

JANUARY 28, 2019
STELLARTON, NOVA SCOTIA

MEETING

A meeting of the Stellarton Committee of the Whole was held on Monday, January 28, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. in Council Chambers.

PRESENT

Chair Deputy Mayor B. Knight, Mayor D. MacGillivray, Couns. G. Pentz, S. Lawand, and S. Campbell. Also present was the Town Clerk S. Higdon.

AGENDA

The Agenda was approved on motion by Coun. G. Pentz, seconded by Mayor D. MacGillivray. **Motion Carried.**

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

The Minutes of November 26, 2018 were approved on motion by Coun. G. Pentz, seconded by Coun. S. Campbell. **Motion Carried.**

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- a. Correspondence from Town of Shelburne Re: Central Dispatching Services – Fire Chief Dwight Campbell comments; satisfied with current dispatching / communication services. Mayor D. MacGillivray re important revenue stream for police department; efficient and effective. Letter accepted as information.

PRESENTATION – ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

Paul Corbin and Rachael McLean made presentation of a draft Active Transportation plan.

- Community consultation held; businesses along Foord Street; online input; other data collected from the NSCC and major employers i.e. Sobeys; large amount of feedback – over 500 submissions
- Safety issues addressed; crosswalks and traffic speed; environmental factors; stop signs slows traffic; “parklets”
- Downtown revitalization
- Existing infrastructure; strengths and weaknesses identified
- Bikeability, Walkability, and Accessibility
- Routes, bike lanes, rumble strips; “Share the Road”
- Standards for accessibility
- Multi-use Trails
- Education and Promotion of Active Transportation; Change the culture
- Maps

Chair Deputy Mayor B. Knight comments re challenges, change in culture, and Foord Street safety.

Coun. S. Lawand comments; well-done plan; concerns re “parklets”; budget considerations, should be included before budget deliberations.

Coun. S. Campbell re “parklets”, distractive, would need more detail.

CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Pictou County Roots for Youth Re Coldest Night of the Year Sponsorship; Town Clerk S. Higdon stated that Council has allotted \$500 in the Annual Grant budget. Mayor D. MacGillivray made motion to recommend to Council \$500 sponsorship for Pictou County Roots for Youth Coldest Night of the Year event, seconded by Coun. S. Lawand. **Motion Carried.**

- b. NS Municipal Affairs to Mayor Mattatal Re: Central Dispatch Response; received as information.
- c. Pictou County Fuel Fund Re: Financial Assistance – Town Clerk S. Higdon reported that \$500 is included in Annual Grants. Mayor D. MacGillivry motioned to recommend to Council \$500 for the Pictou County Fuel Fund, seconded by Coun. G. Pentz. **Motion Carried.**
- d. Mariposa East Skating Centre Re: Elvis Stojko Sponsorship; Town Clerk S. Higdon reported that they are asking for sponsorship opportunity with regards to the Elvis Stojko event on March 10 at the Pictou County Wellness Centre; there was \$50 allotted in the Annual Grants from last year. Coun. G. Pentz made motion to recommend to Council sponsorship of \$50 to Mariposa East Skating Centre, seconded by Coun. S. Lawand. **Motion Carried.**
- e. NS Environment Minister Miller Re: Amendments to Solid Waste Resource Management Regulations; received as information. This was discussed at the Pictou County Shared Services meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Draft Policy – Scent Free; Town Clerk S. Higdon reported that this issue was brought up at the Occupational Health and Safety Committee. Discussion re policy, wording; enforcement; signage. Coun. G. Pentz motioned to recommend the Scent Free Policy to Council as written, seconded by Mayor D. MacGillivray. **Motion Carried.**
- b. Draft Policy – Snow Removal; Town Engineer B. Murray re draft policy for snow removal procedures on Foord Street; when snow fall or accumulation of snow exceeds 15 cm, it will be cleared, 72 hours. Coun. G. Pentz made motion to recommend to Council adoption of the Snow Removal Policy as presented by the Town Engineer, seconded by Mayor D. MacGillivray. Questions/Comments: Mayor D. MacGillivray re budgetary concerns. Further discussion. **Motion Carried.**
- c. Joint Occupational Health & Safety Policy Update – Paul Corbin, Co-Chair of the Safety Committee, presented updated Joint Occupational Health and Safety Policy; two changes – one grammatical and the other is a change on the incident report forms. Tabled until Council has the opportunity to reviews changes.

OPEN FORUM

No comments or concerns at the Open Forum.

NEXT MEETING DATE: FEBRUARY 25, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT on motion Coun. G. Pentz.