

1. **Council Convenes - O Canada** – Warden Hunter called to order the November 3, 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. Also in attendance were Rennie Bugley, CAO, Steve Ferguson, Director of Policy and Research and Penny Henneberry, Director of Planning and Development.

At this point a moment of silence was observed for Mayor Doug Robinson who recently lost his battle with Cancer.

Jeannette Cleveland, Administrative Assistant to Planning and Development advised Council that due to relocation of her husband she will be leaving the Municipality. She thanked Council for their support and informed Council that in her position here she felt a part of a family.

3. **Approval of Agenda (Additions/Deletions)** - The agenda was approved with the following additions and deletions:

Deletions: #7, 9

Additions: 13.1 – Policy Committee; 14.3 – Council Meetings; 15.2 – Wetlands; 15.3 – Advocate Hospital; 16.1 – UNSM Expense Claims; 16.2 – Chignecto Game Sanctuary.

4. **Approval of Minutes**

4.1 Minutes from the October 21, 2009 Council Session – The minutes of the October 21, 2009 Council session were approved as circulated.

5. **Business Arising from the Minutes**

5.1 Action List, October 21, 2009 Council Meeting – There was no discussion on this subject.

6. **Delegations and Presentations**

6.1 Cumberland REMO – Mr. Jim Hannon, Cumberland REMO Coordinator advised Council that the Cumberland REMO is leading the pack when it comes to emergency communications in Atlantic Canada. Mr. Hannon also advised that this is possible because of the hundreds of volunteer hours being donated by radio operators in the area. Cumberland is known amongst radio operators as a leader mainly due to our monthly Emergency Communications Exercise named EXERCISE HANDSHAKE. Mr. Lloyd Smith has completed ten training sessions with this exercise and as a token of our appreciation he is the first operator to receive a reflective jacket and cap.

At this point, Warden Hunter presented the first jacket and cap to Mr. Lloyd Smith in appreciation of his volunteer efforts.

7. **Public Hearings** – This item was deleted.

8. **Correspondence**

8.1 Information Correspondence - There was no discussion on this item.

9. **Planning Issues** - Deleted

10. **Strategic Planning**

10.1 Recreation and Physical Activity Strategic Plan – The document was provided to Council. Councillors were requested to review the document and provide any feedback to staff by Friday, November 6, 2009. The document, if satisfactory will be brought to the next Council session for adoption.

11. **Financial Reports/Issues**

11.1 Grants Requests

Easter Seals – This item is being referred to a future session for further information. Staff will bring information back to Council as it is received.

Fundy Geological Museum – **IT WAS MOVED** by Councillor Merriam, seconded by Councillor Kellegrew to refer this item to budget deliberations.

MOTION CARRIED #09-110

Cumberland Health Care Foundation – Cancer Assistance Fund – It was agreed that further information was required. Staff were requested to obtain additional information such as what amount of funding is being requested.

- 11.2 Remittal – Council was advised that all remittals must be brought to Council to satisfy the requirements of our auditor.

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Merriam, seconded by Councillor Kellegrew to approve the following remittals:

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| AAN - 03152391 | \$42.16 |
| AAN - 03152405 | \$3.07 |
| AAN - 07459270 | \$.033 |
| AAN - 04672178 | \$2.80 |
| AAN - 05400953 | \$11.18 |
| AAN - 06087345 | \$.38 |
| AAN - 07495633 | \$.06 |
| AAN - 00715042 | \$46.68 |

MOTION CARRIED #09-111

12. Operational Services Reports/Issues

- 12.1 Firefighter Incentives – This item is deferred to a future meeting for discussion.

13. Committee/Other Reports

- 13.1 Policy Committee - Councillor Reid requested staff to prepare a Policy to cover the protocol regarding the death of a Councillor's family member or a member of another Council.

14. Old Business

- 14.1 Invitation to provide Consultation on Draft Proponents Guide to Wetland Conservation – Ms. Penny Henneberry advised that the Policy is still a draft Policy. She and Mr. Robert Streach will formalize a response in regards to the draft policy and the proponents guide.

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Read, seconded by Deputy Warden Gilbert to request the N. S. Department of Environment to attend our next Council session to provide a presentation regarding the Consultation on Draft Proponents Guide to Wetland Conservation and request that the Municipality be able to provide input and also that the deadline for consultation be extended past November 6, 2009.

MOTION CARRIED #09-112

- 14.2 Advocate Seawall – Mr. Steve Ferguson, Director of Policy and By-Law, advised that there is a meeting taking place tomorrow in Truro. Mr. Ferguson also advised that the Coast Guard has agreed to take leadership with this situation. This item was also requested to be on the next council agenda.

- 14.3 Council Meetings – Mr. Bugley, CAO and Warden Hunter advised that they have had discussion re two Council meetings per month. A suggestion was to schedule the meetings (two a month) and then cancel a meeting should there be a light agenda. It was agreed that perhaps other meetings that could be held would be Solid Waste, Strategic Planning, Long Range Planning, etc.

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Redmond, seconded by Deputy Warden Gilbert to schedule Council meetings for the first and third Wednesday of every month.

MOTION DEFEATED #09-113

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Merriam, seconded by Councillor Kellegrew, to schedule Council meetings for the first and third Wednesday of each month and allow the Warden and CAO the discretion of whether or not there is enough business to attend

to hold a second open Council session.

MOTION CARRIED #09-114

15. **New Business**

15.1 **Safety Light** – Council was advised that correspondence was received from a concerned resident of Northport, N.S. bringing to Council’s attention a dangerous situation. Council requested Mr. Hannon to visit the area in Northport to determine if the area requires safety lighting or simply street lighting.

15.2 **Wetlands** – This item was dealt with as 14.1.

15.3 **Advocate Hospital** – There was discussion that this issue has been stalled for some time and that it was due on no part to the residents who have fulfilled their requirements.

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Merriam, seconded by Councillor Kellegrew to forward a letter to the Ministers of Health and Finance requesting action on the issue of an expansion for the Advocate hospital.

MOTION CARRIED #09-115

16. **Information Items**

16.1 **UNSM** – Warden Hunter advised that Councillors claim forms and hotel information will be provided before Councillors leave today.

16.2 **Chignecto Game Sanctuary** – There was discussion on cell phone coverage in certain areas of Cumberland or the lack thereof.

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Read, seconded by Councillor Gillis to forward a letter to cell phone coverage providers and to industry Canada regarding the cell phone service (dead) areas.

MOTION CARRIED #09-116

17. **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 2:19 p.m.

18. **God Save the Queen**