

**TOWN OF DIGBY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 6, 2014**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Ben Cleveland
Deputy Mayor Jean Brittain
Councillor Mike Bartlett
Councillor Brian Manzer
Councillor Peter Turnbull
Councillor Bob Handspiker
Councillor Danny Harvieux

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

A. ROLL CALL/CALL TO ORDER

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

B. PUBLIC HEARING

None.

C. AGENDA

C.1 Additions/Deletions

Additions under Reports G.5 Shared Services and under New Business J.2 Heritage Centre.

C.2 Agenda

Motion:

***Moved by Councillor Harvieux and seconded by
Councillor Handspiker that the agenda of January 6, 2014,
be approved.***

Motion Carried.

D. DELEGATION AND PRESENTATIONS

None.

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E. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

E.1 December 2, 2013

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Harvieux and seconded by Deputy Mayor Brittain that the minutes of December 2, 2013, be approved as presented.

Motion Carried.

F. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

F.1 New Year's Levee

Deputy Mayor thanked the Committee in putting together the New Year's Levee and it was well attended. This year was the largest crowd we ever saw.

G. REPORTS

G.1 CAO's REPORT

The CAO's Report was presented. The Special Committee of the Whole meeting for January 13, 2014, will be at 7 p.m. instead of 6 p.m. because the Municipal Advisor is unable to come for 6 p.m. The BoFEx letter was sent to the Chair and Mr. Kenley was in the gallery and said he will be re-approaching the recommendations and work with Council.

The CAO completed the research for the Village of Westport request for the Memorial Bell and was presented to Council in his report. The CAO's recommendation is to contact the Village of Westport informing them that this is not possible to grant their request.

Motion:

Moved by Deputy Mayor Brittain and seconded by Councillor Handspiker that based on the information that was researched the request is not permissible and that we meet with the Village of Westport to inform them of our findings.

Motion Carried.

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The draft Noise Bylaw will be presented at the Committee of the Whole meeting for discussion.

G.2 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Harvieux and seconded by Councillor Bartlett that the Committee of the Whole recommend to Council to approve the Town Staff and Food Bank Policy #2013-03.

Motion Carried.

G.3 LIBRARY BOARD

The Library Board report was presented. Deputy Warden MacAlpine is the new Chair.

G.4 Digby Area Recreation Commission

The Digby Area Recreation Commission report was presented. The new compressor is up and running and it is running very efficiently. The rink has been running on one compressor not two.

G.5 Shared Services

Councillor Manzer gave a verbal report. The Committee has had two meetings and the Chair is Deputy Warden MacAlpine and vice chair is Councillor Manzer. The committee is trying to establish a Welcoming Committee.

H. CORRESPONDENCE

H.1 Our Community Our Health

Information item.

H.2 Letters from Economic and Rural Development and Tourism

Information item. They are in support of the RENs. There will be a meeting in Clare tomorrow in regards to looking at the applications for people to sit on the board. They cannot be elected officials. If anyone is interested they are still looking for members.

I. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

None.

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J. NEW BUSINESS

J.1 Charles Ross – Digby Water Commission Member

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Harvieux and seconded by Councillor Bartlett that Council accept Charles Ross to be a member of the Digby Water Commission.

Motion Carried.

J.2 Heritage Centre

Councillor Handspiker stated that the Heritage Centre should be used to hold meetings, New Year's Levee, etc. The building has accessible parking, natural light, kitchen, facilities, good view, washrooms, etc. The Council suggested that the Heritage Centre Committee meet to discuss ideas that could be done with the building. The Committee will meet before Committee of the Whole to discuss it. The Committee will bring their recommendations to Council for consideration.

K. IN CAMERA

K.1 Legal

Council move into In Camera.

Council move out of In Camera.

L. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting adjourned on motion of
Councillor Handspiker and Councillor Bartlett 7:10 p.m.

MAYOR

CLERK