

**TOWN OF DIGBY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TOWN HALL
September 6, 2016**

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

STAFF PRESENT: Tom Ossinger, Chief Administrative Officer
Leslie Young, Executive Assistant

REGRETS: Councillor Mike Bartlett
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

B.1 None.

C. AGENDA

C.1 Additions/Deletions

One addition to the Agenda under New Business J.4 Nurse Practitioners.

C.2 Agenda

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Handspiker and seconded by Councillor Turnbull that the Agenda of September 6, 2016 be approved with one addition under New Business J.4 Nurse Practitioners.

Motion Carried.

D. DELEGATION AND PRESENTATIONS

D.1 Grant Thornton-Financial Statements

Gloria Banks from Grant Thornton presented to Council the audited financial statement year ended March 31, 2016. Gloria Banks presented these statements to the Audit Committee prior to tonight's meeting.

Motion:

Moved by Deputy Mayor Brittain and seconded by Councillor Harvieux that Council approved as presented the Consolidated Financial Statements for the Year ended March 31, 2016 as presented by Grant Thornton.

Motion Carried.

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E. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

E.1 August 2, 2016

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Harvieux and seconded by Councillor Turnbull that the Minutes of August 2, 2016 be approved as presented.

Motion Carried.

F. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

F.1 None.

G. REPORTS

G.1 Chief Administrative Officer Report

The CAO updated Council on promenade project it was scheduled to begin today September 6, 2016 however will not start until tomorrow September 7, 2016 due to a tent still being at that location left there for the weekend festival. The CAO also wanted to update Council on the Wharf Rat Rally weekend things went as well as can be expected. Deputy Mayor Brittain thought that this year's traffic plan went much better than previous years. The CAO also wanted to remind Council of the email he forward to everyone on the MGA review committee releasing 20 more housekeeping recommendations for Council's review and consideration. This is the final batch of memos to be considered for the fall of 2016 session of legislature. As a reminder the deadline for input on these housekeeping amendments is September 30, 2016.

G.2 Committee of the Whole Report

The Committee of the Whole report is included in the package. There are two recommendations coming forward.

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Harvieux and seconded by Councillor Turnbull that Council approve the Proclamation for the Right to Know Week September 26 to October 2, 2016.

Motion Carried.

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Handspiker and seconded by Councillor Manzer that Council approve the Town of Digby Capital Investment Plan as presented.

Motion Carried.

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G.3 Digby Area Recreation Commission Report

The report was included in the package. Councillor Harvieux informed the Council that the ice will be going in the rink early by a month.

H. CORRESPONDENCE

H.1 None.

I. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

I.1 None.

J. NEW BUSINESS

J.1 Temporary Borrowing Resolution

Included in the package was the temporary borrowing resolution for the snow plow that we purchased.

Motion:

Moved by Deputy Mayor Brittain and seconded by Councillor Handspiker that Council approve the Temporary Borrowing Resolution File #16/17-01 Snow Plow for \$163,080.00.

Motion Carried.

J.2 Fire Service Review

There will be upcoming information session regarding the fire service review consultation these will take place in various locations in the province. Municipal Councils as well as CAO's and people responsible for finances are invited to attend.

J.3 MGA Review

CAO Tom Ossinger sent via email to all of Council a copy of the review documents prior to tonight's meeting.

J.4 Nurse Practitioners

Mayor Cleveland wanted to update Council that there are two new nurse practitioners that are moving into the area today. There is possibility of one more Doctor that maybe coming in the next year.

K. In Camera

K.1 None.

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L. ADJOURNMENT

Motion:

There being no further business the meeting adjourned on motion of Councillor Harvieux and seconded by Councillor Handspiker at 6:37 p.m.

Motion Carried.

MAYOR

CLERK