

July 4, 2017

The Municipal Council for the Municipality of the County of Pictou met in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Administration Building on Tuesday, July 4, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT

Dist.	1	Clr. Don Butler
	2	Clr. Deborah Wadden
	3	Clr. Darla MacKeil
	4	Clr. Ronald Baillie
	5	Deputy Warden Wayne Murray
	6	Warden Robert Parker
	7	Clr. David Parker
	9	Clr. Peter Boyles
	10	Clr. Randy Palmer
	11	Clr. Andy Thompson
	12	Clr. Chester Dewar

IN ATTENDANCE

Donn Fraser, Solicitor, MacIntosh, MacDonnell & MacDonald
Brian Cullen, CAO/Municipal Clerk-Treasurer
Karen E. Cornish, Deputy Municipal Treasurer
Carolyn MacIntosh, Deputy Municipal Clerk
Anne MacCarthy, Dog Control/By-Law Enforcement Officer
Jane Johnson, Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

Warden R. Parker called the meeting to order and requested that Councillors stand and take a moment in silence to pray or simply reflect, as may be their preference, to help Council focus and properly do the work of the County.

AGENDA

It was moved by Clr. Wadden and seconded by Clr. Butler that the agenda be approved with the additions of Council appointments to Ad Hoc Recreation and Audit Committees, Citizen Appointment to Ad Hoc Energy Committee, Municipal Services Grant for District 6, Rescind Municipal Services Grant funds for street lights and 2 Temporary Borrowing Resolutions.

Motion carried.

MINUTES

It was moved by Clr. D. Parker and seconded by Clr. Wadden that the minutes of June 12, 2017 be approved as presented.

Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence was received and acknowledged from the following:

(a) Cards of appreciation (uncirculated) for a milestone certificate was received from Marguerite Brewer; a note of appreciation for Canada 150 funding was received from the Central & NE/NS Branch of the Monarchist League of Canada

(b) Min. Transp. & Infrastructure Renewal:

- Advising that a tender has been prepared to resurface the Hardwood Hill Road, Murray Road, and the section of the Harris Road from Murray Road to Trunk 6 and work will be completed during the current construction season.
- Advising that a tender has recently closed to resurface a section of the White Hill Road from Marshdale Road southerly to Matheson Road in the current construction season. Route 374, Lorne Stn. Rd., and Glengarry Rd. will continue to be monitored and receive routine patching until more extensive improvements can be undertaken.
- Advising that Route 289 from the Trenton/New Glasgow boundary to Route 348 is not currently included in the 5 Year Highway Improvement Plan but will be considered in future plans. In the interim Route 289 will continue to receive routine maintenance to keep the driving surface in an acceptable condition until more extensive improvements can be completed.

RECOGNITION OF INDIVIDUALS & GROUPS

There was no recognition of individuals and groups.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

July 18th Lismore ceremony @ 2:00 pm to launch enhanced internet service;
July 15th "Fish for a Wish @ LORDA to raise funds for the Children's Wish Foundation & LORDA;
July 8th Canada 150 Celebrations at the Little Hbr. Comm. Ctr. from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.;
July 16th Rose Fraser Memorial Strawberry Tea @ Durham Comm. Hall from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.;
July 8th Breakfast & Car Wash @ Plymouth Fire Hall raising funds for their Dragon Boat Team;
Pictou Lobster Carnival – July 6th – 9th.

DROWNING PREVENTION WEEK

Warden R. Parker advised that he would be signing a proclamation declaring July 16th – 22nd as "Drowning Prevention Week" in the Municipality.

REPORT – FINANCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

Clr. D. Parker presented the report of the Financial Services Committee as follows:

FINANCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

For information purposes the Financial Services Committee submits the following report on the activities of the Committee for the month of June:

1. Met with representatives of residents on the Tower Road and surrounding area who are concerned with the proposed installation of 3 domestic wind turbines in the community. The residents have asked Council to increase the setback for multiple domestic wind turbines, to review the process of approval, and to halt the proposed development by Northumberland Wind Field Inc. Council has referred those requests to the Planning Advisory Committee for consideration and recommendation.

