



**Town of Westville
Regular Council Meeting
Monday November 24th, 2014**

Commencing at 6:00 pm

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

Town Employees Present: CAO Kelly D. Rice; Superintendent of Public Works & Water / Wastewater Services Samuel Graham; Recording Secretary Vicki Heighton

Absent: None

Visitors Present: A number of Westville residents

Media Organizations Present: 94.1 FM; Pictou 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 Councilor MacDonald to approve the tentative agenda. Councilor Sutherland seconded.*
Mayor MacKay added a thank you card to correspondence.
Motion Carried.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.1 *It was moved by Councilor Murphy to approve the minutes of the October 27th, 2014 Regular Council Meeting as circulated. Deputy Mayor White seconded.*
Motion carried.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

4.1 Councilor MacDonald regarding 8.2 Municipal Fiscal Review: asked when the workshop would be. CAO Rice stated she will send out dates for those Councilors not able to attend the Provincial sessions.

5. PRESENTATION

A youth group consisting of 10 young men from Westville made a presentation regarding the possibility of a skate park in Victoria Park. They stated they are prepared to work hard to raise the money and are committed to succeeding.

Mayor MacKay thanked the group and noted it is a big project. Council congratulated the young men and noted they are excited about the project.

Councillor MacDonald moved to accept the proposal from the youth to build a skate park in Victoria Park. Councillor Murphy seconded. Motion carried.

6. EXPENDITURES REPORT

6.1 October Report

It was moved by Councillor MacDonald to accept the October Expenditure Report as circulated. Councillor Murphy seconded. Motion Carried

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

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

7.3 Recreation Report - *It was moved by Councillor Murphy to approve the Recreation Report as circulated. Councillor Sutherland seconded. Motion carried.*

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

Deputy Mayor White asked if Council could receive a more detailed report that includes a comparison to last year. Councillor Murphy also requested to have a year to date total included.

Motion carried.

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

7.6 Transportation Report – *It was moved by Councillor MacDonald to approve the Transportation Report as circulated. Councillor Sutherland seconded. Motion Carried.*

7.7 Building Report – *It was moved by Councillor Murphy to approve the Building Report as circulated. Councillor MacDonald seconded. Motion carried.*

7.8 Glen Haven Manor Report – Deputy Mayor White stated there was nothing new to report.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 Wastewater Treatment Upgrades

CAO Rice stated this is communication from the FCM, asking each municipality in Canada to send a letter to the Environment Minister and the Congress of Environment Ministers to request funding to help each municipality meet the new federal standards.

8.2 Pictou County Sports Heritage Hall of Fame

CAO Rice read a thank you letter from the Pictou County Sports Heritage Hall of Fame for the donation of the civic building.

- 8.3 Salvation Army – Westville**
CAO Rice read a request for a donation for their Annual Christmas Kettle Campaign.
Councilor MacDonald noted the Salvation Army is also looking for volunteers to help man their kettles this holiday season.
- 8.4 Chignecto Central Regional School Board**
CAO Rice read a reply from Chignecto Central Regional School Board to the Student Advisory Committee for Dr. W. A. MacLeod. CCRSB stated they made Dr. W. A. MacLeod their priority. In the letter they gave updates on the progress of the school and compared it to West Pictou Consolidated.
Councilor Murphy stated it is disappointing with all the deficiencies. Deputy Mayor White agreed with Councilor Murphy and asked to send a letter to see what the functional requirements are. He stated the water is still not safe to drink.
- 8.5 Patterson Law & Goodman MacDonald Law Merger**
CAO Rice noted these two law firms have merged and there is a reception for their clients celebrating the merger.
- 8.6 Royal Canadian Mounted Police**
CAO Rice stated the Royal Canadian Mounted Police have issued their 2013/14 annual report, and it is available at the Town office.
- 8.7 Minister of Justice**
CAO Rice read a response from the Minister of Justice to Mayor Gennoe of the Town of Stellarton regarding Pictou County Policing. The Minister is not in favour of supporting a study at this time. The Town of New Glasgow stated they are not interested in participating in the review.
- 8.8 The Pictou County Fuel Fund**
CAO Rice read the letter from the Pictou County Fuel Fund requesting a donation.
Councilor MacDonald moved to donate \$100 to the Pictou County Fuel Fund. Councilor Murphy seconded. Motion carried.
- 8.9 Northumberland Regional High School Boys Hockey Team**
CAO Rice noted the Northumberland Regional High School Boys Hockey Team is requesting sponsorship for the Annual Danny Dorrington Hockey Tournament.
Councilor MacDonald moved to purchase a business card size ad for \$40, same as last year. Councilor Murphy seconded. Motion carried.
- 8.10 Thank you**
CAO Rice read the thank you card from Mr. Bill Dewtie for the flowers.

9. NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 9.1 Regional Inter-Municipal Planning Strategy**
CAO Rice stated that Stellarton and Westville are holding their public session together at the Westville Town Office on November 26th, 2014 from 2-8 pm in Council Chambers.
Deputy Mayor White stated all five towns are working together on this initiative.
- 9.2 Community Mailboxes**
Councilor Sutherland stated Canada Post needs to supply gravel to the community mailboxes.

10. QUESTIONS FROM CITIZENS

10.1 Gordie MacIntosh – Church St.

Mr. MacIntosh asked if the Town would be liable if anyone was hurt in the skate park. CAO Rice stated liability insurance coverage would be held by the Town.

10.2 December Council Meeting

*Councilor Murphy moved to cancel December's Council Meeting on the basis they can hold an emergency meeting if anything needs to be dealt with.
Councilor MacDonald seconded. Motion carried.*

Mayor MacKay reminded everyone of the New Year's Levy.

11. IN-CAMERA

11.1 *Deputy Mayor White motioned to move to in-camera at 7:10pm. Councilor Murphy seconded. Motion carried.*

11.2 *Councilor MacDonald motioned to return to Regular Council Meeting at 7:55pm. Councilor Murphy seconded. Motion carried.*

12. POLICE CONTRACT NEGOTIATION

12.1 *Councilor Murphy moved to accept the APA Police Agreement as circulated. Deputy Mayor White seconded. Motion carried.*


13. MEETING OF ELECTED OFFICIALS IN PICTOU COUNTY

13.1 The meeting of the elected officials in Pictou County was hosted by MLA Tim Houston and facilitated by Jamie Smith at the Nova Scotia Community College in Stellarton. A report from Smith was circulated to all attending.
*Deputy Mayor White moved to accept the report into the minutes as circulated.
Councilor MacDonald seconded.*
Councilor Murphy stated he felt the report was an accurate account of the discussions that evening.
Motion carried.

12. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

11.1 *Councilor Murphy motioned to adjourn the public meeting at 8:05 pm. Deputy Mayor White seconded. Motion carried.*

Certified to be a true copy of the minutes of the November 24th, 2014 regular Council Meeting for the Town of Westville.


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MAYOR


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RECORDING SECRETARY