

TOWN OF NEW GLASGOW
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2021

A Committee of the Whole meeting of New Glasgow Town Council was held on Tuesday, October 5, 2021, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers. Present were: Mayor Dicks; Deputy Mayor El-Haddad, Councillors Dorrington, Borden, Fraser, Peters, and MacDonald. Also present were: Lisa MacDonald, CAO; Earl MacKenzie, Town Engineer; Thiv Tharma, Director of Community Development; Rachel Mitchell, Sustainability and Climate Change Manager; Frank DeMont, Solicitor; Hudson Young, William Butland and Charlie Smith for a portion of the meeting. Absent from the meeting were Corey Smith, Director of Corporate Services and Kelly Sloan, Executive Assistant.

Mayor Dicks stated that she attended the People First Conference Dinner that was held in Pictou County on the weekend, the Town planted and dedicated our signature tree (a flowering crab tree) at Pictou Landing First Nations School last week in recognition of National Truth and Reconciliation Day which she attended along with several Town staff. She also attended with the CAO the Ship Hector Project Fundraising Launch in the Pictou. Councillor Peters stated that the Creative Pictou County AGM will be held on October 16th at Glasgow Square.

AGENDA

It was regularly moved and seconded that the agenda be approved as presented.

Motion carried.

MINUTES

Councillor Peters noted an amendment on page 2 of the Committee of the Whole minutes.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the minutes of the Council meetings held on September 20th, 2021 be approved as amended.

Motion carried.

PETITIONS/DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

PRESENTATION CEED STUDENTS

Charlie Smith, Hudson Young and William Butland, students who participated in the Centre for Entrepreneurship Education and Development (CEED) Juniorpreneur Camp this summer, made a presentation to Council on the projects they had completed at the camp.

Mayor Dicks thanked the youth for their presentations.

Councillor MacDonald suggested that a Youth Council be established with all six units in Pictou County.

Mayor Dicks stated that she will mention this idea at the next Mayors and Warden Committee meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

MEMO POLICE CHIEF – ELECTRONIC SPEED SIGNS

Council reviewed a memo from the Police Chief recommending that 2 electronic speed signs be purchased which were approved in the 2021-2022 budget and provided the recommended guidelines for electronic speed signs.

Councillor MacDonald suggested that if funds become available a third sign be purchased so a sign can be placed in each of the 3 locations noted in the Chief's report.

The CAO stated that Council had agreed to look at additional signs in the next fiscal budget and there would not be sufficient time in this construction year for the placement of a third sign.

Councillor Peters stated that the Almont/Little Harbour Road location is third on the list but feels a sign is needed at this location.

Councillor Borden stated that the placement on Vale Road indicated in the Chief's report would not be the best location in his opinion.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the memo be placed on file.

Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CLIMATE CHANGE COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Council reviewed a memo from the Climate Change Co-ordinator recommending the following appointments to the Community Climate Change Committee: Carey Allan as a business representative; Corey Pinhey as a development representative and Tim Kim as the youth representative.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the recommendation be approved as presented.

Motion carried.

MEMO – PCWCBAI AGM UPDATE

Council reviewed a memo from the CAO regarding the Annual General Meeting of the Pictou County Wellness Centre Building Authority Inc. held on September 27.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the memo be placed on file.

Motion carried.

MEMO – REMO MEETING UPDATE

Council reviewed a memo from the CAO regarding a meeting of the Pictou County Regional Emergency Management Organization Operational Committee held on September 23.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the memo be placed on file.

Motion carried.

MEMO – CAO MEETING UPDATE

Council reviewed a memo from the CAO regarding the CAO's meeting held on September 23.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the memo be placed on file.

Motion carried.

QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

Abercrombie Rd. Water Line Replacement Project Submission

Councillor MacDonald asked for an update on the Abercrombie Rd. Water Line Replacement submission.

The CAO stated that the application was not advanced to the Federal level from the provincial process; however, she and Mayor Dicks have met with both MP Fraser and MLA Dunn indicating that the Town would like to see the funding application advanced.