

December 4, 2017

The Municipal Council for the Municipality of the County of Pictou met in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Administration Building on Monday, December 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 Murray
	6	Warden Robert Parker
	7	Clr. David Parker
	8	Clr. Larry Turner
	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
Carolyn MacIntosh, Deputy Municipal Clerk
Anne MacCarthy, Dog Control/By-Law Enforcement Officer
Jane Johnson, Recording Secretary

BY INVITATION

Heather Murphy, MacDonald & Murphy Inc.

AGENDA

It was moved by Clr. Boyles and seconded by Clr. D. Parker that the agenda be approved as circulated.

Motion carried.

MINUTES

It was moved by Clr. MacKeil and seconded by Clr. D. Parker that the minutes of November 6, 2017 be approved as circulated.

Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence was received and acknowledged from the following:

- a. Thank you letters (uncirculated) for financial assistance have been received from the Abercrombie Cemetery Co., 4-H participants (Lydia Tobin, Morgyn Hynes, Tyler MacLean), & Models for Mental Health. A thank you note has also been received from Ernest & Mary Jane Dewar for their milestone certificate.

RECOGNITION OF INDIVIDUALS & GROUPS

There were no recognition of individuals and groups.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

District 1 9th Annual Fitness Challenge from ages 5 to 98 extends its challenge to other districts in the Municipality;
Dec. 10th District 1 Seniors Appreciation Dinner;
Dec. 16th District 1 Annual Christmas Concert;
Nov. 27th Linacy Fire Department's AGM Thank You to Municipal Council for 150 Canada Funding;
Dec. 9th Riverview Residential Adult Centre's Annual Christmas Social from 1 to 3 pm;
Dec. 16th Santa's visit at the Caribou Fire Hall from 11 to 1 pm.

2016/17 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (7:05 P.M.)

Ms. Heather Murphy, MacDonald & Murphy Inc. reviewed the Consolidated Financial Statements for the Municipality for the period ending March 31, 2017. In respect to the report Ms. Murphy advised it is the opinion of the firm that the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Municipality and the results of its operations and cash flows.

In reviewing the Consolidated Statements of Financial Activities, Ms. Murphy reported that the total revenue for the reporting period was \$17,457,905; total expenditures for the period were \$16,124,746 and the change in the fund balances for the year was \$1,333,159.

Clr. D. Parker asked Ms. Murphy if there was any evidence of misappropriation of funds and Ms. Murphy replied that a letter was prepared this year to provide information to Council. Ms. Murphy reported they did not find anything that was misappropriation and they found the internal controls appropriate. If they do find anything in the audit testing to be inappropriate they will bring that immediately to Council.

MOTION

It was moved by Clr. D. Parker and seconded by Clr. Palmer that Council approve the 2016/17 Financial Statements as presented.

Motion carried.

Warden R. Parker thanked Ms. Murphy as well as staff for all their work during the past year. He excused Ms. Murphy from the balance of the meeting. (7:25 p.m.)

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 November:

1. Reviewed the list of Accounts Paid for the month of October.
2. Considered tenders for the purchase of a surplus vehicle. (Resolution to follow)
3. Reviewed the proposed Water Utility Budget for 2017/18. (Resolution to follow)
4. Reviewed the report of the Recreation Coordinator for the month of October.
5. Considered several applications for funding. (Resolution to follow)
6. Agreed that no changes were required to the Low Income Tax Exemption Policy at this time.

7. Agreed to remove sewer user fees on a residential property in Hillside (effective 2018/19) that is currently vacant and planned for demolition.
8. Discussed an administration recommendation to remove the Welsford Community Hall from Schedule A of the Tax Exemption and Tax Reduction Policy as the property has been sold and no longer has charitable status.
9. Approved \$150 Christmas Bonuses for municipal staff.
10. Received an update from the CAO on the status of televised Council meetings and electronic voting in the Council Chambers.
11. Considered appointments to committees and outside boards for 2017/18. (Resolution to follow)
12. Discussed concerns with regard to the need for improved communications between Valley View Villa, Villa staff, and the families of residents at that facility over changes to staffing levels at the home.

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

(Sgd.) David Parker
Darla MacKeil

MOTION

It was moved by Clr. D. Parker and seconded by Clr. MacKeil 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 November:

1. Reviewed and discussed the reports of the Building Inspector and By-Law Enforcement/Dog Control Officer for the month of October.
2. Received an up-date on the status of capital projects. Commissioning of the lift stations for the McLellan's Brook/Upper Plymouth Waste Water Phase II project is on-going and some deficiencies in the Plymouth area are awaiting attention. There is approximately 2 weeks of pipe installation remaining in the McLellan's Brook area. With respect to the replacement of the McLellan's Brook water line, Administration is attempting to confirm the availability of cost-sharing before Council makes a commitment to proceed with the project and an application is made to the NS Utility and Review Board for permission to take ownership of the water line. Manholes for the Springfield Estates Wastewater Extension are being delivered and excavation was scheduled to begin on November 22nd. The contractor for the Abercrombie Wastewater Extension is completing another project before beginning work in this location and commencement of construction is anticipated to coincide with receipt of the permit to construct from NS Environment. Drawings for the 3 sidewalk projects are complete. Staff is preparing the Specifications Document so that this work can be tendered by November 24th. Repairs and the installation of new street lights have been delayed due to a lack of human resources on the part of the installer who had

deployed resources to assist with tropical storm issues in the US. Fixtures are now available and work is schedule to begin shortly.

3. Approved the installation of a conventional street light in Hopewell, opposite the St. Columba United Church.
4. Received a report from the CAO that the Municipality's Community Solar application has not been approved, based on the cost submitted. Clr. Thompson reported that the application by the Plymouth Community Association was turned down for a similar reason.
5. Received a report from the Director of Public Works & Development that a determination has been made by our insurer that the failure on wind turbine #1 in Riverton is an insurable loss and that arrangements have been made to have this unit repaired. Turbines #2, #5 & #6 also require repairs that will be carried out when the contractor is on site to deal with the insured loss.
6. Agreed to seek information on the cost of providing an annual collection for large items as part of our solid waste collection program.
7. Agreed to write NS Transportation & Infrastructure Renewal to determine if there are any improvements that could be made to provincial infrastructure that would improve pedestrian traffic between the Wellness Centre and the Town of New Glasgow.
8. Met in closed session to discuss matters relating to contract negotiations and the acquisition, sale, lease and security of municipal property.

