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Minutes of the regular session of **Municipal Council** held on June 20, 2017, at 10:00 a.m. in Council Chambers of the Municipal Administration Building, Annapolis Royal, N.S.

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

Absent: Councillor Marilyn Wilkins

Also

Present: CAO John Ferguson, Acting Municipal Clerk Wanda Atwell, and other staff.

Additions to the Agenda *(to end of Agenda)*

Requests were made for the following items to be added to the end of the agenda: 12(A) West Dalhousie Community Hall Association – Request Letter of Support re Enabling Accessibility Grant Application; (B) Bob Mann (email, 2017-06-19); (C) Letter from Natural Resources, and (D) District 2 Brooklyn Road Delegation.

Approval of the Agenda

Upon motion of Councillors LeBlanc and McNeil, the agenda was approved as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes

MOTION 170620.01 Minutes – Regular Session 2017-05-24

It was moved by Councillor Fowler and Councillor Sheridan, that the minutes of the regular session of Council held on May 16, 2017, be approved as circulated. Motion carried unanimously.

Councillor MacDonald referred Council to Page 14 of 59 of the Council agenda regarding Workshop Area Rates. He wondered what happened to this request, noting no date, time or place had been set.

MOTION 170620.02 Minutes – Special Session 2017-05-24

Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor Heming, that the minutes of the special session of Council held on May 24, 2017, be approved as circulated. Motion carried unanimously.

Presentation

Re: Annapolis Causeway Project–Interpretive Signage/Rules Signage–Approval – Annapolis Royal Wharf Association (ARWA) Secretary Jane Nicholson circulated the proposed park rules for signage at the Annapolis River Basin Waterfront Development Project, and provided a PowerPoint presentation for Council’s information. As the park is opening on August 5th, she asked for approval of the wording. The preferred name is the Annapolis River Causeway Park. Rules for boaters and rules for visitors were reviewed and minor changes suggested by Council were noted by Mrs. Nicholson. Interpretive signage will be in three languages (English, French and Mi’kmaq); however, the Primary Identification Sign, Parking & Boat Launch Directional Sign, and Washroom Directional Sign will be in English only at this time.

It was suggested the County may be willing to pay for the translation costs for the primary identification sign and directional signs to be in three languages.

MOTION 170620.03 Annapolis River Causeway Park Rules

It was moved by Deputy Warden Roberts, seconded by Councillor Fowler that Municipal Council approve the rules for the Annapolis River Causeway Park as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION 170620.04 Annapolis River Causeway Park Name

Councillor MacDonald moved, seconded by Councillor LeBlanc that Municipal Council approve Annapolis River Causeway Park as the preferred name of the park. Motion carried unanimously.

In-Camera

It was moved by Councillor LeBlanc, seconded by Councillor Sheridan, to meet in-camera at 10:33 a.m. until 11:51 a.m. in accordance with Section 22(2)(e) contract negotiations, and (f) litigation and potential litigation of the *Municipal Government Act*.

Deputy Warden Roberts and Councillor Fowler left the room at 11:52 a.m.

Additions to the Agenda (to end of Agenda)

It was moved by Councillor Morrison, seconded by Councillor MacDonald that *AM-1.2.2 Indemnification of Elected Officials Policy* be added to the agenda and discussed immediately. Motion carried unanimously.

Re: AM-1.2.2 Indemnification of Elected Officials Policy- Approve

MOTION 170620.05 AM-1.2.2 Indemnification of Elected Officials Policy - New

Councillor Morrison moved, seconded by Councillor Heming that seven day notice be given for Municipal Council to approve *AM – 1.2.2 Indemnification of Elected Officials Policy* as circulated. Motion carried unanimously.

Deputy Warden Roberts and Councillor Fowler returned to the room at 11:54 a.m.

Re: District 2 Brooklyn Road

MOTION 170620.06 Permission to Present – Brooklyn Road Delegation

Councillor MacDonald moved, seconded by Councillor Heming that Municipal Council allow the delegation from Brooklyn Road to present their concerns. Motion carried unanimously.

