

1. **Council Convenes - O Canada** – Warden Hunter called to order the September 2, 2009 session of Cumberland Municipal Council at 1:00 p.m. The meeting was held in the Council Chambers of the E. D. Fullerton Municipal Building, Upper Nappan. O Canada was sung.
2. **Roll Call** - The roll was called by Shelley Hoeg, Executive Assistant to the CAO. All Councillors were in attendance excepting Councillor Kellegrew who was absent due to medical reasons. Also in attendance were Rennie Bugley, CAO; Steve Ferguson, Director of Policy and Research and Peter Cottingham, Solid Waste and By-Law Administrator.
3. **Approval of Agenda (Additions/Deletions)** - The agenda was approved with the following additions and deletions:

Deletions: None

Additions: 13.1 CAO Evaluation Report; 14.1 Southampton and Area Ballfield
4. **Approval of Minutes**
4.1 Minutes from the July 22, 2009 Council Session were approved as presented.
5. **Business Arising from the Minutes**
5.1 Action List, July 22, 2009 Council Meeting - There was no discussion arising from this item. -
6. **Delegations and Presentations**
There were no presentations.
7. **Public Hearings**
Warden Hunter called the public hearing to order at 1:16 p.m.
7.1 Sewer Appeal Accountant #04792424 – Mr. Robert Streach, Director of Public Works informed Council that he received correspondence requesting a discount of the sewer charge on a property due to the fact that no one is living in the house and that a kitchen or bathroom does not exist in the house. The owners were notified of the hearing, but a representative was not present at this meeting.

The public hearing was closed at 1:20 p.m.

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Read, seconded by Councillor MacNutt to deny the request for a discount on property taxes for AAN 04792424.

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8. **Correspondence**
8.1 Action Correspondence

From	Summary	Action
N.S. Assoc. of Health Organizations	Mary Lee, President, Requesting Council to declare September as Continuing Care Month in the Municipality of Cumberland. <i>Council agreed to declare September as continuing care month</i>	Refer to Council
Transport and Infrastructure	Minister John Baird, re: our correspondence of proposed improvement of programs and services of the Cumberland YMCA. COPY ENCLOSED <i>It was agreed to forward this correspondence to the YMCA Board.</i>	Refer to YMCA
Canadian Wildlife Service	Keith McAloney, Head, Population Management Unit, informing Council of changes to the Migratory Bird Hunting Regulations being considered for implementation in 2010 and to provide the Municipality with an opportunity to comment on that proposal COPY ENCLOSED	Refer to Council
L.A. Animal Shelter	Kirsteen Thomson, President, requesting a payment schedule and also requesting input into the County's Canine Control By-Law. <i>Staff were directed to contact Ms. Thompson for resolution of these issues.</i>	Referred to Staff

8.2 Information Correspondence –

From	Summary
UNSM	July E-News Bulletin (in Council Boxes)
King Seaman Church Society	Expressing thanks for the grant of \$1,000.
Hostelling International	Expressing thanks for the grant of \$5,000 which was used to stabilize the rear part of the building.
PVSC	Providing the Annual Report for the year of April 1, 2008 – March 31, 2009.
Pugwash Harbourfest	Expressing appreciation for our assistance and support with HarbourFest 2009.
TantramarFM Community Radio	Advising that the Tantramar Community Radio, a not for profit society, has been given notice by the CRTC of its Broadcasting Decision to allow them to operate and English-language Type B Community FM radio programming undertaking. Also advising that they will be erecting a FM Broadcasting Tower within the Municipality of Cumberland sometime on or before October 2010.
N.S. Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal	Minister, Bill Brooks advising that the extent to which the new Government will be able to honour commitments made by the previous Government will be determined in the coming months. Also advising that the projects identified in Council's resolution will receive full consideration in the course of the forthcoming budget deliberations.
Ship's Company Theatre	Thanking Council for the \$3,500 grant.
Royal Canadian Legion Br. 4, Joggins	Thanking Council for their continued financial support.
Cumberland Regional Library	Annual Report 2008/2009
Murray Scott, MLA	Providing a copy of correspondence MLA Scott forwarded to the N. S. Department of Environment re: Chignecto Sanctuary. COPY ENCLOSED

9. **Planning Issues**- This item was deleted.

