PORT HAWKESBURY TOWN COUNCIL PUBLIC MEETING

Minutes of Meeting Tuesday, November 8, 2011

PRESENT

Mayor, Billy Joe MacLean
Chief Administrative Officer, Maris Freimanis
Director of Finance, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, Erin MacEachen
Deputy Mayor Jim King
Councilor, Ken Anderson
Councilor, Hugh MacDougall
Councilor, Mark MacIver
Town Solicitor, Patrick Lamey, Alternate
Director of Marketing, Tourism, Culture and Recreation, Paula Davis

REGRETS

Town Solicitor, Larry Evans

1. CALL TO ORDER

A meeting of the Port Hawkesbury Town Council was held in the Shannon Studio on Tuesday, November 8, 2011. The meeting was called to order by Mayor MacLean at 6:30 p.m.

2. GALLERY PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations from the gallery.

3. ADDITIONS TO/APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- a) Veterans Remembrance and Recognition
- b) Funding Request Strait Richmond Health Care Foundation

MOVED by Councilor K. Anderson, and SECONDED by Deputy Mayor J. King "That Town Council approves the additions to the agenda as amended". MOTION CARRIED.

4. MINUTES

a) Regular Town Council

October 4, 2011

Item # 11 – Councilor H. MacDougall inquired if congratulatory letters were sent to Lynn Coady and Darrell Beaton. Confirmation was provided that these letters were mailed October 14, 2011 and that copies will be distributed to the councilors.

b) Special Town Council

October 18, 2011

c) Town Council Committee of the Whole

October 18, 2011

MOVED by Councilor H. MacDougall, and SECONDED by Councilor M. MacIver "That Town Council approves the minutes of Regular Town Council – October 4, 2011; Special Town Council – October 18, 2011; and Town Council Committee of the Whole – October 18, 2011". MOTION CARRIED.

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes.

6. PROCLAMATIONS / DECLARATIONS / SPECIAL NOTICES

There were no proclamations, declarations or special notices.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence was received.

8. RESOLUTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

a) Appointment of Deputy Mayor

Councilor K. Anderson was appointed Deputy Mayor of Port Hawkesbury Town Council. Mayor MacLean extended congratulations on behalf of Town Council.

MOVED by Councilor J. King and SECONDED by Councilor M. MacIver "That Town Council approves the appointment of Councilor K. Anderson as Deputy Mayor of Port Hawkesbury Town Council". MOTION CARRIED:

b) Committee Appointments

MOVED by Councilor J. King, and SECONDED by Deputy Mayor K. Anderson "That Town Council approves the Committee Appointments". MOTION CARRIED.

c) Approval of Financial Statements 2010 - 2011

MOVED by Council M. MacIver, and SECONDED by Deputy Mayor K. Anderson "That Town Council approves the Financial Statements 2010 – 2011". MOTION CARRIED.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

 a) Update – By-Law Enforcement Officer
 Chief Administrative Officer, Maris Freimanis provided an update on the towns of Mulgrave and Port Hawkesbury sharing a by- law enforcement officer. He spoke with the bylaw enforcement officer for

Mulgrave who would like to focus strictly with the town of Mulgrave. Town Council were asked if they would prefer to hire someone or itemize it for budget discussion and allocate appropriate budget for an officer in the next fiscal year. Council J. King stated he would prefer to assess this issue at the next Committee of the Whole meeting. Deputy Mayor K. Anderson agreed, adding the absence of a by-law enforcement officer or an interim by-law enforcement officer may be a liability exposing the town for not enforcing the bylaws. Maris Freimanis proposed adding this to the agenda of the next Committee of the Whole Meeting which would enable the Town Solicitor to prepare advice for Council regarding by-law enforcement.

MOVED by Councilor J. King, and SECONDED by Deputy Mayor K. Anderson "That Town Council discusses the By-Law Enforcement Officer issue at the next Committee of the Whole Meeting". MOTION CARRIED.

b) APPROVED ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

a) Veterans Remembrance and Recognition Councilor H. MacDougall called point of order and observance of silence as this was the last meeting before November 11th.

Deputy Mayor K. Anderson proposed that Town Council honour veterans by renaming the Port Hawkesbury Civic Centre (PHCC) arena the Veterans Memorial Arena.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor K. Anderson, and SECONDED by Councilor M. MacIver "That Town Council rename the PHCC arena the Veterans Memorial Arena". MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor MacLean stated that Minister MacKay was providing \$41,000 to the Canadian legion for statues and the cenotaph project and that a fundraising project would take place to raise a total of \$100,000. Councilor H. MacDougall inquired if the Mayor or Deputy Mayor could convey this at the Remembrance Day Ceremony, Deputy Mayor K. Anderson acknowledged the efforts of Councilor H. MacDougall regarding his work with the legion and park, and Mayor MacLean's work with Bell MacIntyre on the legion statues. Mayor MacLean commended Bell MacIntyre, Town Council and the local work force for their fundraising efforts for the Canadian Legion cenotaph project in the amount of \$41,000.

b) Funding Request – Strait Richmond Health Care Foundation

MOVED by Councilor J. King, and SECONDED by Deputy Mayor K. Anderson "That Town Council approves a funding request from Strait Richmond Health Care Foundation in the amount of \$250". MOTION CARRIED.

Deputy Mayor K. Anderson noted he thought the practice for donations was that staff would bring forth recommendations after gathering the required information.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Deputy Mayor K. Anderson, and SECONDED by Councilor H. MacDougall "That Town Council adjourns the meeting at 6:45p.m". MOTION CARRIED.