

**SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING- SWEARING IN CEREMONY
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2024 @ 4:30 P.M.
GUYSBOROUGH MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

Mr. Carroll called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Councillor Elect Paul Long
Councillor Elect Mary Desmond
Councillor Elect Neil Decoff
Councillor Elect Dave Hanhams
Councillor Elect Janet Peitzsche
Councillor Elect Susan Cashin
Councillor Elect Hudson MacLeod
Councillor Elect Fin Armsworthy

OTHERS PRESENT

Barry Carroll, Chief Administrative Officer
Bruce MacKeen, Municipal Solicitor
Shawn Andrews, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
Debbie Torrey, Development Officer
Sean O'Connor, Director of Economic & Community Development
Danita Imlay, Director of Finance
Angie Tavares, Director of Recreation
Magdelyn Connolly, Municipal Clerk
Media (via zoom)

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

24-10-30712

MOVED: Councillor Elect Mary Desmond

SECONDED: Councillor Elect Fin Armsworthy

MOTION: THAT Council approve the October 30, 2024 Special Council Agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

DECLARATION OF RESULTS

24-10-30713

Mrs. Connolly read the election results as follows:

District #1 Paul Long declared elected by acclamation

District #2 Mary Desmond declared elected by acclamation

District #3 Neil Decoff declared elected by acclamation

District #4 Dave Hanhams declared elected by acclamation

District #5 Janet Peitzsche declared elected by acclamation

District #6 Vernon Pitts 106
Susan Cashin 224

Susan Cashin declared elected

District #7 Hudson MacLeod declared elected by acclamation

District #8 Finlay Armsworthy declared elected by acclamation

MOVED: Councillor Elect Dave Hanhams

SECONDED: Councillor Elect Fin Armsworthy

MOTION: THAT Council approve the results as presented by the Returning Officer.

MOTION CARRIED

SWEARING IN OF COUNCIL

Mrs. Connolly asked each Councillor to come forward in order to administer the Oath of Allegiance and of Office.

RESOLUTION - VOTING PROCEDURE - WARDEN AND DEPUTY WARDEN 24-10-30714

Mr. MacKeen reviewed the policy as it pertains to the election of Warden and Deputy Warden.

MOVED: Councillor Janet Peitzsche

SECONDED: Councillor Neil Decoff

MOTION: **WHEREAS** it may be necessary to hold an election for the positions of Warden and/or Deputy Warden for the Municipality of the District of Guysborough;

AND WHEREAS this election is to be conducted in accordance with Policy B-14;

BE IT THEREFORE MOVED THAT should a vote be required for either of the above mentioned positions, the vote be done by secret ballot;

AND FURTHER THAT the Chief Administrative Officer and the Municipal Solicitor shall act as Scrutineers;

AND FURTHER THAT once the results of the vote are known, the ballots be destroyed in accordance with policy.

MOTION CARRIED

TERM OF OFFICE - WARDEN & DEPUTY WARDEN: 24-10-30715

MOVED: Councillor Janet Peitzsche

SECONDED: Councillor Dave Hanhams

MOTION: **WHEREAS** pursuant to s. 12 (2) of the Municipal Government Act (the Act), the term of the office of the Warden expires when the term of office of the Council expires, unless, prior to the selection of a Warden, the Council adopts a shorter term of office for the Warden;

AND WHEREAS s. 16 (1) of the Act provides that, prior to the selection of a Deputy Warden, the Council shall determine the term of office of the Deputy Warden

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopt a 4 year term for Warden and determine the term of office of the Deputy Warden to 4 year(s);

AND THAT the Warden shall be chosen and the Deputy Warden shall be selected at the first meeting of Council after the expiration of the 4 year term in accordance with s. 12 (3)(b) of the Act.

MOTION CARRIED

SELECTION OF WARDEN 24-10-30716

Mr. Carroll called for nominations for Warden.

Councillor MacLeod nominated Councillor Peitzsche for Warden. Councillor Armsworthy seconded the nomination.

Councillor Peitzsche accepted the nomination.

Councillor Decoff nominated Councillor Long. Councillor Desmond seconded the nomination.

Councillor Long accepted the nomination.

Mr. Carroll called three times for any other nominations. He declared that nominations cease.

Mrs. Connolly distributed the ballots, Mr. MacKeen collected them. Mr. Carroll & Mr. MacKeen scrutinized the count in the adjacent room.

Mr. MacKeen returned and announced that the voting has resulted in a tie. He declared that another vote would need to be conducted.

Mr. MacKeen collected the second set of ballots and scrutinized in the next room with Mr. Carroll.

