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Call to Order

Mayor George Lloy called the Council Meeting to order at 7:00 pm

1. Attendance

PRESENT:

Mayor George Lloy

Deputy Mayor Roseanne Chapman

Councillors: Susan Creelman
Chad Ramsey

Suzanne Lutz
Rebecca Rogers-Laing

Staff: Dale Bogle, CAO
Randi Buchi
Erin Richard
Leah Bennett

REGRETS / ABSENT:

Councillor Commo

2. Approval of / Changes to Agenda

Changes to the Agenda – adjusting the Motions numerical order to match the Agenda.

On the motion of Deputy Mayor Chapman & Rogers Laing:

I so move to approve the Agenda as presented for November 10th, 2022 – Committee of the Whole Meeting with changes as previously mentioned.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. Disclosure of Interest on Agenda Items

NIL

4. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting(s)

The minutes for September 8th Committee of the Whole, September 13th Special Council and September 22nd Council Meetings were all approved at October 27th Combined Meeting.

5. Announcements / Proclamations

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6. Presentations

- a. Banking Proposal – Credit Union Staff, Georg Oberprieler and Krystal Clyke
- b. Dave Westlake, EMO – Hurricane Fiona statistics 23 -24 September 2022

7. Written Petitions and Correspondence

NIL

8. Business

a. Staff Reports

i. Administration

- Riverside/Lewis/ Pleasant Hill – Still waiting on ICIP, other municipalities have not heard anything yet either
- Accessibility Plan – Erin working with CBCL and will discuss
- Amalgamation Review – Antigonish has decided to amalgamate. They were met with resistance but the vote was close.
- Covid cases still ongoing
- Boundary Review – need to have a discussion as there has to be a decision made by Combined Council in December
- Library – M.O.U. just received today
- Hurricane Fiona - still work ongoing to clean up in aftermath
- TCPEP – working with to market our area
- Shubenacadie Canal and Stewiacke River Potential Project – attempting to get funding
- Well Water – this is at the top of the list of priorities
- Affordable housing - working with the province on a piece of their property

ii. Financial – Randi Buchi

- Randi reviewed the Administration Traffic Report showing the growth in the office over the last several years
- Building Permits are up 280%
- Tax Certificates are up 1620%
- Building Permit Values have surpassed \$16 million

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- Council agreed that Capital and Operating Budgets to be discussed at Committee of the Whole and Council meetings but ALL Department Heads must attend at least one Capital meeting

On the motion of Councillor Creelman and Deputy Mayor Chapman:

I so move to recommend to Council Schedule A as presented to November 10th, 2022

Committee of the Whole, with the meeting of department heads for one Capital Meeting.

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iii. Recreation –

Erin Richard

- CBCL is having a Public Engagement on December 3rd, 2022 at the Breakfast at the Legion
- CBCL is also holding a Public Workshop on December 8th, 2022 at 6:30pm at the Community Centre

iv. Planning – Grant Cooke

- Grant is unavailable, skipped over his report

v. Public Works – Jeff Sibley (CAO Bogle spoke on Jeff's behalf)

- Briefly read over Jeff's report

On the motion of Councillor Rogers-Laing and Councillor Lutz:

I so move to receive the Staff Reports as presented for November 10th, 2022 – Committee of the Whole Meeting.

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b. Committee Review – Discussion

Will defer until Council Meeting November 24th, 2022 as Councillor Commo is not present and she is leading force in the committee review.

c. Library Update – Just received MOU, will defer to Council once reviewed

9. By-laws and Policies

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10. Citizen Comments

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11. Mayor Report

October 31 - Signed a contract on behalf of the Town of Stewiacke and Cory Portier of Stewiacke Tim Horton's, on a 5 year agreement for an annual contribution to the Stewiacke Town Days Committee.

October 31 – Attended the Halloween in the Park. Thank you to Erin for organizing this event. It was a great turnout.

November 1 – 4 – Attended the NSFM Fall Conference in Halifax. Report file with Council.

November 4 – Presented Leona Lewis a letter of congratulation to recognize her 80th birthday

November 7 – Attended the Provincial Volunteer Awards. Penny Colpitts was recognized as Volunteer of the Year for Stewiacke. I released a letter of congratulation on behalf of town council to honour Penny

November 9 – Attended by Zoom the Atlantic Canada Basic Income Summit

November 9 – Attended a Zoom session for first time elected officials

November 10 – HR meeting with Mr Bogle, Deputy Mayor Chapman and Councillor Creelman

- In the office Monday & Wednesday mornings and when required for meetings, cheque signing and weekly briefing with Mr Bogle
- I am looking forward to laying a wreath on behalf of the Town of Stewiacke, tomorrow November 11th at the Remembrance Day ceremony

Deputy Mayor Report

HR meeting

See you all at the Cenotaph tomorrow for Remembrance Day

12. Councillors Reports

Councillor Creelman:

- Met with Randi and Erin and were talking about staff-initiated updates on policies
- Business and Tourism working with Erin on Christmas in Stewiacke

13. In-Camera Session

On the motion of Councillor Lutz and Councillor Rogers-Laing:

I so move to move In-Camera at 8:15pm.

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On the motion of Councillor Creelman and Councillor Ramsey:

I so move to move Out of Camera at 8:56pm.

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14. Notice of Motion and Reconsideration

NIL

15. Adjournment

- 8:58pm

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