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

(Sgd.) Andy Thompson
 Randy Palmer

MOTION

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

Warden R. Parker suggested the sidewalks at NRHS could be done when the students are off on Christmas vacation.

Motion carried.

MAP REPORT

Clr. Wadden reported that the next meeting of the Municipal Alcohol Project Committee will be held on Dec 14th. We intend to continue to share information on the upcoming cannabis legislation as it becomes available especially what other municipal units are doing to prepare.

Work continues on our Intergenerational Forum but we are now looking at April as opposed to Feb - it just seems like a better fit especially for our student involvement.

PICTOU-ANTIGONISH REGIONAL LIBRARY BOARD

Clr. Wadden presented a report on behalf of the Pictou-Antigonish Regional Library Board. She advised that the year is 44% complete and 46% spent. Salary is up a bit because of the vacation payment for part-time staff. Office supplies seem high for now because of the need to replenish many items at the beginning of the year. Other items are on target. Therefore we anticipate budget being on target as the year continues.

The fundraising committee had one meeting and came up with a few ideas. However, after investigation they proved unfeasible. Fundraising is needed to help with Board Generated Income so we will likely need to raise an additional \$20,000

Justice Minister Mark Furey was invited to visit the Adopt-a-Library warehouse and discuss the program. A transition plan is needed for when John Kennedy retires. There is also a concern of where to house the Adopt a Library resources. Their current facility at East Pictou is no longer available so we are looking for a facility to house this warehouse. A large facility is required.

Colchester East Hants Public Library was approached about offering Legal Cafés in libraries across province. Through a Legal Café, a paralegal would assist clients with simple matters, they may appear simple but if on a fixed income or just not sure of resources or how to fill out legal firms, this initiative may be a very welcome asset.

At the last Board meeting we mentioned the various ways we serve visually impaired users with reading materials.

A visually impaired person would typically use what is called a Victor Reader Daisy Player. It is a specific piece of equipment that is designed to be used by visually impaired people and the elderly. It also is designed to work with our services we offer for downloadable audio books. Also, our staff train in the use of this equipment. <http://store.humanware.com/hca/victor-reader-stratus4-m-daisy-mp3-player.html>

Cost is always a barrier for a visually impaired person so our regional library has looked to community support when purchasing these. We then loan them long term to the individual. We are the only region in the province to do this, but it shows in our usage and the satisfaction of the users. Currently we have a waiting list of four people for the devices. They are \$525 each, plus \$78.75 tax = Total \$603.75. If you know of any groups, individuals, or anyone else who would be interested in making a donation to purchase one or more we can provide a tax deductible receipt. It is a gift that really make a difference in a person's life.

RESOLUTION – SURPLUS VEHICLE

Deputy Warden Murray presented a resolution to Council as follows:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS tenders have been called for the disposal of a 2008 Chevrolet 1500 4 x 4 truck which is considered to be surplus to the needs of the Municipality;

WHEREAS a summary of tenders received are as follows:

NAME	TENDER PRICE
Lawrence Clyburne	\$ 805.00
Jason Bowen	3,151.00
Simon Campbell	2,363.25
Brian Stewart	1,208.65
Fred Sim	2,651.90
Dan Fortune	2,070.00
Graham Hann	1,437.50

WHEREAS the Director of Public Works & Development recommends the acceptance of the highest tender;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Municipal Council for the Municipality of the County of Pictou that Council accept the tender submitted by Jason Bowen in the amount of \$3,151.00 to purchase the surplus 2008 vehicle as detailed above.

DATED at Pictou, N. S. this 4nd day of December, 2017.

(Sgd.) Wayne Murray
Deborah Wadden

MOTION

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

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION – WATER UTILITY BUDGET

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 approved the Water Utility Budget for the 2016/17 fiscal period in the amount of \$414,629.00, the same having been reviewed and approved by the Financial Services Committee of Council.

DATED at Pictou, N. S. this 4th day of December, 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 – MUNICIPAL GRANTS

Clr. Dewar 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:

Recreation:

Riverview Home	\$ 1,000.00	Program Grant
Valley View Villa	1,000.00	Program Grant
Caribou & Dist. F. Dept. Ways/Means	150.00	General Operations
Pictou Co. Invasion Volleyball Assoc.	<u>100.00</u>	Program Grant
	\$ 2,250.00	

Municipal Services:

D05 Scotsburn & Area Rec. Club	\$ 4,370.00
	\$ 4,370.00
TOTAL	<u>\$ 6,620.00</u>

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

(Sgd.) Chester Dewar
Andy Thompson

MOTION

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

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION – TAX EXEMPTION & TAX REDUCTION POLICY

Clr. Baillie 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 adopt the following policy with respect to tax exemption and tax reduction:



POLICY # 2017-12-12

MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF PICTOU
TAX EXEMPTION & TAX REDUCTION POLICY

1. This Policy shall be known as the Tax Exemption & Tax Reduction Policy.
2. This Policy shall apply to the properties listed in Schedules "A" and "B" and "C" commencing April 1, 2016.
3. Pursuant to section 71(1) of the *Municipal Government Act*, the properties listed in Schedule "A" to this Policy shall be, subject to sections 4 and 9 of this Policy, exempt from real property taxation.
4. The tax exemption provided in section 3 shall apply to general tax only and shall only apply to the portion of the property specified in Schedule "A".
5. Pursuant to section 71(2) of the *Municipal Government Act*, the real property tax payable with respect to the properties listed in Schedule "B" to this Policy shall be, subject to sections 6 and 9 of this Policy, reduced to the tax that would otherwise be payable if the property were residential property, inclusive of area rates.
6. The tax reduction provided in Section 5 shall apply only to that portion of the property specified in Schedule "B".
7. Pursuant to section 71(1) of the *Municipal Government Act*, the properties listed in Schedule "C" to this Policy shall be, subject to sections 8 and 9 of this Policy, exempt from real property taxation.