John Bruce provided a brief history about a proposed quarry on the Brooklyn Road years ago (started 2013) that was lobbied against and which residents thought was stopped; it appears by permit issued by Annapolis County the property is being developed again, in contradiction to the Department of Environment. Activities at the site this past month include blasting and processing of blasted material. The blasted material is being spread on the road leading to the site. The site of the proposed quarry was a 3.99 hectare block, if the road is considered part of the site, it is now over the approved size. The development permit is allowing the owner to produce aggregate and to quarry on his property in a development capacity. The permit is still unavailable to the community. He appealed to Council to have the permit rescinded and that continued development not be allowed.

Ms Jill Cox noted a FOIPOP request in relation to the building permit had been submitted. Mr. Bruce thanked for the opportunity to present.

MOTION 170620.07 Limitations of Council – Blasting - Letter

It was moved by Councillor MacDonald, seconded by Councillor Heming that Municipal Council provide a letter for John Bruce and Jill Cox indicating the limits of Council's jurisdiction over matters of blasting even if connected to the topic of site preparation/development. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Re: Annapolis County Geocache – The Manager of Recreation and Recreation & Programs Officer introduced Kevin Conrick, who has for the past five years been volunteering with Recreation Services in relation to geocaching, and provided a PowerPoint presentation titled *Annapolis County Adventure Quest Geocaching*. The Warden presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Kevin (and Leona – not present) Conrick in recognition of, and thanks for, serving our communities in the development of geocaching in Annapolis County and the region.

Lunch

Upon motion of Councillors McNeil and Sheridan Municipal Council adjourned for lunch and to participate in the Warden's Walk at 12:37 p.m. Motion carried unanimously. All returned at 2:00 p.m. as previously noted.

Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

Municipal Solicitor's Report

Re: Municipal Solicitor (June) – a report for the month of June was circulated at the meeting. Councillor McNeil moved, seconded by Councillor Gunn, to receive the monthly report for information. Motion carried unanimously.

Councillor's Comments

District 2 – Councillor MacDonald recalled receipt of an email via the Municipal Clerk from a third party resident and noted he was happy to know someone is watching what Council is doing; walked the Brooklyn Road site alone, met the owner, and was interviewed by The Herald on that topic. He has received countless emails and phone calls, attended community meetings – there's a lot going on and he is looking forward to the future.

District 11 – Councillor LeBlanc reflected on this being the time of year when graduations take place, noting her recent attendance at a ceremony where the President in his address to the graduates spoke about the importance of being prepared, do your best, help others, and that little things can save lives; involved in a petition regarding paving of Welton's Lane – reintroducing herself to residents and connecting with them in a different way.

District 6 – Councillor Morrison attended a celebratory lunch for all who served on the Cornwallis Villager staff where he paid tribute to their volunteer spirit and encouraged them to continue to volunteer in other

areas and to recruit others; noted the Canada Celebrations taking place in District 6 and encouraged fellow councillors to attend celebrations in other districts as well as their own; and noted the following events taking place: Tall Ships visit (Rendezvous 2017) on August 15th and 16th; The Path to Confederation Garden Party, August 23rd from 2 to 4pm; and the Cornwallis Park Community Breakfast, July 8th.

District 8 - Councillor Gunn noted many groups in District 8 are busy with suppers, events, fundraisers, and plans for Canada's 150th celebrations. He attended a meeting with a County resident and a property owner in Annapolis Royal to discuss water quality and the amount of total dissolved solids left in a lot of the water we purchase, processes available to remove toxic heavy metals in our water. Testing kits widely available through hospitals etc. do test for fecal coliform and bacteria, which are commonly present in surface water sources and NOT in deep well drilled sources. Residents with deep, drilled wells need access to information, test kits, and testing facilities that will tell them about their water quality. While this matter is not in the County's jurisdiction, perhaps it could be brought forward to the Province.

District 5 – Councillor Heming reported has been spending time looking at clear cutting in and around District 5. To further investigate the matter, he recently had the opportunity to fly the area to view, and is now at the point of holding discussion with landowners in the district about what their long term plans are. He is acquiring valuable information.

District 9 – Councillor Sheridan attended: the FCM Conference – workshops were informative and speakers knowledgeable. She attended a workshop about the New Horizon's for Seniors Program hosted by Recreation and since that time has met with seniors in Nictaux, made a presentation to the Lion's Club regarding a grant application for funds to enhance the Club's picnic park, and is working with another group making an application regarding setting up different activities for seniors to enjoy while giving back to their community. She thanked the Recreation Manager for holding the workshop.