2. Met with representatives of the Hemlock Group who provided an overview of the group's proposal to revitalize Trenton Park. The project is projected to cost \$2,681,445 and municipalities are being asked to contribute \$150,000 based on population. The request to this Municipality is \$76,950 over 2 – 3 fiscal periods, together with a letter of support outlining that commitment which can be used to document local support to other levels of government who will be asked to make financial contributions, and to the corporate community during a fundraising campaign.
3. Reviewed the report of the Recreation Coordinator for the month of May.
4. Considered several requests for financial assistance. (Resolution to follow)
5. Reviewed applications from volunteers expressing interest to sit on the Municipality's Audit Committee and Ad Hoc Recreation Strategy Committee. (Resolution to follow)
6. Considered potential area rates for street lights. (Resolution to follow)
7. Considered a request from the Scotsburn Recreation Club for an amendment to the Municipality's Tax Exemption & Tax Reduction By-Law. (Resolution to follow)
8. Reviewed the list of Accounts Paid for the month of May.

DATED at Pictou, N.S. this 4th day of July, 2017.

(Sgd.) David K. Parker
Ronald Baillie

MOTION

It was moved by Clr. D. Parker and seconded by Clr. Baillie that the preceding report be adopted as presented.

Motion carried.

REPORT – PROPERTY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Clr. Thompson presented the report of the Property Services Committee as follows:

PROPERTY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

For information purposes the Property Services Committee submits the following report on the activities of the Committee for the month of June:

1. Reviewed and discussed the reports of the Building Inspector, By-Law Enforcement/Dog Control Officer and Warden for the month of May.
2. Received an update on the status of capital projects. Construction on the McLellan's Brook/Upper Plymouth Wastewater Phase II Project continues to be on schedule for a mid-November completion. Preliminary design drawings for the Abercrombie Wastewater Extension Project have been reviewed and revisions requested. Staff is hopeful that this project can go to tender at the end of the June. Design drawings for the Springfield Estates Wastewater Extension Project are currently under review and the project is expected to go to tender in July. The construction tender for the Green Acres Road has been awarded and work will commence when all of the legal documentation is in place. Design on the 3 sidewalks is nearing completion and tenders could be back to the Committee at the July meeting. Hydrant flow testing is being carried out in Springfield Estates and cost estimates are being obtained to have similar testing carried out on all our systems over the next several months.
3. Considered applications for intersection street lights. (Resolution to follow)

4. Agreed to reserve an easement in favor of the Municipality over the surplus properties in Lyon's Brook to address parking concerns at the school and then proceed with tenders advertising the 3 properties for sale.

DATED at Pictou, N.S. this 4th day of July, 2017.

(Sgd.) Andy Thompson
Chester Dewar

MOTION

It was moved by Clr. Thompson and seconded by Clr. Dewar that the preceding report be adopted as presented.

Motion carried. (Nay Vote: Clr. Baillie)

DANGEROUS & UNSIGHTLY PREMISES HEARING – JOHN JOSEPH MACLEAN (7:24 P.M.)

At 7:34 p.m. Warden R. Parker convened a hearing with respect to a dangerous and unsightly premises assessed to John Joseph MacLean, 3681 White Hill Road (AAN 05106567). Neither Mr. MacLean nor anyone else representing this property were present in the Chambers.

Council viewed an electronic presentation of pictures taken earlier today by the By-Law Enforcement Officer showing the property in question.

Ms. MacCarthy reported that this property was brought to her attention in June, 2016. A title search was requested in August of 2016. A signed complaint form was received on this property. The title search was received in December 2016 which was too late in the year to send notices to clean up or demolish the property. On June 14, 2017 the initial notice was sent and it was returned that same day by Canada Post marked "unknown"; on June 21, 2017 the Notice of Opportunity to attend this Council meeting was posted on the property and mailed to all parties with an interest in the property. Some effort was spent to determine if, in fact, the property was foreclosed on by the bank. The property is 2.17 acres and the taxes were paid in full on June 7th of this year.

