

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2020 @ 4:30 PM
REGULAR COUNCIL
GUYSBOROUGH MUNICIPAL OFFICE**

Warden Vernon Pitts called the meeting to order at 4:45 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

20-09-29774

Warden Vernon Pitts
Deputy Warden Sheila Pelly
Councillor Neil DeCoff
Councillor Dave Hanhams
Councillor Janet Peitzsche
Councillor Fin Armsworthy

OTHERS PRESENT

Barry Carroll, CAO
Bruce MacKeen, Municipal Solicitor
Kate Jamieson, Deputy Municipal Clerk
Angie Tavares, Director of Recreation
Media

REGRETS

Councillor Miles MacDonald
Councillor Rickey McLaren

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

20-09-29775

MOVED: Councillor Fin Armsworthy
SECONDED: Councillor Neil DeCoff
MOTION; **THAT** Council approve the Agenda as presented.
MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL JULY 22, 2020

20-09-29776

MOVED: Deputy Warden Sheila Pelly
SECONDED: Councillor Janet Peitzsche
MOTION; **THAT** Council approve the minutes of July 22, 2020 Regular council Meeting as presented with no noted errors or omissions.
MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF SPECIAL COUNCIL SEPTEMBER 09, 2020

20-09-29777

MOVED: Councillor Janet Peitzsche
SECONDED: Councillor Fin Armsworthy
MOTION; **THAT** Council approve the minutes of September 09, 2020 Special Council Meeting as presented with no noted errors or omissions.
MOTION CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

ASSET MANAGEMENT, POLICY H-26, SECOND & FINAL READING

20-09-29778

MOVED: Deputy Warden Sheila Pelly
SECONDED: Councillor Neil DeCoff
MOTION: **THAT** the Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough approve second and final reading of the "Asset Management, Policy H-26".
MOTION CARRIED

OH&S POLICY & PROCEDURAL MANUAL, SECOND & FINAL READING

20-09-29779

MOVED: Councillor Fin Armsworthy

SECONDED: Deputy Warden Sheila Pelly

MOTION: THAT the Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough approve second and final reading of the "Occupational Health & Safety Policy & Procedural Manual".

MOTION CARRIED

NEW ALERTING SYSTEM, SECOND AND FINAL READING

20-09-29780

MOVED: Councillor Janet Peitzsche

SECONDED: Councillor Neil DeCoff

MOTION: THAT the Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough approve second and final reading of "Policy H-25 - Public Alerting Policy".

MOTION CARRIED

MERGER POLICY'S G-2 (A), (B), (C), AND (D), SECOND AND FINAL READING

20-09-29781

MOVED: Councillor Fin Armsworthy

SECONDED: Councillor Dave Hanhams

MOTION: THAT the Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough approve second and final reading of "Policy G-3 - Fire Department and Emergency Services Provider Annual Renewal Policy".

MOTION CARRIED

EXPANDED HOURS & 4 DAY WORK WEEK POLICY, SECOND AND FINAL READING

20-09-29782

MOVED: Deputy Warden Sheila Pelly

SECONDED: Councillor Dave Hanhams

MOTION: THAT the Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough approve second and final reading of the "Interim Guidance Policy on the Expanded Service Hours and Four (4) Day Work Week Model".

MOTION CARRIED

AMENDED ENTERTAINMENT EVENTS BYLAW, SECOND AND FINAL READING

20-09-29783

MOVED: Councillor Janet Peitzsche

SECONDED: Councillor Dave Hanhams

MOTION: THAT Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough approve second and final reading of the "Amended Entertainment Events Bylaw";

MOTION CARRIED

Councillor Neil DeCoff inquired to if there had been a response from TIR and Imperial Oil regarding properties and signage in Boylston. Mr. Carroll advised there has been no response from the letters that were forward except Mr. Jamie Chisholm advised that the person looking into it was on vacation. Mr. Carroll will follow up with Mr. Chisholm.