District 7 - Warden Habinski attended a meeting of the Bridgetown Chamber of Commerce. The new president is Andy Kerr, and the venue for the meeting, known as *Temple on Queen* is noteworthy. The ground floor is being marketed as a wedding venue, and above is an area that could be used as a concert hall or sanctuary for wedding services. He commended those involved for their hard work in bringing the old building back into service. He attended a UNSM Board meeting last week and is pleased to report the Board agreed to amend the current UNSM resolutions process.

New Business

Re: Proclamation – June is Recreation Month - Warden Habinski noted that on June 1st he proclaimed *June is Recreation Month*. The proclamation, also posted on social media, acknowledges the presence of a variety of parks, water access locations and trail systems that provide many opportunities for residents and visitors in which to be active in beautiful Annapolis County, and that recreation activities help strengthen and build family unity, enhance community interaction and pride, help children and youth develop positive self-image, and strengthen volunteer and community development.

Re: Economic Development Committee – Import Replacement - Councillor Heming reported the Economic Development Committee met on June 12th, and will meet further to discuss two important and verifiable import replacement initiatives. He intends to report to July Committee of the Whole on: (1) initiate a strategy to achieve a further (over and above current level) 10% shift in local production and

purchasing of goods in Annapolis County, and (2) lay ground work for a web-based Annapolis County Internet Hub to inform local residents and others on local import replacement opportunities in Annapolis County. He will be meeting with the CAO and Warden prior to reporting at the July 11th meeting.

Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor LeBlanc to receive the report for information. Motion carried unanimously.

Re: Gordon McIntosh – Strategic Planning, September – the CAO advised Gordon McIntosh (professional facilitator) plans to be in the area in September to do a strategic session with the Town of Middleton. He asked if Council would be interested in a session with him while he was here, or he may be available in December. It was the consensus of Council to not engage in a session with Mr. McIntosh at this time; perhaps another time.

Reports and Recommendations

Re: Committee of the Whole (June 13th, 2017)

- ***Road Requirements (Standards) for New Subdivisions in Annapolis County***
MOTION 170620.08 Road Requirements (Standards) for New Subdivisions in Annapolis County
 In accordance with the recommendation of Committee of the Whole, Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor McNeil that Municipal Council refer the engineering specifications as it relates to the Municipal Road and Street Standards Manual to the Planning Advisory Committee for review and recommendation back to Council. Motion carried unanimously.
- ***Jubilee Park Rule Signage***
MOTION 170620.09 Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee Park Rule Signage
 Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor Gunn, in accordance with the recommendation of Committee of the Whole, that Municipal Council approve “use caution when boats are present” as part of the rules listing for Jubilee Park. Motion carried unanimously.
- ***AM-1.2.1 Remuneration and Allowances for Warden, Deputy Warden and Councillors Policy – Amend with Option 5***
MOTION 170620.10 AM-1.2.1 Remuneration and Allowances for Warden, Deputy Warden and Councillors Policy – Amend with Option 5
 Pursuant to seven day notice having been given, Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor Morrison that Municipal Council amend *AM-1.2.1 – Remuneration & Allowances for Warden, Deputy Warden and Councillors Policy* in accordance with Option # 5 as presented and effective April 1, 2017. Motion carried, 8 in favour, 2 against (McNeil, LeBlanc)
- ***AM-1.2.1 Remuneration and Allowances for Warden, Deputy Warden and Councillors Policy – Amend by Adding Section 8***
MOTION 170620.11 AM-1.2.1 Remuneration and Allowances for Warden, Deputy Warden and Councillors Policy – Amend by Adding Section 8
 Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor Gunn, pursuant to seven day notice having been given, that Municipal Council amend *AM-1.2.1 - Remuneration & Allowances for Warden, Deputy Warden and Councillors Policy* by adding Section 8 as follows:

PENSION EQUIVALENT

For councillors who are unable to register in the County's pension plan due to age restrictions, an additional taxable allowance shall be provided equivalent to nine (9) percent of his / her gross earnings (subject to providing proof that he / she has established an instrument such as a Tax Free Savings Account or other suitable investment instrument for this purpose). Motion carried, 9 in favour, 1 against (McNeil)

- ***AM-2.1.5 Sick Leave Policy – Amend***

MOTION 170620.12 AM-2.1.5 Sick Leave Policy - Amend

In accordance with seven day notice having been given, Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor McNeil that Municipal Council amend *AM - 2.1.5 Sick Leave Policy* by adding three (3) paid sick days per year for Term / Temporary / Seasonal / Casual Employees. Motion carried unanimously.