Mr. MacKeen returned and announced that the second vote has also resulted in a tie. He proceeded to site the procedures from Election Act and stated that the Clerk would be required to draw a name out of hat.

Mr. MacKeen read the name that Mrs. Connolly drew from the hat, declaring Paul Long was elected as Warden.

MOVED: Councillor Mary Desmond

SECONDED: Councillor Neil Decoff

MOTION: **THAT** Council accept the results of the election for Warden and that Warden
Warden Paul Long accepted the nomination.

MOTION CARRIED

ELECTION OF DEPUTY WARDEN

24-10-30717

Councillor Long nominated Councillor Hanhams for Deputy Warden. Councillor Decoff seconded the motion.

Councillor Hanhams accepted the nomination.

Councillor Desmond nominated Councillor Peitzsche. Councillor Cashin seconded the motion.

Councillor Peitzsche accepted the nomination.

Mr. Carroll called for any other nominations three times. He declared that nominations cease.

Mrs. Connolly distributed the ballots to Council.

Mr. MacKeen and Mr. Carroll scrutinized the ballots in the adjacent room, Mr. MacKeen returned and announced that the voting has resulted in a tie.

Mrs. Connolly distributed a second set of ballots.

Mr. MacKeen collected the second set of ballots and scrutinized in the next room with Mr. Carroll.

Mr. MacKeen returned and declared Janet Peitzsche as Deputy Warden.

MOVED: Councillor Fin Armsworthy

SECONDED: Councillor Mary Desmond

MOTION: **THAT** Council accept the results of the election for Deputy Warden and that
Deputy Warden Janet Peitzsche accept the position

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF SIGNING AUTHORITY:

24-10-30718

MOVED: Councillor Neil Decoff

SECONDED: Councillor Hudson MacLeod

MOTION: **BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT** Mr. Barry Carroll, Chief Administrative Officer of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough (hereinafter called the "corporation"), be and is hereby authorized for and on behalf of the corporation to negotiate with, deposit with, or transfer to the CIBC (but for credit of the corporation's account only) all or any cheques and other orders for the

payment of money, and for the said purpose to endorse the same or any of them on behalf of the corporation either in writing or by rubber stamp;

AND FURTHER THAT all cheques of the corporation be drawn in the names of the corporation and be signed on its behalf by Warden Paul Long or Deputy Warden Janet Peitzsche and signed/countersigned by Barry Carroll (Chief Administrative Officer), Shawn Andrews (Deputy Chief Administrative Officer) or Danita Imlay (Director of Finance);

AND FURTHER THAT Mr. Barry Carroll, Mr. Shawn Andrews or Mrs. Danita Imlay be and is/are hereby authorized for and on behalf of the corporation from time to time, to receive from the said Bank a statement of the account of the corporation and all items returned unpaid and charged to the account of the corporation, and to sign and deliver to the said Bank, the Bank's form of verification, settlement of balance and release;

AND FURTHER THAT Mr. Barry Carroll, Mr. Shawn Andrews and Mrs. Danita Imlay be and is/are hereby authorized for and on behalf of the corporation to obtain delivery from the said Bank of all or any stocks, bonds and other securities held by the said Bank in safekeeping or otherwise for the account of the corporation and to give valid and binding receipts therefore;

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be communicated to the said Bank and remain in force until written notice to the contrary shall have been given to the Manager for the time being of the branch of the said Bank at which the account of the corporation is kept, and receipt of such notice duly acknowledged in writing

MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS (REPORTING/NON-REPORTING)

Mrs. Connolly distributed a list of all committees and asked Council to rank their top three selections for return to the Warden by November 6th.

NEW BUSINESS

ANYTHING BY MEMBERS

Warden Long and Deputy Warden Peitzsche thanked Council for their support.

FUTURE MEETING DATES

- Wednesday, November 6th @ 3:00pm – SBG
- Wednesday, November 6th @ 4:30pm – Committee of the Whole
- Wednesday, November 20th @ 2:00pm – 5 Year Budget
- Wednesday, November 20th @ 4:30pm – Regular Monthly Council
- Wednesday, December 4th @ 2:00pm – Committee of the Whole
- Wednesday, December 4th @ 3:00pm – Regular Monthly Council
- Wednesday, December 4th @ 4:30pm – Long Service Awards

ADJOURNMENT

24-10-30719

MOVED: Councillor Mary Desmond

MOTION: THAT the October 30, 2024 Special Council Meeting stand adjourned.
MOTION CARRIED (5:15 p.m.)

WARDEN

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

DATE