

**NOVEMBER 7, 2016
STELLARTON, NOVA SCOTIA**

MEETING

A meeting of the Stellarton Town Council 1 was held on Monday, November 7, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

PRESENT

Mayor Danny MacGillivray, Couns. Bryan Knight, S. Lawand, Susan Campbell and Garry Pentz. Also present was the Town Clerk J. Eaton and Town Solicitor Craig Clarke.

WELCOME

Mayor Roger MacKay, Town of Westville, welcomed newly elected members of Council.

DECLARATION FROM MUNICIPAL ELECTION

Town Clerk J. Eaton read the Declaration from the Municipal Election held October 15, 2016, into the record (Declaration attached):

Mayor Danny MacGillivray

Councillors: Ward I: Bryan Knight and Simon Lawand

Ward II: Susan Campbell and Garry Pentz

Term of Office for the above; November 2016 to October 2020.

SWEARING-IN OF ELECTED

Mayor Roger MacKay, Town of Westville swore in Danny MacGillivray as Mayor of the Town of Stellarton; Bryan Knight as Councillor Ward I; Simon Lawand as Councillor Ward I; Susan Campbell as Councillor Ward II; and Garry Pentz as Councillor Ward II.

Mayor D. MacGillivray took over meeting.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor D. MacGillivray asked for a Moment of Silence in recognition of Remembrance Day.

AGENDA

The Agenda was approved on motion by Coun. G. Pentz, seconded by Coun. S. Lawand. **Motion Carried.**

DECLARATION: CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from October 3, 2016 were approved on motion by Coun. S. Lawand, seconded by Coun. G. Pentz. **Motion Carried.**

PLANNING DIRECTOR:

MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT

Planning Director R. Burek presented Reports to Council (attached), a year to date update of the Planning and Development in Stellarton.

Questions:

Coun. S. Lawand made motion to accept Planning Director's report, seconded by Coun. G. Pentz . **Motion Carried.**

DRAFT – TAXI BUSINESS – HOME OCCUPATIONS

Planning Director R. Burek provided background on a Draft Taxi Business Bylaw; information re home occupation if only one taxi cab parked at residence; also brought draft bylaw to other municipal units for review/acceptance. A review was completed from a planning perspective; a number of business models that were home occupations; no problems.

PUBLIC HEARING

Planning Director R. Burek reported to Council that there will be a Public Hearing on November 14, 2016 in regards to a Road Closure on a section of St. Vincent Street. He also reported that there will be a Hearing on a Site Plan Approval process at 39 Emmanuel Street, to allow for two more units on the property.

FIRE CHIEF MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT

Fire Chief D. Campbell read the monthly activity report for October, 2016, attached. Coun. G. Pentz moved to receive the Fire Department's Monthly Activity Report for October 2016, seconded by Coun. B. Knight . **Motion Carried.**

RECREATION DIRECTOR MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT

Recreation Director P. Corbin presented the Monthly Activity Report, November 2016, (attached), highlighting:

- Recreation Facilities
- Trail update
- Website
- Stelly Community Room
- Christmas Event – November 25 at the new Town Square
- Grant Applications
- Community Programs

Questions/Comments:

Coun. G. Pentz made motion to receive the Recreation Director's Report for the month of November 2016, seconded by Coun. B. Knight. **Motion Carried.**

SURVEY RE: DOG PARK

Recreation Director P. Corbin updated Council on proposed Dog Park for the Valley Woods Playground area; fencing costs estimated at \$7,000; will be creating an online survey for residents in the area.

Coun. G. Pentz asked about other areas that could be utilized for a Dog Park; more central in Town. P. Corbin gave suggestions such as Town-owned land at Pleasant/Foster area.

Coun. S. Lawand recommended using the Valley Woods Facebook group as a way to connect with residents; linking survey to it.

TOWN ENGINEER: MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – PUBLIC WORKS

Town Engineer B. Funke absent. Coun. S. Lawand read the Town Engineer Monthly Activity Report, Transportation and Property, for October 2016, attached.

Coun. G. Pentz made motion to receive the Town Engineer's Monthly Activity Report for October 2016, seconded by Coun. S. Lawand. **Motion Carried.**

Questions/Comments:

Coun. S. Lawand re Acadia Avenue restoration / paving work timelines for completion.

Coun. B. Knight re patching work on Poplar Street; potholes.

TOWN ENGINEER: MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – WATER DEPARTMENT

Coun. S. Campbell read the Monthly Activity Report for the Water Utility for October, 2016, attached.

Coun. G. Pentz made a motion to receive the Town Engineer's Monthly Activity Report for the Water Utility for October 2016 as presented, seconded by Coun. B. Knight.

Motion Carried.

MAYOR D. MACGILLIVRAY: 2016-2017 COMMITTEES

Mayor D. MacGillivray read Committee List for 2016-17 (attached).

Coun. G. Pentz motioned to approve Committee List for 2016-2107, seconded by

Coun. S. Campbell. **Motion Carried.**

COUN. S. LAWAND: RECREATION COMMITTEE? PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE?

Coun B. Knight suggested reinstating a Recreation Committee in order to gather feedback from public; asked for permission to work with the Recreation Director and report back to Council. Coun. G. Pentz agreed and fully supports a Recreation Committee. Coun. B. Knight made the motion to gather information for Recreation Committee and report back to Council, seconded by Coun. G. Pentz. **Motion Carried.**

Coun. S. Lawand recommended, by motion, establishing a Planning Advisory Committee as well for further communications with residents and businesses; and the importance of planning for the future, seconded by Coun. G. Pentz. **Motion Carried.**

NEXT MEETING

Next Council I meeting will be December 5, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. (new time 5:30 p.m. instead of 5:00 p.m.)

OPEN FORUM

Patricia Lloyd comments:

- MOU expenses; financial report; breakdown of costs
- Report re expenditures for residents information

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

MAYOR

TOWN CLERK