

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2017 @ 4:30 PM
REGULAR MONTHLY COUNCIL
GUYSBOROUGH MUNICIPAL OFFICE**

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

ATTENDANCE

17-12-28994

Warden Vernon Pitts
Deputy Warden Sheila Pelly
Councillor Miles MacDonald
Councillor Neil Decoff
Councillor Blair George
Councillor Janet Peitzsche
Councillor Rickey McLaren
Councillor Fin Armsworthy

OTHERS PRESENT

Gary Cleary, Deputy CAO
Ashley Cunningham, Municipal Clerk
Media

REGRETS

Barry Carroll, CAO
Bruce MacKeen, Municipal Solicitor

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

17-12-28995

MOVED: Councillor Fin Armsworthy
SECONDED: Councillor Miles MacDonald
MOTION: **THAT** Council approve the Agenda as amended.
MOTION CARRIED

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 15, 2017 REGULAR
COUNCIL**

17-12-28996

MOVED: Deputy Warden Sheila Pelly
SECONDED: Councillor Neil Decoff
MOTION: **THAT** Council approve the minutes of the November 15, 2017 Regular Council Meeting as presented with no noted errors or omissions.
MOTION CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

CLOSED SESSION

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

NEW BUSINESS

**GOVERNMENT OF CANADA, CONSULTATION ON RURAL
BROADBAND**

17-12-28997

Mr. Cleary overviewed the letter from Mr. Parker Donham of Seaside Communications asking for a letter of support from Council in regards to the federal consultation being conducted around the expansion of broadband internet in rural areas.

MOVED: Councillor Fin Armsworthy
SECONDED: Councillor Blair George
MOTION: **THAT** Council provide a letter of support to Seaside Communications as part of the federal consultation process to increase rural broadband internet service to rural areas in Nova Scotia.
MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Nothing to report.

HOME MANAGEMENT BOARD

17-12-28998

Warden Pitts stated that the Board met last evening at Seaside Manor. He stated that it was business as usual at both homes and all is going well. He stated that the meeting was brief and that Seaside Manor had received their budget but Milford Haven has not. He noted that the pipe replacement project is complete at Seaside and an increase in per diem rates has been given to employees.

MOVED: Councillor Blair George

SECONDED: Councillor Janet Peitzsche

MOTION: **THAT** Council approve the Home Management Board Report as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

EASTERN SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT

No Report

CHEDABUCTO LIFESTYLE STEERING COMMITTEE

17-12-28999

Councillor George stated that there is not much to update, the project is going well. Paving is complete around the building and the work now moves to the inside of the building.

MOVED: Councillor Miles MacDonald

SECONDED: Deputy Warden Sheila Pelly

MOTION: **THAT** Council approve the CLC Committee Report as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OFFICE

No Report

GALA

17-12-29000

Councillor McLaren stated that the last meeting was on November 28th. He reported that all is going well and the programs are all up and running. He stated that there may possibly be some layoffs if government funding isn't allotted but no update at this time. He stated that there was continued discussion around obtaining a corporate credit card and cell phone for the Office and the next meeting as well as the AGM will be on Jan 16th.

MOVED: Councillor Fin Armsworthy

SECONDED: Councillor Blair George

MOTION: **THAT** Council approve the GALA report as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

WASTE MANAGEMENT LIAISON COMMITTEE

Meeting rescheduled to December 19th

HOME SUPPORT BOARD

17-12-29001

Deputy Warden Pelly stated that the Board met last week. She stated that the Richmond County Office is looking to relocate their operations. She stated that the next meeting will be held on January 22nd.

MOVED: Councillor Miles MacDonald

SECONDED: Councillor Neil Decoff

MOTION: THAT Council approve the Home Support Board Report as presented.
MOTION CARRIED

LIBRARY BOARD

Meeting scheduled for tomorrow night

EASTERN STRAIT REGIONAL ENTERPRISE NETWORK

No meeting

CANSO ARENA BOARD

17-12-29002

Councillor Peitzsche stated that the Board met last evening and all is going well. She stated that the arena staff are very pleased with the season to date and the numbers for both figure skating and minor hockey. She stated that they are also pleased with the finances year to date.

MOVED: Deputy Warden Sheila Pelly

SECONDED: Councillor Miles MacDonald

MOTION: THAT Council approve the Canso Arena Board report as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

ANY OTHER COMMITTEES OR BOARDS

TIANS SUMMIT

17-12-29003

Councillor MacDonald stated that he attended the TIANS Summit in Halifax on November 26-27th along with the Director of Economic Development. He stated that it was a great event to attend and he had some great face to face discussions with the President of Tourism NS and many other prominent people in the tourism industry. He stated that there was a strong list of presenters and guest speakers and a lot of focus was put on 'sport tourism', which he will follow up with the Director of Recreation on. He stated that he attended a session on Air B&Bs which will continue to be a topic of discussion in Nova Scotia. He stated that the lodging industry in the province overall is doing well.

Councillor MacDonald concluded his report stating that the Halifax Convention Center was discussed at length and that the building will have elements integrated into the design from all over Nova Scotia and not just Halifax. Overall, tourism in the province is in a positive state but there is still much work to be done and MODG will work with all players both in our Municipality and outside to advance the tourism agenda.

MOVED: Councillor Blair George

SECONDED: Councillor Neil Decoff

MOTION: THAT Council approve the TIANS Summit Report as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

ANYTHING BY MEMBERS

NEW SIGN- CLC

Mr. Cleary stated that he wished to provide Council with an image of the designed LED sign for the entrance of the CLC property. He stated that the amount for the sign was budgeted for but Council has not had the opportunity to view it. The sign will direct people to all facilities on the property- the Lifestyle Complex, Performance Center and the school. He stated that the School Board has agreed to cost share the sign at 50% which is a great partnership project. Mr. Cleary noted that the purchasing of the sign will go forward immediately and it is for information.

FUTURE MEETING DATES

- January 3rd @ 4:30 pm Committee of the Whole
- January 17th @ 4:30 pm Regular Council
- January 25 & 26 @ 4:30 pm Strategic Planning

ADJOURNMENT

17-12-29004

MOVED: Councillor Blair George

MOTION: **THAT** the December 13, 2017 Regular Monthly Council meeting stand adjourned.

MOTION CARRIED (4:53 p.m.)

WARDEN

DEPUTY CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

DATE