- ***AM-1.4.12 Tax Exemption and Reduction Policy – Amend***

MOTION 170620.13 AM-1.4.12 Tax Exemption and Reduction Policy - Amend

Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor Sheridan, in accordance with seven day notice having been given, that Municipal Council amend *AM-1.4.12 Tax Exemption and Reduction Policy* by:

- a) Deleting Clementsvalle and District Recreation Commission (Prop. #803 394 336); and
- b) Deleting Clementsvalle and District Recreation Commission (Prop. #810-548-543) as these properties have been sold to private individuals.

Motion carried unanimously.

- ***AM-2.1.4 Vacation Leave Policy – Amend***

MOTION 170620.14 AM-2.1.4 Vacation Leave Policy - Amend

Pursuant to seven day notice having been given, Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor LeBlanc that Municipal Council amend *AM - 2.1.4 Vacation Leave Policy* by adding the words “*unless specifically stated otherwise in his / her employment agreement*” in Subsections 3.3 and 5.3. Motion carried unanimously.

- ***Overnight Use of Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee Park by HMCS Acadia***

MOTION 170620.15 Overnight Use of Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee Park by HMCS Acadia August 7 and August 21, 2017

Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor Fowler, pursuant to the recommendation of Committee of the Whole, that Municipal Council grant permission to allow a group of HMCS Acadia Cadet Summer Training Centre cadets and staff to stay overnight at Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee Park on the evenings of August 7th and 10th, 2017, pending proof of insurance is provided to the municipality. Motion carried unanimously.

- ***Bridgetown Volunteer Fire Department – Authorize Release of Funds***

MOTION 170620.16 Bridgetown Volunteer Fire Department – Release of Funds

In accordance with the recommendation of Committee of the Whole, Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor McNeil that Municipal Council authorize the release of \$150,000 to the Bridgetown Volunteer Fire Department from the 2017-18 Fire Services Capital Reserve to aid in the purchase of a new tanker valued at approximately \$425,000 before taxes;

yearly withdrawals from the Fire Services Capital Reserve will be confirmed when financing has been arranged. Motion carried unanimously.

- ***Bridgetown School Trust Funds – Approve Payments***

MOTION 170620.17 Bridgetown School Trust Funds - Approve 2017 Payments

Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor LeBlanc, in accordance with the recommendation of Committee of the Whole that Municipal Council authorize payments from the School Trust bank account to:

- 1) Bridgetown Regional High School for disbursement of student prizes on Graduation Night of \$3,315 and \$740 for programs as per fund directives (total \$4,055), and
- 2) \$4,300 to be available to disburse to educational institutions upon request of scholarship/award recipients, for a total pay-out of \$8,355.

Motion carried unanimously.

- ***County Grants Barbecue***

MOTION 170620.18 Grants Barbecue / Disbursement of Grant Cheques

Pursuant to the recommendation of Committee of the Whole, Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor Heming that Municipal Council disburse the county grants on a District by District basis through the councillor of the area in lieu of hosting a barbecue this year. Motion

- ***Annapolis County Barristers Society – Grant***

MOTION 170620.19 Annapolis County Barristers Society - Grant

Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor Gunn, pursuant to the recommendation of Committee of the Whole, that Municipal Council provide a grant in the amount of \$2,460 to the Annapolis County Barristers Society in accordance with *AM-1.4.11 Community Contributions Policy*. Motion carried unanimously.

- ***Municipally Registered Heritage Property – Solomon Bowlby House, Upper Clements - Substantial Alteration Request (Greenhouse and Woodhouse)***

MOTION 170620.20 Municipally Registered Heritage Property – Solomon Bowlby House Substantial Alterations

In accordance with the recommendation of Committee of the Whole, Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor MacDonald that Municipal Council refer the request for substantial alterations to the Solomon Bowlby House to the Heritage Advisory Committee for review and report back to Council. Motion carried unanimously.

