

**TOWN OF DIGBY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TOWN HALL
January 4, 2016**

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

STAFF PRESENT: Tom Ossinger, Chief Administrative Officer
Matthew Raymond, Director of Finance
Leslie Young, Executive Assistant

REGRETS:

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 additions to the agenda under New Business J.1 Rob Frost Municipal Advisor.

C.2 Agenda

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Harvieux and seconded by Councillor Handspiker that the Agenda of January 4, 2016 be approved with one addition under New Business J.1 Rob Frost Municipal Advisor.

Motion Carried.

D. DELEGATION AND PRESENTATIONS

D.1 None.

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E. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

E.1 December 7, 2015

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Bartlett and seconded by Deputy Mayor Brittain that the Minutes of December 7, 2015 be approved as presented.

Motion Carried.

F. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Deputy Mayor thanked the Events Committee for organizing the New Year's Levee there was a good turnout of people.

G. REPORTS

G.1 Committee of the Whole

The Committee of the Whole is recommending to Council the Organization Chart which replaces the April 1, 2014 chart policy. The Committee is also recommending the Breast Feeding Policy.

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Handspiker and seconded by Councillor Bartlett the Organizational Chart which replaced the Organizational Chart Policy from April 1, 2014 be approved.

Motion Carried.

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Harvieux and seconded by Councillor Bartlett that the Breast Feeding Policy be approved.

Motion Carried.

G.2 Library Report

The report was included in the package. Councillor Harvieux asked about the pop-up-library. Deputy Mayor Brittain explained that it is to create awareness and increase membership they are done in high volume locations in the Yarmouth area as a test it may be done in other areas if this proves successful.

G.3 Digby Area Recreation Commission Report

The report was included in the package. More information will be coming forward on the Seniors Curling Championships there is a meeting this week.

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H. CORRESPONDENCE

H.1 Letter-UNSM Active Transportation support letter

Deputy Mayor Brittain spoke to Bob Powell as well as Cara Sunderland About active transportation in Digby we have two main initiatives started the Digby portion of the trail and the other being the signage for sharing the road that are currently in place. Mayor Cleveland is wondering about additional locations for signage for the share the road signs. In the Capital Budget there is a projected amount for the solar power radar speed signs that are very effective in other Town's. Council would like to send a letter to Minister Glavine expressing our support for Active Transportation.

Motion:

Moved by Deputy Mayor Brittain and seconded by Councillor Handspiker that Council send a letter of support for Active Transportation to Minister Glavine.

Motion Carried.

H.2 Letter-Southwest Nova Biosphere Reserve Association

The letter was an information item. They also have a website Council should visit.

I. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

I.1 None.

J. NEW BUSINESS

J.1 Rob Frost Municipal Advisor

Mayor Cleveland has been in contact with Municipal Advisor Rob Frost he will be attending the January Committee of the Whole meeting if you have any questions or comments that will be the time to ask Mr. Frost.

K. IN CAMERA

K.1 None.

L. ADJOURNMENT

Motion:

There being no further business the meeting adjourned on motion of Councillor Harvieux and seconded by Councillor Turnbull at 6:21 p.m.

Motion Carried.

MAYOR

CLERK