

**JUNE 24, 2019**  
**STELLARTON, NOVA SCOTIA**

**MEETING**

A meeting of the Stellarton Committee of the Whole was held on Monday, June 24, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. in Council Chambers.

**PRESENT**

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

**AGENDA**

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

**APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

The Minutes of May 27, 2019 were approved on motion by Coun. G. Pentz seconded by Coun. S. Campbell. **Motion Carried.**

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

Town Clerk S. Higdon reported that there was a response from NS Federation of Municipalities regarding Bill C68 from MP Cheryl Gallant; they are not taking any stance on this issue; if more municipalities voice concerns, they will re-visit their position. Chair B. Knight asked about the NSCC bursary. Town Clerk S. Higdon reported that Mr. Sobey accepted and agreed to have the bursary in his name; NSCC has been made aware.

**UPDATES**

- **Parklets** – Rachael McLean and Paul Corbin – Planner R. McLean updated Council on the Pilot Parklet project; they spoke with the business owner of the original sport regarding the Parklet project; she was not opposed but was not fully supportive. A new location has been chosen and that business owner is quite happy with the idea; in front of Sam’s restaurant (by the fire hydrant); new location will not obstruct traffic or parking. Further explanation on the design; flush with the sidewalk; costs remain at \$2,500.00 as budgeted. Coun. S. Lawand made motion to go ahead with the Parklet to be located in front of Sam’s Restaurant, seconded Mayor D. MacGillivray. On the question; Coun. S. Lawand in favour of new location; asked if the Fire Department was contacted for accessibility; material used; seasonal. R. McLean confirmed that there is no issue for accessibility; also the deck part will be built in-house, no need for pallets; parklet will be seasonal.  
**Motion Carried.**
- **Pleasant Street Plan** – Chair B. Knight re proposal of the hydroseeding for Pleasant Street, high cost concerns. Town Engineer B. Murray stated that he is waiting for two more quotes. Town Clerk S. Higdon commented that proposal is not in the budget. Coun. S. Lawand re the poor condition of the area. Town Engineer B. Murray provided some background, used as a dumping area in the past, approved by Council at the time. Coun. S. Lawand recommends that future dumping should be monitored with strict guidelines. Discussion commenced. Coun. G. Pentz recommends that all dumping cease. Town Engineer B. Murray comments re clean fill dumping as opposed to construction dumping. Mayor D. MacGillivray comment re the need to improve the look of the area. Town Engineer B. Murray will obtain other quotes for Council’s consideration.

## NEW BUSINESS

- a. East Pictou Rural High Re: Rink Staging – George MacLellan, Stellarton resident and alumni of East Pictou addressed Council; large school reunion planned for July 19 and 20; school is being closed; looking to borrow the Town's stage for dance at the Thorburn Rink; they will pick up and return the stage and be responsible for any damages. Mayor D. MacGillivray wanted opinion from Town Engineer. B. Murray comments re stage sections, size, etc., not sure about the condition, liability insurance. Mayor D. MacGillivray re waiver. Coun. G. Pentz made motion to loan Stellarton's stage for the East Pictou Rural High Together Forever Reunion Dance, with waiver, seconded by Mayor D. MacGillivray. **Motion Carried.**
- b. 4H Re: Request for Donation – Town Clerk S. Higdon reported that they missed the deadline to be included in the Annual Grants, but there is funds available in that line. Mayor D. MacGillivray supports the request and motioned to donate \$100 (same as last year), seconded by Coun. G. Pentz. **Motion Carried.** Coun. S. Lawand asked that they be reminded on next year's annual grant deadline.
- c. Pictou County Sports Heritage Hall of Fame Re: Thank you letter received.
- d. LORDA Re: Request for Donation – Mayor D. MacGillivray recommends approving donation request the same amount as last year, on motion, seconded by Coun. G. Pentz. **Motion Carried.** Coun. S. Lawand asked that they be reminded for next year's annual grant submission deadline as well.
- e. Pictou County Seniors Festival Re: Request for Donation – Coun. G. Pentz made motion to donate the same amount as last year, seconded by Mayor D. MacGillivray. **Motion Carried.** Coun. S. Lawand re reminders for next year.
- f. Pictou County Rib Fest Re: Request for Donation – Town Clerk S. Higdon stated that this is a new request, first year for the event; Mayor D. MacGillivray motioned to donate \$100 to the PC Rib Fest, seconded by Coun. G. Pentz. **Motion Carried.**

## DRAFT BYLAW SIDEWALK CAFÉ

Town Planner R. McLean re Draft Bylaw; needs to be reviewed by the Town Engineer; diagrams and drawings will be included; renewable every year. Questions/Comments: Mayor D. MacGillivray re contact with business with the outdoor patio. R. McLean confirmed they are in communications.

## PAVING TENDER

Town Clerk S. Higdon reported that three (3) bids were submitted for the Capital Paving Project:

1. S. W. Weeks Construction = \$145,921.20 with four weeks of completion
2. Dexter = \$238,445.60 with six weeks of completion
3. Webster's Brothers Paving Concrete Ltd. \$159,066.45 with fifteen weeks of completion

The tender documents were checked and prices verified; recommendation to award tender to the lowest bidder which is S. W. Weeks Construction. Coun. G. Pentz motioned to accept recommendation and award tender to S. W. Weeks Construction for \$145,921.20, seconded by Coun. S. Campbell.

On the question: Mayor D. MacGillivray asked Town Engineer how amounts compare to what was budgeted. Town Engineer B. Murray replied that it was under budget.

**Motion Carried.**

## PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING TENDER

Town Clerk S. Higdon reported that the Public Works Building Tender has been tabled to next month; tender has been extended one week.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
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**OPEN FORUM**

Brian Atkinson comments:

- Accessibility Committee; possible federal funding in future

**NEXT MEETING DATE: July 22, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.**

**ADJOURNMENT** on motion Coun. G. Pentz.