- ***2017-18 Annapolis County Water Utility Operating Budget – Approve***

MOTION 170620.21 2017-18 Annapolis County Water Utility Operating Budget - Approve

Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor McNeil, in accordance with the recommendation of Committee of the Whole, that Municipal Council approve the Annapolis County Water Utility operating budget for 2017-18. Motion carried unanimously.

- ***2017-18 Bridgetown Water Utility Operations Budget – Approve***

MOTION 170620.22 2017-18 Bridgetown Water Utility Operating Budget - Approve
Pursuant to the recommendation of Committee of the Whole, Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor Sheridan that Municipal Council approve the Bridgetown Water Utility operating budget for 2017-18. Motion carried unanimously.

- ***Bridgetown Curling Club – Request Letter of Support re Application to New Horizons Seniors Program***

MOTION 170620.23 Bridgetown Curling Club – Letter of Support to New Horizons Seniors Program Funding Request

Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor Fowler, pursuant to the recommendation of Committee of the Whole, that Municipal Council provide a letter in support of the Bridgetown Curling Club’s application to the New Horizons for Seniors Program for funding to purchase remanufactured Trefor granite stones with blue hone inserts and re-profiled strikebands to replace the existing stones that have reached the end of their lifespan. Motion carried unanimously.

- ***Feasibility Study – Public Comfort Centre – Bear River***

MOTION 170620.24 Feasibility Study – Public Comfort Centre Bear River

In accordance with the recommendation of Committee of the Whole, Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor Gunn that Municipal Council authorize a study on the feasibility, cost, and pipework for a public comfort centre in Bear River. Motion carried unanimously.

- ***Bridgetown Area Advisory Committee (not more than 5 citizens)***

MOTION 170620.25 Bridgetown Area Advisory Committee Citizen Member Appointment

Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor LeBlanc, in accordance with the recommendation of Committee of the Whole, that Municipal Council appoint Horace Hurlburt as citizen member of the Bridgetown Area Advisory Committee for a term ending November 30, 2018. Motion carried unanimously.

- ***Bridgetown Area Advisory Committee (not more than 5 citizens)***

MOTION 170620.26 Bridgetown Area Advisory Committee – Decline Request

Pursuant to the recommendation of Committee of the Whole, Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor LeBlanc that Municipal Council send a letter to Avery M. Jackson advising he does not meet the criteria to serve as a citizen member of the Bridgetown Area Advisory Committee as he does not live within the planning area, and thanking him for his application. Motion carried unanimously.

- ***Bridgetown Source Water Protection Advisory Committee (not more than 5 citizens)***

MOTION 170620.27 Bridgetown Source Water Protection Advisory Committee Appoint Citizen Member

Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor LeBlanc, pursuant to the recommendation of Committee of the Whole, that Municipal Council appoint Horace Hurlburt as a citizen member of the Bridgetown Source Water Protection Advisory Committee for a term ending November 30, 2018. Motion carried unanimously.

- ***Advisory Committee Vacancies - Advertising***
MOTION 170620.28 Advisory Committee Vacancies – Additional Advertising
 In accordance with the recommendation of Committee of the Whole, Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor LeBlanc that Municipal Council authorize the placement of an advertisement in the Bridgetown Reader – weekly, for a period of four weeks – seeking applications to fill vacancies on Area Advisory Committees that do not have a full citizen member participation. Motion carried unanimously.
- ***Heritage Advisory Committee Resignation***
MOTION 170620.29 Heritage Advisory Committee Citizen Resignation
 Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor LeBlanc, in accordance with the recommendation of Committee of the Whole, that Municipal Council send a letter to Mr. Ron Wesman accepting his resignation with regret, thanking him for his service, and wishing him good health. Motion carried unanimously.
- ***Heritage Advisory Committee Citizen Member***
MOTION 170620.30 Heritage Advisory Committee – Appoint Citizen Member
 Pursuant to the recommendation of Committee of the Whole, Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor McNeil that Municipal Council appoint Avery M. Jackson as a citizen member of the Heritage Advisory Committee for a term ending November 30, 2018. Motion carried unanimously.
- ***Donation to Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee Park***
MOTION 170620.31 Donation to Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee Park
 Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor Fowler, pursuant to the recommendation of Committee of the Whole, that Municipal Council authorize the memorial donation to Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee Park in consultation with recreation staff. Motion carried unanimously.
- ***Margaretsville Shore Society - Meeting***
MOTION 170620.32 Margaretsville Shore Society - Meeting
 In accordance with the recommendation of Committee of the Whole, Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor MacDonald that Municipal Council arrange a meeting of appropriate representatives of municipal, federal, and provincial governments and the Margaretsville Shore Society to discuss funding to repair damages to the wharf in Margaretsville. Motion carried unanimously.
- ***AM-2.3.1 Pension Policy - Amend***
MOTION 170620.33 AM-2.3.1 Pension Policy - Amend
 Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor Sheridan, in accordance with seven day notice having been given, that Municipal Council amend *AM – 2.3.1 Pension Policy* by:

