seconded. Motion carried.*
- 6.5 **Environmental Health Report** - *It was moved by Deputy Mayor White to approve the Environmental Health Report as circulated. Councillor Murphy seconded. Motion carried.*
- 6.6 **Transportation Report** - *It was moved by Councillor MacDonald to approve the Transportation Report as circulated. Councillor Sutherland seconded. Motion Carried.*
- 6.7 **Animal Control Report** - *It was moved by Councillor Murphy to approve the Animal Control Report as circulated Deputy Mayor White seconded. Motion Carried.*
- 6.8 **Building Report** – No report available.
- 6.9 **Glen Haven Manor Report** – No report available.

## 7. CORRESPONDENCE

- 7.1 Thank You from Westville Minor Hockey**  
CAO Rice read a thank you card from Westville Minor Hockey Association.
- 7.2 Thank You from Elizabeth Wilson**  
CAO Rice read a thank you card from Elizabeth Wilson and Staff of Kids First for supporting the Jump, Jiggle & Jive Program.
- 7.3 Nova Scotia Association of Garden Clubs**  
CAO Rice read a letter from the Nova Scotia Association of Garden Clubs (NSAGC) stating the 2016 Annual Convention will be held at the Pictou County Wellness Centre on June 3<sup>rd</sup> and June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016. They also requested a financial contribution and noted the Westville Garden Club is in charge of raising the funds for the convention.  
Councillor MacDonald stated as a member of the Westville Garden Club she would excuse herself from the discussion.  
*It was moved by Deputy Mayor White to make a donation of \$100.00 to the Nova Scotia Association of Garden Clubs for their 2016 Annual Convention. Councillor Murphy seconded. Motion Carried.*
- 7.4 Pictou-Antigonish Regional Library**  
CAO Rice read a letter from the Pictou-Antigonish Regional Library requesting a funding increase for the fiscal year 2016/2017.  
*It was moved by Councillor MacDonald to send the request to the Finance Committee. Councillor Murphy seconded. Motion Carried.*
- 7.5 AmmaNovaScotia Organizing Committee**  
CAO Rice read a letter from AmmaNovaScotia Organizing Committee inviting Council to participate in Mind Matters Satsang Program on Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016 taking place at Northumberland Regional High School.
- 7.6 Norma Marshall**  
CAO Rice read a letter from Norma Marshall a competitive boxer with the Albion Boxing Club. Ms. Marshall is looking for sponsorship to help her attend the Canadian Amateur Boxing Championships being held in Quebec on March 28, 2016.  
*It was moved by Councillor MacDonald to donate \$50.00 to Norma Marshall. Councillor Murphy seconded. Motion Carried.*
- 7.7 Lansdowne Outdoor Recreational Development Association (LORDA)**  
CAO Rice read a letter from LORDA requesting financial help with their 2016 Direct Mail Fundraising Campaign.  
*It was moved by Deputy Mayor White to send the request to the Finance Committee. Councillor Sutherland seconded. Motion Carried.*
- 7.8 Pictou County Historical Society**  
CAO Rice read a letter from the Pictou County Historical Society requesting financial assistance to help cover repair costs to the museum.  
*It was moved by Councillor MacDonald to send the request to the Finance Committee. Councillor MacDonald seconded. Motion Carried.*

**8. NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**8.1 Residential Property Tax Exemption 2016/17**

CAO Rice presented a proposal from Staff asking Council to consider an increase to the low income threshold as included in the proposal. After a discussion, *it was moved by Councillor Sutherland to approve Staff's recommendation for the Residential Property Tax Exemption for 2016/17. Councillor MacDonald seconded. Motion Carried.*

**8.2 Housing Nova Scotia**

CAO Rice read a letter from Eastern Mainland Housing Authority to inform Council that there is still a vacancy on the Board. After some discussion it was decided to re-advertise in the papers again for the Town of Westville representative.

**8.3 Temporary Borrowing Resolution (Roofing)**

CAO Rice asked Council for a motion regarding the temporary borrowing resolution of \$400,000.00 for the roof on the Town Office Building. *It was moved by Deputy Mayor White to approve the \$400,000.00 temporary borrowing Resolution for the roof on the Town Office Building. Councillor MacDonald seconded. Motion Carried.*

**9. QUESTIONS FROM CITIZENS**

None

**10. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

**10.1** *Deputy Mayor White moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:47 p.m. Councillor Murphy seconded. Motion carried.*

*Certified to be a true copy of the minutes of the March 21, 2016 Regular Council Meeting for the Town of Westville.*

  
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MAYOR

  
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RECORDING SECRETARY