

A regular monthly meeting of Middleton Town Council was held at the Town Hall on Tuesday, September 2, 2014, starting at 7 p.m.

**PRESENT**

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

Also in attendance were: Jennifer Coolen, Director of Recreation and Community Services; Heather Killan, Annapolis County Spectator; Jan Davies, Police Advisory Board; and five citizens.

**14.09.01      PROCLAMATION**

.01      Right to Know Week

Mayor Eddy proclaimed the week of September 22 to September 28, 2014, as "Right to Know Week" in the Town of Middleton.

**14.09.02      APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**140902.01: It was moved and seconded to approve the agenda as circulated. Motion carried.**

**14.09.03      APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

**140902.02: It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the regular Council meeting of August 5, 2014 be approved as circulated. Motion carried.**

**14.09.04      NEW BUSINESS**

.01      Committee of the Whole Recommendations

a.      Ratification of Transfer to Surplus

**140902.03: It was moved and seconded that Council, on recommendation of Committee of the Whole, approve a transfer of \$112,444.51 to Special Reserve Fund General Operating Account. Motion carried.**

.02      RFD # 017-2014 – Occupational Health and Safety Policies

a.      Notice to Amend Occupational Health and Safety Policies

- Policy E.4.1 – Workplace Inspection

**140902.04: It was moved and seconded that, pursuant to seven day notice given at Committee of the Whole, Council amend *Policy E.4.1 Workplace Inspection* as circulated. Motion carried.**

b.      Notice to Add Occupational Health and Safety Policies

- Policy E.1.4 – Emergency Policy

**140902.05: It was moved and seconded that, pursuant to seven day notice given at Committee of the Whole, Council add *Policy E.1.4 Emergency Policy* as circulated. Motion carried.**

- Policy E.1.5– Environmental Policy

**140902.06: It was moved and seconded that, pursuant to seven day notice given at Committee of the Whole, Council add *Policy E1.5 Environmental Policy* as circulated. Motion carried.**

Director of Recreation and Community Services, Jennifer Coolen entered the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

.03 Borrowing Resolution – Backhoe Loader

**140902.07: It was moved and seconded that Council approve a Temporary Borrowing Resolution in an amount up to, but not exceeding, one hundred and fifteen thousand dollars (\$115,000.00) to finance the purchase of a backhoe for the Town’s Public Works Department. Motion carried.**

.04 Strategic Planning Workshop (Discussion)

CAO Turner reviewed the process that will be used for developing the strategic plan for the Town of Middleton.

Council agreed that Saturdays would be the best day for the workshops and assignments, ahead of time, would aid the process.

CAO Turner will send out an email on options for dates and explore the use of a facilitator.

**14.09.05 REPORTS**

.01 Mayor

Mayor Eddy tabled his report for the months of July and August.

.02 Other Committee Reports

There were no other committee reports.

**14.09.06 CORRESPONDENCE**

A list of correspondence for the months of July and August have been circulated to all Council members and posted on SharePoint.

Recording Secretary, S. McAuley will inquire into obtaining a digital copy of “Sport Quarterly” and distribute the hard copy if a digital copy is not available.

**14.09.07 ANYTHING BY MEMBERS**

Councillor Britney, Mayor Eddy and CAO Turner made the following points concerning policing in the Town of Middleton:

- A letter has been received from Robert McFadden and a Facebook page has been set up regarding policing in the Town of Middleton.
- The Police Advisory Board is the venue for the public to voice their questions and concerns.

- There is a clear separation between government and police. The Town Council does not direct the RCMP priorities; priorities are set at the federal and provincial levels with input from the Police Advisory Board through Council.
- The Town is funding its full share and the partners are falling short in their funding.
- The RCMP deploy their resources on a county-wide basis which means that they may be called out of Middleton to address incidents in the County.
- Two new RCMP members will be arriving in September, two new RCMP members will be arriving once their homes have sold and a new Staff Sergeant will be arriving in October or November.
- The detachment is short staffed.
- Over the past year there have been numerous articles on policing in Annapolis County including the issue of police funding and residents are encouraged to read the articles (the Town will provide a link on the Town's webpage).
- The next Police Advisory Board meeting is Tuesday, September 9, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. in Council Chambers.

Deputy Mayor Smith was approached by Jonathan Archibald, owner of Blue Griffin Books and President of the Middleton Area Business Association, to set up a Crime Stoppers type of fund for Middleton. CAO Turner will:

- research if money donated to Crime Stoppers can be segregated for use in Middleton;
- encourage people to contact Crime Stoppers if they know anything;
- place Crime Stoppers information on the Town's sign board, webpage and newsletter.

Council agreed to have CAO Turner review the second entrance to the Save Easy parking lot in light of traffic concerns raised by Councillor Himmelman and citizens.

Mayor Eddy reminded members of the following events taking place in the Town:

- Committee of the Whole meeting on September 15;
- "Dinner with the Premier Dinner" on October 4;
- ALS Ice Bucket Challenge issued to the Town Council from the Middleton Fire Department on Friday, September 5, at 6 p.m. at Centennial Park.

14.09.08

**ADJOURNMENT**

**140902.08: It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 p.m. Motion carried.**

  
MAYOR

  
RECORDING SECRETARY