

A regular monthly meeting of Middleton Town Council was held at the Town Hall on Monday, May 5, 2014, starting at 7 p.m.

PRESENT

Chairing the meeting, Mayor Calvin Eddy; Deputy Mayor Dan Smith; Councillors Darren Boates, Gail Smith, John Himmelman, and Marc Britney; Chief Administrative Officer, Rachel Turner; Director of Finance, Marianne Daine, and Recording Secretary, Sharon McAuley.

Regrets: Councillor Melinda den Haan.

Also in attendance: John Thompson and Director of Recreation and Community Services, Jennifer Coolen.

14.05.01 PROCLAMATIONS**.01 Emergency Preparedness Week**

Mayor Eddy proclaimed May 4th to 10th, 2014 as Emergency Preparedness Week in the Town of Middleton and that people should "Be Prepared for 72 Hours".

.02 National Health and Fitness Day

Mayor Eddy proclaimed the first Saturday in June as National Health and Fitness Day in the Town of Middleton.

.03 Hunger Awareness Week

Mayor Eddy proclaimed the week of May 5th to May 9th, 2014 to be Hunger Awareness Week in the Town of Middleton.

14.05.02 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

140505.01: It was moved and seconded to approve the agenda as circulated. Motion carried.

14.05.03 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**.01 Council Meeting – April 7, 2014**

140505.02: It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the regular Council meeting of April 7, 2014 be approved as circulated. Motion carried.

.02 Public Hearing – April 22, 2014

140505.03: It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the Public Hearing of April 22, 2014 be approved as circulated. Motion carried.

.03 Special Council Meeting– April 22, 2014

140505.04: It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the Special Council meeting of April 22, 2014 be approved as circulated. Motion carried.

14.05.04 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- .01 RFD # 001-2014 – Repeal of Policy C.1.3 – Bursary Fund

140505.05: It was moved and seconded that, pursuant to seven day notice given at Committee of the Whole, Council approve repealing policy *C.1.3 Bursary Fund Policy* and the funds be donated to the Canadian Tire Jumpstart Program. Motion carried.

14.05.05 NEW BUSINESS

- .01 RFD # 002-2014 – Easement: Muriel Chipman Property

140505.06: It was moved and seconded that Council agrees to formalize an easement for the purposes of access to currently existing Town water/wastewater infrastructure, on the property belonging to the estate of Muriel Chipman located between Spring Garden Road and Connaught Avenue (PID # 05078779). Motion carried.

- .02 RFD # 003-2014 – Youth Ambassador Committee Appointment

140505.07: It was moved and seconded that Council appoints Deputy Mayor Smith as a member of the Youth Ambassador Committee. Motion carried.

- .03 Discussion on Selection Committee for Legal Services Request for Proposals

140507.08: It was moved and seconded that Council appoints Councillors Gail Smith and Marc Britney as members of the Legal Services Selection Committee. Motion carried.

- .04 Committee of the Whole Recommendations

- a. Appointment – Soldiers' Memorial Hospital Foundation

140507.09: It was moved and seconded, on recommendation of Committee of the Whole, that Council appoints Brian Neville as the Town of Middleton's representative to the Soldiers' Memorial Hospital Foundation Society from June 2014 to June 2016. Motion carried.

14.05.06 REPORTS

- .01 Mayor

Mayor Eddy tabled his report for the month of April. He informed Council that he had met with Isabel Madeira-Voss, Principal, Nova Scotia Community College, Valley Region regarding future courses that could be offered in Middleton and that he offered her the opportunity to attend a Town Council meeting.

- .02 RCMP Report

- a. Occurrence Report – March 2014

The RCMP Occurrence Report for the month of March 2014 was circulated to all Council members.

- b. 2014 Annual Report

The RCMP 2014 Annual Report was circulated to all Council members.

Council members had received an email from a resident regarding the Middleton RCMP office expansion and that Annapolis County Councillors were surprised by the request. Mayor Eddy will contact Larry Powell, Annapolis County Spectator and clarify that:

- the request came from S/Sgt. de Winter;
- the Town of Middleton is supporting the RCMP request for additional space;
- there would not be any cost to the Town of Middleton;
- the current space does not meet the needs of the existing complement of officers.

.03 Other Committee Reports

There were no other committee reports.

14.05.07 **CORRESPONDENCE**

A list of correspondence for the month of April has been circulated to all Council members and posted on SharePoint.

Council raised concern regarding the Town of Berwick giving notice of its intent to withdraw from the Intermunicipal Agreement establishing the Valley Regional Enterprise Network (VREN) unless a more equitable funding formula is agreed upon. CAO Turner reported that Berwick had been upfront with this request prior to signing the Agreement.

CAO Turner will follow up with the VREN CAOs about the next steps for this process and report back to Council.

14.05.08 **ANYTHING BY MEMBERS**

Council members noted that Maple Avenue is almost impassable and asked if cold patching could be done to help the situation.

Councillors Himmelman and Britney noted that there has been an increase in the ER closures at Soldiers' Memorial Hospital. Councillor Britney has a phone call into Jeanne Saulnier as they were supposed to advise the Town of the closures ahead of time.

Mayor Eddy reminded Council that the Committee of the Whole Budget Meeting will be taking place on May 13, 2014 and that the RMP will be hosting an open house on May 14, 2014.

14.05.09 **ADJOURNMENT**

**140505.10: It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:41 p.m.
Motion carried.**


MAYOR


RECORDING SECRETARY