Minutes of the special **Municipal Council** meeting held on Tuesday, November 9, 2021, at 3:20 p.m., in Municipal Administration Building, 752 St. George Street, Annapolis Royal, NS, in accordance with the Direction of the Minister under a Declared State of Emergency [updated July 29, 2020 (*see attached*)]

**Present:** District 1 – Bruce Prout, present

District 2 - Brian "Fuzzy" Connell, present District 3 - Alan Parish, Warden, present District 4 - Clyde Barteaux, present District 5 - Lynn Longmire, present District 6 - Alex Morrison, present District 7 - David Hudson, present

District 8 - Michael Gunn, Deputy Warden, present via Zoom

District 9 – Wendy Sheridan, present District 10 – Brad Redden, present District 11 – Diane Le Blanc, present

Also Present: Municipal Clerk Carolyn Young,

#### New Business

Re: NS Dept. Public Works Paving Contract Queen Street Additional Funds

MOTION 211109.01 NS Dept Public Works Paving Contract Queen Street Additional Funds Pursuant to the recommendation of Committee of the Whole, it was moved by Councillor Hudson, seconded by Councillor Longmire, that municipal council approve the additional funding request and authorize the Warden and Clerk to sign the subsequent construction agreement from NS Department of Public Works in the amount of \$28,000 to pave Queen Street from the bridge to Brickyard Road (approximately .21 km), with the funding to be allocated from the Gas Tax Reserve. Motion carried unanimously.

Re: Harbour Authorities & Societies Capital Assistance Program – Application Cottage Cove District Wharf Society

# MOTION 211109.02 AM-1.4.3 2021-22 Small Project Matching Grant Program – Cottage Cove District Wharf Society

In accordance with the recommendation of the Committee of the whole, Councillor Connell moved, seconded by Councillor Prout, that municipal council approve a grant in the amount of \$10,000 to the Cottage Cove District Wharf Society from the 2021-22 Small Project Matching Grants Program, in accordance with AM-1.4.3 Harbour Authorities & Societies Capital Assistance Program. Motion carried unanimously.

## **Adjournment**

Upon motion of Councillors Longmire and Redden, the meeting adjourned at 3:23 p.m.

Warden	Municipal	Clerk

# Direction of the Minister under a Declared State of Emergency

(Section 14 of the *Emergency Management Act*) 20-008

Under my authority in Section 14 of the Emergency Management Act, I order that this Direction (20-008) repeal and replace the Direction regarding municipal meetings issued on March 22, 2020.

During the Provincial State of Emergency declared on March 22, 2020, and under the authority provided to me in Section 14 of the Emergency Management Act, in addition to any other directives I have issued and not repealed or otherwise terminated, I direct that all municipalities and villages in the Province:

- 1. **Effective at 8am on July 29, 2020**, may hold meetings exclusively in person if all the following conditions are met:
- i) the total number of persons present does not exceed a gathering limitation imposed in a *Health Protection Act* order;
- ii) all physical distancing requirements or other requirements imposed in a *Health Protection Act* order are met.
- 2. If the conditions set out in (1) cannot be met, the municipality or village must not hold meetings exclusively in person and must instead hold the meeting partly or wholly as a virtual meeting by video or telephone, and ensure that all of the following conditions are met:
- i) the total number of persons present for any in person portion of the meeting does not exceed a gathering limitation imposed in a *Health Protection Act* order; and
- ii) for any in person portion of the meeting, all physical distancing requirements or other requirements imposed in a *Health Protection Act* order are met.

For clarity, this direction does not apply to statutorily required meetings of electors for a village commission which are covered under Direction 20-007 issued on May 20, 2020.

Despite this direction, municipalities and villages are still authorized to continue making other operational decisions especially those required for service delivery.

Please note that these directions are in addition to any requirements established in a Medical Officer's order under the *Health Protection Act*.

A failure to comply with this direction could result in a summary conviction with fines between \$500 to \$10,000 for individuals and up to \$100,000 for a corporation per incident.

This direction will remain in place for the duration of the Provincial State of Emergency unless it is terminated in writing by me earlier.

Dated July 29, 2020.

### Original signed by

Hon. Chuck Porter Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing