

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

Warden Pitts called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

**ATTENANCE**

**21-07-29990**

Warden Pitts  
Deputy Warden Peitzsche  
Councillor Long  
Councillor Desmond  
Councillor Decoff  
Councillor Hanhams (left at 4:45 p.m.)  
Councillor McLaren  
Councillor Armsworthy

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Barry Carroll, CAO  
Ashley Cunningham, Municipal Clerk  
Media

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**21-07-29991**

Additions: Switch positions of items I) & F)

**MOVED:** Councillor Armsworthy  
**SECONDED:** Councillor Decoff  
**MOTION:** THAT Council approve the agenda as amended.  
**MOTION CARRIED**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JUNE 16, 2021 REGULAR COUNCIL**

**21-07-29992**

**MOVED:** Councillor Long  
**SECONDED:** Councillor McLaren  
**MOTION:** THAT Council approve the minutes of the June 16, 2021 Regular Council as presented with no noted errors or omissions.  
**MOTION CARRIED**

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**BRIEFING NOTE- COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE- TRANSIT  
ASSOCIATION OF GUYSBOROUGH (TAG)**

**21-07-29993**

**MOVED:** Councillor Long  
**SECONDED:** Councillor Decoff  
**MOTION:** THAT the Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough authorize an appointment of 1 Councillor to serve as a Board Member on the Transit Association of Guysborough Committee.  
**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOVED:** Deputy Warden Peitzsche  
**SECONDED:** Councillor Long  
**MOTION:** THAT Councillor Dave Hanhams sit as Council member on the Transit Association of Guysborough.

**21-07-29994**

**FIRST READING NOTICE OF REPEAL OF EXISTING POLICY I-2, 21-07-29995  
INVESTMENT**

**MOVED:** Deputy Warden Peitzsche

**SECONDED:** Councillor Decoff

**MOTION:** THAT at the May 19, 2021 meeting of Council, Staff did present the updated Investment Policy I-2 to the Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough which was recommended for replacement of the current policy I-2, Investment;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough approve the first reading of the repeal of the existing policy I-2, Investment.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**SECOND READING ASSET MANAGEMENT POLICY H-26 21-07-29996**

**MOVED:** Deputy Warden Peitzsche

**SECONDED:** Councillor Armsworthy

**MOTION:** THAT the Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough approve the Notice of Intent to adopt the Asset Management Policy H-26, as presented on May 19, 2021;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough approve the second and final reading of Policy H-26, Asset Management.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**SECOND READING- NEW INVESTMENT POLICY I-2 21-07-29997**

**MOVED:** Councillor Long

**SECONDED:** Councillor Decoff

**MOTION:** THAT the Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough gave notice of intent at the May 19, 2021 meeting of Council to adopt the new policy, I-2, Investment;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough approve the second and final reading of Policy I-2, Investment.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**EMANCIPATION DAY EVENTS**

Councillor Desmond stated that the Emancipation Day Ceremony will be held on August 1<sup>st</sup> at the Boylston Post Office. She also described the full list of events that will be taking place that day throughout the Municipality.

**PROCLAMATION OF EMANCIPATION DAY, AUGUST 1<sup>ST</sup> 21-07-29998**

**MOVED:** Councillor Desmond

**SECONDED:** Deputy Warden Peitzsche

**MOTION:** THAT the Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough hereby proclaim August 1<sup>st</sup> of each year to be Emancipation Day in the Municipality.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MEMO- ORGANIZATIONAL TRAVEL 21-07-29999**

**MOVED:** Councillor Hanhams

**SECONDED:** Councillor Long

**MOTION:** THAT the Council for the Municipality of Guysborough would allow organizational travel for training, education, and business proposes based on the approved budget; and based on the necessary CAO/Departmental approvals; and

further that representative of MODG who are travelling will abide by all government travel restrictions associated with COVID 19.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**BRIEFING NOTE- PURCHASE & SALE AGREEMENT, WHITEHEAD 21-07-30000  
CANAL PROPERTY**

**MOVED:** Councillor Armsworthy

**SECONDED:** Councillor Desmond

**MOTION:** THAT the Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough authorize the CAO to sign the Purchase & Sale between Her Majesty the Queen in the Right of the Province of Nova Scotia (Purchaser) and the Municipality (Vendor), transferring Parcel "E" to the Province as part of the Whitehead Canal Bridge Replacement Project for the sale price of \$3,500 with the Purchaser paying all expenses involved in the sale.

**AND FURTHER THAT** the Municipality request that Section 12 be removed from the Agreement prior to signing;

**AND FURTHER THAT** the Municipality request that an addition be made to Section 28 as follows:

*"The Purchaser acknowledges that the Vendor may retain an Easement across the lands herein to be conveyed, which Easement shall be satisfactory to the Purchaser, acting reasonably, to access other lands of the Vendor".*

**MOTION CARRIED**

**BRIEFING NOTE- NATIONAL DAY OF TRUTH & RECONCILIATION, 21-07-30001  
SEPTEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup>**

**MOVED:** Councillor Long

**SECONDED:** Deputy Warden Peitzsche

**MOTION:** THAT following in the footsteps of our federal counterparts to advance reconciliation and reflect on how we can build a more inclusive Canada, Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough authorize the amendments of the appropriate Municipal Policies to reflect the recently announced National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

**AND THAT** this annual holiday will be observed on September 30<sup>th</sup> as a paid holiday for all employees of MODG.

**MOTION CARRIED**

Councillor Hanhams declared a conflict and left the Chambers.

