

**DIGBY TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 2, 2008**

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

STAFF PRESENT: Tom Ossinger, Town Clerk
Matthew Raymond, Deputy Clerk
Susan Rice, Recording Secretary

A. CALL TO ORDER

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

B. AGENDA

B.1 Additions/Deletions
None.

B.2 Approval of the agenda

Moved by: Councillor Bartlett
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Lewis

That the agenda of September 2, 2008 be approved as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.

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C. DELEGATION

None.

D. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

D.1 August 5, 2008

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Lewis
Seconded by: Councillor Harvieux

That the minutes of August 5, 2008, be approved as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.

E. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

E.1 Bethany Bargin Bin Society

Discussion ensued regarding changing their tax rate from commercial to residential. The Deputy Clerk presented Council with information from the Registry of Joint Stocks for Bethany Bargin Bin Society and Society of our Lady Saint Mary. The Town Clerk informed Council that the bylaw would have to be changed and would take approximately two months.

Moved by: Councillor Cleveland
Seconded by: Councillor Handspiker

That Council table this issue to the new Council.

MOTION CARRIED.

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F. REPORTS

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

a) Accounts Payable

Moved by: Councillor Cleveland
Seconded by: Councillor Bartlett

That the accounts payable in the amount of \$477,582.09 be approved for payment for the month of August.

MOTION CARRIED

F.2 FIRE, POLICE, AND LICENSE COMMITTEE

Report for August 2008 was reviewed and accepted as presented. Councillor Handspiker stated to Council that a letter will be sent off to all technical advisors informing them to send a representative if they can't be at the meeting or call the Town Office. The Town Clerk will write the letter and have the Chair of the Fire, Police and License Committee sign it.

**F.3 STREETS, SEWER, AND PUBLIC PROPERTY
COMMITTEE**

Report for August 2008 was reviewed and accepted as presented.

Moved by: Councillor Cleveland
Seconded by: Councillor Handspiker

That an order to remedy be issued for an unsightly property located at 28 Birch Street.

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The Town Clerk stated that he met with Brian Manzer and Ridge Hiltz regarding Brian's proposal and different options are being looked at. Ridge Hiltz will contact Brian Manzer about the options and Brian will then make a decision. The Town Clerk stated that this process will be lengthy.

F.4 TOURISM COMMITTEE

Report for August 2008 was reviewed and accepted as presented.

F.5 TIDEVIEW TERRACE

No meeting.

F.6 DIGBY AND AREA RECREATION COMMISSION

Report for August 2008 was reviewed and accepted as presented.

F.7 LIBRARY BOARD

No meeting.

F.8 WASTE CHECK

No meeting.

F.9 PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

No meeting.

F.10 EMERGENCY MEASURES ORGANIZATION

No meeting

F.11 WATER COMMISSION

Report for August 2008 was reviewed and accepted as presented.

F.12 INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

No report was presented.

F.13 DIGBY AREA LEARNING ASSOCIATION

No meeting.

F.14 SENIOR SAFETY BOARD

No meeting. Councillor Harvieux read a letter from NS Department of Seniors stating that as of September 2008 that there will be funding for up to \$20,000 to Senior Safety Programs. There is a fundraiser on September 12 from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

F.15 PESTICIDE COMMITTEE

No meeting.

**F.16 ANNAPOLIS/DIGBY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
AGENCY**

Report for August 2008 was reviewed and accepted as presented.

F.17 CLERK TREASURER'S REPORT

Report for August 2008 was reviewed and accepted as presented.

F.18 POLICE ADVISORY BOARD REPORT

Report for August 2008 was reviewed and accepted as presented. Councillor Harvieux stated that S/Sgt. Barrett recommended strongly having a policy in place for the Town's video/surveillance cameras.

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G. CORRESPONDENCE

**G.1 LETTER FROM DIGBY COUNTY FAMILY RESOURCE
CENTRE**

Discussion ensued with the letter from the Digby County Family Resource Centre. They are requesting the Town to send representatives to the banquet to be held in recognition of Dr. Raymond Winbush's visit and sponsor a table for \$500.00.

Moved by: Councillor Brittain
Seconded by: Councillor Bartlett

That the request from Digby County Family Resource Centre that the Mayor and Councillors attend the banquet on September 26, 2008, at the Digby Pines Resort Hotel and Council also approve two additional seats at \$50.00

MOTION CARRIED.

H. NEW BUSINESS

H.1 ADVANCE POLL

The Town Clerk asked Council when they would like to have the advance poll October 9 or 11, 2008. Council consensus is October 11, 2008.

Moved by: Councillor Harvieux
Seconded by: Councillor Bartlett

That the advance poll be on October 11, 2008.

MOTION CARRIED.

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H.2 Doctor Incentive

The Town Clerk circulated information to Council regarding a young doctor looking at coming to this area. The doctor wanted to know about maternity leave and if the Town or Municipality would set up an office for her and hire a secretary and bill the doctor once a month so she does not have to do it. Discussion ensued.

Moved by: Councillor Cleveland
Seconded by: Councillor Handspiker

That the Town proceed with the offer as requested.

MOTION CARRIED.

I. QUESTION PERIOD

None.

J. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting adjourned on motion of Councillor Cleveland and Deputy Mayor Lewis.

TIME: 7:50 p.m.

MAYOR

TOWN CLERK