Clr. Turner asked for an outline of what is considered to be dangerous and unsightly on this property.

Ms. MacCarthy advised that the property is vacant, not in keeping with the properties that surround it, is able to be entered into by a passerby, vehicles, large tires on rims, grass, and is surrounded by wood lands that would be at risk in the event of a fire.

Ms. MacCarthy advised that one vehicle has gone missing since the first initial notice but outside of that nothing has changed on the property.

Clr. D. Parker advised that this property was vacant for a number of years and then a squatter moved in and he and his family lived there for several years. They did not have electricity during their stay and the majority of the debris was left by the squatters when they vacated the premises about 13 – 14 months ago. There have been un-drivable vehicles taken in and out of there, a chest freezer, and the roof of the home leaks badly. In Clr. D. Parker's opinion the house was not repairable and not fit for habitation and those in the community would like to see the house removed so that someone else does not move into it. Clr. D. Parker confirmed that the property is not in keeping with others in the community.

Clr. Thompson asked that any wells on the property be secured to prevent any potential hazards.

Clr. D. Parker advised that to the best of his knowledge there was no drilled well or septic system on the property. There may be a spring on the property.

RESOLUTION – DEMOLITION ORDER

Clr. D. Parker presented a resolution to Council as follows:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Municipal Council for the Municipality of the County of Pictou that Council finds that the property located at 3681 White Hill Road, White Hill (Tax Account #05106567), and further described in the attached Order is dangerous and unsightly;

AND BE IT RESOLVED that Council, pursuant to Section 346 of Part 15 of Chapter 18 of the Acts of 1998, the *Municipal Government Act*, make an Order in the form attached hereto and forming part of this resolution, the said Order to be signed and issued forthwith on behalf of the Council by the Chief Administrative Officer of the Municipality or his designate.

DATED at Pictou, N. S. this 4th day of July, 2017

(Sgd.) David K. Parker
Ronald Baillie

**ORDER
MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT ACT, STATUTES OF NOVA SCOTIA, 1998, CHAPTER 18
ORDER REQUIRING DEMOLITION**

TO: John Joseph MacLean
PO Box 1274
Westville, NS
B0K 2A0

TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to Section 346 of *The Municipal Government Act*, The Council of the Municipality of the County of Pictou ("the Council" and "the County") has determined that the property located at 3681 White Hill Road, White Hill, Pictou County, Nova Scotia, associated with Tax Account Number 05106567, and PID #01017870, which lands are included in those more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto attached and forming a part hereof ("the Property") is dangerous or unsightly.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that the Council orders you to remedy these conditions by doing all of the following work, acts or things ("the work") on the property, that is to say:

Complete all required work to the property as listed below:

- (1) Demolish all sheds and structures which are in a ruinous or dilapidated condition, leaving the site in a safe condition.
- (2) Remove all debris, vehicles, and tires from the property and dispose at an approved site.

THE WORK IS TO BE COMPLETED AND DONE WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS OF THE DATE OF SERVICE OF THIS ORDER.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE

THAT in the event of failure by you to comply with the requirements of this Order within Thirty (30) days after its date of service, the administrator may enter upon the property without warrant or other legal process and carry out the work specified in this Order;

THAT the cost of the work, with interest at the rate determined by the Council, from the date of the completion of the work until the date of payment:

- (a) Is the first lien on the property upon which the work was done and that the property is liable to be sold in a tax sale in accordance with *The Municipal Government Act*, and;
- (b) May at any time be sued for and recovered in an action in the name of the County.