8. The tax exemption provided in section 7 shall only apply to general taxes and shall only apply to the portion of the property specified in Schedule "C", exclusive of sewer user charges and fire rates.
9. When a property listed in Schedule "A", "B", or "C" ceases to be owned or occupied by the owner indicated in the schedule, or if the property ceases to be occupied for the purpose, which pursuant to section 71(1) and 71(2) of the *Municipal Government Act* enabled the Municipality of the County of Pictou to include the property in this Policy, the tax exemption or reduction shall cease and the owner(s) of the property shall immediately be liable for the normal real property tax on such property for the portion of the taxation year then unexpired.

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

(Sgd.) Ronald Baillie
David Parker

SCHEDULE "A"

AAN	OWNER	PROPERTY	EXTENT OF APPLICATION	CHARITABLE #
0615196 8253005 4326997	Camp Geddie & Trustees Board of the Presbyterian Church in Canada	Lands & Buildings at 3555 & 3581 Shore Rd., Merigomish, and at Lower Barney's River	The whole of the lands & buildings at the Ponds, Merigomish of the owner	0085803-37-04
4564014	Trustees Kenzieville District Community Club	Lands & Buildings at 11677 No. 4 Highway, Kenzieville	The whole of the lands & buildings at Kenzieville of the owner	0476218-56-03
4682696	Trustees Barney's River Station Community Club	Lands & Buildings at 12507 No. 4 Highway, Barney's River	The whole of the lands & buildings at Barney's River of the owner	0484527-56-03
3757609	Piedmont Valley Community Club	Lands & Buildings at 1419 Piedmont Valley Road, Piedmont	The whole of the lands & buildings at Piedmont of the owner	0537647-56-03
4682483	Merigomish & Area Recreation & Social Association	Lands & Buildings at 1682 Shore Road, Merigomish	The whole of the lands & buildings at Merigomish of the owner	
2613042	Merigomish & District Fire Department	Lands & Buildings at 3414 Shore Road, Lower Barney's River	The whole of the lands & buildings at Lower Barney's River of the owner	
3051633	Marshy Hope Hall	Lands & Buildings at 14432 No. 104 Highway, Marshy Hope	The whole of the lands & buildings at Marshy Hope of the owner	
4560221 4033523	Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation	Lands & Buildings at 4699 Shore Road, Lismore & 15 Lighthouse, Ponds	The whole of the lands & buildings at Lismore & Ponds	

5388767	Presbyterian Congregation of Barney's River & Marshy Hope	Lands & Buildings at 11590 No. 4 Highway, Barney's River	The whole of the lands & buildings at Barney's River of the owner	
09702725 09702768	Trustees Board of the Presbyterian Church in Canada	Land & Buildings at 3581 Shore Road, Ponds	The whole of the lands & buildings at Ponds of the owner	0085803-37-04
3819736	Trustees St. Paul's Presbyterian Church	Lands & Buildings at 2264 Shore Road, Merigomish	The whole of the lands & buildings at Merigomish of the owner	
0220973	Trustees Kenzieville Cemetery	Lands & Buildings at Kenzieville	The whole of the lands & buildings at Kenzieville of the owner	
4683188	Trustees Little Harbour Community Centre	Lands & Buildings at 4892 Little Hbr. Rd., Little Harbour	The whole of the lands & bldgs. at Little Harbour of the owner	0430116-56-30
09089195	Sinclair's Island Fishermen's Society	Lands & Buildings at Chance Harbour and Sinclair's Island	The whole of the lands & buildings at Chance Harbour and Sinclair's Island of the owner	
0759015	Royal Canadian Naval Association – Adm. Murray Bch.	Lands & Buildings at Pictou Landing	The whole of the lands & buildings at Pictou Landing of the owner	
2567555	Pictou Co. Volunteer Ground Search & Rescue	Lands & Buildings at 8333 Pictou Landing Road, Little Harbour	The whole of the lands & buildings at Little Harbour of the owner	
1577166	Little Harbour Fire Department	Lands & Buildings at 8328 Pictou Landing Road, Little Harbour	The whole of the lands & buildings at Little Harbour of the owner	
3757269 8832404 04496167 04496167 03388328	Pictou Island Community Association	Lands & Buildings at 781, 785 & 1380 Pictou Island Road & 53 Wharf Road, Pictou Island	The whole of the lands & buildings at Pictou Island of the owner	
3757242	Pictou Island Hall	Lands & Buildings at 819 Pictou Island Road, Pictou Island	The whole of the lands & buildings at Pictou Island of the owner	
03388336 09858776	Harbour Authority of Pictou Island	Lands & Buildings at 53 Wharf Road & Pictou Island Road, Pictou Island	The whole of lands & buildings at Pictou Island of the owner	
09095659 09095667 10507472	Little Entrance Fisherman's Wharf Society	Lands & Buildings at 125 Simpson Rd., Braeshore & Simpson Rd., Caribou	The whole of lands & buildings at Braeshore & Caribou of the owner	