 - In Section 3 adding definition for “*Normal Retirement Age*”;
 - In Sub-section 4.2 adding “*unless specifically stated otherwise in his / her employment agreement*”;
 - In Sub-section 4.4 deleting “*amount of the contributions and the*”;
 - Adding Sub-sections 4.5 and 4.6; and

- Re-numbering Sub-section 4.7.
Motion carried unanimously.

- ***Animal Control Services Agreement with Town of Middleton***
MOTION 170620.34 Animal Control Services Agreement – Town of Middleton
Pursuant to the recommendation of Committee of the Whole, Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor LeBlanc that Municipal Council authorize the Warden and Clerk to sign the Animal Control Services Agreement with the Town of Middleton for a period of two years, ending June 30, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.
- ***Provision of Joint RCMP Policing Services Facilities Agreement with Town of Middleton***
MOTION 170620.35 Provision of Joint RCMP Policing Services Facilities Agreement – Town of Middleton
Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor Heming, pursuant to the recommendation of Committee of the Whole, that Municipal Council authorize the Warden and Clerk to sign the Agreement for the joint use of facilities within the Middleton Town Hall facility at 131 Commercial St., Middleton, NS for a period of five years from the date of signing, with an option for a further five-year renewal term. Motion carried unanimously.
- ***Inglisville Internet Tower***
MOTION 170620.36 Inglisville Internet Tower – Release Funds
In accordance with the recommendation of Committee of the Whole, Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor Heming that Municipal Council approve \$75,000.00 from the 2017-18 Operating Reserve for the construction of the Inglisville Internet Tower. Motion carried unanimously.
- ***FCM Press Release***
MOTION 170620.37 FCM Press Release
Pursuant to the recommendation of Committee of the Whole, Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor LeBlanc that Municipal Council prepare a press release announcing Warden Habinski's appointment to the 2017-18 FCM Board of Directors following the FCM template. Motion carried unanimously.
- ***Trip to Scotland***
MOTION 170620.38 Trip to Scotland
Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor Heming that Municipal Council authorize the Warden and CAO to travel to Scotland July 8th to 16th to pursue educational and economic opportunities, and that their expenses be covered. Motion carried unanimously.

Recess

The Warden advised Council he and CAO were asked to participate in a conference call with the Municipality of the District of Clare at this time. He declared a recess at 3:03 pm with all returning as previously noted at 3:26 p.m.

Correspondence

Re: NSTIR Middleton (May 8th) – in response to Council’s Letter re Maitland Bridge Speed Limit Sign – Safety Concern. Councillor Fowler moved, seconded by Councillor Gunn to receive for information. Motion carried unanimously.

Re: NSTIR Lunenburg/Queens (May 9th) - in response to Council’s Letter re Maitland Bridge Speed Limit Sign – Safety Concern. It was moved by Deputy Warden Roberts, seconded by Councillor McNeil to receive for information. Motion carried unanimously.

Re: 211 Information and Referral Services Association–2016 Annual Report (May 8th) - Councillor Fowler moved, seconded by Councillor LeBlanc to receive for information. Motion carried unanimously.

Re: Canada Post – Addressing Initiative (email, May 16th) – advising Canada Post is undertaking an addressing initiative for some residents in the County of Annapolis; adopting the civic (9-1-1) address as the mailing address for approximately 1,363 customers in Margaretsville (168) and Middleton (1,195). Additionally, 13 green group mailboxes are being upgraded to the newer community mail boxes. It was moved by Councillor Fowler, seconded by Councillor MacDonald to receive for information. Motion carried unanimously.