THAT after this Order is served; any person who permits or causes a dangerous or unsightly condition, continues to permit or cause a dangerous or unsightly condition or fails to comply with the terms of the Order is liable, on summary conviction, to a penalty of not less than One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars, and not more than Five Thousand (\$5000.00) Dollars, and, in default of payment, to imprisonment for not more than three (3) months;

THAT every day during which the condition is not remedied is a separate offence.

MOTION

It was moved by Clr. D. Parker and seconded by Clr. Baillie that the preceding resolution be adopted as presented.

Motion carried.

DANGEROUS & UNSIGHTLY PREMISES HEARING – WILLIAM NORMAN MUNROE

At 7:34 p.m. Warden R. Parker convened a hearing with respect to a dangerous and unsightly premises assessed to William Norman Munroe, 16 Maple Leaf Lane, Eden Lake. Neither Mr. Munroe nor anyone else representing the property were present in the Chambers.

Council viewed an electronic presentation of pictures taken earlier today by the By-Law Enforcement Officer showing the property in question.

Ms. MacCarthy reported receiving a signed complaint form in May, 2016. An initial notice for clean-up was sent on May 24, 2016; some initial clean-up took place where a lot of debris was removed, however the cinderblock basement/crawl space has remained (although it was part of what was requested to be cleaned up). On September 21, 2016 a final notice was sent for the property owner to address concerns and no further compliance was forthcoming. A second complaint form was received on December 19, 2016 and a title search was requested on April 25, 2017 and received on April 26, 2017. Notice of Opportunity to attend Council was posted on June 21, 2017. The property is 0.4 acres and taxes were paid in full on June 15, 2017. The shed on the property is structurally sound and not part of the Draft Order.

With respect to the shed, Clr. Thompson agreed that it is structurally sound, however neighbours are concerned that there is a door missing which could grant access to children playing in the area. Overall, the property is not in keeping with other homes in the area with significantly high assessments.

Discussion ensued around the requirement for a door on the shed and the solicitor advised that Council can include the requirement for a door in the scope of the Demolition Order, or it could be done at the Administrator level. He also advised that there could be a requirement for the door to be completed earlier than the 30 days given for the other items in the Demolition Order.

RESOLUTION – DEMOLITION ORDER

Clr. Thompson presented a resolution to Council as follows:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Municipal Council for the Municipality of the County of Pictou that Council finds that the property located at 16 Maple Leaf Lane, Eden Lake (Tax Account #01829459), and further described in the attached Order is dangerous and unsightly;

AND BE IT RESOLVED that Council, pursuant to Section 346 of Part 15 of Chapter 18 of the Acts of 1998, the *Municipal Government Act*, make an Order in the form attached hereto and forming part of this

resolution, the said Order to be signed and issued forthwith on behalf of the Council by the Chief Administrative Officer of the Municipality or his designate.

DATED at Pictou, N. S. this 4th day of July, 2017

(Sgd.) Andy Thompson
Chester Dewar

**ORDER
MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT ACT, STATUTES OF NOVA SCOTIA, 1998, CHAPTER 18
ORDER REQUIRING DEMOLITION**

TO: William Norman Munroe
18 MacLaren Avenue
New Glasgow, NS
B2H 3N4

TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to Section 346 of *The Municipal Government Act*, The Council of the Municipality of the County of Pictou ("the Council" and "the County") has determined that the property located at 16 Maple Leaf Lane, Eden Lake, Pictou County, Nova Scotia, associated with Tax Account Number 01829459, and PID #00904219, which lands are included in those more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto attached and forming a part hereof ("the Property") is dangerous or unsightly.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that the Council orders you to remedy these conditions by doing all of the following work, acts or things ("the work") on the property, that is to say:

Complete all required work to the property as listed below:

- (3) Demolish the cinder block basement which is in a ruinous or dilapidated condition, leaving the site in a safe condition.
- (4) Remove all debris, from the property and dispose at an approved site.