4681886	Trustees Caribou River Community Hall	Lands & Buildings at 5725 No. 6 Highway, Caribou River	The whole of the lands & buildings at Caribou River of the owner	
4681738	Trustees Bayview Community Hall	Lands & Buildings at Bayview Road, Bayview	The whole of the lands & buildings at Bayview of the owner	
05518784	Riverview Home Corporation	Lands & Buildings at 4933 River John Road, Three Brooks	The whole of the lands & buildings at Three Brooks of the owner	
4683714	Trustees Melville-Seafoam Community Hall	Lands & Buildings at 3629 No. 6 Highway, Seafoam	The whole of the lands & buildings at Seafoam of the owner	0917351-56-03
2050579	River John 4-H Club	Lands & Buildings at 309 Hedgeville Road, Hedgeville	The whole of the lands & buildings at Hedgeville of the owner	
4684435	Toney River Community Club	Lands & Buildings at 4854 No. 6 Highway, Toney River	The whole of the lands & buildings at Toney River of the owner	
3970833	River John & Area Recreation & Development Assoc.	Lands & Buildings at 2582 River John Station Road, River John	The whole of the lands & buildings at River John of the owner	
3819388	Presbyterian Church Manse of Canada	Lands & Buildings at 15 River John Road, River John	The whole of the lands & buildings at River John of the owner	
4715462	United Church Manse of Canada	Lands & Buildings at 20 River Road, River John	The whole of the lands & buildings at River John of the owner	
3970892	River John Voluntary Fire Department (1996)	Lands & Buildings at Mountain Road, River John	The whole of the lands & buildings at River John of the owner	
2716011	Friends of the River John Library Society	Lands & Buildings at 2725 River John Station Road, River John	The whole of the lands & buildings at River John of the owner	
1403192	Elmfied Community Club	Lands & Buildings at 446 Millsville Road, Elmfield	The whole of the lands & buildings at Elmfield of the owner	
4873394	West Branch Community Hall	Lands & Buildings at 31 West Branch Road, West Branch	The whole of the lands & buildings at West Branch of the owner	
4682475	Trustees Meadowville Community Club	Lands & Buildings at 2015 Black River Road, Meadowville	The whole of the lands & buildings at Meadowville of the owner	

3819795	Presbyterian Church of Canada Manse	Lands & Buildings at 1159 Campbell Hill Road, Scotsburn	The whole of the lands & buildings at Scotsburn of the owner	
5972329	Trustees of the Durham Presbyterian Church	Lands & Buildings at 721 No. 376 Highway, Durham	The whole of the lands & buildings at Durham of the owner	
1345486	Durham Hall	Lands & Buildings at 984 No. 376 Highway, Durham	The whole of the lands & buildings at Durham of the owner	
5986362 2131455 105937511	Scotsburn Recreation Club	Lands & Buildings at 4136 & 4116 Scotsburn Road	The whole of the lands & buildings at Scotsburn of the owner	889407193R0001
2632837	Lyon's Brook Community Hall	Lands & Buildings at 2399 No. 376 Highway, Lyon's Brook	The whole of the lands & buildings at Lyon's Brook of the owner	
4684494	Trustees Union Centre Community Hall	Lands & Buildings at 1 Salter Rd., Union Centre	The whole of the lands & buildings at Union Centre of the owner	0501189-56-03
05856469	Station Road Recreation Centre	Lands & Buildings at 49 Sylvester Rd., Sylvester	The whole of the lands & buildings at Sylvester of the owner	
3228711	Middle River Community Club	Lands & Buildings at 72 E Fraser Cross Road, Rocklin	The whole of the lands & buildings at Rocklin of the owner	0542365-56-03
5239508	Trustees Salem Athletic	Lands & Buildings at 109 Salem Loop, Salem	The whole of the lands & buildings at Salem of the owner	0874461-56-03
1345443	Durham Community Hall	Lands & Buildings at 4479 West River East Side Road, Durham	The whole of the lands & buildings at Durham of the owner	09904490-59-03
3235076	Millbrook Community Club	Lands & Buildings at 1731 Millbrook Rd., Millbrook	The whole of the lands & buildings at Millbrook of the owner	0484444-56-03
2512297 2512254 2512246	John David Lees (Leased to Lansdowne Outdoor Rec. & Development Assoc.	Lands & Buildings at 1480 Gairloch Road, Lansdowne & lands at New Lairg, Lansdowne	The whole of the lands & buildings at Lansdowne of the owner	0761809-56-03
4828046	Watervale Snowmobile Recreation Club	Lands & Buildings at 118 Cove Road, Watervale	The whole of the lands & buildings at Watervale of the owner	
10628385	West River Fire Department	Lands & Buildings at Gates Road, Central West River	The whole of the lands & buildings at Central West River of the owner	
4681614 4682637	Abercrombie Community Centre	Lands & Buildings at 1571 & 1589 Granton Abercrombie Road, Abercrombie	The whole of the lands & buildings at Abercrombie of the owner	0488767-56-03

4881028	Westville Road Youth Association	Lands & Buildings at Westville Road	The whole of the lands & buildings at Westville Rd. of the owner	0561944-56-03
5190762	NS Society for the Prevention of Cruelty – Pictou Co. Branch	Lands & Buildings at 3504 Granton Abercrombie Road, Granton	The whole of the lands & buildings at Granton of the owner	0488379-54-03
1532979 2560267 2560259	Linacy Community Association	Lands & Buildings at 6735, No. 4 Highway, Linacy	The whole of the lands & buildings at Linacy of the owner	
8833974	Their Light Shall Always Shine Memorial Park Society	Lands & Buildings at Walkerville Road, Priestville	The whole of the lands & buildings at Priestville of the owner	
4564022	Trustees Priestville Community Improvement Project	Lands & Buildings at Walkerville Road, Priestville	The whole of the lands & buildings at Priestville of the owner	
0762504	Churchville Community Club	Lands & Buildings at 1054 Irish Mtn. Rd. Churchville	The whole of the lands & bldgs. at Churchville of the owner	0483057-59-03
3776948	Plymouth Community & Recreation Association	Lands & Buildings at 2340 River Road, Plymouth	The whole of the lands & buildings at Plymouth of the owner	0514638-56-03
3972046	Riverton Community Hall	Lands & Buildings at 5678 Stellarton Trafalgar Road, Riverton	The whole of the lands & buildings at Riverton of the owner	0534316-56-03
8835284	Town of New Glasgow	Lands & Buildings at 3720 East River East Side Road, Churchville	The whole of the lands & buildings at Churchville of the owner	
2602792	Lorne Community Club	Lands & Buildings at 847 Lorne Station Road, Lorne	The whole of the lands & buildings at Lorne of the owner	0540807-56-03
2069504 2069482	Hopewell Recreation Association	Lands & Buildings at Elgin Road & Stellarton Trafalgar Road, Hopewell	The whole of the lands & buildings at Hopewell of the owner	
8272557	Eureka Community & Recreation Club	Lands & Buildings at Ash Street, Eureka	The whole of the lands & buildings at Eureka of the owner	
1237896 1238027 1322435 1322443	District 13 Recreation & Planning Commission	Lands & Buildings at 31 New Row, Arena Road & Marsh Road, Thorburn	The whole of the lands & buildings at Thorburn of the owner	0405134-56-03
2968347	MacPherson's Mills Community Hall	Lands & Buildings at 49 Grist Mill Loop, MacPherson's Mills	The whole of the lands & buildings at MacPherson's Mills of the owner	0521385-52-03