**REPORT & RECOMMENDATION- HANHAM'S GAS & CONVENIENCE, 21-07-30002  
REQUEST TO PURCHASE**

**MOVED:** Councillor Armsworthy

**SECONDED:** Councillor Decoff

**MOTION:** THAT the Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough approve the request from Hanham's Gas & Convenience Limited and advertise PID 35025527 for sale by public tender with the purchaser being responsible for the tendered price plus all expenses involved in the sale such as the cost of survey, legal fees, HST on the sale, etc.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**COMMITTEES & BOARDS**

**RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**SECOND READING- SECTION J)-3 TOTAL BENEFITS POLICIES 21-07-30003**

**MOVED:** Deputy Warden Peitzsche

**SECONDED:** Councillor Desmond

**MOTION:** THAT at the July 7, 2021 Committee of the Whole did approve a Notice of Intent to adopt policies:

- J) 3.1 Salary Administration
- J) 3.2 Group Health Benefits and Pension Plan
- J) 3.3 Long Service Awards
- J) 3.4 Overtime & Time in Lieu
- J) 3.5 Additional Duties Compensation

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough adopt the policies as presented by way of second reading.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**SECOND READING- AMENDMENT TO POLICIES D-1, D-2 & H-15 AND 21-07-30004 REPEAL OF POLICY D-4**

**MOVED:** Councillor Long

**SECONDED:** Councillor Decoff

**MOTION:** THAT Committee of the Whole did at the July 7, 2021 Committee of the Whole Meeting approve the Notice of Intent to amend and repeal the following policies:

- D-1) Sale of Municipal Property (amend)
- D-2) Leasing of Surplus Property School & Buildings (amend)
- D-4) Request to Harvest Wood on Municipal Land (repeal)
- H-15) Public Participation Program (amend)

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough adopt the policies presented for amendment and repeal of the suggested policy for repeal by way of second reading.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**FIRST READING- NOTICE OF INTENT, FLAG PROTOCOL POLICY- 21-07-30005 H-26**

**MOVED:** Deputy Warden Peitzsche

**SECONDED:** Councillor Long

**MOTION:** THAT Council approve the first reading and Notice of Intent to adopt Policy H-26, Flag Policy.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**FIRST READING- NOTICE OF INTENT, AMENDMENTS TO BYLAW 21-07-30006 OF COUNCIL**

**MOVED:** Deputy Warden Peitzsche

**SECONDED:** Councillor McLaren

**MOTION:** THAT Council approve the first reading and Notice of Intent to adopt the amendments to By-Law #18, Proceedings of Council and that it move to the next meeting of Council for final adoption.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**EASTERN REGION SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT**

**21-07-30007**

Warden Pitts reported that the Committee met on May 5<sup>th</sup> and most of the discussion held was regarding EPR. He also noted that both Mrs. Haverkort as well as Mr. O’Handley are scheduled to attend a future meeting.

**MOVED:** Councillor Long

**SECONDED:** Councillor Armsworthy

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

#### **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OFFICE**

Deputy Warden Peitzsche stated there is a meeting this evening following Council.

#### **GUYSBOROUGH ADULT LEARNING ASSOCIATION**

Councillor Armsworthy stated that they haven’t met since the last report.

#### **WASTE MANAGEMENT LIAISON**

Councillor Decoff stated that the next meeting is scheduled for September the minutes from the last meeting are in the meeting package.

#### **LIBRARY BOARD**

**21-07-30008**

Councillor Desmond stated that the Board met on June 24<sup>th</sup>. She stated that the personnel committee came to the table with a recommendation that the newly hired part-time employees not get employee benefits. She stated that she (and other members of the Board) did not agree with this recommendation and the motion was denied. She stated that the Code of Conduct work was tabled until the next meeting. She also provided various other updates on things that the Board is working on.

**MOVED:** Deputy Warden Peitzsche

**21-07-30009**

**SECONDED:** Councillor Armsworthy

**MOTION:** THAT Council direct Staff to send a letter to the provincial department responsible for libraries to ensure that they are aware of the situation with reduced hours and closures at specific branches and new hirings; as well as increased salaries for head office employees.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOVED:** Councillor Armsworthy

**SECONDED:** Councillor McLaren

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

#### **COMMUNITY HEALTH BOARD**

**21-07-30010**

Councillor Long stated that the Board met two weeks ago. He stated that a member’s survey was distributed to assess what could be done better from a Board perspective. He stated that Councillor Desmond’s term as Chair will be up this Fall and a new one will be elected.

**MOVED:** Deputy Warden Peitzsche

**SECONDED:** Councillor Desmond

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

#### **CANSO AREA STAKEHOLDER WORKING GROUP**

Group has not met due to COVID.

**GUYSBOROUGH AREA STAKEHOLDER WORKING GROUP**

Group has not met due to COVID as well, but they are attempting to organize a meeting to discuss the doctor shortage situation.

**ANY OTHER COMMITTEE OR BOARD**

**FUTURE MEETING DATES**

- Wednesday, July 28<sup>th</sup>- Audit Meeting @ 1:00 p.m.
- Wednesday September 8, 2021- COW @ 4:30 p.m.
- Wednesday September 22, 2021- Council @ 4:30 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**21-07-30011**

**MOVED:** Deputy Warden Peitzsche

**MOTION:** THAT the Regular Council Meeting of July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021 stand adjourned.

**MOTION CARRIED (4:57 p.m.)**

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**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

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**DATE**