

1. **Council Convenes - O Canada** –Warden Keith Hunter called to order the March 17, 2010 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 CAO, Rennie Bugley, Steve Ferguson, Director of Policy and Research, and Penny Henneberry, Director of Planning and Development, Robert Streach, Director of Public Works, Andrew MacDonald, Director of Finance and Administration and Peter Cottingham, by-Law and Enforcement Administrator.

At this point in the meeting a moment of silence was held for Constance Ann Scott who was a previous employee of the Municipality and had recently passed away.

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

Additions: 11.3 – Budget Process, 12.1 – 1780 Highway 242, River Hebert

Deletions: #7, #8, #10, #13, #16

4. **Approval of Minutes**

4.1 **Minutes from the March 3, 2010 Council Session** – The minutes of the March 3, 2010 council session were approved as circulated

5. **Business Arising from the Minutes**

5.1 **Action List, February 3, 2010** – There was no discussion on this item as the items had been completed.

6. **Delegations and Presentations**

6.1 **Canada Post** – Canada Post was unable to attend today and will attend the April 21, 2010 Council session.

7. **Public Hearings**

The Public Hearing was deleted.

8. **Correspondence**

There was none.

9. **Planning Issues**

9.1 **N.S. Department of Environment Pits Regulation Consultation** – Ms. Henneberry provided this information to council for their perusal. Ms Henneberry will bring further information to Council as it becomes available.

9.2 **Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal Traffic Counts** – Ms. Henneberry provided information that TIR has disturbed correspondence to Municipal Units re: their upcoming Traffic Count Study for the Northern District. Ms. Henneberry explained the fees and requested information from Councillors on Roads that should be considered for this Count. If Councillors have any roads that they want considered for J Class Road improvements then they would be relevant to be considered. Mr. Streach will bring back relevant roads to our next In Camera Committee of the Whole for Councillors to assist in their decision making. Council directed staff to investigate the feasibility of purchasing traffic count equipment.

9.3 **Agricultural Land Review** – Ms. Henneberry and Councillor Donkin had attended a meeting regarding this subject at Council's request. As an outcome of that meeting a meeting of elected officials is now being held. Ms. Henneberry feels that this information should be reviewed and taken into account when doing a review of our land use plan. She also encouraged our councillors to attend the session for elected officials as it is very pertinent and informative.

10. **Strategic Planning** -

There were no items for discussion.

11. **Financial Reports/Issues**

- 11.1 Remittal(s) – **IT WAS MOVED** by Councillor MacNutt, seconded by Deputy Warden Gilbert to approve the following individual remittals:

AAN: 00828424 - \$94.96
AAN: 09361138 - \$1764.91
AAN: 10111560 - \$112.08
AAN: 10128315 - \$96.08
AAN: 00828041 - \$13.87
AAN: 09459146 - \$1109.38

MOTION CARRIED #10-045

11.2 **Recreation Grant**

North Shore Storm – This item was brought back as further information has been received. Council was advised that there are only 5 players who are residents of the Municipality of Cumberland County.

It was agreed that each Councillor who has a participant in their district would provide \$100 from their recreation grant funds to the North Shore Storm.

Cumberland County 4H – IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Redmond, seconded by Councillor Gillis to provide a grant of \$400 per district to Cumberland County 4H to assist with the cost of the Nova Scotia 4H Show which will be held in Truro, October 1-3, 2010.

MOTION DEFEATED #10-046

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor MacNutt seconded by Deputy Warden Gilbert to forward the funding request of the Nova Scotia 4H Show to our budget process to be considered under grants to organizations in the 2010/2011 budget year.

MOTION CARRIED #10-047

Cumberland County Minor Hockey Association

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Reid, seconded by Councillor Kellegrew, that each Councillor provide \$50 from their recreation funds (totaling \$300) as a recreation grant to the Cumberland County Minor Hockey Association for their Tournament of April 20th, and 21st, 2010.

MOTION CARRIED #10-048

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Kellegrew, seconded by Councillor Merriam to forward a letter to the Amherst Stadium Commission requesting a change in their policy to allow volunteers to provide food for hospitality rooms.

MOTION CARRIED #10-049

- 11.3 **Budget Process** – Mr. Macdonald, Director of Finance and Administration advised that the tentative schedule for budget meetings are: March 24, March 31, April 7, April 14, May 12 and then approve the budget at the second Council session in May which would be May 19, 2010. In advance of the budget meetings, Mr. MacDonald will try to provide a draft agenda with what topics will be covered. The tentative time for the meetings will be 10 a.m.

12. **Operational Services Reports/Issues**

- 12.1 **Dangerous and Unsightly Update** – Mr. Cottingham, By-Law and Enforcement Administrator advised Council that steps have been taken to secure the building that is identified as #16 on his report. The cost for boarding up the building will be applied to the tax account. If it continues to be a target of vandalism, further steps may have to be taken.

12.2 By-Law Enforcement – Council was provided information on a prosecution regarding an illegal dumpsite. Mr. Cottingham extended his congratulations to Mr. Ron Moore on his diligent work.

13. Committee/Other Reports

This item was deleted.

14. Old Business

14.1 Economic Impact Analysis - Warden Hunter advised that the Economic Impact Analysis has been provided to Council.

14.2 Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal - **IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Reid, seconded by Councillor Kellegrew to forward a reminder to TIR requesting information on areas in Cumberland that will be included in the Road Side Spray program this summer.**

MOTION CARRIED #10-050

15. New Business

15.1 Northern Region Solid Waste Inter-Municipal Agreement – **IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Kellegrew, seconded by Councillor Read to accept the Northern Region Solid Waste Inter-Municipal Agreement and to authorize the proper signing authorities to execute the document.**

MOTION CARRIED #10-051

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Redmond, seconded by Councillor Merriam to forward correspondence to the Minister of Transportation requesting what his stand on the laying off of certified employees by the Department of Transportation.

MOTION CARRIED #10-052

16. Information Items

This item was deleted.

17. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:08 p.m.

18. God Save the Queen