

Community of Murray Harbour, PE

Regular Council Meeting Minutes

#4 – April 1st, 2015 @ 7:00 pm

PRESENT: Chairperson Faye Fraser
Councillor Shawn Landon
Councillor James Irving
Councillor Shelley Musil
Councillor Robin Davidson

ADMINISTRATOR: Sylvain De Lafontaine
ABSENT with regrets: Councillor Wendy Siebrands
Councillor Ed Young

GUESTS: None

MEETING DECORUM

1. **CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairperson Faye Fraser called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

It was duly moved and seconded that the agenda be adopted as presented.

Moved by Councillor Shelley Musil

Seconded by Councillor Shawn Landon

(2015-04-01) – CARRIED – (4-0)

3. **INTRODUCTION OF ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS:** None.

4. **DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST:** (Copy of Disclosure on table for meeting)

4.1. *Declaration(s) – None*

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING** (Feb. 4th & Mar. 4th, 2015)

Moved by Councillor Shelley Musil

Seconded by Councillor Shawn Landon

(2015-04-01) – CARRIED - (4-0)

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES/OLD BUSINESS:

- 6.1. Electrician to Complete Kitchen Project:** Awaiting Charlie Knox.
- 6.2. Cover for Heat Pumps and Noise Emanating From Heat Pump Fans Issue:**
Mr. Penny has put up covers above compressors. This solution seems less than ideal as far as the hall unit is concerned, since so much snow and/or ice comes off the valley between the roofs over it. Unit is presently not running, has shut itself off due to ice clogs on fan blades. Council should greatly consider having that unit moved to another location before next winter to avoid possible future complications. Refrigeration Specialists is to be contacted to repair unit.
- 6.3. Community Planning Project:** Ongoing, but nothing new to report.
- 6.4. Budget Roundtable:** Report by Councillor Landon.
- 6.5. Gas Tax Expenditures:** There probably won't be any applications for funding in 2015.
- 6.6. Audit Timetable:** Audit completed. Annual Expenditure Reports (AERs) received from John Arsenault on March 4th. Sylvain is to go over them and return them by May 15th.
- 6.7. Newsletter:** Presented by Councillors Davidson and Landon. It was agreed that advertisement for the newsletter would cost \$50 for 4 issues, for a business-size card ad space. Councillor Landon is to send out an advertisement offer letter to local businesses.
- 6.8. Surveillance Cameras:** Presented by Councillors Musil and Landon. Quotes presented were around \$4,000. Council moved towards purchasing and installing a Dropcam, along with Cloud Recording Service, when funds become available.
- Moved by Councillor Shawn Landon*
Seconded by Councillor Robin Davidson
(2015-04-01) – CARRIED - (4-0)
- 6.9. Fire Exits/Snow Removal:** Allan Glover has been so kind as to clear a path to our emergency exits, but the accumulation of snow/ice immediately at the door is still an issue due to the melting snow falling from the roofs. A solution must be sought for next winter. Allan has presented Council a quote for snow removal for the 2015-2016 winter, to be approved by Council. Motion was presented to approve Allen Glover's Snow Removal Quote for 2015/2016. Copy of said quote attached hereto.
- Moved by Councillor James Irving*
Seconded by Councillor Shawn Landon
(2015-04-01) – CARRIED - (4-0)
- 6.10. Mariner Seafood:** Presented by Councillor Landon. It was mentioned that Tim James has purchased the old Mariner Seafoods property, and is interested in building cottages.

7. **CORRESPONDENCE:** None.

8. **PRESENTATIONS OR DELEGATIONS TO COUNCIL:** None.

9. **REPORTS:**

9.1. **Chairperson:** None.

9.2. **Finance – Including 2015 Budget:** Presented by Sylvain, and annexed hereto. Final budget to be presented at a special meeting to be held on May 6th, 2015. It was proposed that the Village of Murray Harbour borrow at least \$22,000 from the Sewage Utility account in order to be able to present a balanced budget for 2015. Motion presented to request a loan for \$25,000 from Sewage Utility, to be repaid at \$5,000 a year for 5 years. This request will be presented at the next Sewage Utility Board meeting.

Moved by Councillor Shelley Musil
Seconded by Councillor Robin Davidson
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9.3. **Sewage Utility – Including 2015 Budget & LAM Wage Increase:** Council has determined that Lora Ann MacPhee's wage increase request should be presented to the Sewage Utility Board instead. If accepted, it should then be ratified by this Council. Budget presented by Sylvain, attached hereto.

9.4. **Parks & Recreation:** Presented by Councillor Landon.

9.5. **Fire Department:** None.

9.6. **FCC Report:** None.

9.7. **Administrator's Reports - Cheques Over \$500:**

9.7.1. Cheques over \$500 Report for February 2015 was presented by Sylvain, and is annexed hereto.

Moved by Councillor Shawn Landon
Seconded by Councillor Robin Davidson
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9.7.2. Cheques over \$500 Report for March 2015 was presented by Sylvain, and is annexed hereto.

Moved by Councillor Shawn Landon
Seconded by Councillor Shelley Musil
(2015-04-01) – CARRIED - (4-0)

10. **NEW BUSINESS:**

10.1. **Councillor Remuneration:** Councillor Landon asked that this item be postponed until next Council meeting, suggesting presence of all Councillors would be preferable.

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- 10.2. **St-Lawrence O&G Exploration Resolution:** No action taken.
- 10.3. **Fundraising Events for 2015:** Discussions, but no definite action taken.
- 10.4. **Municipal Tax Rates:** Rates remain unchanged from 2014. Certificate presented and signed by Chairperson Fraser and by Sylvain. Certificate to be mailed out immediately.
- 10.5. **Repeal of Dog Bylaw – First Reading:** A bylaw to this effect was presented and read in 2013. It was proposed that more investigation will be done in order to determine if this bylaw was – or not – properly filed with Municipalities PEI. Council agreed.

11. **NEXT MEETING:** **Wednesday, May 6th, 2015 @ 7:00 pm.**

12. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Moved by Councillor Shelley Musil
Seconded by Councillor Robin Davidson
(2015-04-01) – CARRIED - (4-0)

Signed by V. Faye Fraser, Chairperson

Date

Signed by Sylvain De Lafontaine, CAO

Date