10. **Strategic Planning**

10.1 September 10, 11 2009 Meetings – Mr. Ferguson provided details of the Strategic Planning Workshop taking place on September 10 and 11, 2009.

10.2 ICSP Update – Mr. Ferguson, Director of Policy and Research gave an overview of the survey that was recently completed with cottagers and also advised that the Committee will be meeting next Tuesday to solidify details of options for further public consultation and input.

11. **Financial Reports/Issues**

11.1 Recreation Grants – Fenwick United Church – A recreation grant request was received from the Fenwick United Church for the painting of the wood finish around the windows and doors on the outside of the church.

IT WAS MOVED by Deputy Warden Redmond, seconded by Councillor Reid to approve a recreation grant of \$1500 from Districts 1 & 2 (\$750/ea), conditional upon staff receiving the necessary documentation to complete the request.

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Canadian Red Cross - A request was received for funding for the Canadian Red Cross to assist become a sponsor in the fund raiser "Lyrics for Compassion 2009". This item will be looked into by staff as Council has a policy to not fund National Organizations and it is unclear if sponsorship was for the local event or the Organization. Council will be updated once information is received.

12. **Operational Services Reports/Issues-**

12.1 Hurricane Bill Preparedness – This was provided for information from Cumberland Regional Emergency Management.

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Read, seconded by Councillor Donkin to forward a letter of Thanks to the Amateur Radio Club for their hard work during Hurricane Bill.

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12.2 Dangerous & Unsightly – Staff went over the report with Councillors.

12.3 Solid Waste Update – Mr. Peter Cottingham, Solid Waste and By-Law Administrator advised Council that the special collection was again very successful. There were 155.3 tons of C & D, 126.6 tons of garbage; 66.6 tons of scrap metal and 93 fridges and freezers collected.

13. **Committee/Other Reports**

13.1 CAO Evaluation – Deputy Warden Redmond advised that the CAO Evaluation has been completed with very positive results.

IT WAS MOVED by Deputy Warden Redmond, seconded by Councillor Read to approve the CAO Evaluation Report.

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13.2 Southampton and Area Ballfield - -

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Gilbert, seconded by Councillor Read to amend the list of exempted properties in the Tax Exemption By-Law to include the Southampton and area Ballfield.

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14. **Old Business**

14.1 There was none

15. **New Business**

15.1 Letter of Support – Skateboard Park – Staff were directed to invite representatives from the Town of Amherst and C.R.E.D.A. to attend the September 16th, 2009 Council session to provide further information on this subject.

15.2 UNSM Fall Conference – Council was informed that the UNSM Fall Conference will be held on November 4, 5, 6, and 7th, 2009 at the Westin in Halifax. Any Councillors interested in attending should confirm with Shelley Hoeg.

16. **Information Items**

16.1 AMA Executive – Mr. Bugley, CAO, advised Council that he is now on the Executive of the Board of Directors for the AMA due to acclamation. Council congratulated Mr. Bugley on his accomplishment.

16.2 H1N1 Update – Provided as information.

16.3 Department of Transportation – Deputy Warden Redmond advised that tenders will be issued for repaving a section of Highway 4, West Wentworth, from Swallow Road to the County line. There is a concern with residents as this paving will remove the passing lanes that currently exist which narrows the road and will cause a hazard for vehicles travelling that Highway.

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Gilbert, seconded by Councillor MacNutt to forward correspondence to the N. S. DOT recommending that Highway 4 not be narrowed. Rationale included that it is a truck route for local traffic, it is used to reroute traffic from the Cobequid Pass when accidents occur and in blizzard conditions, and to ensure that the highest possible level of safety is continued for both vehicular and pedestrian traffic.

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17. **Adjournment**
The meeting adjourned at 2:04 p.m.
18. **God Save the Queen**