THE WORK IS TO BE COMPLETED AND DONE WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS OF THE DATE OF SERVICE OF THIS ORDER.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE

THAT in the event of failure by you to comply with the requirements of this Order within Thirty (30) days after its date of service, the administrator may enter upon the property without warrant or other legal process and carry out the work specified in this Order;

THAT the cost of the work, with interest at the rate determined by the Council, from the date of the completion of the work until the date of payment:

- (c) Is the first lien on the property upon which the work was done and that the property is liable to be sold in a tax sale in accordance with *The Municipal Government Act*, and;
- (d) May at any time be sued for and recovered in an action in the name of the County.

THAT after this Order is served; any person who permits or causes a dangerous or unsightly condition, continues to permit or cause a dangerous or unsightly condition or fails to comply with the terms of the Order is liable, on summary conviction, to a penalty of not less than One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars, and

not more than Five Thousand (\$5000.00) Dollars, and, in default of payment, to imprisonment for not more than three (3) months;

THAT every day during which the condition is not remedied is a separate offence.

MOTION

It was moved by Clr. Thompson and seconded by Clr. Dewar that the preceding resolution be adopted with the addition of ensuring that the entrance to the shed be secured.

Motion carried.

REPORT – MUNICIPAL ALCOHOL PROJECT

Clr. Wadden gave a report on the activities of the Municipal Alcohol Project Committee as follows:

“We have not had a meeting since our last Council meeting on June 12. Our next MAP meeting is scheduled for next Thursday, July 13. As I advised last month, we plan to work on some type of forum to educate councillors on the legalization of cannabis which is scheduled for July 2018. Our intention is to assist Councillors to understand the many implications from this legislation which can and will impact municipalities. Our MAP Committee would most likely focus on the harms of excessive use of cannabis to our society but there are many legal and social aspects which Councillors should be aware of.

I have been speaking with our Warden, Deputy Warden and CAO to get their perspective on what they would like to see at this forum. The same is true for all Councillors here. I encourage you to talk with me and help me make suggestions which will make this forum valuable for you as councillors to attend. I have spoken to Lyle Goldberg at our UNSM office; he advised me a UNSM - AMA working group on Cannabis Legalization has been approved by the UNSM Board. This group will also include reps from policing. Also, Jack MacPherson, a councillor from Antigonish, is working to help his council become more aware of this situation. He advised me the NS Association of Police Governance Fall Conference is scheduled for Pictou Lodge Sept 27th to the 29th and one of the topics being covered is the legalization of marijuana implementation plans. Hopefully our Police Advisory Committee are aware of this conference. So as you can see this is becoming a very important issue and people are realizing we must all be well educated on the facts.

As plans for our forum progress I will be updating you.”

REPORT – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WORKING GROUP

Clr. Turner advised that the Economic Development Working Group has not met in the past month but is scheduled to meet on July 12th and will have a report at the next Council meeting.

RESOLUTION – MUNICIPAL GRANTS

Clr. Palmer presented a resolution to Council as follows:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Municipal Council for the Municipality of the County of Pictou that Council approve the payment of the following Municipal Grants:

Council:

Assoc. of Mun. Administrators NS	<u>\$ 1,000.00</u>	2017 Conference Expenses
	\$ 1,000.00	

Recreation:

Pictou Co. Seniors Festival	\$ 500.00	Event Expenses
LORDA	6,000.00	Operating Expenses
Trenton FunFest	250.00	Event Expenses
Caribou Riv. Community Hall	350.00	Seniors Fitness (Start-Up Gt.)
Pic. Co. Rec. & Athletic Society	250.00	Hosting Atlantic Track & Field Championships
Peter Corbin	100.00	Attending Nat Jr Series Triathlon
Maddox Fields	100.00	Attending PanAm Jr Champs.
Community Summer Recreation Programs @ Lismore, River John, Scotsburn, Plymouth & Thorburn 5 @ \$750	<u>\$ 3,750.00</u>	
	\$ 11,300.00	
GRAND TOTAL:	<u>\$ 12,300.00</u>	

DATED at Pictou, N.S. this 4th day of July, 2017.

