A regular monthly meeting of the Committee of the Whole of Middleton Town Council was held at the Town Hall on Tuesday, May 22, 2012, starting at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT

Chairing the meeting, Mayor Calvin Eddy; Deputy Mayor Vera Errington; Councillors Dan Smith, Marc Britney and Melinda den Haan; Chief Administrative Officer, Clayton MacMurtry; and Recording Secretary, Sharon McAuley.

Regrets: Councillors Darren Boates and Gail Smith; Director of Finance, Marianne Daine.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Eddy called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

CAO MacMurtry advised Committee of the following change to the agenda:

- Addition of Item 3.1: Appointment of Animal Control Officer.
- Addition of Item 4.3: ADEDA surplus and correspondence from the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency (ACOA) regarding funding of Regional Development Authorities.

3. ACTION ITEMS

3.1 Appointment of Animal Control Officer

It was moved by Councillor Britney, seconded by Councillor D. Smith that Committee of the Whole recommends to Council, that Council appoint Keith Boudreau as Animal Control Officer for the Town of Middleton. Motion carried.

4. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

4.1 Management Reports

The Management Reports were circulated to all Committee members. CAO MacMurtry advised Committee that:

- He is researching the cost of a voltage monitor to examine the power supply for the sewage treatment plant and will prepare a recommendation for the June Council meeting including costs and design flaws issues. Two pumps have already had to be repaired and there is concern with damaging the UV system when it comes online in June.
- The one year warranty on the UV system is ending even though the system has not been installed. He is talking to ABL Environmental Consulting Ltd. regarding covering the cost of an additional year of warranty as it was their error which caused the delay in the UV system installation.

4.2 Planning Services Report

The Planning Services Report was circulated to all Committee members. CAO MacMurtry advised the Committee that everyone is paid up.

4.3 ADEDA Surplus and ACOA Correspondence

CAO MacMurtry advised the Committee that:

- At the CAO-ADEDA meeting in March, Managing Director Liz Morine advised the CAOs that there could potentially be a \$78,000.00 surplus for fiscal year ending March 31, 2012. As a result the County has requested that the surplus monies be returned to the municipal partners. Once the audit was complete, the surplus estimate was lowered to \$35,000.00. The municipal partners' portion of the surplus would be \$11,667.
- The Board is in favour of allowing ADEDA to retain the surplus and use it to prepay expenses for the 2012-13 fiscal year.
- The Board agreed to wait until the final numbers are known before making a decision on the surplus.
- ACOA has written a letter to the Board advising them that they will be ending their core
 operational funding effective May 2013.

5. ANYTHING BY MEMBERS

Deputy Mayor Errington advised the Committee that:

- Live to Serve Haulers in Middleton has won the Mobius Award for Business of the Year (small). The Award recognizes the achievements of innovative Nova Scotians who have helped make our Province a leader in waste reduction.
- There are lots of people shad fishing by the bridge and the Town may want to contact the local angler group and partner with them on a shad festival which utilizes Riverside Park.

On question from Councillor Britney, CAO MacMurtry advised the Committee that he will follow up on the grant application for the video surveillance cameras.

Mayor Eddy reminded the Committee that:

- The Honourable Jamie Baillie, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party of Nova Scotia will meet with council members on May 23, 2012 at 10:30 a.m.
- The joint meeting of the Town of Middleton and Annapolis County Police Advisory Boards will take place on May 24, 2012 at 7 p.m. at the Firehall.

On question from the Committee, CAO MacMurtry will follow up with the County on what they are doing regarding mink farming.

6. IN-CAMERA

It was moved by Councillor den Haan, seconded by Councillor M. Britney, that the Committee adjourn to in-camera at 7:37 p.m. to discuss litigation, contract negotiations and personnel issues. Motion carried.

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Errington, seconded by Councillor D. Smith, that Committee return to regular session at 8:35 p.m. Motion carried.

7. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Councillor D. Smith, seconded by Councillor M. Britney, that the Committee adjourn at 8:35 p.m. Motion carried.

RECORDING SECRETARY