

**SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING- SWEARING IN CEREMONY
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2020 @ 4:30 P.M.
GUYSBOROUGH MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

Mr. Carroll called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

20-10-29797

Councillor Miles MacDonald
Councillor Elect Paul Long
Councillor Elect Mary Desmond
Councillor Neil Decoff
Councillor Elect Dave Hanhams
Councillor Elect Janet Peitzsche
Councillor Elect Vernon Pitts
Councillor Elect Rickey McLaren
Councillor Elect Fin Armsworthy

OTHERS PRESENT

Barry Carroll, Chief Administrative Officer
Ashley Cunningham, Municipal Clerk
Bruce MacKeen, Municipal Solicitor
Senior Staff
Media

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

20-10-29798

MOVED: Councillor Elect Fin Armsworthy

SECONDED: Councillor Elect Neil Decoff

MOTION: THAT Council approve the October 28, 2020 Special Council Agenda as presented with the noted addition.

MOTION CARRIED

DECLARATION OF RESULTS

20-10-29799

Ms. Cunningham read the election results as follows:

District #1	Paul Long declared elected by acclamation
District #2	Mary Desmond 73 Sheila Pelly 47 Mary Desmond declared elected
District #3	Neil Decoff 249 Elton MacPherson 91 Neil Decoff declared elected
District #4	Dave Hanhams declared elected by acclamation
District #5	Janet Peitzsche 307 Lynette Newell 71 Janet Peitzsche declared elected
District #6	Vernon Pitts 208 Susan Cashin 159 Vernon Pitts declared elected
District #7	Rickey McLaren declared elected by acclamation

District #8	Finlay Armsworthy	242
	Silva Rehel	97

Finlay Armsworthy declared elected.

MOVED: Councillor Dave Hanhams

SECONDED: Councillor Rickey McLaren

MOTION: THAT Council approve the results as presented by the Returning Officer.

MOTION CARRIED

SWEARING IN OF COUNCIL

20-10-29800

Ms. Cunningham asked each Councillor to come forward in order to administer the Oath of Allegiance and of Office.

RESOLUTION - VOTING PROCEDURE - WARDEN AND DEPUTY WARDEN

20-10-29801

MOVED: Councillor Fin Armsworthy

SECONDED: Councillor Paul Long

MOTION: WHEREAS it may be necessary to hold an election for the positions of Warden and/or Deputy Warden for the Municipality of the District of Guysborough;

AND WHEREAS this election is to be conducted in accordance with Policy B-14;

BE IT THEREFORE MOVED THAT should a vote be required for either of the above mentioned positions, the vote be done by secret ballot;

AND FURTHER THAT the Chief Administrative Officer and the Municipal Solicitor shall act as Scrutineers;

AND FURTHER THAT once the results of the vote are known, the ballots be destroyed in accordance with policy.

MOTION CARRIED

TERM OF OFFICE - WARDEN & DEPUTY WARDEN:

20-10-29802

MOVED: Councillor Pitts

SECONDED: Councillor Decoff

MOTION: WHEREAS pursuant to s. 12 (2) of the Municipal Government Act (the Act), the term of the office of the Warden expires when the term of office of the Council expires, unless, prior to the selection of a Warden, the Council adopts a shorter term of office for the Warden;

AND WHEREAS s. 16 (1) of the Act provides that, prior to the selection of a Deputy Warden, the Council shall determine the term of office of the Deputy Warden

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopt a 4 year term for Warden and determine the term of office of the Deputy Warden to 4 year(s);

AND THAT the Warden shall be chosen and the Deputy Warden shall be selected at the first meeting of Council after the expiration of the 4 year term in accordance with s. 12 (3)(b) of the Act.

MOTION CARRIED

SELECTION OF WARDEN

20-10-29803

Mr. Carroll called for nominations for Warden.

Councillor Armsworthy nominated Councillor Peitzsche for Warden. Councillor Hanhams seconded the nomination.

Councillor Peitzsche accepted the nomination.

Councillor McLaren nominated Councillor Pitts. Councillor Desmond seconded the nomination.

Councillor Pitts accepted the nomination.

Mr. Carroll called three times for any other nominations.

Councillor Hanhams moved that nominations cease. The motion was seconded by Councillor Long.

Ms. Cunningham distributed the ballots, Mr. MacKeen collected them. Mr. Carroll & Mr. MacKeen scrutinized the count in the adjacent room.

Both returned to the room and Mr. MacKeen declared Warden Vernon Pitts elected.

MOVED: Councillor Fin Armsworthy

SECONDED: Councillor Neil Decoff

MOTION: THAT Council accept the results of the election for Warden and that Warden Warden Vernon Pitts accepted the nomination.

MOTION CARRIED

ELECTION OF DEPUTY WARDEN

20-10-29804

Councillor McLaren nominated Councillor Peitzsche for Deputy Warden. Councillor Hanhams seconded the motion.

Councillor Peitzsche accepted the nomination.

