

Minutes of the **special session of Municipal Council** held on Thursday, April 18, 2019, at the Municipal Administration Building, 752 St. George Street, Annapolis Royal, NS, at 10:00 a.m.

**Present:** Warden Timothy Habinski, Deputy Warden Martha Roberts; Councillors Marilyn Wilkins, John A MacDonald, Wayne Fowler, Gregory Heming, Burt McNeil, Alex Morrison, Michael J Gunn, Wendy Sheridan, and Diane LeBlanc.

**Present:** Chief Administrative Officer John Ferguson, Janice Young recording secretary, and other staff.

## **New Business**

Re: Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal (TIR) Joint Projects Funding

### **MOTION 190418.01 TIR Bay Road Upgrade Project – Approve Funding \$436,500 plus HST**

It was moved by Councillor Fowler, seconded by Councillor Heming, to authorize an expenditure of \$436,500 plus HST for the TIR Bay Road Upgrade Project, with \$255,916.67 from Gas Tax, \$5,916.67 from Bridgetown Water Reserve, and \$94,667.67 from Bridgetown Sewer Reserve. Motion carried unanimously.

### **MOTION 190418.02 TIR Highway 8 Upgrade Project – Approve Funding \$160,000**

Councillor Gunn moved, seconded by Councillor Heming, to authorize an expenditure of \$160,000 for the TIR Highway 8 Upgrade Project, funding to come from Gas Tax. Motion carried unanimously.

Re: Irving Lot Redevelopment (Parking in Bridgetown Grant Application)

### **MOTION 190418.03 Irving Lot Redevelopment Parking Lot Project Beautification and Streetscaping Program Funding Application – Authorize CAO to Submit**

It was moved by Councillor McNeil, seconded by Councillor Fowler, to authorize the CAO to submit an application for a project estimated cost of \$150,000 for the Irving Lot Redevelopment Parking Lot Project, to the Provincial Beautification and Streetscaping Program, as prepared by the Bridgetown and Area Chamber of Commerce and which has a deadline of April, 30, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

Re: 2019-2020 Draft Budget – the Director of Finance had circulated a revised operational budget for discussion, approval, and setting of the 2019-20 tax rate and 2019-20 area rates.

### **MOTION 190418.04 Hold Special Council on 2019-04-23 for Budget, Tax Rate and Area Rate**

Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor Fowler, that municipal council hold a special session on Tuesday, April 23, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. to review the Operational Budget 2019-2020, 2019-2020 Tax Rate and 2019-2020 Area Rates. Motion carried unanimously.

Re: TIR Cost Shared Program for Paving of Subdivision (J Class Roads) – Sunvalley Street – By consensus, this item was deferred to May COTW.

## **Presentation**

Re: Concerned Citizens of Bridgetown – Mr. Adam Sabean presented on behalf of the group. Also in attendance from the group were Tom Miesner, Maria Hagen and Thane Bent.

Mr. Sabean believes there is legislation that gives a municipality authority with regard to housing corporations - he will submit it next week.

The CAO stated that the Municipality of the County of Annapolis is not aware of legislation, noting the

2012 Solicitor opinion which states the one and only role of Council is to appoint members to the board.

Councillor Fowler gave a personal statement of respect for Bridgetown Pharmasave and their staff.

**Adjournment**

Upon motion of Councillors McNeil and MacDonald, the meeting adjourned at 11:53 a.m.

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**Warden**

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**Municipal Clerk**