

**DIGBY TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
February 5, 2007**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Frank Mackintosh
Deputy Mayor Sherri Lewis
Councillor Bob Handspiker
Councillor Danny Harvieux
Councillor Jean Brittain
Councillor Ben Cleveland
Councillor Mike Bartlett

STAFF PRESENT: Matthew Raymond, Deputy Clerk
Bonnie Duncan, Administrative Assistant
Special Constable Richard Parry

Regrets: Tom Ossinger, Town Clerk

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Mackintosh called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

B. AGENDA

B.1 Additions/Deletions

There are five additions under new business.

H.1 Police Advisory Board

H.2 Tree Committee

H.3 Letter of Appreciation

H.4 Flag Day

H.5 Dangerous and Unsightly

B.2 Approval

Moved by: Councillor Bartlett

Seconded by: Councillor Cleveland

That the agenda of February 5,2007 be approved with the above additions.

MOTION CARRIED.

C. DELEGATION

C.1 Dyan Longmire Parking By-law

Mrs. Longmire spoke to the council regarding her concerns with the parking situation on Second Avenue. She requested that Council create a by-law to restrict parking in that area. There was much discussion about by-laws and the steps already taken to deal with the problem. It was decided that Special Constable Parry would look into the by-laws and options and bring the information back to the Streets, Sewers and Public Property Committee.

D. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

D.1 January 2, 2007

Moved By: Councillor Brittain
Seconded By: Councillor Bartlett

That the minutes of January 2, 2007 be approved as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

E. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

F. REPORTS

**F.1 FINANCE COMMITTEE/ADMINISTRATION
COMMITTEE**

a) Accounts Payable

Moved by: Councillor Harvieux
Seconded by: Councillor Brittain

That the accounts payable in the amount of \$285,075.23 be approved for payment.

MOTION CARRIED.

F.2 FIRE, POLICE, AND LICENSE COMMITTEE

Councillor Handspiker presented the Fire, Police and Licensing report for January 2007. (see attached)

F.3 STREETS, SEWER, AND PUBLIC PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Councillor Cleveland presented the Streets, Sewer and Public Property Committee report for the month of January 2007 (See attached)

Moved by: Councillor Cleveland
Seconded by: Councillor Harvieux

That the Committee contribute \$200.00 To Miss Philips for her trip to Ottawa.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by: Councillor Cleveland
Seconded by: Councillor Harvieux

That February 15th be declared National Flag Day.

MOTION CARRIED

Special Constable Parry presented the bids he acquired for the demolition of 157 First Avenue and 98 Carlton Street.

Moved by: Councillor Harvieux
Seconded by: Councillor Bartlett

That Kevin Manzer be awarded the demolition contracts for both properties.

MOTION CARRIED

F.4 TOURISM COMMITTEE

Councillor Bartlett presented the Tourism Committee report for January 2007. (See attached)

F.5 TIDEVIEW TERRACE

Councillor Cleveland reported that the Minister of Health announced that the Province has committed funding to replace the Tideview building.

F.6 DIGBY AND AREA RECREATION COMMISSION

Councillor Brittain and Councillor Cleveland have attended their first meeting as members of the Board of DARC. They have been brought up to date on a number of issues. Councillor Brittain and Councillor Cleveland were also appointed to a number of sub committees.

F.7 LIBRARY BOARD

No meeting. No report.

F.8 WASTE CHECK

Deputy Mayor Lewis presented the waste check report to council. There was discussion about the construction of a transfer station. Deputy Mayor Lewis also informed Council there is going to be a public information session on Monday, February 12th at 6:00pm at the Municipal Building. Mr. Gus Green, of Waste Check, will be there also.

F.9 PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Deputy Mayor Lewis presented the PAC report to council.

Moved by: Deputy mayor Lewis
Seconded by: Councillor Cleveland

That council gives first reading to entering into a development agreement with Rossway Enterprises and that the public hearing for their agreement be scheduled for March 5th, at 6pm.

