

Cornwall, Prince Edward Island

**Regular Meeting of Council
Wednesday, February 17, 2016 at 7:30 PM**

Mayor **Minerva McCourt presiding**
Present: **Councillor Peter Meggs**
 Deputy Mayor Gary Ramsay
 Councillor Shane McGuigan
 Councillor Elaine Barnes
 Councillor Jill MacIsaac
 Councillor Irene Dawson
Also: **Kim Meunier – Acting Chief Administrative Officer**
 Stephanie Cairns - Administrative Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor McCourt called the meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

It was moved by Councillor Dawson and seconded by Councillor Meggs the agenda be approved as circulated. Motion carried.

MINUTES

It was moved by Councillor Dawson and seconded by Councillor Barnes the Minutes of January 20, 2016 be approved as circulated. Motion carried.

BUSINESS ARISING

Nil

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES / RESOLUTIONS

1. UTILITY COMMITTEE – Councillor Irene Dawson

The report was included in the Council package.

Councillor Dawson noted the Utility has been short staffed the past few weeks. Councillor Dawson advised she will forward Utility staff certifications at the request of Councillor McGuigan.

Councillor Dawson noted Kingston Electrical is no longer the Town's Electrical contractor for the upgrades to Candlelight Lift Station. CBCL has contacted the next lowest bidder, Rackham Electrical.

WS 01-2016, Candlelight – Electrical Contractor

Moved by Councillor Dawson
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Ramsay

BE IT RESOLVED the Town of Cornwall accept the quote of \$33,200 plus HST from Rackham Electrical for electrical contract services for the Candlelight Lift Station.

CARRIED

Councillor Dawson noted a new duplex pumping system has been installed at the Terry Fox Sports Complex Lift Station.

Councillor Dawson reported the Cornwall Utility will be partnering with both the Charlottetown and Stratford Utilities to promote water conservation activities.

Councillor Dawson noted the Utility Committee agreed to offer a toilet replacement rebate program this year for Town residential property owners participating in the program.

2. PLANNING BOARD - Councillor Peter Meggs

The report was included in the Council package.

Councillor Meggs noted a meeting was held with all orders of government to discuss future housing needs for the Town. Discussions at last month's Council meeting were referenced by the media which has prompted inquiries from developers.

Councillor Meggs noted a public meeting is scheduled for March 2, 2016. The purpose of the meeting is to allow residents the opportunity to provide comments/feedback on proposed rezoning as well as proposed Bylaw amendments.

Councillor Meggs noted the Department of Transportation, Infrastructure and Energy reviewed the amended Phase 2 proposal for Harvest Hills. It was noted the proposed street from Ferry Road to the Trans Canada Highway is still in the draft 2016 Infrastructure Servicing & Development Plan.

3. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE – Councillor Shane McGuigan

The report was included in the Council package.

Councillor McGuigan noted the sidewalk snow removal seems to be going well.

Councillor McGuigan reported the Committee approved several new street lights within the Town, including one at the toboggan hill at the Terry Fox Sports Complex.

4. PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE – Councillor Jill MacIsaac

The report was included in the Council package.

Councillor MacIsaac reported on upcoming programs such as March Break Camp and SnowFest.

Councillor MacIsaac noted the outdoor rinks and toboggan hill have been receiving lots of use this season, weather permitting.

Councillor MacIsaac noted the Town received a request to host the 2017 55+ Winter Games. The Committee agreed this would be a good event for the Town to host.

5. FINANCE COMMITTEE – Councillor Elaine Barnes

Councillor Barnes noted the Committee did not meet this month but will meet next week. Departments have been advised to forward their budget requests to the Committee. Councillor Barnes noted the deadline for residents to submit their comments/feedback on the upcoming budget is Friday, February 19, 2016.

6. ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE – Deputy Mayor Gary Ramsay

The reports were included in the Council package.

Deputy Mayor Ramsay noted the North River Fire Department is considering increasing their rates by 1 cent per \$100.00 taxable assessment.

7. COMMUNICATION

Mayor McCourt recognized Family Violence Prevention week from February 14-February 20, 2016. Mayor McCourt encourages everyone to participate in the events planned to show support.

Mayor McCourt recognized this week as National Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week and extended appreciation to the staff and bus drivers of our local schools.

Mayor McCourt noted she attended the Opening Ceremonies of the Sweetheart Hockey Tournament on February 11, 2016. Mayor McCourt congratulated the North River Vanilla Cupcakes and the Atom Flames who both won their championship games. Mayor McCourt thanked the volunteers of this event who put in countless hours to ensure the event was a huge success. Councillor Dawson suggested presenting plaques to the local teams that won in their division.

Mayor McCourt wished all the Special Olympians good luck as they prepare to go to Cornerbrook, NL to participate in the upcoming winter games.

8. OTHER BUSINESS

Councillor Meggs requested staff advise organizers of Windsor Wight's Roast that there will be representation from the Town as proceeds raised will be donated to the Terry Fox Trail Enhancement Project.

Councillor Meggs reminded Council to forward any questions for Cabinet Ministers to FPEIM.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:03 pm.

MINERVA MCCOURT
MAYOR

KIM MEUNIER
ACTING CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER