

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21, 2021 @ 4:30 P.M.
REGULAR MONTHLY COUNCIL
GUYSBOROUGH MUNICIPAL OFFICE**

Warden Pitts called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.

ATTENANCE

21-04-29928

Warden Pitts
Deputy Warden Peitzsche
Councillor Long
Councillor Desmond
Councillor Decoff
Councillor Hanhams
Councillor McLaren
Councillor Armsworthy

OTHERS PRESENT

Barry Carroll, CAO
Shawn Andrews, Director of IT, Fire & Emergency/Deputy CAO
Glen Avery, Director of Public Works
Ashley Cunningham, Municipal Clerk
Media

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

21-04-29929

Addition: 8. F) Dentist

MOVED: Councillor Armsworthy

SECONDED: Councillor Desmond

MOTION: THAT Council approve the Agenda with the noted addition.

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MARCH 17, 2021 REGULAR COUNCIL **21-04-29930**

MOVED: Councillor Desmond

SECONDED: Councillor Decoff

MOTION: THAT Council approve the minutes of the March 17, 2021 Regular Council as presented with no noted errors or omissions.

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF APRIL 7, 2021 SPECIAL COUNCIL **21-04-29931**

MOVED: Deputy Warden Peitzsche

SECONDED: Councillor Long

MOTION: THAT Council approve the minutes of April 7, 2021 as presented with no noted errors or omissions.

MOTION CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

NEW BUSINESS

**2021 LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR'S AWARD OF EXCELLENCE,
JUDE AVERY**

21-04-29932

Warden Pitts stated that Mr. Jude Avery was one of the recipients of the Lieutenant Governors l'Acadie and Francophonie of Nova Scotia Awards and it would be in order to send him a letter of congratulations for all that he does in the Acadian communities in our Municipality.

MOVED: Councillor Armsworthy

SECONDED: Councillor Decoff

MOTION: THAT Council send a letter of congratulations to Mr. Jude Avery for his dedicated service to the Acadian communities and the preservation of their history in MODG.

MOTION CARRIED

CANSO LIBRARY CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. Carroll stated that the letter included in the package is from the Canso Library Resource Society to the Minister responsible for Libraries. He stated that the letter outlines the disappointment and frustration that the group feels in relation to the recent service cuts and MODG has already responded and have written the MLA as well as the Minister addressed in this letter.

BRIEFING NOTE- CANSO WASTEWATER PUMP REPLACEMENT 21-04-29933

Mr. Avery reviewed the Briefing Note included in the package.

MOVED: Deputy Warden Janet Peitzsche

SECONDED: Councillor Armsworthy

MOTION: THAT the Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough proceed with the purchase of the required pumps from Hart's Electric at a quoted price of \$25,598 plus HST to be funded from the Canso Wastewater Reserve.

MOTION CARRIED

BRIEFING NOTE- MUNICIPAL SOLAR PHOTO VOLTAIC APPLICATION 21-04-29934

Mr. Avery reviewed the Briefing Note which was included in the package.

MOVED: Councillor Armsworthy

SECONDED: Councillor Long

MOTION: THAT the Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough made application to the province of Nova Scotia under the Low Carbon Infrastructure Program at a total project cost of \$1,093,469.00 with the MODG share of \$295,000.00 which has been budgeted for the 2021-2022 fiscal year.

MOTION CARRIED

BRIEFING NOTE- PROPOSALS FOR PROVISION OF HALF TONNE TRUCK FOR WASTE FACILITY 21-04-29935

MOVED: Deputy Warden Peitzsche

SECONDED: Councillor Decoff

MOTION: THAT staff be authorized to proceed with the purchase of the 2021 Silverado, double cab, from Oregon's Chevrolet for a total purchase price of \$37,039.20 HST included, being the lowest proposed price.

MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEES & BOARDS

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

RELEASE OF HOLDBACK, NOVA CONSTRUCTION 21-04-29936

MOVED: Councillor Long

SECONDED: Councillor Desmond

MOTION: THAT on the recommendation of Committee of the Whole the 2.5% warranty

holdback on Cell#5 project in the amount of \$82,839.87 be released to Nova Construction Limited as recommended by Dillon Consulting, subject to final review by our Finance Department.

MOTION CARRIED

POLICY ADOPTION, SECTION 1 OF HR MANUAL- INTRODUCTION 21-04-29937

MOVED: Councillor Decoff

SECONDED: Deputy Warden Janet Peitzsche

MOTION: THAT notice of motion was given at the April 7, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting and therefore Council adopt the policies from the Human Resource Section of the Policy Manual numbered 1.2, 1.3, 1.4, 1.5 & 1.6 for final reading and adoption at the April 21st, 2021 Regular Council Meeting as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

POLICY ADOPTION, 5.5- EXPANDED HOURS AND 4 DAY WORK WEEK 21-04-29938

MOVED: Councillor Armsworthy

SECONDED: Councillor Long

MOTION: THAT notice of motion was provided on April 7th, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting and therefore Council approve the adoption of Policy 5.5 Expanded Hours and 4 Day Work Week for final reading and adoption at the April 21st, 2021 Regular Council Meeting as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

EASTERN REGION SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT 21-04-29939

Warden Pitts stated that the last meeting was mainly focused on Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR), which summed up, places the responsibility for reducing excessive packaging on the companies that sell the products. Warden Pitts stated that the Minister of Municipal Affairs as well as the Premier have given their support.

