



Municipality of the District of St. Mary's

Emergency Council Meeting- Monday- March 18th, 2020

1. Meeting, Date & Time:

The Emergency Council meeting of the St. Mary's Municipal Council was called to order on Monday, March 18th, 2020 at 10:34am in the Council Chambers Sherbrooke, N.S

2. Attending:

Warden Mosher
Councillor Baker
Councillor Smith
Councillor Kaiser-Kirk
Councillor Findlay
Councillor Malloy (via teleconference)

Also Attending:

Marvin MacDonald, CAO
Marian Fraser, Director of Finance (via teleconference)
Marissa Jordan, Municipal Clerk & Special Projects Coordinator

Absent with Regrets:

Deputy Warden Dort

3. Other Matters of Business:

Council Agendas and Meetings:

- Council discussed options for upcoming meetings of Council and options to still hold meetings.
- Some municipalities have decided to hold teleconferences and some have suspended meetings. Upon direction from the Department of Municipal Affairs to consult with your solicitor, the CAO spoke to the municipal solicitor.
- The Solicitor recommended calling an emergency meeting of Council to amend our Teleconferencing Policy to allow for all members of Council to be present via teleconference for meetings during a pandemic, public health or other emergency. The solicitor also said that Council is still able to hold the Annual General Meeting, as well as other meetings, as long as it is audio recorded and both the recording and the written minutes are posted online.
- Council discussed the Solicitor's suggested amendments to the Teleconferencing Policy. Council asked staff to update the public with these changes and that the amended policy will be invoked.

On motion of Councillor Smith and seconded by Councillor Baker, Council agreed to make the amendments as suggested by the municipal solicitor to the Video and Teleconferencing Policy.

Motion passed.

Adjournment

On motion of Councillor Findlay there being no further matters of business, Council adjourned at 11:04pm.

Recorded By: Municipal Clerk

Approved By: Warden Mosher