# PORT HAWKESBURY TOWN COUNCIL PUBLIC MEETING Shannon Studio Minutes of Meeting

June 7, 2022

#### Present

Mayor, Brenda Chisholm-Beaton
Deputy Mayor, Jason Aucoin
Councillor, Blaine MacQuarrie
Councillor, Hughie MacDougall
Councillor, Mark MacIver
Chief Administrative Officer, Terry Doyle

#### **Guests**

## 1. Call to Order

A Public Meeting of the Port Hawkesbury Town Council was held in the Shannon Studio and virtually on Tuesday, June 7, 2022, and called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor B. Chisholm-Beaton.

## 2. Additions to Agenda

- i. Filipino Independence Day Flag Raising Mayor, B. Chisholm-Beaton
- ii. Indigenous Peoples Day Mayor, B. Chisholm-Beaton
- iii. Potlotek Summer Games Mayor, B. Chisholm-Beaton
- iv. Reeves Street Survey Councillor, H. MacDougall

Councillor, B. MacQuarrie asked to defer the Dog By-law agenda item until the Committee of the Whole meeting on June 21<sup>st</sup>.

## 3. Approval of Agenda

MOVED by Councillor, B. MacQuarrie and SECONDED by Councillor, M. MacIver "That the Town of Port Hawkesbury approves June 7, 2022, Public Meeting Agenda as amended". MOTION CARRIED.

### 4. Gallery Presentations

There were no presentations for the June 7, Public Meeting of Council.

## 5. Acknowledgements

Mayor, B. Chisholm-Beaton had made the following acknowledgments:

She congratulated Deacon, Berkley Guthro on being selected as the 2022 Town of Port Hawkesbury's Volunteer of the Year.

June is International Pride Month – She thanked Council for their support with Pride activities.

June is Aboriginal History Month.

National Indigenous Peoples Day is Tuesday, June, 21st.

Philippines Independence day is Sunday, June 12<sup>th.</sup>

Deputy Mayor, J. Aucoin had acknowledged the athletes at Tamarac Education Center and Strait Area Education Recreation Centre for their representation at the Provincial track meet held June 4<sup>th</sup>.

Mayor, B. Chisholm-Beaton had extended congratulations to the 2022 Graduates at Nova Scotia Community College and Strait Area Education Recreation Centre.

# 6. Approval of Council Minutes

- i. Public Meeting May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022 There were no errors or omissions.
- ii. Special Public Meeting May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022 There were no errors or omissions.

### 7. <u>Business Arising from Minutes</u>

There was no business arising from the minutes.

## 8. <u>Council Committee Reports</u>

There was no Committee of the Whole for the month of May.

#### 9. Motions from In-Camera Session

MOVED by Councillor, M. MacIver and SECONDED by Councillor, B. MacQuarrie "That the Town of Port Hawkesbury send a letter in support of the potential development at 644 Church Street." MOTION CARRIED.

#### 10. Correspondence

There was no correspondence to review for the June 7th Public Meeting of Council.

## 11. Proclamations/Resolutions

There were no proclamations or resolutions

#### 12. Other Business

i. Council Expenses, CAO, T. Doyle

CAO, T. Doyle, gave an update on May Council Expenses. He reminded the gallery that Council expenses are posted on the Town of Port Hawkesbury website.

ii. Summer Recess – CAO, T. Doyle

MOVED by Deputy Mayor, J. Aucoin and SECONDED by Councillor, H. MacDougall "That the Town of Port Hawkesbury recess for the months of July and August for Regular Public Council Meetings and Committee of the Whole Meetings and will call Special Public Meetings as required." MOTION CARRIED.

iii. Dog By-law – Councillor, B. MacQuarrie
Deferred to the Committee of the Whole meeting on June 21st.

## iv. Conflict of Interest Protocol - Mayor, B. Chisholm-Beaton

CAO, T. Doyle had reviewed some short excerpts from the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act – A guide for New Municipal Councillors which is a guideline that is over and above the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act.

He has reviewed paragraph 6 Under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act.

According to the Act, once a Councillor declares the conflict they must state the general nature of the conflict, remove themselves from the room or sit with the gallery/ general public and must not take part in the decision-making process.

#### v. Strait2Ukraine – CAO, T. Doyle

MOVED by Deputy Mayor, J. Aucoin and SECONDED by Councillor, M. MacIver "That the Town of Port Hawkesbury will support the Strait2Ukriane Committee and grant access of the Bear Head room for the day in support of the Strait2Ukraine event that will be held on Sunday, July 17<sup>th</sup>." MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor, B. Chisholm-Beaton will connect Councillor, H. MacDougall with the Strait2Ukraine Committee.

## 13. Approved Additions

## 2022 Nova Scotia Mi'kmaq Summer Games

CAO, T. Doyle had stated that organizers from Potlotek First Nation had reached out to Town Senior Staff with a request for the use of the pool for the 2022 Mi'kmaq Summer Games being held in July. Staff is working through some logistical issues.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor, J. Aucoin and SECONDED by Councillor, M. MacIver "That the Town of Port Hawkesbury will donate the use of the pool in-kind for the 2022 Nova Scotia Mi'kmaq Summer Games".

There were questions regarding staffing the pool after the summer closure. Councillor, H. MacDougall had stated that the Festival of the Strait was also looking to book events.

#### **Amendment**

MOVED by Councillor, H. MacDougall and SECONDED by Deputy Mayor, J. Aucoin for a motion to include the Festival of the Strait pool events. MOTION CARRIED.

Filipino Flag Raising/ National Aboriginal Day

MOVED by Deputy Mayor, J. Aucoin and SECONDED by Councillor, B. MacQuarrie "That the Town of Port Hawkesbury will raise the Filipino flag in recognition of the Filipino Heritage Month for the day on Sunday, June 12th, and the Mi'kmaq flag for National Indigenous Peoples Day on June 21". MOTION CARRIED.

#### Reeves Street Survey - Councillor, MacDougall

CAO, T. Doyle had stated that he just recently received the report from Narrative Research. He would like to bring it forward to the Reeves Street Steering Committee then Mr. Don Mills will present to Council to discuss the findings of the survey.

## 14. Future Meetings

The future meetings of the Town Council are scheduled as follows:

i. Public Hearing

Tuesday, June 21, 2022

ii. Committee of the Whole

Tuesday, June 21, 2022

iii. Public Meeting of Council

Tuesday, September 6, 2022

# 15. Public Question Period

There were no questions from the gallery.

# 16. Adjournment

MOVED by Councillor, B. MacQuarrie and SECONDED by Deputy Mayor, J. Aucoin "That the Town of Port Hawkesbury adjourns June 7th, 2022, Public Meeting at 7:33 pm." MOTION CARRIED.

Date

Approved by

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Terry Doyle, P. Eng.

Chief Administrative Officer

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Melissa Warner

Communications

and

Administration Officer