Re: NS/Nunavut Command Royal Canadian Legion (email, May 17th) – requesting that Municipal Council sponsor an advertisement space in the Veteran’s Service Recognition Book to recognize and honour many of Nova Scotia and Nunavut’s brave veterans who have served our county in past major world conflicts.

MOTION 170620.39 NS/Nunavut Command Royal Canadian Legion – Veteran’s Service Recognition Book – Place Ad

Councillor Sheridan moved, seconded by Councillor McNeil, that Municipal Council place a business card size advertisement (\$210) in the Veteran’s Service Recognition Book. Motion carried unanimously.

Re: Mike Gushue (email, May 23rd) – congratulating Warden Habinski, Council, and CAO John Ferguson on the announcement about the investment in high speed internet service, and noting that the investment will not only improve productivity of those already in business, but will form the foundation for a recruitment strategy to bring more families to the region. Councillor McNeil moved, seconded by Councillor LeBlanc to receive for information. Motion carried unanimously.

Re: Town of Annapolis Royal (May 25th) – extending sincere appreciation for the donation of the PA system. It was moved by Councillor Fowler, seconded by Councillor Sheridan, to receive for information. Motion carried unanimously.

Re: Canada 150 Project (June 9th) – inviting Councillors to Exhibit Openings – Fundy Boats and Fundy Art – on Sunday, June 25th, 2-5 p.m. Councillor McNeil moved, seconded by Councillor Sheridan to receive for information. Motion carried unanimously.

Re: Annapolis Valley Regional Library (June 7th) – requesting a contribution of \$200 to assist with preparation for the annual joint conference (NS Library Association & Library Boards Association of NS), September 29th to October 1st at the Annapolis Basin Conference Centre.

MOTION 170620.40 Annapolis Valley Regional Library – Funding Request

Deputy Warden Roberts moved, seconded by Councillor Fowler, that Municipal Council send a letter and a copy of the grant application to the Annapolis Valley Regional Library advising they submit a grant application for funding to assist with their annual conference. Motion carried unanimously.

Additions

Re: West Dalhousie Community Hall Association (WDCHA)–Request Letter of Support re Enabling Accessibility Grant Application – the community hall needs to replace its wheelchair ramp to continue to serve the residents in the community living with mobility issues and to continue to benefit from having a polling station. The WDCHA is requesting a letter of support to submit with their application.

MOTION 170620.41 West Dalhousie Community Hall Association – Enabling Accessibility Letter of Support

Councillor Fowler moved, seconded by Councillor Gunn, that pending receipt of a copy of the grant application, that Municipal Council provide a letter in support of the West Dalhousie Community Hall Association’s application to the federal Enabling Accessibility-Community Accessibility Stream to build a wheelchair ramp to allow all residents accessibility to the West Dalhousie Community Hall, and to allow the hall to continue to act as a polling station. Motion carried unanimously.

Re: Bob Mann (email 2017-06-19), 25% Pay Raise – an email received from Mr. Bob Mann was circulated at the meeting. It was moved by Councillor McNeil, seconded by Councillor Gunn, to receive for information. Motion carried unanimously.

Re: Natural Resources (letter, 2017-06-14) re Request Copy of Agreement(s) with Westfor, Re-Iterate Request for Moratorium on Crown Lands in Annapolis County, and Invite DNR Representative to Present to Council – a letter received from Natural Resources Deputy Minister Julie Towers dated June 14th was circulated at the meeting.

MOTION 170620.42 Forestry Working Group (Council) to Address Forestry Management Concerns

It was moved by Councillor Heming, seconded by Councillor McNeil that a working group consisting of Councillors MacDonald, Gunn, Heming, and McNeil be formed to organize and facilitate a meeting of appropriate individuals with expertise on forestry to address some of the concerns surrounding forestry management in Annapolis County. Motion carried unanimously.

Re: Canada Day in Bridgetown – the Recreation Manager reminded Council about Canada Day activities in Bridgetown beginning at 8 am and ending at 10 pm. A poster has been prepared and will be distributed to Councillor via email.

Re: District 2 Brooklyn Road – discussed earlier.

Adjournment

Upon motion of Councillors McNeil LeBlanc and McNeil, the meeting adjourned at 4:13 p.m.

Warden

Municipal Clerk