He stated that Nicole Haverkort and Kevin O'Handley are planning events for Earth Day and will also be attending a future meeting.

MOVED: Councillor Long

SECONDED: Deputy Warden Peitzsche

MOTION: THAT Council approve the Eastern Region Solid Waste Management Report as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OFFICE

There is a meeting scheduled for 5:15 this evening.

GUYSBOROUGH ADULT LEARNING ASSOCIATION 21-04-29940

Councillor Armsworthy stated that there is lots going on at the Association as they plan for wrap up in the coming month. Everything else is going well.

MOVED: Deputy Warden Peitzsche

SECONDED: Councillor Decoff

MOTION: THAT Council approve the GALA Report as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

WASTE MANAGEMENT LIAISON 21-04-29941

Councillor Decoff stated that the minutes from the last meeting were circulated in the package. He stated that the next meeting is on June 1st and wished to remind all Council that the green fund application deadline is April 30, 2021.

MOVED: Councillor Long

SECONDED: Councillor Desmond

MOTION: THAT Council approve the Waste Management Liaison Report as presented.
MOTION CARRIED

LIBRARY BOARD

21-04-29942

Councillor Desmond stated that the last meeting was cancelled and is rescheduled for tomorrow.

MOVED: Councillor Decoff

SECONDED: Councillor Long

MOTION: THAT Council approve the Library Board report as presented.
MOTION CARRIED

CANSO ARENA BOARD

No meeting since last report.

COMMUNITY HEALTH BOARD

21-04-29943

Councillor Long asked Councillor Desmond to provide the update as he was unable to attend the last meeting. She stated that the Wellness Fund grants are moving forward, the 2021 Health Summit is online and will be ongoing until the end of the month and discussion was held regarding the Community Health Plan and priorities that will be contained in it. She stated that they will be looking to come and present to Council hopefully in the Fall.

MOVED: Councillor McLaren

SECONDED: Councillor Decoff

MOTION: THAT Council approve the Community Health Board report as presented.
MOTION CARRIED

CANSO AREA STAKEHOLDER WORKING GROUP

21-04-29944

Deputy Warden Peitzsche stated that they met on April 12th and it was an overview of the MJ Hampton report. At present the group is waiting to hear how Nova Scotia Health are going to respond to their suggestions and questions.

MOVED: Councillor Armsworthy

SECONDED: Councillor Desmond

MOTION: THAT Council approve the Canso Area Stakeholder Working Group report as presented.
MOTION CARRIED

GUYSBOROUGH AREA STAKEHOLDER WORKING GROUP

21-04-29945

Councillor Long stated that there is a meeting scheduled for next week and similar to the Canso group they are waiting for the follow-up on the MJ Hampton report. He stated that Doctor recruitment and a culmination of services at both facilities continues to be the discussion.

MOVED: Councillor Decoff

SECONDED: Deputy Warden Peitzsche

MOTION: THAT Council approve the Guysborough Area Stakeholder Working Group report as presented.
MOTION CARRIED

OTHER COMMITTEES/BOARDS

COMMUNITY TRANSIT

21-04-29946

Councillor Desmond stated that there is discussion with setting up a community Board of Directors that has stemmed from the last meeting. Mr. Carroll stated that he was speaking with Mr. Greg Sewell, Executive Director of the Community Transit Group about the upcoming presentation that the Transit group will be presenting on June 2nd.

MOVED: Councillor Long

SECONDED: Councillor Decoff

MOTION: THAT Council approve the report as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

DENTIST, CANSO

21-04-29947

MOVED: Deputy Warden Peitzsche

SECONDED: Councillor Armsworthy

MOTION: THAT Council send a letter of congratulations to the Cooperative in Canso a for securing a Dentist in the community and also a letter of thanks to Dr. Tara Sutherland for accepting the position.

MOTION CARRIED

DAYCARE

Councillor Long stated that a meeting was held last week, an executive has been formed and they are working with the folks at early childhood intervention who will be having discussions with the School Board moving forward.

FUTURE MEETING DATES

- Wednesday, March 3rd, 2021- Staff/Council Budget Session @ 1:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, March 3rd, 2021- Committee of the Whole @ 4:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

21-04-29948

MOVED: Deputy Warden Peitzsche

MOTION: THAT the Regular Council Meeting of April 21, 2021 stand adjourned.

MOTION CARRIED (5:02) p.m.

WARDEN

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

DATE