4601076	Freedom Bible Church	Lands & Buildings at 1121 Thorburn Road, Sutherland's River	The whole of the lands & buildings at Sutherland's River of the owner	89126978 RR0001
3400395	Trustees Sutherland's River & District Association	Lands & Buildings at 1458 Thorburn Road, Sutherland's River	The whole of the lands & buildings at Sutherland's River of the owner	
4562968	Presbyterian Church of Canada	Lands & Buildings at 757 Marsh Road, Thorburn	The whole of the lands & buildings at Thorburn of the owner	
1890646	Trustees of Union Presbyterian Church	Lands & Buildings at 745 Marsh Road, Thorburn	The whole of the lands & buildings at Thorburn of the owner	
4074777	Thorburn & District War Veteran's Association	Lands & Buildings at Thorburn Road, Thorburn	The whole of the lands & buildings at Thorburn of the owner	
8270783	Trustees Dist. 17 & Area Recreation Association	Lands & Buildings at Simpson Road, French River	The whole of the lands & buildings at French River of the owner	
4684206	Springville Presbyterian Church	Lands & Buildings at 2560 East River East Side Road, Springville	The whole of the lands & buildings at Springville of the owner	0086850-37-03
4564405	MacLellan's Brook & Area Community Association	Lands & Buildings at 2271 Brookville Rd., MacLellan's Brook	The whole of the lands & buildings at MacLellan's Brook of the owner	0510297-59-03
1639218	Garden of Eden Community Hall	Lands & Buildings at 28 Garden of Eden Church Loop, Garden of Eden	The whole of the lands & buildings at Garden of Eden of the owner	0514653-56-03
4682459	Trustees MacLellan's Brook Community Hall	Lands & Buildings at Brookville Road, MacLellan's Brook	The whole of the lands & buildings at MacLellan's Brook of the owner	0621466-56-03
0888214	East River St. Mary's Community Hall Association	Land & Buildings at 822 Sherbrooke Road, East River St. Mary's	The whole of the lands & buildings at East River St. Mary's of the owner	0730358-56-03
4681789	Trustees Bridgeville Community	Lands & Buildings at 21 Elgin Road, Bridgeville	The whole of the lands & buildings at Bridgeville of the owner	
4018427	Rocky Mountain Community Hall	Lands & Buildings at 1935 Sherbrooke Road, Rocky Mountain	The whole of the lands & buildings at Rocky Mountain of the owner	
4682971	Trustees Glencoe Community Hall	Lands & Buildings at 957 East River East Side Road, Glencoe	The whole of the lands & buildings at Glencoe of the owner	

4683099 4684966	Trustees Knox Presbyterian Church	Lands & Buildings at 1684 Tower Road & Sherbrooke Road, Blue Mountain	The whole of the lands & buildings at Blue Mountain of the owner	
3757226	Pictou County Snowmobile Club	Lands & Buildings at 944 Brookville Road, Brookville	The whole of the lands & buildings at Brookville of the owner	
2636638	Sunny Brae War Memorial Society	Lands & Buildings at 2382 East River West Side Road, Sunny Brae	The whole of the lands & buildings at Sunny Brae of the owner	
1308734	East River Valley Recreation	Lands & Buildings at 2770 East River East Side Road, Springville	The whole of the lands & buildings at Springville of the owner	
10610524	Pictou County Snowmobile Club	Lands & Buildings at Brookville Road, Brookville	The whole of the lands & buildings at Brookville of the owner	

SCHEDULE "B"

AAN	OWNER	PROPERTY	EXTENT OF APPLICATION	CHARITABLE #
3292304	Moore Lodge IOOF	Lands & Buildings at Thorburn Road, Thorburn	The whole of the lands & buildings at Thorburn of the owner	
4683064	Trustees of Rebekah Lodge No. 108	Lands & Buildings at 2411 East River West Side Road, Sunny Brae	The whole of the lands & buildings at Sunny Brae of the owner	
4683013	Trustees IOOF Hall	Lands & Buildings at 2488 East River East Side Road, Springville	The whole of the lands & buildings at Springville of the owner	
2443775	River John Lions Club	Lands & Buildings at 2724 West Branch Road, River John	The whole of the lands & buildings at River John of the owner	
02146533	IOOF Hall	Lands & Buildings at 2747 River John Station Road, River John	The whole of the lands & buildings at River John of the owner	

SCHEDULE "C"

AAN	OWNER	PROPERTY	EXTENT OF APPLICATION	CHARITABLE #
02155869	Pictou County Wellness Centre Building Authority Incorporated	Lands & Buildings at 2756 Westville Road, Westville Road	The whole of the lands & buildings at Westville Road of the owner	

MOTION

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

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION – 2017/18 NOMINATIONS

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 appointments for the year 2017/18:

