PORT HAWKESBURY TOWN COUNCIL EMERGENCY PUBLIC MEETING HELD VIRTUALLY

Minutes of Meeting June 27, 2021

Present

Mayor, Brenda Chisholm-Beaton
Councilor, Hughie MacDougall
Councilor, Jason Aucoin
Chief Administrative Officer, Terry Doyle
Director of Finance, Erin MacEachen
General Manager, Facilities and Operations, Gordie Snook

Regrets

Deputy Mayor, Blaine MacQuarrie Councilor, Mark MacIver

1. Call to Order

An Emergency Public Meeting of the Port Hawkesbury Town Council was held virtually, Sunday, June 27th, 2021 and called to order by Mayor Chisholm-Beaton at 5:55p.m.

2. July 1st, 2021

Mayor, B. Chisholm-Beaton and Council had observed a moment of silence for the 751 Indigenous bodies that were found in an unmarked mass gravesite in Saskatchewan.

Mayor, B. Chisholm-Beaton had requested that Council consider a motion for the Town of Port Hawkesbury to cancel all planned Canada Day Celebrations and for the Town of Port Hawkesbury to observe a day of reflection. She had read some of the suggestions that were provided to her from community leaders in neighboring Unama'ki communities. She would like for Town Residents to commit to the journey of Truth and Reconciliation by listening, learning, and becoming better allies with neighboring First Nation Mi'kmaq Communities.

MOVED by Councilor, J. Aucoin and SECONDED by Councilor, H. MacDougall "that the Town of Port Hawkesbury cancel all Canada Day activities and to invite citizens of the Town to observe a day of reflection. The Mi'kmaq flag will be raised, and all flags will be lowered to half-mast for the month of July". MOTION CARRIED.

3. Adjournment

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MOVED by Councilor J. Aucoin, and SECONDED by Councilor H. MacDougall "to adjourn the Emergency Public Meeting at 6:20 p.m." MOTION CARRIED.

Date:

Approved by:

Terry Doyle, P. Eng.

Chief Administrative Officer

Recorded by:

Melissa Warner, Communications

and Administrative Officer