PORT HAWKESBURY TOWN COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING Held Virtually Minutes of Meeting January 6, 2022

Present

Mayor, Brenda Chisholm-Beaton
Councillor, Blaine MacQuarrie
Councillor, Hughie MacDougall
Councillor, Mark MacIver
Chief Administrative Officer, Terry Doyle
Regrets
Deputy Mayor, Jason Aucoin – Due to a conflict of interest

1. Call to Order

A Public Hearing of the Port Hawkesbury Town Council was held virtually, Thursday, January 6, 2022, and called to order by Mayor, Brenda Chisholm-Beaton at 6:00pm.

2. Staff Presentation - Second Reading - Taxi By-law

CAO, T. Doyle had reviewed the changes with the proposed Taxi By-law; adding in definitions, application process, license restrictions, application refusal, taxi business requirements, and compliance.

Town staff has removed any items that would fluctuate based on the market (i.e. fares, insurance requirements etc.) and moved those items into policy. CAO, T. Doyle reviewed the Taxi Policy as part of his presentation. All applications and forms associated with the Taxi By-law have been moved to the Taxi Policy.

3. Council Question Period

Councillor, M. MacIver had asked the question if the Taxi Business Owner's would be provided with a 'grace period' for section 17- f) & h) of the By-law regarding illuminating signage and driver and passenger door signage. CAO, T. Doyle had indicated that there will be a 'grace period' for Taxi Owners.

Councillor, B. MacQuarrie had asked if prices were in line with fees in other municipal units. CAO, T. Doyle had confirmed that the new fees are in comparison with Town of Pictou, Antigonish, and New Glasgow.

4. Gallery Presentations

- a) Call for opposing presentations.
 There were no opposing presentations.
- b) Call for presentations in favor.
 There were no presentations in favor.

5. Written Submissions

There were no written submissions.

6. Adjournment

MOVED by Councillor, B. MacQuarrie and SECONDED by Councillor, H. MacDougall "to adjourn the Public Hearing at $6:18\ p.m.$ " MOTION CARRIED.

Date:

Approved by: Terry Doyle, P.Eng. Chief Administrative Officer

Recorded by: Melissa Warner Communications & Administrative Officer