STANDING COMMITTEES	
Financial Services	Full Council
Property Services	Full Council
Committee of Council as a Whole	Full Council
Executive	Full Council
OUTSIDE BOARDS	
Ad Hoc Communications Strategy Comm.	Darla MacKeil, Wayne Murray, David Parker, Larry Turner, Roy Strickland, Gregg MacDonald, Stuart Cresswell, Rochelle Heighton
Ad Hoc Energy Committee	Wayne Murray, Peter Boyles, Andy Thompson, Mike Jenkins, Stuart Cresswell, Kathy Kenny, Reg Brightman
Ad Hoc Recreation Strategy Committee	Randy Palmer, Andy Thompson, Peter Boyles, Don Butler, Joan Clark, Mike Hecimovich, Josh MacKinnon, Eugene MacManus, Deborah Stiles
Ad Hoc Road Committee	Deborah Wadden, Darla MacKeil, David Parker, Randy Palmer, Andy Thompson
Age Friendly Communities Committee	Peter Boyles
Aquaculture Development Working Group	Don Butler, Deborah Wadden, Peter Boyles, Corinne MacDonald (Citizen Rep), Steven MacIntosh (Lease Holder)
Airfield Engineering Flight	Peter Boyles, 1 non-elected TBD
Community Grant Review Committee	Robert Parker, Wayne Murray, Ronald Baillie, David Parker, Randy Palmer, Chester Dewar
Cruise Ship Committee	Darla MacKeil
deCoste – Pictou Library Feasibility Oversight	Larry Turner
Eastern Mainland Housing Authority	Linda Priske (to Feb. 19/18)
Fences Arbitration Committee	Joyce Roode (to Nov/20)

Forbes Lake Watershed Committee	Andy Thompson
Friends of the River John Library Board	Ronald Baillie
Hector Arena Commission	Darla MacKeil, David Parker, Ken Pettipas (to Nov/18)
Heritage Advisory Committee	Don Butler, Deborah Wadden, Darla MacKeil, Wayne Murray, Larry Turner, Peter Boyles
Ivor MacDonald Memorial Rink	Don Butler, Randy Palmer, Andy Thompson
LORDA Board of Directors	David Parker, Peter Boyles
Municipal Alcohol Project (MAP)	Deborah Wadden
Municipal Audit Committee	Robert Parker, Wayne Murray, David Parker, Larry Turner, Deborah Wadden, Richard Freehan (to Nov/18), Susan Robinson (to Nov/19)
New Scotland Business Park	Larry Turner, Randy Palmer, Andy Thompson
Noise Committee	Warden, Deputy Warden & Clr. for area with Complaint
Northumberland Fisheries Museum & Heritage Association Board	Darla MacKeil
NRHS School Advisory Council	David Parker
Pictou-Antigonish Regional Library Board	Deborah Wadden
Pictou Co. Firefighter's Assoc. Liaison	Don Butler, Robert Parker, Peter Boyles
Pictou Co. Genealogy & Heritage Society	Darla MacKeil
Pictou County Shared Services Authority	Robert Parker
Pictou Co. Sports Heritage Hall of Fame	Larry Turner
Pictou Co. Wellness Centre Bd. Authority	Robert Parker
Pictou Landing Harbour Authority	Deborah Wadden
Pictou-North Colchester Exhibition	David Parker, Chester Dewar
Pictou Source Water Protection	Darla MacKeil, Wayne Murray
Planning Advisory Committee	Don Butler, Deborah Wadden, David Parker, Randy Palmer, Earle Cameron (to Nov./18), Blair Van Veld (to Nov./18)
Police Advisory Board	Ronald Baillie, Wayne Murray, Randy Palmer, Gordon Gillis(to Nov./18), Gwen Savage (to Nov./18), Nick Clark (to Nov/19)
Regional Economic Development	Robert Parker, Larry Turner
REMO: Unified Command Group	Robert Parker, Wayne Murray
REN Liaison Oversight Committee	Larry Turner
Riverton Guest Home Corporation	Don Butler, Peter Boyles, Chester Dewar, Earle Cameron (to Dec. 31/18), Bonnie Allan (to Dec. 31/19)
Riverview Home Corporation	David Parker
Sinclair Island Fishermen's Association	Deborah Wadden
Trenton Source Water Protection Comm.	Deborah Wadden, Peter Boyles
UNSM Delegates	Full Council
OFFICERS	
Returning Officer	Josephine MacDonald (to Nov./19)
Relief Building Inspector	Mike Thompson
Development Officer (Subdivision By-Law)	Jeffery Turnbull
Development Officer (Wind Energy LUB)	Jeffery Turnbull
Dog Control Officer	Anne MacCarthy
Relief Dog Control Officer	John Fillier
Poundkeepers (Dogs)	Pictou County SPCA & Dog Control Officer/Relief DCO
Poundkeepers (Animals @ Large)	Wally Ross

DATED at Pictou, NS this 4th day of December, 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.

DANGEROUS & UNSIGHTLY PREMISES HEARING – DONNA M. CARRIGAN (7:45 P.M.)

At 7:45 p.m. Warden R. Parker convened a hearing with respect to a dangerous and unsightly premises assessed to Donna M. Carrigan, 6227 Highway 4, Linacy, (AAN 00043478). Neither Ms. Carrigan 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 she received 6 complaints outlining the concerns regarding this property on August 28, 2017. The initial notice was sent September 26, 2017 and returned marked “unknown” by the post office. A title search was requested on October 23, 2017 and this document was received November 15, 2017. The property was posted on November 24, 2017 for an opportunity to attend Council tonight on the draft order. The concerns were that the trailer/mini home and the structure covering the well are dilapidated. There is a small amount of debris around the house and the decking has rotted away. The trailer/mini home has been left open to the elements for the past 2+ years, the roof and shingles are rotting as well as the structure covering the well has a collapsed roof. She has not listed the garage located at the back of the property because this structure appears to be in good repair. She felt Council should consider this property for demolition as it meets the outline for Dangerous & Unightly Premises set out in Chapter 18 in the Statues of Nova Scotia 1998. The following conditions are present: It is in a dilapidated condition and the condition depreciates the value of land and building in the vicinity and is not in keeping of properties in this neighborhood. It is in a state of non-repair which makes it not suitable for human habitation or business purposes. It could possibly be an allurement to passers-by which constitutes a hazard to the safety of the public and it also poses a fire hazard to itself or surrounding lands and buildings. The property particulars are as follows. The site is .33 acres with sewer service and the structure is a 1974 Maritimer 12 x 47 with an addition built onto it. The taxes are paid and the property is assessed at \$41,000. She was speaking with the owner who stated she would not be attending this meeting and the process was explained to her and the possible remedies she can seek if the order is given by Council. The owner stated she understood the process and time frames available to her. She is also aware that if the County carries out the work all fees related to this file will be applied to her tax account. The owner also provided up-dated contact information as to where any further mail can be directed.

