

**DIGBY TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 6, 2009**

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

STAFF PRESENT: Tom Ossinger, CAO
Matthew Raymond, Deputy Clerk
Bonnie Duncan, Administrative Assistant

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Cleveland called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

B. AGENDA

B.1 Additions/Deletions

One addition under New Business: H.1 Princess for Town of Digby.

B.2 Approval of the agenda

a) July 6, 2009

Moved by: Councillor Manzer
Seconded by: Councillor Harvieux

That the agenda of July 6, 2009, be approved as with the following addition under new business.

MOTION CARRIED.

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C. DELEGATION

C.1 Peter Robertson- Wharf Rat Rally Update

Peter informed Mayor and Council of the work being done by the Wharf Rat Rally for this year's event. They have been working with various boards of trade as well as the Red Cross. The airport is going to be used for various events during the rally. There will be vendors at the Digby Arena as well as throughout the town also.

There have been board member changes as well. Peter is now the Executive Director, and there are new members. Peter will forward a list of the new members to Town Hall later this week.

There was discussion regarding the schools opening two days before the Labour Day weekend instead of after as it always has. Peter said that they have spoken to Mr. Elms about this matter and a letter has been sent to the School Board regarding this matter.

Councillor Harvieux stated that the RCMP is very pleased by the amount of communication and that they are being updated regularly.

Mayor Cleveland read a letter submitted by the Wharf Rat Rally extending an invitation to Town Council as an ex-officio board member as Municipal Council had requested the same position. Councillor Harvieux volunteered to take the position. Discussion ensued regarding the meeting format of the committee.

D. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

D.1 MINUTES OF JUNE 1, 2009

Moved By: Councillor Brittain
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Bartlett

That the minutes of June 1, 2009, Council meeting be approved as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.

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E. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

E.1 Crow Whaler

Chief Administrative Officer Ossinger stated that they did not have enough information at this time to make a decision regarding a crow whaler. He will get more information regarding the use and cost.

F. REPORTS

**F.1 FINANCE COMMITTEE/ADMINISTRATION
COMMITTEE**

Report for June 2009 was reviewed and accepted.

Moved By: Councillor Brittain
Seconded By: Councillor Harvieux

That accounts payable in the amount of \$163,368.50 be approved for payment for the month of June.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by: Councillor Brittain
Seconded by: Councillor Turnbull

That Council approve the name change of Deputy Clerk to Director of Finance.

MOTION CARRIED.

CAO Ossinger stated that the new direct deposit for payroll worked well and there were no problems.

F.2 FIRE, POLICE, AND LICENSE COMMITTEE

Report for June 2009 was reviewed and accepted as presented.

There was discussion regarding the review of RCMP contracts. It was stated that the Department of Justice will need to be involved in this process as well.

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**F.3 STREETS, SEWER, AND PUBLIC PROPERTY
COMMITTEE**

Report for June 2009 was reviewed and accepted as presented.

F.4 TOURISM COMMITTEE

No report. Deputy Mayor Bartlett informed Council that there is a new employee on the Saint John Ferry. Bay Ferries are interested in doing new things. Advertising is key to success.

F.5 TIDEVIEW TERRACE

Mayor Cleveland gave a verbal update. Purchase agreements for the new building have been signed. Tenders are in the Chronicle Herald. Geo thermal work needs to be completed before foundation can be started.

F.6 DIGBY AND AREA RECREATION COMMISSION

No meeting. No report

F.7 LIBRARY BOARD

No meeting. No report.

F.8 WASTE CHECK

No meeting. No report.

There was discussion regarding the Waste Check meetings and Councillor Harvieux stated that the committee has decided that they will have only eight meetings a year instead of twelve.

Councillor Manzer stated that he had been asked if it was possible for the green cart to be emptied every week and the blue bags picked up bi-weekly through the summer to help with the smell and bugs. Discussion ensued.

F.9 PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

No report.

Councillor Brittain spoke about the information forum held at the Digby Fire Hall. She said that the event had a good attendance both nights and that some very positive ideas were put forward. A copy of the information gathered at

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this event can be obtained by e-mail from Councillor Brittain if anyone would like a copy.

F.10 EMERGENCY MEASURES ORGANIZATION

CAO Ossinger stated that the EMO meeting was held the same night as the PAC Forum at the Digby Fire Hall. He also said that an ad has been placed in the Digby Courier for the position of REMO Coordinator.

F.11 WATER COMMISSION

No report.

F.12 INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

No report.

F.13 DIGBY AREA LEARNING ASSOCIATION

Report for June 2009 was reviewed and accepted as presented.

Councillor Manzer said that he attended the graduation service and it was very nice.

F.14 SENIOR SAFETY BOARD

Report for June 2009 was reviewed and accepted as presented.

Councillor Harvieux stated that the Seniors Safety Program has changed its name to the Digby and Area Senior Safety Society in order to be registered as a non-profit organization.

F.15 PESTICIDE COMMITTEE

No report. There will be a meeting on Wednesday, July 8, 2009.

**F.16 ANNAPOLIS/DIGBY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
AGENCY**

No meeting. No report.

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F.17 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Report for June 2009 was reviewed and accepted as presented.

Progress of water transmission lines was discussed. CAO Ossinger stated that contracts needed to be signed regarding household hazardous waste. Discussion ensued.

Moved By: Councillor Brittain
Seconded By: Councillor Harvieux

That the contracts for the household hazardous waste project be signed.

MOTION CARRIED

F.18 POLICE ADVISORY BOARD REPORT

Report for June, 2009 was reviewed and accepted as presented.

Councillor Harvieux stated that another member has resigned. Discussion regarding problems with the committee ensued. CAO Ossinger, Mayor Cleveland and Councillor Harvieux will have a meeting at a later date to work on possible solutions to the issues faced by the committee.

F.19 AIRPORT COMMITTEE

No meeting. No report.

F.20 MAYORS REPORT

No report. Mayor Cleveland said that he had attended a meeting with the Mayor of Saint John. They will stay in touch.

G. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

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H. NEW BUSINESS

H.1 Sponsor of Princess for Digby Scallop Days

Moved for Town to sponsor a Public Works Employee's daughter as a princess for Digby Scallop Days.
Motion lost due to lack of seconder.

H.2 Public Access- Shore Road-Harris Road

CAO Ossinger explained the map lay out of the area in question. There was discussion regarding the purpose of designating Harris Road as a public access road. For future development of the land adjacent to this road it needs to be a public access road.

Moved By: Councillor Brittain
Seconded By: Councillor Turnbull

That Town property PID #30322168 that includes Harris Road be reserved as a public access road to allow for possible future development.

MOTION CARRIED

H.3 In Camera

Moved by: Councillor Harvieux
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bartlett

That we move to go into "In Camera."

MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by: Councillor Harvieux
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bartlett

That we move to go out of "In Camera."

MOTION CARRIED.

I. QUESTION PERIOD

None.

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J. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting adjourned on
motion of Councillor Turnbull and Deputy Mayor Bartlett
TIME: 8:55 p.m.

MAYOR

CLERK