

**TOWN OF NEW GLASGOW**  
**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING**  
**MONDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2023**

A Committee of the Whole meeting of New Glasgow Town Council was held on Monday, December 18, 2023, at 6:10 p.m. in the Council Chambers. Present were: Mayor Dicks; Deputy Mayor MacDonald; Councillors Dorrington, Peters, Fraser, and El-Haddad. Also present were: Lisa MacDonald, CAO; Earl MacKenzie, Director of Engineering and Public Works; Ross White, Director of Fire, Inspection and Emergency Services; Peter Douthwright, Director of Community Development; Rebecca Lewis-MacNeil, Director Human Resources; Kim Livingston, Director of Corporate Services; Rohan Mishra, Environment and Sustainability Lead; Kelly Sloan, Executive Assistant and Solicitor Frank Demont. Present using Microsoft Teams was Dr. Jamie Stephen, Tom Antle and Jean Blair from Torchlight Bioresources. Absent from the meeting was Councillor Borden.

**AGENDA**

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

Motion carried.

**MATTERS FOR SENIOR STAFF**

**LIBRARY REVITALIZATION PROJECT – ADDITIONAL FUNDING REQUIREMENTS**

Council reviewed a memo from the Director of Community Development stating that the Class C construction estimate has been submitted by Fathom Studio for the Library Revitalization Project and the estimated cost exceeds the secured funding amount. He advised that a Fundraising Committee with community members and

stakeholders will be formed to develop opportunities for corporate sponsorships with room and section naming rights along with a community grassroots campaign. He recommended that Council approve the additional \$1,399,900 capital cost required to complete the Revitalization project as designed by Fathom Studio assuming the additional required funding sources will be secured.

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

Motion carried.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **MAYORS AND WARDEN MEETING**

Council reviewed a memo from the CAO regarding the Mayors' and Warden's meeting held on November 27, 2023.

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

Motion carried.

### **MEMO PCSSA**

Council reviewed a memo from the CAO regarding the Pictou County Shared Services Authority meeting held on November 27, 2023.

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

Motion carried.

### **MEMO PCWCBAI**

Council reviewed a memo from the CAO regarding the Pictou County Wellness Centre Building Authority Inc. meeting held on November 20, 2023.

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

Motion carried.

## **MEMO DEED TRANSFER TAX TRUST**

Council reviewed a memo from the CAO regarding the Deed Transfer Tax Trust meetings held on October 3 and November 20, 2023.

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

Motion carried.

## **MEMO PICTOU COUNTY PARTNERSHIP (REN) LIASON & OVERSIGHT**

### **COMMITTEE**

Council reviewed a memo from the CAO and powerpoint presentation that PC REN presented to the Liaison and Oversight Committee.

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

Motion carried.

## **MEMO PICTOU COUNTY TRANSIT AUTHORITY UPDATE**

Council reviewed a memo from the CAO regarding the Pictou County Transit Authority meeting held on December 13, 2023.

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

Motion carried.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **MEMO - A PUBLIC HEALTH APPROACH TO EMERGENCIES**

Council reviewed a memo from the CAO regarding the REMO meeting organized by the Aberdeen Health Foundation for the Public Health Agency of Canada to present on the Public Health Approach for Emergency Responses on November 24, 2023.

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

Motion carried.

## **APPOINTMENT OF TRAFFIC AUTHORITY & DEPUTY TRAFFIC AUTHORITY**

Council reviewed a memo from the CAO recommending that the position of Police Chief be appointed Traffic Authority and the position of Director of Engineering and Public Works as Deputy Traffic Authority and the Province be advised accordingly if the person in these roles change.

It was regularly moved and second that the recommendation be approved.

Motion carried.

**IN CAMERA**