(Sgd.) Randy Palmer
Andy Thompson

MOTION

It was moved by Clr. Palmer and seconded by Clr. Thompson that the preceding report be adopted as presented.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION – COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Clr. Wadden presented a resolution to Council as follows:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Municipal Council for the Municipality of the County of Pictou that Council approve the following nomination for the 17/18 term:

OUTSIDE BOARDS	
Municipal Audit Committee	Robert Parker, Wayne Murray, David Parker, Larry Turner, Deborah Wadden, Richard Feehan + 1 Non-Elected TBD
Ad Hoc Recreation Strategy Committee	Randy Palmer, Andy Thompson, Peter Boyles, Don Butler, Joan Clark, Mike Hecimovich, Josh MacKinnon, Eugene McManus, Deborah Stiles
Ad Hoc Energy Committee	Reg Brightman

DATED at Pictou, N. S. this 4th day of July, 2017.

(Sgd.) Deborah Wadden
Don Butler

MOTION

It was moved by Clr. Wadden and seconded by Clr. Butler that the preceding resolution be adopted as presented.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION – ST. LIGHT AREA RATES

Clr. Thompson presented a resolution to Council as follows:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Municipal Council for the Municipality of the County of Pictou that Council authorize the rating and collection of the following street light rates for the fiscal period 2017/18:

Flat Rate	\$49.35
Assessment Rate	\$ 0.052
Little Harbour/Pictou Landing	\$ 0.016
Abercrombie/Granton	\$ 0.017
District 1	\$ 9.09

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that all rates and taxes as set out above shall be due and shall be paid to the Treasurer on or before the 16th day of October, 2017. If such rates and taxes are not paid by the 16th day of October, 2017 an additional charge will be payable in accordance with the Municipality's Interest Rate Policy.

DATED at Pictou, NS this 4th day of July, 2017.

(Sgd.) Andy Thompson
Chester Dewar

MOTION

It was moved by Clr. Thompson and seconded by Clr. Dewar that the preceding resolution be adopted as presented.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION – TAX EXEMPTION & REDUCTION POLICY AMENDMENT- SCOTSB. REC. CLUB

Deputy Warden Murray presented a resolution to Council as follows:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Municipal Council for the Municipality of the County of Pictou that the Tax Exemption and Tax Reduction Policy be amended to add the following to "Schedule A":

AAN	OWNER	PROPERTY	EXTENT OF APPLICATION	CHARITABLE #
10593751	Scotsburn Recreation Club	Lands & Buildings at 4116 Scotsburn Road, Scotsburn	The whole of the lands & buildings at Scotsburn of the owner	889407193RR0001

DATED at Pictou, NS this 4th day of July, 2017.

(Sgd.) Wayne Murray
Chester Dewar

MOTION

It was moved by Deputy Warden Murray and seconded by Clr. Dewar that the preceding resolution be adopted as presented.
Motion carried.

RESOLUTION – INTERSECTION ST. LIGHTS

Clr. MacKeil presented a resolution to Council as follows:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS the Municipal Council for the Municipality of the County of Pictou has adopted a policy with respect to the provision of street lighting at intersections in areas where residential street lighting does not exist;

WHEREAS this policy is intended to aid in the safe passage of motor vehicles on public streets or roads and pedestrian traffic at street intersections and other pedestrian infrastructure in a manner which is both affordable and adequate for vehicular and pedestrian traffic;

WHEREAS the Property Services Committee has considered requests for intersection street lights in Districts #3 & #4;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Municipal Council for the Municipality of the County of Pictou that Council approve the installation of intersection street lights, in accordance with Policy #2016-03-34, at the following intersection:

- District #3: at the intersection of the Three Brooks Road & Highway 6;
- at the intersection of the Swanson Road & Highway 6;
- at the intersection of the Simpson Road & Three Brooks Road;
- (Reclassification from Conventional St. Light to Intersection Light)
- District #4: at the intersection of the West Branch Road & Scotsburn Road.

