



Municipality of the District of St. Mary's

Committee of The Whole (COTW) Meeting

Wednesday, July 3rd, 2024

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

1. Meeting, Date & Time:

Warden Wier called the COTW Meeting of the St. Mary's Municipal Council to order on Wednesday, July 3rd, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, Sherbrooke, N.S.

2. Attending:

Warden Greg Wier

Deputy Warden James Fuller

Councillor Everett Baker

Councillor Courtney Mailman

Councillor Beulah Malloy

Councillor Charlene Zinck

Absent with Regrets:

Councillor James Harpell

Also Attending:

Doug Patterson, Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)

Marian Fraser, Director of Finance (DOF)

Jadzia Rudolph, Interim Municipal Clerk

3. Additions to the Agenda:

- There were no additions to the agenda.

4. Approval of the Agenda:

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

Motion approved.

5. Approval of Minutes:

On the motion of Councillor Malloy and seconded by Councillor Zinck, the Council approved the minutes of the COTW Meeting held June 19th, 2024.

Motion approved.

6. Business Arising from the Minutes:

- Deputy Warden Fuller proposed that half mast for the flag policy should be for all council.
- Council agreed that section 4.3.8 and 4.3.9 should be removed.

7. Correspondence:

a. Letter from Minister J-Class Roads

- The Municipality received correspondence for the J-Class Roads, but the Municipality was not approved for the funding to proceed with Cameron Road, Bennetts Loop, and Restoration Drive.
- Council discussed submitting Cameron Road and Bennett's Loop as one road, and Restoration Drive as a separate road.

On recommendation of Deputy Warden Fuller and seconded by Councillor Baker, Council agree to resubmit Cameron Road and Bennetts Loop together as one road, and Restoration Drive as a separate road to the minister of J-Class roads.

Recommendation adopted.

b. Letter for 12 Months' Notice - NSFM

- The Municipality received a letter from NSFM requesting 12 months' notice of any provincial legislation, regulation, or administrative actions that could have the effect of decreasing revenues or increasing the required expenditures of municipalities for the fiscal year 2025-2026 and beyond.

8. Other Matters of Business:

a. Water Treatment Plant Electrical Upgrades

- See the Agenda/Package for staff report.
- It was suggested by Public Works that surge protection for the Water Treatment Plant would be an important addition to the integrity of the water plant and its sensitive equipment and that this surge protection be installed along with the planned automatic switch for the backup generator.

On recommendation of Deputy Warden Fuller and seconded by Councillor Malloy, Council approve the bid in the amount of \$10,401.43 plus HST from Suburban Electric Ltd to install the automatic switch gear and surge protection at the water treatment facility to provide an undisturbed water supply to consumers and to protect the sensitive equipment within the water treatment facility.

Recommendation adopted.

b. Election Update: Verbal Update

- Doug Patterson, Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) informed Council of the updates to the Election. There will be a candidate guide to help offer some general information to people who wish to run for council.
- Returning Officer, Doug Patterson will have the draft voters list, and the Municipality will advertise in the Guysborough Journal so that residents can check to see if they are on the list. The Municipality is still waiting for the province to update election forms.

9. In-Camera: Personnel

On motion of Councillor Malloy and seconded by Councillor Mailman, Council agree to move In-Camera for Personnel at 4:32 p.m.

Motion approved.

On motion of Deputy Warden Fuller and seconded by Councillor Malloy, Council agreed to return to regular session at 5:27 p.m.

Motion approved.

Adjournment

On motion of Councillor Baker, and seconded by Councillor Mailman, there being no further matters of business, Council adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Motion approved.

Jadzia Rudolph.
Recorded By
Jadzia Rudolph, Municipal Clerk

W. Wier
Approved By
Warden Wier