

MAY 9, 2016
STELLARTON, NOVA SCOTIA

REGULAR MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Stellarton Town Council II was held on Monday, May 9, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

PRESENT

Mayor J. Gennoe, Couns. K. Francis, J. MacLellan, S. Lawand and D. Taylor.
Also present Town Clerk J. Eaton.

AGENDA

The Agenda was approved on motion by Coun. K. Francis, seconded by Coun. J. MacLellan. **Motion Carried.**

MINUTES

Minutes not available.

BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

- a. **Eastern Mainland Housing Authority – Vacancy:** Still awaiting for additional information.
- b. **PCRAS PARKING LOT EXPANSION –** Mayor J. Gennoe reported that only one reply from the other Municipal units; Town Clerk J. Eaton reported at Council I meeting; she included a footnote on the Agenda on how Council could fund the project if they wished; and if revenue comes from any of the other units, we can reimburse the operating reserve. Coun. J. MacLellan made motion that Council agree to the parking lot expansion at the cost of \$38,000 from the operating reserves account, seconded by Coun. D. Taylor. **Motion Carried.**
- c. **DORRINGTON FIELD PUMP REPLACEMENT –** Update included in Council package; Mayor J. Gennoe concerned with the cost \$25,000; discussion commenced; Coun. J. MacLellan suggested renting portable toilets, with Recreation Director applying for grant to assist in cost of new pump. Council agreed to rent portable toilets, apply for grant, and discuss further during budget.
- d. **TRACKLESS – UPDATE –** Information provided to Council for consideration; Coun. J. MacLellan agreed with Town Engineer's recommendation to get the demo machine; Coun. S. Lawand would prefer a new one or demo model; Mayor J. Gennoe and Coun. D. Taylor agreed with the recommended demo model. Coun. S. Lawand made motion to buy the Trackless unit that is a demo, costing \$75,850 plus HST, seconded by Coun. K. Francis. **Motion Carried.**

PRESENTATION: NIL

REPORTS FROM ELECTED

Mayor J. Gennoe:

144 CEF Flight Engineers – struggling; can't get new members; considering advertising; unable to take on new jobs due to lack of workers.

Pictou County Shared Services Authority – meeting on May 16th.

PC Wellness Centre – no meeting.

Coun. S. Lawand:

DEANS – nothing new to report; still waiting for KIOSK information (paint colors, panel contents). Coun. D. Taylor informed Council of an information Trade Show to be held at

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Museum of Industry highlighting Pictou County, June 1, from 4 – 7 p.m.; opportunity to promote information on Homecoming, Recreation, etc. Coun. S. Lawand will contact Cindy from DEANS as well as Recreation Director for information and assistance. Discussion re KIOSK panels – Coun. S. Lawand suggested points of interest i.e. sports fields, parks, business park, museum, etc. Coun. D. Taylor commented on what format is used by DEANS prior to making decision.

Pictou County Sports Hall of Fame – attended meeting last week; presentation for website grant.

Soccer Complex Committee – no meeting.

Communities in Bloom – summer students hired; flower pots arrived at nursery; old pots were cleaned and sent.

Coun. J. MacLellan reported on the following:

Coun. J. MacLellan reported that she attended the DEANS Gala.

Library – Library Appreciation Day in April at the Antigonish Library; very well attended.

Davis Day – coming up June 11; looking for suggestions.

National Day of Mourning – she and Mayor J. Gennoe attended this ceremony in Trenton.

Coun. K. Francis reported on the following:

Homecoming – July 20 to 24; next meeting is May 11 at noon; final stages for brochure before it goes to press.

Municipal Alcohol Project – event planned for Middle School students at NSCC postponed; “Girls Night Out” event April 19 at Wellness Centre was successful.

Glen Haven Manor – meeting held April 27; 202 resident TVs have been purchased; 1% budget cut from the Province @ \$160,000; first quarter on target.

Economic Development – no meeting.

School Advisory Council, Northumberland Regional High School – unable to attend last meeting; attended the MORE Run at NSCC.

Coun. D. Taylor reported on the following:

G. R. Saunders School Liaison – School Advisory Council; no meeting due to no quorum.

Johnny Miles – gearing up; organizational meeting upcoming with Town Engineer, Traffic Control, Recreation.

Riverview Home – budget challenges.

MOU Committee – attending public meetings.

SARA WATTERS – 2016 WALK FOR ALS JUNE 4, 2016

COUN. J. MACLELLAN – SCOTIA RAIL DEVELOPMENT SOCIETY

Coun. J. MacLellan stated that the Scotia Rail Development Society seeking support from Council in form of a letter to the Provincial Government requesting that they not

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give permission to pull up the rails; Coun. J. MacLellan recommends they send letter of support agreeing with the Society's concerns. Discussion commenced.
Coun. J. MacLellan made motion to send letter to Premier, seconded by Coun. K. Francis. **Motion Carried.**

NEXT MEETING:

June 13, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

OPEN FORUM

Town Clerk J. Eaton read response from Scott Conrod, Project Manager; regarding questions submitted by Mr. Atkinson; stating that the majority of this information is available on the Nova Scotia Utility Review Board and onepictoucounty websites.

Coun. S. Lawand provided answers / comments to 4 questions emailed to him; re comparisons with Letter of Intent funding per capita for dissolving towns; other settlement figures; etc. Town Clerk J. Eaton indicated that this was not an agenda item. Coun. J. MacLellan commented on the relevance of these questions; only concerned with our unit; complicated issue.

Coun. D. Taylor concerned with unsigned correspondence / emails; wouldn't open attachments in case of viruses; amalgamation very different from dissolution.

Coun. S. Lawand indicated that the email is signed, included with phone number.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

MAYOR

TOWN CLERK