

A regular monthly meeting of Middleton Town Council was held at the Town Hall on Tuesday, April 18, 2017, starting at 7:00 p.m.

## **PRESENT**

Chairing the meeting, Mayor Sylvester Atkinson; Deputy Mayor Gail Smith; Councillors Melinda den Haan, Michael Fairn, Clayton MacMurtry, Gary Marshall and Brad Reid; Chief Administrative Officer, Rachel Turner; Director of Finance, Marianne Daine; and Recording Secretary, Krista Toole.

Also in attendance were: Six (6) members from Annapolis Community Health Board and two (2) members from the Heart of the Valley Festival.

### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

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

### **2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**170418.01: It was moved and seconded to approve the agenda as circulated. Motion carried.**

### **3. PROCLAMATIONS**

#### **3.1. Volunteer Week**

Mayor Atkinson, in recognition of the splendid efforts of Volunteers, designated the week of April 23 – 29, 2017, as Volunteer Week in the Town of Middleton.

#### **3.2. Emergency Preparedness Week**

Mayor Atkinson proclaimed May 7<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017 as Emergency Preparedness Week in the Town of Middleton.

#### **3.3. Lyme Disease Awareness Month**

Mayor Atkinson proclaimed May 2017 as Lyme Disease Awareness Month in the Town of Middleton.

### **4. PRESENTATIONS**

#### **4.1. Annapolis Community Health Board (ACHB)**

Mr. James Mosher provided a presentation on who the ACHB is and what they do in the local community. Anne Crowell left some applications for volunteer membership on the ACHB.

Councillor Fairn asked Mr. Mosher about the doctor shortage in the area; however this does not fall within the mandate of the ACHB.

The six (6) members from Annapolis Community Health Board left the meeting at 7:36 p.m.

#### **4.2. Heart of the Valley Festival**

Dick den Haan provided Council with an overview of the 2017 Heart of the Valley Festival:

- the HOTVF was awarded an AVESTA award for Event Legacy from the Annapolis Valley Chamber of Commerce in recognition as an annual community festival or event providing long lasting benefits to a community in the Annapolis Valley;

- they have waived the vendor fee this year, however vendors still have to apply;
- there will not be an entry fee to events at Rotary Park;
- some of the events this year include:
  - Friday Evening: Highland Games, Family Fun Run, and an adult dance (there will not be a Yuk Yuks comedy show this year);
  - Saturday:
    - increasing activities on Saturday morning;
    - Halifax Circus is returning;
    - children's tent;
    - Ambassador's breakfast will be at Centennial Park this year;
    - Parade, musical entertainment and fireworks;
    - Grand opening of the skate park.

The Committee is requesting an operating grant from the Town, for the same amount as previous years, of \$7,500.00.

The two (2) members from the Heart of the Valley Festival left the meeting at 7:59 p.m.

## 5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Councillor Marshall clarified that he was inquiring as to whether Ground Search and Rescue was invited to the April meeting and not letting Council know.

**170418.02: It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the regular Council meeting of March 20, 2017 be approved as amended. Motion carried.**

## 6. NEW BUSINESS

### 6.1. Committee of the Whole Recommendations

#### a. FCM's Legal Defense Fund

**170418.03: It was moved and seconded that Council support the Legal Defense Fund of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities as requested. Motion carried.**

### 6.2. Appointment – Middleton Fire Department

**170418.04: It was moved and seconded, on recommendation of the Middleton Fire Department, that Council appoint Patrick Redwood as a member of the Middleton Fire Department. Motion carried.**

### 6.3. RFD 003-2017: Valley Waste Resource Management – Amendment to the Intermunicipal Agreement

**170418.05: It was moved and seconded, that Council agree that the Town of Annapolis Royal be added as a Party to the Valley Region Solid Waste-Resource Management Authority Agreement as described in the attached amendment. Motion carried.**

### 6.4. RFD 004-2017: Interest Charges – AAN 07005628

**170418.06: It was moved and seconded, that Council agree to waive the overdue interest fee on AAN 07005628 in the amount of \$1,233.05. Motion defeated.**

### 6.5. Valley Regional Enterprise Network (REN) Update

The REN Update was circulated to all Council Members.

#### 6.6. Fire Hall Project Update

The Fire Hall Project Update was circulated to all Council Members.

It was recommended that Council members chose their top three choices for the images of the Fire Hall. CAO Turner will speak to the Fire Department Chiefs and ask them to do the same and the choices will be reviewed at the May 1<sup>st</sup> Committee of the Whole meeting.

#### 6.7. Veterans Service Recognition Books Project (Discussion)

**170418.06: It was moved and seconded, that Council decline sponsorship on the Veterans Service Recognition Books Project. Motion carried.**

### 7. REPORTS

#### 7.1. Management

The Management Reports were circulated to all Council members.

#### 7.2. Planning Services – March 2017

The Planning Services Report for the month of March 2017 was circulated to all Council members.

#### 7.3. RCMP Report – January 1 to March 31, 2017

The RCMP Report for the period of January 1 to March 31, 2017 was circulated to all Council members.

#### 7.4. Valley Waste Resource Management

The Valley Waste-Resource Management Report for the month of March 2017 was circulated to all Council members.

#### 7.5. Mayor

Mayor Atkinson tabled his report for the month of April 2017.

### 8. CORRESPONDENCE

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

### 9. ANYTHING BY MEMBERS

Councillor Marshall inquired about the RCMP Agreement with the Town of Middleton and would like to review it. CAO Turner will have the document placed on SharePoint.

Councillor den Haan inquired if activities/development could be done in and around Lily Lake (i.e. beach, cottages, non-motored boating, etc.) Mayor Atkinson indicated that it is a backup water source for the Town, therefore it is protected land and cannot be developed.

Councillor den Haan asked if Director of Recreation and Community Services Coolen could provide feedback/presentation on the course she attended on community involvement.

Councillor MacMurtry inquired about the Economic Development Committee Terms of Reference. CAO Turner is hoping to get more input and samples from the meeting she is attending this week.

Councillor Fairn inquired if there was any development on relocating the Visitor Information Centre.

Mayor Atkinson inquired about the school zone sign on George Street. CAO Turner will check with the Traffic Authority, Stephen McInnis, regarding this.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

**170418.07: It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m. Motion carried.**

**Minutes Approved by Council Motion 170515.02, May 15, 2017**