

**TOWN OF DIGBY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 6, 2013**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Ben Cleveland (6:43 p.m.)
Deputy Mayor Jean Brittain
Councillor Mike Bartlett
Councillor Brian Manzer
Councillor Peter Turnbull
Councillor Bob Handspiker

STAFF PRESENT: Tom Ossinger, CAO
Matthew Raymond, Director of Finance
Susan Rice, Executive Assistant

REGRETS: Councillor Danny Harvieux

A. ROLL CALL/CALL TO ORDER

The Deputy Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

B. PUBLIC HEARING

None.

C. AGENDA

C.1 Additions/Deletions

Additions under New Business

J.1 Preapproval of Debenture Issuance

C.2 Agenda

Motion:

***Moved by Councillor Handspiker and seconded by
Councillor Bartlett that the agenda of May 6, 2013, be
approved with the following additions under new business
J.1 Preapproval of Debenture Issuance.***

Motion Carried.

D. DELEGATION AND PRESENTATIONS

None.

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E. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

E.1 April 2, 2013

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Manzer and seconded by Councillor Turnbull that the minutes of April 2, 2013, be approved as presented.

Motion Carried.

F. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

G. REPORTS

G.1 CAO's Report

The CAO's report was presented.

Discussion ensued on the Kings Transit issue. The CAO informed Council in regards to different options proposed from Kings Transit to Municipality of Digby. The option were to eliminate Smith's Cove route and the Municipality of Digby does not want to do that and the other option was to shorten the downtown route and the bus would travel down Water Street, turn up Church Street with the stop at Kevin Ellis's building, then go down First Avenue to Warwick Street, and the second stop at the GO Store. The cost for this service is \$4,000.

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Bartlett and seconded by Councillor Manzer that Council agree to shorter the downtown bus route to Church Street, then to First Avenue to Warwick Street at the cost of \$4,000 for Kings Transit Service.

AYES

Councillor Manzer

NAYS

**Councillor Turnbull
Councillor Handspiker
Councillor Brittain
Councillor Bartlett
Deputy Mayor Jean Brittain**

Motion Defeated.

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Motion:

Moved by Councillor Handspiker and seconded by Councillor Turnbull that Council approve the \$4,000 for Kings Transit bus to go downtown Digby, and that the CAO and Municipality of Digby CAO meet and negotiate in regards to the bus coming further downtown and bring back his findings.

Motion Carried.

The CAO asked Council if they would agree to come up Sydney Street, then to First Avenue, and the GO Store. Council agreed to this.

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Handspiker and seconded by Councillor Turnbull that Council jointly with the Municipality enter into a 20-year lease with Bell for 30x30m portion of PID #30342547.

Motion Carried.

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Bartlett and seconded by Councillor Turnbull that Council apply for provincial funding to conduct an organizational review for the Town of Digby.

Motion Carried.

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Turnbull and seconded by Councillor Handspiker that Council approve to write-off as uncollectable adjustments to interest of the fiscal year 2012/13 in the amount of \$1,633.74.

Motion Carried.

Staffing of Public Works Department was discussed and the recommendation was to hire two seasonal employees from (May-October).

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Apple Blossom Festival dinner will be held on June 3, 2013.

G.2 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REPORT

The Committee of the Whole report was presented.

1. Bidding of Property at Tax Sale

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Turnbull and seconded by Councillor Bartlett that Council approve to give authority to the Clerk to bid the property (PID #30224109) at the minimum bid required and acquire the property at the tax sale on June 17, 2013, should no other bids be offered.

Motion Carried.

2. Survey for Bay of Fundy Experience Centre

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Handspiker and seconded by Councillor Manzer that Council approve that a survey be done at a cost of \$3,200 plus HST for the lot requested by the Bay of Fundy Experience Centre working advisory group.

Motion Carried

3. First Reading of Vacant Building Bylaw #2013-01

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Bartlett and seconded by Councillor Manzer that Council gives first reading of the Vacant Buildings Bylaw #2013-01.

Motion Carried.

**4. Request for Sponsorship for the 2013 AMA Spring
AMA Conference**

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Manzer and seconded by Councillor Bartlett that Council approve the request for sponsorship for the 2013 Spring AMA Conference in the amount of \$500.00.

Motion Carried.

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G.3 Waste Check Report

The Waste Check report was presented.

G.4 Digby Area Recreation Commission

The DARC report was presented.

H. CORRESPONDENCE

H.1 Property Valuation Services

Information item.

H.2 Property Innovation Services

Information item.

H.3 DCEC Annual Graduation on June 26, 2013 – Action Item

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Handspiker and seconded by Councillor Manzer that Council approve to continue with the sponsorship of the Citizenship Trophy Award and every year from now on and that the DALA representative award this trophy to the recipient.

Motion Carried.

H.4 Relay for Life – Town Noise Bylaw Exemption – Action Item

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Turnbull and seconded by Councillor Handspiker that Council approve the exemption of the Noise Bylaw #2000-11 Section 9(1).

Motion Carried.

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The CAO informed Council that he also had a request from the Relay for Life in regards to the use of the Town's/EMO mobile generator for the event but he did not bring the letter to Council because we have done it in the past and there is no cost associated with them using it.

I. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

None.

J. NEW BUSINESS

J.1 Preapproval for Debenture Issuance

Motion:

***Moved by Councillor Turnbull and seconded by Mayor Cleveland that Council approve the resolution for Pre-Approval of Debenture Issuance Subject to Interest rate for the Wastewater Treatment Plant in the amount not exceeding \$725,030 for a period not to exceed 20 years.
Motion Carried.***

L. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting adjourned on motion of Councillor Turnbull and Councillor Manzer 6:52 p.m.

MAYOR

Clerk