Clr. Butler asked if the owner was interested in cleaning up the property herself.

Ms. MacCarthy replied that the owner had informed her it was just not feasible for her at this time so this may give her a timeframe if the County does the clean-up.

RESOLUTION – DEMOLITION ORDER

Clr. Boyles 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 6227 #4 Highway, Linacy (Tax Account #00042478), 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 December, 2017

(Sgd.) Peter Boyles
Larry Turner

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

TO: Donna M. Carrigan
6227 No. 4 Hwy
Linacy, NS B2H 4C3

AND: Royal Bank of Canada
C/o Jennifer Fisher, Recognized Agent
111 Water Street
PO Box 1060
Windsor, NS B0N 2T0

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 6227 Highway 4 Linacy, Pictou County, Nova Scotia, associated with Tax Account Number 00043478, and PID #01045475, 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 the trailer / mini home structure which is in a ruinous or dilapidated condition, leaving the site in a safe condition.
- (2) Demolish the small shed directly behind the trailer/mini home, which has a collapsed roof.
- (3) 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:

- (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. Palmer and seconded by Clr. Thompson that the preceding resolution be adopted as presented.

Motion carried.

CANNABIS LEGISLATION

Clr. Wadden informed Council she needs some direction as a member of the MAP Committee on where Council is heading and planning to do in regards to the Cannabis legislation.

Warden R. Parker asked Council where it stands on this legislation.

Clr. MacKeil asked what effect will this legislation have on the Municipality and the CAO replied that he was not sure at this point. For rural municipalities it may depend on which way the Provincial Government goes in regards to sales and distribution. The impacts we will see will be increased costs in policing, equipment and labs that will filter down through budgets. The police are trying to figure out what they are going to do with it. There is provincial legislation that already covers the Smoke Free Places Act but there could be issues around land use planning in regards to locations of establishments. Nova Scotia Liquor Commission establishments are exempt from zoning so these establishments could be put wherever the province determines they could go. If you had land use planning you may be able to have some type of control but the Municipality does not have land use planning.

Clr. D. Parker reported the THC (tetrahydrocannabinol) in the marijuana bud causes the most concern with the police. In our own bodies we produce endocannabinoid and it is responsible for helping us deal with pain and anxiety. There are many claims that the use of medical marijuana helps relieve pain. Marijuana that contains THS should be dealt with through law enforcement and marijuana that has a medicinal value should be dealt with through pharmacies. It is important that we do not overreact but education is important.

Clr. Butler reported the Federal Government announced today that it will be giving the provinces more tax revenue from the sales of marijuana and it should filter down to the municipalities. It is difficult to be pro-active in trying to decide what we should be doing when there are so many uncertainties.

Deputy Warden Murray pointed out that Council could take a stance on age which he felt should not be under 19 years of age. He also felt that marijuana should be removed from all edibles and there should also be a lab in every province.

The Solicitor informed Council that his partner Julie MacPhee is well informed on the different issues that relate to marijuana. The Province's framework is expected to be available by the end of December. The Solicitor reported that Ms. MacPhee would be glad to provide a presentation on any number of issues to Council or to the MAP Committee.

Warden R. Parker reported that we don't want to overreact and to make sure we have the legislation in place. We all know the rules but not everyone follows them but if we make the rules too strict it will only encourage the black market. We need to have the same type of rules for marijuana that we have alcohol and tobacco. Education is very important so we have to inform parents and it should not be sold within the liquor stores but located in a separate area.

Clr. Wadden asked if the MAP Committee should be the group to continue with the cannabis issue but she does not want too much on the MAP Committee because it is a lot of responsibility.

Warden R. Parker reported that Council will leave the issue with the MAP Committee at present but if the Committee needs more help then it should let Council know.

UNSM FALL CONFERENCE

Clr. Wadden reported that the theme of the UNSM fall conference was "Building a Vision fit the Future" The Keynote Address was "How Council Can Manage Expectations and Successfully Communicate their Strategic Decisions to The Public" by Ms. Christina Bent. Her key message was the challenge we face as Municipal Councillors explaining facts to our residents. Effective and meaningful communication is only possible when it is rightly understood and that can only happen when citizens are engaged and informed and they want to be engaged and informed.

The first session I attended was Nature Conservancy of Canada's Freshwater Blueprint Project - this is a multiyear project which will classify river and stream types and assess threats to watershed health within the Maritime Provinces. This will identify priority watersheds for conservation and/or restoration that can best protect and restore critical ecosystem services. This project mitigates the impacts of climate change through erosion and flood damage. Our own GIS system here in the county can and should be set up with this Blueprint.

Wednesday afternoon we held our Caucus meetings - some of the discussions surrounded immigration and seasonal workers, Intergenerational workshop which must include our First Nations, Alternative sources of Energy possibly with the province reconsidering opening up the CONFIT Program to encourage work in this area, Housing, corrections and education and a discussion on "J" class roads. Overall there seems to be concerns about the lack of understanding of what agreements have been made between the UNSM and the Province. This could possibly be related to the number of newly elected officials who are unaware of what agreements were reached in previous years.

