

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18, 2025 @ 4:30 PM
REGULAR MONTHLY COUNCIL
GUYSBOROUGH MUNICIPAL OFFICE

Warden Long called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm.

ATTENANCE

Warden Paul Long
Deputy Warden Janet Peitzsche
Councillor Mary Desmond
Councillor Neil DeCoff
Councillor Susan Cashin
Councillor Hudson MacLeod
Councillor Fin Armsworthy

OTHERS PRESENT

Deputy CAO, Shawn Andrews
Christina Bowie, Manager of Special Initiatives & Communications
Magdelyn Connolly, Municipal Clerk
Media (via zoom)

REGRETS

Councillor Dave Hanhams
Barry Carroll, CAO

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

25-06-30829

MOVED: Councillor Fin Armsworthy

SECONDED: Councillor Mary Desmond

MOTION: **THAT** Council approve the agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MAY 21, 2025 REGULAR COUNCIL

25-06-30830

MOVED: Councillor Neil Decoff

SECONDED: Councillor Susan Cashin

MOTION: **THAT** Council approve the minutes of the May 21, 2025 Regular Council Session as presented with no noted errors or omissions.

MOTION CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

DELEGATIONS

NEW BUSINESS

COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

25-06-30831

MOVED: Councillor Mary Desmond

SECONDED: Deputy Warden Janet Peitzsche

MOTION: **THAT** as recommended by Committee of the Whole the Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough do adopt the 2025-2035 MODG Live and Play Plan as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

ERSWM

Next meeting scheduled for June 19th.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OFFICE COMMITTEE

No report.

GALA

Councillor Fin Armsworthy reported that they met last week and that they are looking to fill a couple vacancies in the Association.

WASTE MANAGEMENT LIAISON

Councillor Decoff reported that the Committee has not met.

LIBRARY BOARD

Councillor Cashin stated that the Board met and that Danielle Bond was hired to work at the Canso Library. She stated that the Board passes on their appreciation for Council's letter of support sent to the NSFM. Councillor Cashin stated that Ms. Emry's delegation has been rescheduled for September.

HOME SUPPORT BOARD

Deputy Warden Peitzsche stated that she did not attend the meeting but received a verbal update which she briefly reviewed for Council. She stated that the next meeting is scheduled for September.

COMMUNITY HEALTH BOARD

Councillor Cashin reported that the Board met and discussed the various summer events being held throughout the County. She reported that the 2025 Community Health Plan has been completed and that they will be hosting an event to launch the Plan in the Eastern Zone. Councillor Cashin reported that the wellness funding has been awarded and that they have two new student board members. Councillor Cashin stated that Councillor Desmond was nominated for the Doctor Strang award, which she congratulated Councillor Desmond on.

CANSO AREA STAKEHOLDER WORKING GROUP

Deputy Warden Peitzsche stated that they met yesterday. She stated that the Eastern Memorial Hospital purchased a new ultrasound machine for the Emergency Department and that they hired a new LPN. Deputy Warden Peitzsche reported that Hospital staff are going above and beyond to keep operations running smoothly. She stated that they are looking to gather resident and visitor data to assist them with their operations. Deputy Warden Peitzsche reported that the Group asked her to meet with Mr. O'Connor and Mrs. Cunningham Avery to identify any services that they may not be utilizing.

Councillor Armsworthy stated that the housing for healthcare workers in Canso is near completion.

GUYSBOROUGH AREA STAKEHOLDER WORKING GROUP

Councillor Desmond reported that they are advertising for RN positions and that the LPN positions are full. She stated that the bladder scanner has arrived and that they have two vacant housing units. Councillor Desmond reported that staff education is ongoing and that they are looking to organize a meeting with the Canso Working Group. Councillor Desmond briefly updated Council on physician coverage at the hospital.

TRANSIT ASSOCIATION OF GUYSBOROUGH

AGM is scheduled for June.

GUYSBOROUGH DISTRICT BUSINESS PARTNERSHIP

Warden Long reported Fathom is looking to set up a meeting with Council in the near future.

GUYSBOROUGH & AREA BOARD OF TRADE

No report.

COMMUNITY FIRST GUYSBOROUGH COUNTY HOUSING ASSOC.

Councillor Cashin reported that the Association is working to submit their documentation for funding to Mrs. Torrey. She stated that they are rescheduling their meeting for September and that there are two units available at the Boylston Apartment Building. Councillor Cashin reported that they held their AGM last night, which was well attended.

ANY OTHER COMMITTEE OR BOARD

INTO CLOSED SESSION

25-06-30832

MOVED: Councillor Mary Desmond

SECONDED: Deputy Warden Janet Peitzsche

MOTION: **THAT** that Council proceed into closed session.

MOTION CARRIED

LEGAL

OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

MOVED: Councillor Mary Desmond

SECONDED: Councillor Neil Decoff

MOTION: **THAT** return to open session.

MOTION CARRIED

25-06-30833

MOVED: Councillor Hudson MacLeod

SECONDED: Councillor Mary Desmond

MOTION: **THAT** Council of the Municipality of the District accept the offer from Circular Materials in the amount of \$175,004.00 per year, for the term from December 1, 2025, to December 31, 2027 with two one-year extension options.

MOTION CARRIED

FUTURE MEETING DATES

- Wednesday, July 2nd @ 4:30pm – Committee of the Whole
- Wednesday, July 16th @ 3:00pm – Audit Committee
- Wednesday, July 16th @ 4:30pm – Regular Monthly Council
- Wednesday, July 16th @ 6:00pm – EMO

ADJOURNMENT

25-06-30834

MOVED: Deputy Warden Janet Peitzsche

MOTION: **THAT** the Regular Council Meeting of June 18, 2025 stand adjourned.

MOTION CARRIED (5:15pm)

WARDEN

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

DATE

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