

A meeting of Town Council of the Town of Stewiacke was held on Thursday, October 24th, 2019 at 7:00 pm in the Town Hall, Stewiacke, Nova Scotia.

1. Call to Order

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

2. Attendance

Mayor Wendy Robinson

Deputy Mayor Creelman Councillor(s), Roseanne Chapman, Mary Commo, Russel Stoddart

Regrets: Councillor Rebecca Rogers-Laing

Absent: Councillor Chad Ramsey

Staff: Dale Bogle – Chief Administrative Officer
Dalas Tufts-Johnston - Recording Secretary

3. Approval of / Changes to Agenda

On Motion of Deputy Mayor Creelman and Councillor Commo, it was moved that the agenda for October 24th, 2019 be approved as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

4. Disclosure of Interest on Agenda Items

Nil

5. Approval of Minutes – September 26th, 2019

On Motion of Deputy Mayor Creelman and Councillor Stoddart it was moved to approve the amended minutes from September 26th, 2019 with the following change:

Councillor Mary Commo sent regrets.

Motion carried unanimously.

6. Announcements

7. Presentations

Nil.

8. Written Petitions and Communications

Nil.

9. Business

a) CAO Hiring Committee to become the new Human Resources Committee

On Motion of Deputy Mayor Creelman and Councillor Commo it was moved to approve the CAO Hiring Committee to become the Human Resources Committee as recommended.

Motion carried unanimously.

10. By-laws and Policies
a.) Tax Sale Policy

On Motion of Councillors Chapman and Stoddart it was moved to approve the Tax Sale Policy 2019-45 as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

11. Mayor's Report

Thank you and congratulations to the Stewiacke Business and Tourism Committee on a great Expo, there was several businesses who participated the attendance was great despite of the bad weather.

Spoke with David Borden from Borden Realty who is representing Perry Lake Developments; Larry Matthews and Matthew Ward from Hants Realty.

October 23rd, attended an Anti-Poverty Coalition Meeting; discussion was held on a need's assessment required, housing stats, the data will help CMHC see the demand on lower income housing required in the province which will also help lenders. The Anti-Poverty Coalition will be presenting to the Council of the Town of Stewiacke to help offset share costs.

October 24th, Attended the Women in Business Breakfast with guest speaker Karey Fleming; organized by the Truro Chamber of Commerce.

12. Councillor Reports

Councillors Stoddart: Congrats on the business Expo, a job well done.

Councillor Chapman: Attended the grand opening of the "Victoria" at Prestige Homes. Attended the Business Expo, great turn out. Contest is open for the Best Decorated house for Halloween, which will be judged on October 29th.

Councillor Commo: Approximated 100 people were in attendance at the Business Expo, 27 tables were booked which was down from last year. Thank you to Deputy Mayor Creelman and Natasha Head for their hard work to ensure the event was a success.

Deputy Mayor Creelman: Thank you to everyone for participating in the Expo. It was a lot of fun, Tasha; and Bluenose Mercantile, Town Staff, Public Works, everyone went above and beyond.

Spoke with Geoff Stewart, Councillor with the County of Colchester, discussion on the CAP process, they will be writing a letter to the MLA, for the Government to take a look at that the CAP assessments in Nova Scotia.

13. Citizen Comments and Communications

Nil.

14. Open Forum to Discuss Councillor or Committee Reports

Deputy Mayor Creelman: Upcoming Budget talks: take a look at what is being spent on advertising, publications that the Town is using and determine where and what to spend it on.

Solar Project- Aaron Long came to Stewiacke Randi Buchi; Finance Director, showed him the lot at the Community Centre.

Mayor Robinson: has recruited 4 people for the Happy Communities Project, there will be 3 sessions with 2 weeks apart.

Councillor Commo: The Music in the Park from the summer will continue at the Legion from 2:00PM- 4:00PM there will be no charge for this. The ceiling and the lighting at the Community Centre are terrible.

Councillor Chapman: In the process of promoting the Community Centre, will start ask for a design for a flyer to distribute.

CAO Dale Bogle: The Windows for the Community will arrive October 29th with work beginning. The hall will be professionally cleaned, as well as the roof re-shingled. Talks are still ongoing for the Well Study, and testing of the wells.

15. In Camera Session

16. Notice of Motion and Reconsideration

17. Adjournment

Mayor Robinson adjourned the meeting at 7:35pm.

Read and approved this _____ day of _____, 2019.

Mayor

CAO