DATED at Pictou, NS this 4th day of July, 2017.

(Sgd.) Darla MacKeil
Ronald Baillie

MOTION

It was moved by Clr. MacKeil and seconded by Clr. Baillie that the preceding resolution be adopted as presented.

Motion carried.

MOTION – D6 MSG. FRIENDS OF GREEN HILL PARK

It was moved by Clr. D. Parker and seconded by Clr. MacKeil that Council approve a Municipal Services Grant in the amount of \$5,400 to the Friends of Green Hill Park from the District 6 allocation for park rejuvenation expenses.

Motion carried.

MOTION – RESCIND MSG ST. LIGHT GRANTS – DISTRICTS 2 & 4

It was moved by Clr. Wadden and seconded by Clr. Baillie that the approval of Municipal Services Grants in District 2 and District 4 for in the amounts of \$10,841 and \$430 respectively for street lighting be rescinded.

Motion carried.

TEMPORARY BORROWING RESOLUTION – ABERCROMBIE WASTEWATER EXTENSION

Clr. Palmer presented a resolution to Council as follows:

MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF PICTOU
TEMPORARY BORROWING RESOLUTION

\$1,027,218

File No. 17/18-01
Abercrombie Wastewater Extension

WHEREAS Section 66 of the Municipal Government Act provides that the Municipality of the County of Pictou, subject to the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs, may borrow to expend funds for a capital purpose authorized by statute;

AND WHEREAS clause 65 of the Municipal Government Act Authorizes the Municipality of the County of Pictou to expend funds for the capital purpose of wastewater facilities and stormwater systems;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED

THAT under the authority of Section 66 of the Municipal Government Act, the Municipality may borrow a sum or sums not exceeding One Million Twenty-Seven Thousand, Two hundred Eighteen Dollars (\$1,027,218) for the purpose set out above, subject to the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs;

THAT the sum be borrowed by the issue and sale of debentures of the Municipality to such an amount as the Council deems necessary;

THAT the issue of debentures be postponed pursuant to Section 92 of the Municipal Government Act and that the Municipality borrow from time to time a sum or sums not exceeding One Million Twenty-Seven Thousand, Two hundred Eighteen Dollars (\$1,027,218) in total from any chartered bank or trust company doing business in Nova Scotia;

THAT the sum be borrowed for a period not exceeding Twelve Months (12) from the date of the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs of this resolution.

THAT the interest payable on the borrowing be paid at a rate to be agreed upon; and

THAT the amount borrowed be repaid from the proceeds of the debentures when sold.

DATED at Pictou, NS this 4th day of July, 2017.

(Sgd.) Randy Palmer
Andy Thompson

MOTION

It was moved by Clr. Palmer and seconded by Clr. Thompson that the preceding resolution be adopted as presented.

Motion carried.

TEMPORARY BORROWING RESOL. – ALMA/SPRINGFIELD EST. WATER/WASTEWATER EXT.

Clr. Palmer presented a resolution to Council as follows:

MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF PICTOU
TEMPORARY BORROWING RESOLUTION

\$2,257,792

File No. 17/18-02
A/S Estates Water/Wastewater Extension

WHEREAS Section 66 of the Municipal Government Act provides that the Municipality of the County of Pictou, subject to the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs, may borrow to expend funds for a capital purpose authorized by statute;

AND WHEREAS clause 65 of the Municipal Government Act Authorizes the Municipality of the County of Pictou to expend funds for the capital purpose of wastewater facilities and stormwater systems;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED

THAT under the authority of Section 66 of the Municipal Government Act, the Municipality may borrow a sum or sums not exceeding Two Million Two Hundred Fifty-Seven Thousand, Seven Hundred Ninety-Two Dollars (\$2,257,792) for the purpose set out above, subject to the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs;

