



Municipality of the District of St. Mary's

Regular Council Meeting
Wednesday, October 9th, 2024

We acknowledge that we are gathering in Mi'kma'ki the traditional unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq people.

1. Meeting, Date & Time:

The Regular Council meeting of the St. Mary's Municipal Council was called to order on Wednesday, October 9th, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers Sherbrooke, N.S.

2. Attending:

Warden Greg Wier	Councillor Courtney Mailman
Deputy Warden James Fuller	Councillor Everett Baker
Councillor Charlene Zinck	Councillor Beulah Malloy

Absent with Regrets:

Councillor James Harpell

Also Attending:

Doug Patterson, Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)
Jadzia Rudolph, Municipal Clerk

3. Additions to the Agenda:

- Addition to #8. Outside Committee reports, item A. ECRL Report.

4. Approval of Agenda:

On motion of Deputy Warden Fuller and seconded by Councillor Baker, Council approved the agenda with the addition.

Motion approved.

5. Approval of Minutes:

On motion of Councillor Malloy and seconded by Councillor Zinck, Council approved the minutes from the Regular Council meeting held September 9th, 2024.

Motion approved.

6. Business Arising from the Minutes:

- There was no business arising from the minutes.

7. Recommendations from the Committee of the Whole:

Committee of the Whole – September 18th, 2024. (Absent: Councillor James Harpell.)

On the motion of Councillor Baker, and seconded by Councillor Zinck, Council approve the award of the repaving work to S.W. Weeks Construction Ltd. for a cost of \$6,400.00 plus HST

And

Council approve the award of removal of excess gravel and to provide the safety traffic control services for a total cost of \$1,570.00 plus HST

And

Approve a cost contingency of \$1,500.00 plus HST.

Motion approved.

On the motion of Deputy Warden Fuller and seconded by Malloy, Council agree to reschedule the October 14th, 2024 Council date to October 9th, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. due to the holiday.

Motion approved.

On motion of Councillor Baker and seconded by Councillor Mailman, Council approve the award of the wastewater grating replacement project to DivCon Diversified Construction Inc. for \$72,000.00 plus HST where \$30,000.00 will come from the Sustainable Service Growth Fund and \$47,677.00 to be funded by the Canada Community Building Fund (CCBF) reserve.

Motion approved.

On motion of Councillor Zinck and seconded by Councillor Mailman, Council agree to send the new elected officials and the CAO to the Councillor orientation at the Halifax Convention Centre on November 4th to 5th, 2024.

Amendment: Council agree to send all Elected Officials and CAO to the Councillor Orientation and Training at Halifax Convention Centre on November 4th to 5th, 2024.

Motion approved.

On motion of Deputy Warden Fuller and seconded by Councillor Zinck, Council approve a funding contribution to Community First Guysborough Housing from the Municipality of the District of St Mary's (the municipality) for \$8,000.00. The funds shall come from the municipal operational economic development budget.

The funds shall be made available under the following conditions

- 1.) The funds shall be provided for the purpose of assisting Community First Guysborough Housing to purchase the property known as PID 37503422 located on Highway #7, Marine Drive in Sherbrooke Nova Scotia
- 2.) The funds are to be used for the purchase of the land and for the development of housing on this property
- 3.) The municipality recognizes that Community First Guysborough Housing will manage and control all aspects of the project including the land purchase and housing development
- 4.) If the purchase of the land is not completed for any reason, then the funds shall be returned to the municipality unless other use of the funds is approved via written consent by the municipality in the form of a motion approved by council
- 5.) That Community First Guysborough Housing shall agree in writing to these terms

Motion approved.

Committee of the Whole – October 2nd, 2024. (Absent: Councillor James Harpell)

On motion of Councillor Baker, and seconded by Councillor Malloy, Council approve the bid from Cimco Refrigeration for the maintenance contract of the St. Mary's Recplex ice plant in the amount of \$7,002.91 plus HST per year for the 3 year contract from 2024/2025 to 2026/27 totalling \$21,008.74 plus HST.

Motion approved.

On motion of Councillor Malloy, and seconded by Deputy Warden Fuller, Council approve the overnight parking ban at 16 Main Street annually from December 1st to March 31st from 10:00 pm to 7:00 am.

Amendment: Council approve the overnight parking ban at 16 Main Street Parking Lot annually from December 1st to March 31st from 10:00 pm to 7:00 am.

Motion approved.

On recommendation of Councillor Zinck and seconded by Councillor Mailman, Council values and supports the ongoing work of the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada (the department) in their efforts to plan and evaluate the St. Mary's River for an Ecologically Significant Area (ESA) due to many possible benefits this designation could provide.

Further, that the municipality would like to explore ways for municipal participation.

Motion approved.

On motion of Deputy Warden Fuller, and seconded by Councillor Baker, Council agree to provide \$700.00 for funding for pumpkins and carving kits for Fright Night.

Motion approved.

8. Outside Committee Reports

a. ECRL Report – Councillor Mailman

- See the Agenda/Package for report.

9. Other Matters of Business

- There was no Other Matters of Business.

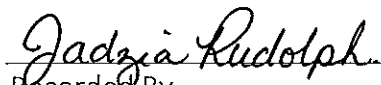
10. CAO Report:

- See the Agenda/Package for the report.
- Doug Patterson, CAO informed the Council of the highlights included in the report. Doug Patterson, CAO updated Council that Voting started October 9th, 2024 at 12:00 noon. Doug Patterson, CAO informed Council that Districts 1, 4, and 5 are competing in an election.
- Doug Patterson, CAO informed Council that property tax reminders were sent out and residents should receive them.
- Doug Patterson, CAO notified Council of the Annual Guysborough 55+ Games were a big success this year, thanks to the Director of Community Development and Recreation, Mallory Fraser.
- Doug Patterson, CAO informed Council of the upcoming activities to take place this year at the St. Mary's Recplex such as; Curling, House League Hockey, and much more.
- Doug Patterson, CAO notified Council of the accessibility upgrades to the St. Mary's Recplex are complete and that accessibility upgrades to the Sherbrooke Library are next.
- Doug Patterson informed Council that the last presentation for the New Neighborhood Housing Concept will be taking place October 10th, 2024 at 6:00 pm in the Municipal Office, Council Chambers, anyone can attend.

Adjournment

On motion of Councillor Malloy and seconded by Councillor Baker there being no further matters of business, the Council adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Motion approved.


Recorded By
Jadzia Rudolph, Municipal Clerk


Approved By
Warden Fuller