Councillor Armsworthy nominated Councillor Hanhams. Mr. Carroll called three times for a seconder for the motion. No seconder therefore the motion was lost.

Councillor Decoff nominated Councillor Long for Deputy Warden. Councillor Desmond seconded the nomination.

Councillor Long accepted the nomination.

Mr. Carroll called for any other nominations three times.

Councillor Hanhams moved that nominations cease. Councillor Decoff seconded the motion.

Ms. Cunningham distributed the ballots to Council.

Mr. MacKeen and Mr. Carroll scrutinized the ballots in the adjacent room, Mr. MacKeen announced that the voting has resulted in a tie.

Mr. MacKeen read the procedures from Election Act and stated that another vote would need to be conducted, if that vote resulted in a tie then the Clerk would be required to draw a name out of hat.

Mr. MacKeen collected the second set of ballots and scrutinized in the next room, Mr. MacKeen congratulated Deputy Warden Janet Peitzsche for her nomination as Deputy Warden.

MOVED: Councillor Fin Armsworthy

SECONDED: Councillor Paul Long

MOTION: THAT Council accept the results of the election for Deputy Warden and that Deputy Warden Janet Peitzsche accept the position
MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF SIGNING AUTHORITY:

20-10-29805

MOVED: Councillor Janet Peitzsche

SECONDED: Councillor Neil Decoff

MOTION: **BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT** Mr. Barry Carroll, Chief Administrative Officer of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough (hereinafter called the “corporation”), be and is hereby authorized for and on behalf of the corporation to negotiate with, deposit with, or transfer to THE ROYAL BANK OF CANADA (but for credit of the corporation’s account only) all or any cheques and other orders for the payment of money, and for the said purpose to endorse the same or any of them on behalf of the corporation either in writing or by rubber stamp;

AND FURTHER THAT all cheques of the corporation be drawn in the names of the corporation and be signed on its behalf by Vernon Pitts (Warden) or Janet Peitzsche (Deputy Warden) and signed/countersigned by Barry Carroll (Chief Administrative Officer), Gary Cleary (Deputy Chief Administrative Officer) or Danita Imlay (Director of Finance);

AND FURTHER THAT Mr. Barry Carroll, Mr. Gary Cleary or Mrs. Imlay be and is/are hereby authorized for and on behalf of the corporation from time to time, to receive from the said Bank a statement of the account of the corporation and all items returned unpaid and charged to the account of the corporation, and to sign and deliver to the said Bank, the Bank’s form of verification, settlement of balance and release;

AND FURTHER THAT Mr. Barry Carroll, Mr. Gary Cleary or Mrs. Imlay be and is/are hereby authorized for and on behalf of the corporation to obtain delivery from the said Bank of all or any stocks, bonds and other securities held by the said Bank in safekeeping or otherwise for the account of the corporation and to give valid and binding receipts therefore;

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be communicated to the said Bank and remain in force until written notice to the contrary shall have been given to the Manager for the time being of the branch of the said Bank at which the account of the corporation is kept, and receipt of such notice duly acknowledged in writing.

MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS (REPORTING/NON-REPORTING) 20-10-29806

Mr. Carroll stated that Ms. Cunningham would distribute a list of all committees and asked Council to rank their top 5 selections.

NEW BUSINESS

FOOD BANK LEASE

20-10-29807

MOVED: Councillor Neil Decoff

SECONDED: Councillor Janet Peitzsche

MOTION: THAT on the recommendation of Committee of the Whole the Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough that the Warden and CAO be authorized to sign a 19 year lease with the Guysborough and Area Food Bank Society for the use of the “purpose –built Guysborough Food Bank Building” on the terms and conditions contained in the lease, to become effective November 1, 2020.

MOTION CARRIED

GRAND OPENING FOOD BANK

Mr. Carroll made note of the grand opening that will be taking place on Saturday, October 31st at the Guysborough Food Bank and encouraged all those present to attend.

PROGRESS CLAIM #3, BRILUN CONSTRUCUTION

20-10-29808

MOVED: Councillor Neil Decoff

SECONDED: Deputy Warden Janet Peitzsche

MOTION: **THAT** on the recommendation of Committee of the Whole, the Council approve Progress Claim#3 from Brilun Construction, in the amount of \$244,042.73, which has been recommended for payment by Strait Engineering Limited and is subject of final review by our Finance Department.

MOTION CARRIED

ANYTHING BY MEMBERS

Warden Pitts & Deputy Warden Peitzsche thanked Council for their support for both positions.

FUTURE MEETING DATES

- Wednesday, November 4th @ 4:30- Committee of the Whole
- Wednesday, November 18th @ 3:30- Quarterly DOT
- Wednesday, November 18th @ 4:30- Regular Council

ADJOURNMENT

20-10-29809

MOVED:

MOTION: **THAT** the October 28, 2020 Special Council Meeting stand adjourned.

MOTION CARRIED (5:15 p.m.)

WARDEN

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

DATE