

**MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF PICTOU
COUNCIL MEETINGS POLICY**

In accordance with Section 23(1)(a) of the *Municipal Government Act*, being Chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, 1998, the Municipal Council for the Municipality of the County of Pictou hereby enacts a policy with respect to Council Meetings as follows:

1. The Municipal Council shall hold its regular meetings as follows:
 - (a) Beginning at 7:00 p.m. on the first Monday of each month;
 - (b) If the first Monday of any month is a holiday, then the regular meeting shall be held on the following day, Tuesday, beginning at 7:00 p.m.
2. In addition to the regular meetings, the Municipal Council may hold such other meetings as may be necessary or expedient for the dispatch of business at such time and place as the Council determines, if each Council member is notified at least three days in advance, in accordance with Section 19 (2) of Chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, 1998, the *Municipal Government Act*.
3. (1) The Municipal Council may, at any regular, or other meeting as may be necessary or expedient for the dispatch of business, by resolution, decide to postpone or omit any regular or other meeting otherwise scheduled.

(2) For sufficient cause, the Warden may postpone any regular or other meeting as may be necessary or expedient for the dispatch of business for a period not exceeding seven (7) days from its scheduled starting time and date.
4. The Clerk shall give public notice of time and place of each meeting of the Council and shall also give written notice of each meeting to each Councillor.
5. Except as otherwise provided in Section 22(2) of The *Municipal Government Act*, all meetings of the Municipal Council shall be open and public.
6. All former policies and/or by-laws heretofore enacted with respect to Council meetings and proceedings are hereby repealed.

Approved by Council: April 27, 1999