THAT the sum be borrowed by the issue and sale of debentures of the Municipality to such an amount as the Council deems necessary;

THAT the issue of debentures be postponed pursuant to Section 92 of the Municipal Government Act and that the Municipality borrow from time to time a sum or sums not exceeding Two Million Two Hundred Fifty-Seven Thousand, Seven Hundred Ninety-Two Dollars (\$2,257,792) in total from any chartered bank or trust company doing business in Nova Scotia;

THAT the sum be borrowed for a period not exceeding Twelve Months (12) from the date of the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs of this resolution.

THAT the interest payable on the borrowing be paid at a rate to be agreed upon; and

THAT the amount borrowed be repaid from the proceeds of the debentures when sold.

DATED at Pictou, NS this 4th day of July, 2017.

(Sgd.) Randy Palmer
Andy Thompson

MOTION

It was moved by Clr. Palmer and seconded by Clr. Thompson that the preceding resolution be adopted as presented.

Motion carried.

GROUP MAILBOX @ SINCLAIR RD. – CHANCE HARBOUR

Clr. Wadden reported receiving numerous complaints concerning the placement of a new group mail box on the Sinclair Road. Some of the concerns were not being able to get off the road with this being just before a curve on a very twisted road, poor visibility from the main intersection with Highway 348 which will be made even more treacherous with snow banks in the winter time. The ditch runs on both sides of the box. The Chance Harbour Wharf is on this road and the car and truck traffic is very high during the various fishing seasons and with recreational uses going on, as well as this being a very busy cottage area. Chris Mannett of Canada Post (Halifax) advised that he too has received many complaints about this box and had recommended to his supervisor that the box be pushed back to allow a space for cars to pull off safely. That was not done and Mr. Mannett was going to make a second request to his supervisor. Mr. Mannett did confirm that the box was approved by TIR and did meet Canada Post requirements. Unfortunately the supervisor has advised Mr. Mannett that since the box does meet Canada Post guidelines, nothing would be done for the residents. TIR has advised based on the 50 km speed zone, the Department's measurements, and the results of a 2010 traffic study the Department supported the location of the box. Previously there were two group boxes on this road that didn't meet the new requirements, even though they were there for many years and residents could pull off the main road. Mr. Mannett advises that if the matter was to be escalated any further it would have to be done through Canada Post in Ottawa.

MOTION

It was moved by Clr. Wadden and seconded by Clr. Butler that a letter be sent to Canada Post outlining the concerns with the new group mailbox on the Sinclair Road and advise Canada Post that the residents believe there is a better solution than doing nothing, by either pushing the box back to allow drivers to get safely off the road, or move the group box to the same site where the Lewis Road residents pick up their mail on Highway 348, with copies of the letter to be sent to Chris Mannett and James Bugbee of Canada Post, Sean Fraser, Basil Pitts at TIR and Tim Houston.

Motion carried.

EMERGENCY RESOLUTIONS

There were no emergency resolutions.

REFERRALS TO COMMITTEES & NOTICES OF MOTION

Clr. Palmer asked that the McLellan's Brook Road water line be placed on the next Property Services Committee agenda.

Clr. D. Parker asked that Council have a discussion in the future on regional assets (what they are and what is currently considered a regional asset, who has the authority for determining what are regional assets and what is the process for doing that, and the funding formula for regional assets).

Clr. Boyles asked that the Property Services Committee discuss tree removal around power lines.

ROAD AT ABERDEEN HOSPITAL

Warden R. Parker reported that an agreement has been reached on the access road to the Emergency Department at the Aberdeen Hospital. Details are expected to be released by the Town of New Glasgow on July 17th.

ADJOURN

It was moved by Clr. Boyles and seconded by Deputy Warden Murray that the meeting adjourn.
Motion carried. (8:13 p.m.)

Robert Parker
Warden

Brian Cullen
Municipal Clerk