NEW BUSINESS

CONGRATULATORY LETTERS

20-09-29784

MOVED: Councillor Janet Peitzsche

SECONDED: Councillor Fin Armsworthy

MOTION: THAT the Municipality of the District of Guysborough forward congratulatory letters to previous students from Canso High School and Fanning Education Centre. Shae Nickerson of Hazel Hill received the Lepoid Gelinas Medal for her Bachelor of Science thesis from the Geological Association of Canada Volcanology and Igneous Petrology Division; Dr. Mitchell, Little Dover, Registered Psychologist, Lecturer, teaching at Ambrose University, Alberta;

Dakota Keefe, Little Dover, tested video game for accuracy for a Norwegian company helping with simulation for fishing in the North Atlantic; Dr. Ron George, (previous Canso resident), Anesthesiologist, Chief Obstetric Anesthesia, University of California.

MOTION CARRIED

BRIEFING NOTE – REQUEST FROM CANSO CO-OPERATIVE HEALTH SERVICES LTD TO RENEW LEASE OF HELICOPTER LANDING PAD 20-09-29785

MOVED: Councillor Fin Armsworthy

SECONDED: Councillor Neil DeCoff

MOTION: THAT the staff be instructed to contact NSHA and request that NSHA assume responsibility for the helicopter landing pad on lands formerly leased from the Canso Co-operative to the Town and further that if NSHA will not assume this responsibility that the Warden and CAO be authorized to renew the existing lease for an additional 20 year term.

MOTION CARRIED

BRIEFING NOTE – LOW INCOME TAX EXEMPTION – EXTENSION 20-09-29786

MOVED: Councillor Fin Armsworthy

SECONDED: Councillor Janet Peitzsche

MOTION: THAT the Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough extend the deadline for the Low Income Tax Exemption until October 31, 2020.

MOTION CARRIED

BRIEFING NOTE – RESPONSE TO CANSO & AREA COMMISSIONS PRESENTATION 20-09-29787

MOVED: Councillor Janet Peitzsche

SECONDED: Councillor Fin Armsworthy

MOTION: THAT in addition to the \$30,000.00 that the Canso and Area Arena receives on an annual basis as a subsidy toward electrical costs, it is being recommended that MODG would also provide an additional \$10,000.00 grant to help with the startup costs for the 2020 season. And furthermore, that Municipality of the District of Guysborough will also provide \$15,000.00 from the Canso Infrastructure Funds to cover the cost of supplies, servicing and inspections for the 2020 startup season as well. Municipality of the District of Guysborough will require purchase orders and will provide direct purchasing for the supplies, services and inspection. The Arena Manger is to submit a monthly report each month to the Director of Recreation which will be presented to Council.

MOTION CARRIED

BRIEFING NOTE – STREET LIGHTING UPPER WHITEHEAD 20-09-29788

MOVED: Councillor Dave Hanhams

SECONDED: Councillor Fin Armsworthy

MOTION: THAT the Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough recommends for staff to proceed with the installation of streetlights in the community of Upper Whitehead in accordance with the Municipal Stret Light Policy.

MOTION CARRIED

BRIEFING NOTE – RFP – COMMUNITY ENCHANCEMENT PROGRAM CANSO 20-09-29789

MOVED: Councillor Fin Armsworthy

SECONDED: Councillor Janet Peitzsche

MOTION: THAT the Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough award the proposal for the “Request for Proposals for a Community Enhancement

Program – Canso” to Fathom Studio in the amount of \$47,518 plus HST pending confirmation of 50% funding from ACOA towards this project;

AND FURTHER THAT Staff be authorized to make application under the Community Capacity Fund with ACOA for 50% funding towards this project;

AND FURTHER THAT if MODG is successful in its application to ACOA, Staff will provide Fathom Studio with authorization to immediately commence work on this project.

MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

RECOMMENDATION - PROGRESS CLAIMS COMPOST FACILITY

20-09-29790

MOVED: Councillor Fin Armsworthy

SECONDED: Councillor Neil DeCoff

MOTION: **THAT** the Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough approve the following claims:

- 1) Treeline Project Management for initial 10% deposit of \$66,607.89 and Progress Claim #1 for delivery of the two (2) buildings in the amount of \$381,371.61
- 2) Brilun Construction for Progress Claim #1 of \$142,853.44 and Progress Claim #2 of \$531,468.22

as recommended for payment by Strait Engineering and subject to final review by our Finance Department.

MOTION CARRIED

RECOMMENDATIONS - 3 YEAR OPERATING & CAPITAL BUDGETS CANSO HAZEL HILL WATER UTILITY

20-09-29791

MOVED: Councillor Janet Peitzsche

SECONDED: Councillor Fin Armsworthy

MOTION: **THAT** the Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough approve the following:

1. The 2019-2020 Annual Report for the Canso Hazel Hill Water Utility
2. The 3 Year Operating Budget for the Canso Hazel Hill Water Utility 20/21-22/23
3. The 3 year Capital Budget for the Canso Hazel Hill Water Utility 20/21-22/23

MOTION CARRIED

HOME MANAGEMENT BOARD:

20-09-29792

Warden Vernon Pitts noted he attended a meeting on September 15. Both facilities are doing well with the COVID-19 pandemic. Plans are underway to implement the upcoming changes to open shortly.

MOVED: Councillor Dave Hanhams

SECONDED: Councillor Janet Peitzsche

MOTION: **THAT** the Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough approve the Home Management Board Committee report as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

EASTERN REGION SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT:

No meeting, next meeting Thursday, September 24th.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OFFICE:

Councillor Finlay Armsworthy stated no meeting as next is for tonight at 6 pm.

GUYSBOROUGH ADULT LEARNING ASSOCIATION:

No meeting

WASTE MANAGEMENT LIAISON COMMITTEE:

20-09-29793

Deputy Warden Sheila Pelly noted meeting held September 8th, update after summer, tour of new Compost Building and reviewed Green Fund. Next meeting in three months' time.

MOVED: Councillor Neil DeCoff

SECONDED: Councillor Fin Armsworthy

MOTION: THAT the Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough approve the Waste Management Liaison Committee report as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

HOME SUPPORT BOARD:

20-09-29794

Deputy Warden Sheila Pelly stated no meeting. Training on September 30th meeting via Zoom. Obtained two new Board Members.

MOVED: Councillor Dave Hanhams

SECONDED: Councillor Janet Peitzsche

MOTION: THAT the Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough approve the Home Support Board Committee report as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

LIBRARY BOARD:

No meeting

CANSO ARENA:

No meeting

COMMUNITY HEALTH BOARD:

20-09- 29795

Councillor Neil DeCoff stated they are planning an event for September 17, 2020 "Spark a Connection" being held at Antigonish Library from 8:30 – 4:30 and is also virtual. The CLC will be set up to attend from that facility. They have not received any applications for the Wellness grant as of to date. Deadline for these application is October 15, 2020. Posted in our Newsletter.

MOVED: Deputy Warden Sheila Pelly

SECONDED: Councillor Janet Peitzsche

MOTION: THAT the Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough approve the Community Health Board report as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

STAKE HOLDERS COMMITTEE:

No meeting

AUDIT COMMITTEE

ANY OTHER COMMITTEE OR BOARD:

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

ROUTINE MATTERS

CORRESPONDENCE/NEW BUSINESS:

FUTURE MEETING DATES:

- September 16, 2020 – EMO @ 6:00 pm
- October 07, 2020 – COW @ 4:30 pm

ADJOURNMENT:

20-09-29796

MOVED: Councillor Janet Peitzsche

MOTION: THAT the September 16, 2020 Regular Council meeting stand adjourned.

MOTION CARRIED (5:21 p.m.)

WARDEN

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

DATE