MOTION CARRIED

Rezoning at 77 Queen St. for Barry VanTassell.

Moved by: Councillor Brittain
Seconded by: Councillor Bartlett

That the public hearing on Mr. VanTassells application be scheduled for March 5th at 6pm.

MOTION CARRIED

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F.10 TREE COMMITTEE

No meeting. No report.

F.11 EMERGENCY MEASURES ORGANIZATION

Deputy Clerk Raymond presented year-end report for EMO. There is to be a tabletop exercise to be held at a later date.

F.12 WATER COMMISSION

Councillor Bartlett presented the water report to council. There still isn't a citizen representative for the committee. The windmill was discussed, it is now operational

F.13 INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

No meeting. No report.

F.14 DIGBY AREA LEARNING ASSOCIATION

Councillor Brittain presented the Digby Area Learning Association report to council. A discussion about plans to expand the facility ensued. The mayor and councilors are also invited to an open house being held on February 16th from 12 noon to 3 p.m.

F.15 SENIOR'S SAFETY BOARD

Councillor Harvieux presented the Senior Safety Board Report to council. The coordinator is very busy and doing very well.

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G. CORRESPONDENCE

G.1 Wharf Rat Rally

Request for permission to close certain streets during the rally, and act as official licensing agent for vendors within the two parking lots, next to Digby Centre and Admiral's Walk. There is a meeting being held on February 20th with local organizations regarding the provision of food for this event. There was discussion regarding the Highland Games, and where they will be held.

G.2 Valley African Heritage Society Celebration Committee

This organization requested a donation of something suitable for door prizes.

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Lewis
Seconded by: Councillor Harvieux

That shirts with the town logo will be sent to the Committee.

MOTION CARRIED

G.3 Tri-County Regional Science Fair.

Requesting donations for the 5th annual science fair being held March. Council decided to wait until the budget meeting before making a decision on this request.

G.4 Digby Scallop Days Association

Requesting a smaller trailer for their float, as the current trailer is much larger and more awkward than they need.
As there is only one quote available at this time the request will be moved to the Streets, Sewer and Public Property meeting.

H. NEW BUSINESS

H.1 Police Advisory Board

Councillor Handspiker opened discussion as to where we stand with regard to the formation of a Police Advisory Board. There was discussion regarding a joint committee with Municipality or an individual Police Advisory Board. The discussion will be continued at the next Fire, Police and License Committee meeting.

H.2 Tree Committee

It was decided to hold a Tree Committee meeting to determine if the Committee is necessary or if it could be dissolved. Councillor Handspiker suggested that tree concerns could be handled by the Superintendent of Public Works and the Streets, Sewer, and Public Property Committee and that a tree committee is not necessary

H.3 Letter of Appreciation

Moved by: Councillor Harvieux
Seconded by: Councillor Brittain

That a letter of appreciation be written to Mr. Peter Turnbull in recognition of his 29 years of service as a Fireman.

MOTION CARRIED

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H.4 Flag Day

Flag Day Celebration at the Fundy Restaurant, 34 Water Street from 11:30am to 1pm.

H.5 Dangerous and Unsightly 84 Carlton Street

IN CAMERA

Moved by: Councillor Cleveland
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Lewis

That Council go "In Camera" to discuss 84 Carlton Street.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by: Councillor Handspiker
Seconded by: Councillor Bartlett

That Council come out of "In Camera."

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by: Councillor Cleveland
Seconded by: Councillor Brittain

That Council rejects Mr. Everett Hall's request to leave the foundation standing at 84 Carlton Street without being filled in with earth. Council directs that the demolition process continue in the manner as originally contracted in respect to the order to demolish.

MOTION CARRIED

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I. QUESTION PERIOD

NONE

J. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting adjourned on motion of Councillor Handspiker and seconded by Councillor Harvieux.

TIME: 8:30

MAYOR

TOWN CLERK