

OCTOBER 28, 2019
STELLARTON, NOVA SCOTIA

MEETING

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

PRESENT

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

Regrets: Coun. S. Campbell

AGENDA

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

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

The Minutes of September 23, 2019 were approved on motion by Coun. G. Pentz seconded by Coun. S. Lawand. **Motion Carried.**

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- a. Community Works Program Update – Town Clerk S. Higdon reported that the Program has opened up again; working with representatives from the province to re-apply for this program; this funding is for the Marketing and Communications position.

CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Municipality of the County of Pictou Re: Sympathy Card Chief Dwight Campbell
- b. NS Communities Culture & Heritage Re Shared Strategy for Trails in NS (copy in Administration Office) – Town Clerk S. Higdon reported that this is a shared strategy for trails in Nova Scotia; which is one of the government's priorities in connecting more Nova Scotians to their environment. Coun. S. Lawand asked that this document be reviewed by Town Clerk and provide a brief summary for Council. S. Higdon will review and report at next meeting.

Chair Deputy Mayor B. Knight turned meeting over to Mayor Danny MacGillivray who asked for a moment of silence in memory of Fire Chief Dwight Campbell and former Police Chief Amby Heighton.

TENDER RECOMMENDATION

4 X 4 Truck – Town Engineer B. Murray provided recommendation to Council to purchase 4 X 4; award tender to low bidder, Atlantic Dodge, for \$40,698.50. Coun. G. Pentz motioned to approve Town Engineer's recommendation to purchase a 2019 RAM 1500 Truck from Atlantic Dodge, seconded by Mayor D. MacGillivray.

Question:

Mayor D. MacGillivray re delivery timeline of six weeks and colour of truck. B. Murray replied that the six week delivery time is typical for this vehicle; he confirmed that he has asked that the truck will be blue. Mayor D. MacGillivray stated for the record that Town is changing vehicle colour from red & yellow to blue & yellow.

Motion Carried.

TENDER RECOMMENDATION

Salt Haul – Town Engineer B. Murray reported that this is for the delivery of salt; only one bid received from Pictou County Bulk Carriers for \$15.60 per ton; recommends

going with that price. Coun. S. Lawand made motion to approve Town Engineer's recommendation for salt haul tender, seconded by Mayor D. MacGillivray. **Motion Carried.**

TENDER RECOMMENDATION

Town Hall Space Planning RFP Award - Chair B. Knight would like study to include Police Department area and one not including it.

Town Engineer B. Murray reported that the RFP was space planning for both buildings with the Police Department included only.

Coun. G. Pentz made motion to approve the Town Hall Space Planning Tender received from Archibald & Fraser Architects in the amount of \$24,963.05 including HST, seconded by Mayor D. MacGillivray.

Question:

Mayor D. MacGillivray stated that this company did similar jobs elsewhere i.e. Antigonish.

Motion Carried.

TENDER RECOMMENDATION

East River Water Main Crossing – Town Engineer B. Murray reported that this is for the drilling of the water line under the East River; needs replacing. Mayor D. MacGillivray made motion to approve Town Engineer's recommendation for the East River Water Main Crossing Tender received from C. F. Construction in the amount of \$171,000.00 plus HST, seconded by Coun. G. Pentz. **Motion Carried.**

PARKING PLAN: UPDATE ON DRAFT

Town Engineer B. Murray updated Council re Draft version of the Parking Plan for Foord Street (between Allan Avenue and Acadia Avenue); plans available for Council's perusal in his office; the Traffic Authority needs to review and approve as well. Mayor D. MacGillivray re three-way stop sign at bottom of Jubilee Avenue; congestion concerns. B. Murray replied that parking spots would be removed. Coun. S. Lawand re rules and regulations for distances from intersection (15 feet); has concerns re losing parking spaces on Foord Street. Coun. G. Pentz also voiced concern about removing parking spaces. B. Murray stated that nothing is confirmed, but concerns were brought forward re firetrucks not being able to make left hand turn off Jubilee.

Further discussion re parking areas impeding fire trucks. Parking stalls will adhere to traffic requirements.

OPEN FORUM

No one spoke at Open Forum.

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

ADJOURNMENT on motion Coun. G. Pentz.