

A regular monthly meeting of Middleton Town Council was held at the Town Hall on Monday, May 2, 2011 starting at 7:00 p.m.

### **PRESENT**

Chairing the meeting, Mayor Calvin Eddy; Deputy Mayor Vera Errington; Councillors Dan Smith, Darren Boates, Melinda den Haan, and Marc Britney; Chief Administrative Officer, Clayton MacMurtry; and Director of Finance, Marianne Daine.

### **PROCLAMATION**

#### **.01 Emergency Preparedness Week**

Mayor Eddy proclaimed the week of May 1<sup>st</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup>, 2011 Emergency Preparedness Week in the Town of Middleton.

### **11.05.01 CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

There were no changes to the agenda for this meeting.

### **11.05.02 SOLICITOR**

#### **.01 Parking Tickets**

Solicitor Gillis was not present for this meeting.

The CAO is to contact the Solicitor and request that he attend the Committee of the Whole meeting May 16<sup>th</sup> to discuss this item.

### **11.05.03 MINUTES**

It was **moved by Boates, seconded by Smith that the minutes of the regular Council meeting of April 4, 2011 be approved as circulated. The motion was carried.**

### **11.05.04 PRESENTATIONS BY PUBLIC**

There were no presentations for this meeting.

### **11.05.05 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

#### **.01 Public Safety Bylaw, Chapter 18 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading and Passing**

CAO MacMurtry advised that no submissions, written or verbal, have been received on the proposed amendments to the Public Safety Bylaw.

It was **moved by Smith, seconded by Boates that the Council approve the second reading and passing of the amendments to the Public Safety Bylaw, Chapter 18. The motion was carried.** A copy of the amendments is attached to the original of these minutes.

### **11.05.06 NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Action Items**

#### **.01 Award of Tender – Patching/Paving**

It was **moved by Errington, seconded by Smith that, on recommendation from the CAO and the Committee of the Whole, Council award the annual asphalt tender to Dexter's Construction for a price of \$175.00/tonne plus HST for spreader patching, \$275.00/tonne plus HST for hand patching, and \$115.00/tonne plus HST for bulk asphalt. The motion was carried.**

**.02 Appointments to Police Advisory Board**

It was moved by Britney, seconded by den Haan that, on recommendation from the Committee of the Whole and the Police Advisory Board, Council approve the appointment of Carol Hay to the Middleton Police Advisory Board and, that Council approve to recommend to the NS Minister of Justice that John Himmelman be appointed as the Provincial representative on the Middleton Police Advisory Board. The motion was carried.

**.03 Council Appointments – Police Advisory Board & Community Center/Fire Hall Committee**

It was moved by den Haan, seconded by Errington that, on recommendation from the Committee of the Whole, Council approve the appointment of Mayor Calvin Eddy as the Council's representative on the Police Advisory Board and the Community Center/Fire Hall Committee. The motion was carried.

**.04 Reservoir Inspection – CBCL Limited**

It was moved by Boates, seconded by Smith that, on recommendation from the CAO and the Committee of the Whole, Council approve to hire CBCL Limited, at a cost of \$6,500 plus HST, to carry out a video inspection on the crack in the Town's reservoir and provide a report on possible repair options. The motion was carried.

**.05 Approval of Bills**

It was moved by den Haan, seconded by Boates that, on recommendation from the Committee of the Whole, the Council approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$1,248,750.02. The motion was carried.

**Information/Discussion Items**

There were no items for information or discussion for this agenda.

**11.05.07      REPORTS**

**.01 Committee of the Whole**

All items from the Committee of the Whole meeting of April 18, 2011 have been dealt with earlier in the meeting.

Councillor Britney noted that there was no motion for action on the Neighborhood Watch Program at the Committee meeting and, on question from the Councillor, the CAO confirmed that this has been passed on to the Recreation & Community Services Department and that monies will be included in the budget for associated costs, such as signs and advertising.

**.02 Mayor**

Mayor Eddy tabled his report for the month of April. A copy of the report will be circulated with these minutes.

**.03 Managers**

The Management reports have been circulated to all members of Council.

**.04 Development Officer/Building Inspector/Fire Inspector**

The reports for the month of April have been circulated to all Council members.

**.05 RCMP**

The RCMP report for the month of April was not available for this meeting.

**11.05.08 CORRESPONDENCE**

A list of correspondence for the month has been circulated to all members of Council.

Councillor Britney, referencing the letter from Tom Ross concerning the Town water clock, questioned whether there is a cost to the Town for the water clock.

The Director of Finance advised that the Fire Department members tend to the upkeep of the clock and that the only cost is for antifreeze.

Mr. Ross suggested that the four faces of the clock be changed to actually show the correct time. On discussion, it was suggested that one original face remain.

The CAO was requested to check with Dave Beckner, Bridgetown, to investigate the possibility of having this change made and the cost involved.

**11.05.09 ANYTHING BY MEMBERS**

Deputy Mayor Errington advised that, at the recent Valley Waste awards dinner, Jenna Gillis, a student of Annapolis East Elementary, was runner up in the Nova Scotia Recycles Contest and was awarded \$250 for the School.

The Deputy Mayor also reported that she attended a meeting at the Macdonald Museum concerning tourism and promotion. She noted that a representative from Destination Southwest Nova was present and advised that the Association is encouraged with the tourism figures. Statistics showed that there has been an increase in tourism in the region; Oaklawn Zoo had over 90,000 visitors, with the highest number of visitors being from Atlantic Canada; over 50,000 hotel/motel rooms were rented, which is up from last year; and this year's aim is to get tourists to stay longer.

Councillor den Haan commented that she feels the Visitor Information building is in bad shape, noting that the roof is in need of repair.

A number of items concerning the VIC were discussed, i.e. moving the building, possible Provincial funding if the building were to be moved to Brooklyn Road, and wheelchair accessibility. It was the consensus of Council that the roof be repaired and the building be painted.

Mayor Eddy advised Councillors that a wreath laying ceremony, commemorating the end of World War II, will be held at Soldiers Memorial Hospital at 2:00 p.m. May 8<sup>th</sup>, and that the Michelin Bike Rodeo will be held at the Centennial Park May 14<sup>th</sup> starting at 9:30 a.m.

There being no further business, it was **moved by Smith, seconded by den Haan that the Council adjourn at 7:20 p.m. The motion was carried.**

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