

**TOWN OF DIGBY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TOWN HALL
October 5, 2015**

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

STAFF PRESENT: Tom Ossinger, CAO
Leslie Young, Executive Assistant

REGRETS: Councillor Peter Turnbull
Matthew Raymond, Director of Finance

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

There are one addition to the agenda under New Business J.3 Splash Park.

C.2 Agenda

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Handspiker and seconded by Councillor Harvieux that the Agenda of October 5, 2015 be approved with one addition under New Business J.3 Splash Park.

Motion Carried.

D. DELEGATION AND PRESENTATIONS

D.1 None

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E. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

E.1 September 8, 2015

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Harvieux and seconded by Deputy Mayor Brittain that the Minutes of September 8, 2015 be approved as presented.

Motion Carried.

F. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

F.1 Sponsorship Canadian Seniors Curling

Deputy Mayor Brittain recently attending a meeting about the upcoming seniors curling the letter that we received was a drop letter for sponsorship and there will be more information coming so for now we can put this request aside and await more information about advertising as well as the event sponsorship.

G. REPORTS

G.1 CAO's Report

The plow truck tenders are still being evaluated and a recommendation will soon be coming forward we do not expect delivery until March of 2016. The tax sale had low attendance the CAO bid in the 117 Queen Street property as there was no interest in that property. The property at 58 Water Street also did not sell.

Mayor Cleveland declared a conflict with the 58 Water Street property and stepped down as chair and left the room and Deputy Mayor Brittain stepped into the chair.

The CAO is recommending that we tender the other property at 58 Water Street there was no interest in the property at the recent tax sale. Council agreed to go In Camera at the end of the meeting to discuss.

Deputy Mayor Brittain stepped down and Mayor Cleveland returned to the room and resumed as the chair.

The CAO is still waiting to hear from the Salvation Army about the Mount Street School. The salt hauling tender closed Thursday October 1, 2015 we only received one bid. The CAO is recommending that we accept the offer from G K Morse Trucking to haul salt for the 2015/16 season at a price of \$33.75 per tonne plus HST.

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Motion:

***Moved by Councillor Bartlett and seconded by Councillor Handspiker that the salt hauling tender be awarded to G.K. Morse Trucking Ltd at \$33.75 per tonne plus HST.
Motion Carried.***

G.2 Committee of the Whole

The Committee of the Whole is recommending to Council the awarding of the backhoe lease tender to Brandt tractor, the lighthouse location be adjacent to the push off at the end of Church Street along the Town of Digby boundary right away along Admirals Walk, and to allow the CAO to bid in the 117 Queen Street property should there be no interest in the property at the tax sale.

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Harvieux and seconded by Councillor Manzer the awarding of the tender for the lease of a backhoe loader to Brandt Tractor Limited, 60 Symonds Road, Bedford NS.

Motion Carried.

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Handspiker and seconded by Deputy Mayor Brittain that the lighthouse location be adjacent to the push off at the end of Church Street in the Town of Digby boundary right away along Admirals Walk.

Motion Carried.

Motion:

Moved by Deputy Mayor Brittain and seconded by Councillor Bartlett that if no bids are received at the September 28, 2015 tax sale for the property located at 117 Queen Street Lot 1 PID # 30230429 the CAO be authorized to bid in the property on behalf of the Town, and that the bid amount, be funded from the Capital Reserve.

Motion Carried.

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G.3 Digby and Area Recreation Commission Report

The report was included in the package. Councillor Harvieux wanted to recognize that Deputy Mayor Brittain has been asked to speak and emcee some of the presentations during the Recreation Conference.

G.4 Waste Check

The report was included in the package. Deputy Mayor Brittain added that it has been awhile since a meeting was held. Deputy Mayor Brittain also discussed the emphasis on the 2 bag recycling program with the product now being sent to Scotia Recycling they are more insistent on the 2 bag sorting system so more discussion and enforcement will be happening.

H. CORRESPONDENCE

H.1 Letter-Wharf Rat Rally

A letter was received from the Wharf Rat Rally just as an information item.

H.2 Letter-Brenda Small

A letter was received from Brenda Small regarding the old Marshalltown Alms House site located in the Municipality. In the letter there is no reference to correspondence with the Municipality Mayor Cleveland will speak to Warden Gregory to see if they have addressed this letter.

I. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

I.1 None.

J. NEW BUSINESS

J.1 Temporary Borrowing Resolution

The temporary borrowing resolution was presented for the road paving and sidewalk upgrades these are usually a year behind this work has already been completed.

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Harvieux and seconded by Councillor Handspiker that the Temporary Borrowing Resolution be approved as presented.

Motion Carried.

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**J.2 Resolution for Pre-Approval of Debenture Issuance
Subject to Interest Rate.**

The resolution was presented to Council for review.

Motion:

Moved by Deputy Mayor Brittain and seconded by Councillor Manzer that the Resolution for Pre-Approval of Debenture Issuance Subject to Interest Rate.

Motion Carried.

J.3 Splash Park

Mayor Cleveland wanted to update the Council on a meeting that he attended regarding the splash park. There is a group of community folks that are leading the project there will be some fund raising to come it is a good time to discuss the park as the small kiddie pool at the arena is leaking and now would be the time to develop that into a splash pad more information will come forward when available.

Mayor Cleveland declared a conflict of interest in the topic to be discussed In Camera and Mayor Cleveland stepped down as chair and Deputy Mayor Brittain took the chair.

K. IN CAMERA

K.1 Tender

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Manzer and seconded by Councillor Bartlett that Council move to In Camera.

Motion Carried.

Council moved out of In Camera.

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Harvieux seconded by Deputy Mayor Brittain that Council advertise the property at 58 Water Street PID #30232474 for sale by tax sale by tender with no minimum bid.

Motion Carried.

Deputy Mayor Brittain stepped down as Chair and Mayor Cleveland returned to the room and resumed the Chair.

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L. ADJOURNMENT

Motion:

There being no further business the meeting adjourned on motion of Councillor Harvieux and seconded by Deputy Mayor Brittain at 7:08 p.m.

Motion Carried.

MAYOR

CLERK