



Town of Stewiacke
Committee of the Whole Session
June 11th, 2020

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A Committee of the Whole of the Town of Stewiacke was held on June 11th, 2020 at 7:00pm in the Town Hall, Stewiacke Nova Scotia as well as virtually through Zoom.

1. Call to Order

Mayor Robinson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

2. Attendance

Mayor Robinson
Deputy Mayor Chapman
Councillor(s) Susan Creelman, Rebecca Rogers-Laing, Mary Commo
Regrets: Councillor Chad Ramsey

Staff:

Dale Bogle	Chief Administrative Officer
Randi Buchi	Manager of Finance
Erin Richard	Recreation & Physical Activity Coordinator
Josh Hilton	Recreation

3. Approval of / Amendments to Agenda

On Motion of Deputy Mayor Chapman and Councillor Commo it was moved to approve the agenda for June 11th, 2020, as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

4. Disclosure of Interest on Agenda Items.

Nil

5. Approval of May 14th, 2020 Minutes.

On Motion of Councillor Commo and Deputy Mayor Chapman it was moved to approve the minutes from May 14th, 2020, Committee of the Whole Meeting as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

6. Announcements/ Proclamations

Nil

7. Presentations:

Truro Pride Society- Gay Pride Initiative

The Town of Truro Pride Flag Raising Event will be held on July 10th, 2020 at noon. Truro Pride was wondering if the Town of Stewiacke would be interested in a flag raising ceremony and if there was interest in painting crosswalks in town. The Town of Stewiacke is interested in holding a Flag Raising Ceremony on July 10th, 2020 at 2:00pm in Dennis Park- this will be approved or disregarded at the Council Meeting on June 25th, 2020.

8. Written Petitions and Correspondence

-Colchester-East Hants Public Roadmap- COVID-19 received for information.



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- Colchester Reopening Kits: we have given out 25 kits to businesses.
- Province of Nova Scotia, COVID-19 Frequently Asked Questions: shared to social media & website.
- Solid Waste Frequently Asked Questions received for information.
- Town of Stewiacke Ground Water Supply Investigation received for information and a presentation will be made to Council on June 25th, 2020.

9. Business

a) Administration

Dale Bogle, C.A.O., provided an overview of this report.

b) Physical Activity & Recreation

Erin Richard, Recreation & Physical Activity Coordinator, provided an overview of this report.

Josh Hilton, Recreation, provided an overview of this report.

c) Financial Report

Randi Buchi, Director of Finance, provided an overview of this report.

On Motion of Councillor Creelman and Deputy Mayor Chapman that Stewiacke Committee of the Whole recommend to Stewiacke Town Council to approve the transfer of \$150,000.00 from General Operations to Water Utility for a period of 7 days upon which it will be transferred back to the Operating Fund.

Motion carried unanimously.

On Motion of Councillor Creelman and Councillor Rogers-Laing that Stewiacke Committee of the Whole recommend to Stewiacke Town Council to approve the extension of the waiving of interest charged on overdue Water and Wastewater accounts until the end of August 2020.

Motion carried unanimously.

On Motion of Councillor Creelman and Councillor Commo that Stewiacke Committee of the Whole recommend to Stewiacke Town Council to approve the waiving of interest on overdue Property Tax accounts retroactively from March 31st, 2020 to August 30th, 2020.

Motion carried unanimously.

d) Public Works

Public Works Superintendent Jeff Sibley provided a public works report.

e) Planning

Grant Cooke provided a planning report.

f) Business and Tourism

Councillor Creelman provided a verbal update.

On Motion of Councillor Commo and Councillor Rogers-Laing, it was moved to approve the reports as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

g) Water Utility Budget 2020-2021



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h) Water Utility Budget Recommendations

On Motion of Deputy Mayor Chapman and Councillor Creelman That Stewiacke Committee of the Whole recommend to Stewiacke Town Council to approve the 2020-2021 Water Utility Operating Budget with expenditures totaling \$602,435.00.
Motion carried unanimously.

10 By-laws and Policies

Nil.

11. Citizen Comments

Pam Osborne would like to make three comments: No minutes have been posted to the website since January 2020. I am happy to see the flowers throughout town. Transparency with Council and selling properties in town; Council saying they'd like to be more open with residents so I hope that during this process the residents of town are aware of what is happening. I would like to know an update on the new Civic Building and Library.

12. Mayor Report

Attended the weekly NSFM meeting. In the report, they have made us aware that the Province is looking at changing the order that is in place stating Council are not allowed to meet in person. Hopefully we will be able to meet in person in July, while following the 6 ft distancing rule and a maximum of 10 people in a group. I spoke with Barry from the Happy Communities Project and he wanted the working group in Stewiacke to be made aware that he appreciated all the time and hard work put into the project. The Town of Stewiacke By-Laws and Policies will be in review to ensure the Town of Stewiacke is not complicit in any form or action of racism.

13. Councillors Report

Deputy Mayor Chapman attended NSFM Zoom meeting last Tuesday
Councillor Creelman besides all the committee work I've been doing, I wanted to send a congrats to Mel Miller who is the winner of the East Hants Sport Heritage 2020 Coach of the Year. Mel was awarded for his work in East Hants schools with Track and Field. There have been bear sightings throughout town.
Councillor Commo working on a few tourism items with Councillor Creelman.

14. In Camera Session- Land, Legal, Personnel

On Motion of Councillor Rogers-Laing and Councillor Commo it was moved that Stewiacke Town Council go into in-camera at 8:35pm.

Motion carried unanimously.

On Motion of Councillor Creelman and Deputy Mayor Chapman it was moved that Stewiacke Town Council come out of in-camera at 10:00pm.

Motion carried unanimously

15. Notice of Motion and Reconsideration

Nil.

16. Adjournment

Time: 10:01PM



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Read and approved this _____ day of _____, 2020.

Mayor

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