



**Town of Westville
Regular Council Meeting
Monday, April 25, 2016**

Commencing at 6:00 pm

Council Members Present:	Mayor Roger MacKay Deputy Mayor Lennie White Councillor Bernie Murphy 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

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 Deputy Mayor White to approve the tentative agenda as amended. Councillor MacDonald seconded. Motion Carried.*

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 3.1 *It was moved by Councillor Murphy to approve the minutes of the March 21, 2016 Regular Council Meeting. Councillor MacDonald seconded. Motion carried.*

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

- 4.1 **Chignecto-Central Regional School Board**
Councillor MacDonald asked if a letter was sent. CAO Rice stated the letter will go out this week.
- 4.2 **Housing Nova Scotia**
Councillor MacDonald asked if we have advertised for the Eastern Mainland Housing Authority Board vacancy. CAO Rice stated it has been advertised and no one has applied to date.

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. Councillor MacDonald seconded. Motion carried.*

6.2 **Fire Report** – *It was moved by Councillor MacDonald to approve the Fire Report as circulated. Councillor Sutherland seconded. Motion carried.*

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

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

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

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

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

6.8 **Building Report** – *It was moved by Deputy Mayor White to approve the Building Report as circulated Councillor MacDonald seconded. Motion Carried.*

6.9 **Glen Haven Manor Report** – No report available.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 **Pictou County Sports Heritage Hall of Fame Society**
CAO Rice read a thank you card from the Pictou County Sports Heritage Hall of Fame Society for our donation.

7.2 **Thank You from Westville Heritage Group**
CAO Rice read a thank you card from the Westville Heritage Group for the use of the gym and they made \$100.00 donation to the Town of Westville.

7.3 **Pictou County Women's Resource & Sexual Assault Centre**
CAO Rice read the letter from Pictou County Women's Resource & Sexual Assault Centre requesting support. *Councillor MacDonald motioned to move the Pictou County Women's Resource & Sexual Assault Centre request to the Finance Committee. Councillor Sutherland seconded. Motion carried.*

- 7.4 Westville Social Committee**
Councillor MacDonald motioned to move the Westville Social Committee request to the Finance Committee. Councillor Sutherland seconded.
Councillor MacDonald asked how many concerts the Social Committee would be having. Mr. Morris Campbell said possibly four.
Motion carried.
- 7.5 The Salvation Army**
CAO Rice read the donation request from the Salvation Army. It was stated the Town of Westville was donating the use of the gym for the launch of the Red Shield Appeal.
- 7.6 2016 Walk for ALS**
CAO Rice read an email from Sara Watters requesting the Town's support again this year for their annual walk. CAO Rice stated everything is booked for their use. Mayor MacKay will say a few words during the opening ceremony and registration for the walk will be at 9:30am, and the walk will start at 10:00am.
- 7.7 Charles Facey**
CAO Rice read a letter from Charles Facey commending Police Officer John Calder for helping his sister. Officer Calder noticed her struggling to lift a heavy capstone and he stopped and assisted her. This was truly a wonderful example of community policing. A copy of this letter has been placed in Officer Calder's file.

8. NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 8.1 Pictou County Recreation and Athletic Society – PCRAS**
CAO Rice reviewed a request from PCRAS asking for Westville's support in the parking lot expansion at the Pioneer Coal Athletics Field in Stellarton. The cost would be shared by each of the six municipal units.
Councillor MacDonald motioned to move the expansion of the parking lot at the Pioneer Coal Athletics Field to the Finance Committee. Councillor Murphy seconded. Motion carried.
- 8.2 Gaelic Affairs**
CAO Rice read a letter from Gaelic Affairs advising May is Gaels' month in the province.
Councillor MacDonald motioned the month of May be Gaelic Awareness Month. Councillor Murphy seconded. Motion carried.
Mayor MacKay read the proclamation and signed it.
- 8.3 PACE Program**
CAO Rice reviewed the new Efficiency Nova Scotia PACE Program with Council. After a discussion Council agreed to move forward and set up a meeting with Efficiency Nova Scotia.
- 8.4 Elections 2016**
CAO Rice stated Dorothylane Hale has agreed to be the Returning Officer for the 2016 Election and Beverley Heighton has agreed to take the Deputy Returning Officer role. CAO Rice stated nomination day will be September 13, 2016. Advanced polls will be held on October 8, and 11, 2016, with the Municipal Election on October 15.
Councillor MacDonald moved to appoint the Returning Officer, Dorothylane Hale and Deputy Returning Officer, Beverley Heighton. Councillor Sutherland seconded. Motion carried.

ADDITIONS

8.5 Clairetone Building

Councillor Sutherland asked if anyone has an update on the Clairetone Building in Stellarton and wondered if the business was going to proceed. Deputy Mayor White believes they are still in the process but Councillor Murphy said it is not clear what is going on. Councillor Sutherland thought the building would be suitable for other uses to create employment.

9. QUESTIONS FROM CITIZENS

9.1 Geraldine Gresswell – Lyon’s Lane

Ms. Gresswell asked how many chickens you were allowed on your property because her neighbor is keeping a number of animals.

Ms. Gresswell also had pictures of her road and asked about it being widened. Town staff will look into her concerns.

9.2 Morris Campbell – North Main St.

Mr. Campbell asked if there is electronic voting. It was stated there was not.

Councillor MacDonald motioned to move in-camera at 6:44pm. Councillor Murphy seconded. Motion carried.

10. IN-CAMERA SESSION

Council discussed two unsightly and dangerous issues that Town Staff have been dealing with.

Councillor MacDoanld moved to return to Regular Council Meeting at 7:15pm. Councillor Murphy seconded. Motion carried.

Councillor MacDonald motioned to give staff the authority to move forward and have the property cleaned up at 2173 Union St. Councillor Murphy seconded. Motion carried.

Councillor MacDonald motioned to give staff authority to clean up 1788 Foley St. if it is not cleaned up by the resident by May 24th, 2016. Councillor Murphy seconded. Motion carried.

10. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

10.1 *Councillor MacDonald moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m. Councillor Murphy seconded. Motion carried.*

Certified to be a true copy of the minutes of the April 25, 2016 Regular Council Meeting for the Town of Westville.


MAYOR


RECORDING SECRETARY