Some of the issues for The UNSM are: Partnership Framework between the UNSM and Municipal Affairs Intergovernmental Cannabis Working Group involving Municipal Affairs, Justice, UNSM and AMANS Fire Service Review Joint Municipal Accountability and Transparency Committee Provincial Municipal Accessibility Framework Working Group Regional Enterprise Networks Rebranding Exercise - currently changing from UNSM to the Federation of NS Municipalities

One of the most important resolutions was concerning the CAP Program. Resolving to forming a provincial-municipal committee who would review the issues associated with the CAP and make recommendations on proposed solutions. The Ministers panel is always an interesting component of the Conference.

Another workshop I enjoyed was "The Sharing Economy and Local Government - Disruption Ahead". Our world is changing and the rules and policy we have in place now are becoming irrelevant to sharing economy, business and consumers such as Uber and Airbnb. How local governments deal with these changes as we try to find the balance in how people do business, how people buy things and how people work.

The last discussion was on Rural High Speed and going that final mile. A number of municipalities are developing their own solutions for providing this service but it is not an easy road with many problems and inconsistencies.

Finally I would like to congratulate Ron on his 20 year service recognition.

Warden R. Parker reported that we need to find ways to communicate better with the residents and we are looking at televised meetings. Our new website is almost ready to go and we also have the Rural News and Views. We have a big gap to fill to let our residents know about the issues.

COLLABORATIVE PRACTICE

Clr. Wadden reported the NS Health Authority conversation on primary health care family practice teams was held on Nov 21st at the Wellness Centre. It was a special invitation to all Municipal Officials to come together for a discussion on Collaborative Practices and how they can help as we continue to see a shortage of doctors especially in rural Nova Scotia. A Collaborative family practice team includes family doctors, nurse practitioners, family practice nurses and other health professionals to provide comprehensive care for a full range of health from basic wellness checkups to managing complex conditions. New doctors as they graduate now want a work and family balance. Very few are looking for

24/7 practices. Currently we have 29 family doctors here with a vacancy of 6. We have 4 collaborative practices, 2 in New Glasgow, 1 in Pictou and 1 in Westville. This team environment works for them and can work quite well for us.

If you do not have a family doctor or you know someone who does not have a family doctor please call 811 to be added to the provincial list. To get accurate numbers of how many are actually looking for a doctor, you have to call and be put on the list.

One very interesting take away from this session was that the northern region of New Glasgow, Antigonish and Truro are being considered for a Resident's Program from Dalhousie. This is currently in the planning stages and may not come to be for a couple of years. When an area has this program, the opportunity to encourage more doctors to come to your area is greatly enhanced.

Statistics show approximately 75% of doctors who resident in a specific area, stay in that area after they graduate. We must continue to monitor this situation with the province and make sure this opportunity does not slip through our fingers. We need to be regularly updated as to where this plan is with our Provincial Govt. Along with that we must be prepared to make our community much more welcoming. Our hospital especially now with an updated Emergency Department, our schools, our libraries, our entertainment facilities, our recreational facilities such as the Wellness Centre, our restaurants and shopping - hopefully you are getting the picture. As Municipal leaders we are in a position to really work hand in hand with our Health Board to make our area a place where medical professionals want to settle with their families

I was very impressed with the members who put this presentation on and I certainly learned a great deal from this workshop. I hope to continue to work with this group as we deal with collaborative practices and doctor shortages in our area.

Clr. D. Parker reported that he found the meeting quite encouraging and the model they now have includes doctors and nurse practioners who will see patients as well as prescribe. Over time it will become the accepted model and the doctors will only see the more serious cases.

Deputy Warden Murray reported that it is very important that we educate the people about this new model because you may not get to see your doctor but your records will be shared with a team of doctors.

Clr. Dewar pointed out that we lost those beds at the Aberdeen Hospital and we never got them back but that is something that never should have happened.

Clr. Boyles reported that he had concerns brought forward and he never heard back from the Health Authority.

Warden R. Parker reported Council will be meeting with the Health Authority Wednesday evening at 6:00 p.m. We need to bring these concerns forward from the residents and have the Health Authority address them.

EMERGENCY RESOLUTIONS

There were no emergency resolutions.

REFERRALS TO COMMITTEES & NOTICES OF MOTION

Clr. Boyles reported that he is still getting calls from residents regarding the street lights and would like that issue put on the next Property Services agenda.

Clr. Boyles reported that he still has concerns regarding the hydrant flows in Hillside so he had the hydrant retested by the Fire Chief in Trenton. The fire flows in Hillside are all down so he would like to add that to the Property Services agenda.

Clr. Boyles reported the residents from Priestville/Walkerville are having water issues and would like to make a presentation to Council.

Warden R. Parker reported that issue will be added to the Property Services agenda.

Clr. Butler reported that he would like to have an updated report from staff on the topic he brought up at a previous meeting regarding an additional pick-up of large items going to the landfill.

Clr. Wadden reported that she was disappointed this evening there were no Committee reports especially from Valley View Villa. She pointed out that Council does need to have a discussion on the Villa because that issue is serious.

Warden R. Parker reported the Villa is working under a new model and there have been a lot of changes made. He reported that the CAO, Deputy Warden and himself will be meeting with Clrs. Butler, Boyles and Dewar again in January. Warden R. Parker pointed out that Workers Compensation is very costly and that just creates more costs to the Villa.

Clr. Butter reported that we can all appreciate this is a time of transition and when there is transition there is always uncertainty. There were a lot of rumors about people being laid-off but there was only 1 lay-off at the Villa to date. There were concerns that people were having trouble meeting with the administration but the new Administrator has an open door policy. He will welcome and speak with anyone who has concerns with the facility. There is a Family Council that meets periodically and it will be meeting again next Tuesday with the Administrator in attendance. It is important to direct any concerns to the administration and hopefully the answer to their questions will be answered.

ADJOURN

It was moved by Clr. MacKeil and seconded by Deputy Warden Murray that the meeting adjourn.
Motion carried. (8:50 p.m.)

Robert Parker
Warden

Brian Cullen
Municipal Clerk