

Public Statement

Response To Posting by Lost Shores on Facebook

May 14th, 2019 (Guysborough, Nova Scotia) - On Monday, May 13th, 2019 an email from Barry Carroll (CAO, Municipality of Guysborough) was posted on Lost Shores Facebook account. The Municipality wishes to provide further information on the matter.

The Gran Fondo has always required a significant financial contribution from the Municipality above and beyond monies collected from the registration fees. Mr. Carter and/or Lost Shores have been involved in the event since inception. Mr. Carter and/or Lost Shores have received financial compensation from the Municipality in excess of \$40,000.00 for this event.

In 2018 Mr. Carter had advised the Municipality and all cyclists registered for the 2018 Gran Fondo, that it would be the final Gran Fondo with Lost Shores' involvement. The Municipality was surprised by this announcement and made the decision to continue the program as the 'Gran Fondo Guysborough'.

After the Municipality announced that the Gran Fondo would continue in 2019, sponsored solely by the Municipality, Mr. Carter made unauthorized contact with registered cyclists and contractors of the Municipality. Mr. Carter advised previous Fondo participants that he had now decided to hold a Lost Shores Gran Fondo approximately one week before the Gran Fondo Guysborough sponsored by the Municipality, which is what prompted Mr. Carroll's email (March 9th, 2019).

Mr. Carroll quickly realised that his language in the email was inappropriate and apologized to Mr. Carter in writing the next day. Attached is the remainder of the email chain not included in what has been previously posted.

As a result of this, a one hour and forty minute telephone conversation was held between Mr. Carroll & Mr. Carter on March 12th, 2019. It was Mr. Carroll's understanding that the matters between Mr. Carter and MODG had been resolved. Mr. Carroll received no further contact from Mr. Carter until the posting of this item on the Lost Shores Facebook page over two months later.

Mr. Barry Carroll wishes to state that "I am very passionate about programs and services provided by our Municipality and in particular about programs that benefit many residents and businesses, such as the Gran Fondo. I apologized to Mr. Carter back in March for my email and I now apologize to the residents of the Municipality for my poor choice of words in my March 9th email to Mr. Carter."

We look forward to a successful 2019 Gran Fondo Guysborough which will be held on September 7th, 2019.

The Municipality will not be providing further comment on this matter.

On Sun, Mar 10, 2019 at 7:08 PM Barry Carroll < bcarroll@modg.ca > wrote:

Rob,

I want to apologize for my terse email yesterday. It was unnecessary.

Can we chat by phone sometime tomorrow Monday?

Again sorry about the content.

Barry

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On Mar 11, 2019, at 1:00 PM, Robert Carter < rob@lostshores.ca> wrote:

Hi Barry,

Thank you for your email. Today kind of closed in on me but we can chat any time Tuesday after lunch. Name your time?

Kind regards,

Rob

On Mon, Mar 11, 2019 at 7:26 PM Barry Carroll < bcarroll@modg.ca> wrote: Rob,

Does 2pm work?

And what number can I reach you at?

Barry

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On Mar 11, 2019, at 7:42 PM, Robert Carter < rob@lostshores.ca wrote:

Perfect. Chat then.

[Phone number redacted] is the more reliable landline number.

From: Barry Carroll < bcarroll@modg.ca>

Sent: March 11, 2019 8:06 PM

To: Robert Carter < rob@lostshores.ca>

Subject: Re:

Great

Sent from my iPhone

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