

1. **Council Convenes - O Canada** –Warden Hunter called to order the September 18th, 2013 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. Councillors in attendance were: Deputy Warden Don Smith, Councillor Kellegrew, Warden Hunter, Councillor Gillis, Councillor Welton, Councillor Baker, Councillor Rector, Councillor Gilbert, Councillor McLellan and Councillor Fletcher. The CAO and many staff were in attendance.
3. **Approval of Agenda (Additions/Deletions)** –The Agenda was approved with the following additions/deletions:

Additions: 11.4 – Thinker’s Lodge; 14.1 – River Hebert School; 16.2 – Election

Deletions: 6, 7, 9, 10, and 12.3
4. **Approval of Minutes**
 - 4.1 **Minutes from September 4th, 2013 Council Session**
The Minutes of the September 4, 2013 Council session were approved as circulated.
5. **Business Arising from the Minutes**
 - 5.1 **Action List, September 4, 2013** – There was no discussion on this item.
6. **Delegations and Presentations**
 - 6.1 **CANSA** – The Municipality was advised that due to a family emergency, the CANSA presentation will be rescheduled to one of the October Council sessions.
7. **Public Hearings**
This item was deleted.
8. **Correspondence**

INFORMATION

Amherst Curling Club – A letter thanking Council for their funding assistance for the Little Rocks program and also advising of upgrades done to the facility in the last 15 years.

Canada Post – Advising of a reduction in hours for the Pugwash Post Office.

ACTION

Canadian Postmasters and Assistants Association – Requesting Council forward correspondence to Canada Post requesting they halt the process which will result in a reduction of hours for the Pugwash Post Office.

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Gillis, seconded by Councillor Fletcher to forward correspondence to Canada Post advising that Council disagrees with the reduction in hours at the Pugwash Post Office.

MOTION CARRIED #13-182

Minudie Heritage Association – Requesting Council to pursue the matter of a fence constructed in Strathcona, which the Association agrees is a distraction and possibly does not meet the standards required by the County for fence building.

Staff were directed to reply to this correspondence and advise that the Municipality does not have a by-law regarding fences nor do we have authority over fences.

9. **Planning Issues:**
This item was deleted.
10. **Strategic Planning**
This item was deleted.
11. **Financial Reports/Issues**
 - 11.1 **2012/2013 Audited Financial Statements**
IT WAS MOVED BY Deputy Warden Smith, seconded by Councillor Fletcher to approve the 2012/2013 Audited Consolidated Financial Statements as presented.

MOTION CARRIED #13-183

 - 11.2 **Community Development Grants** – Vicki Weaver, Recreation and Physical Activities Coordinator advised of the following grant request:

ARHS Senior Vikettes Basketball

This group is requesting funding to help send the team to the Annual KSA Classic Basketball Tournament in Orlando, Florida this December. This team is the two time defending NSSAF Division 2 Champions and is made up of young women in grades 9-12. This tournament brings together teams who would otherwise never meet on the court and provides individual scholarships to select seniors competing in the event. No money is provided by the School Board, so each member of the team is responsible for raising the necessary funds. They are requesting \$1,000, and they have similarly reached out to community groups like the Ys Men, Lions Club, and the Town of Amherst. The Breakdown of the team is as such:

Amherst = 4 players

D 'Orsay Rd = 1 player

West Amherst = 1 player

Oxford = 1 player

Unknown (3 new players yet to be recruited) 3 players

Staff were requested to bring this item back after receiving further information on the total Members from the County.

River Hebert District High School Spook-a-Rama

This group is seeking funding for the 12th Annual Spook-a-Rama that will take place on Halloween evening from 7-11 p.m. This successful event gives students in the community a chance to have fun, food and win prizes and it has also allowed the community to have a safe Halloween, free from incidents. They are asking for any assistance we can offer. We have provided this event with \$600 for the past three years.

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor McLellan, seconded by Councillor Gillis to provide a \$600 community development grant to the RHDH Spook-a-Rama from District 9 funds.

MOTION CARRIED #13-184

Nova Scotia Council for The Family

This group is requesting donations for Amanda's Gift — a bursary set up to help youth that have been in care with post-secondary education. They are hosting a silent auction on September 25 at the Wandlyn Inn in Amherst. The funds raised are used to cover any administration costs for the Bursary Program. This enables the committee to put 100% of all donations directly into the Amanda's Gift Bursary funds. Any excess funds are transferred to the bursary program. The group is requesting quality items for the auction. In the past they have had great success with gift baskets, dinners for two, rounds of golf, interesting crafts, paintings, etc. An information sheet must be completed for each donation and forwarded to the Council office (attached).

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Kellegrew, seconded by Councillor Baker to provide a community development grant in the amount of \$200 (\$20/district) to the Nova Scotia Council for the Family.

MOTION CARRIED #13-185

Cumberland Minor Football Association

The Cumberland Wolfpack has 43 members on their team this year from throughout the county and they are looking for funding to keep their costs low and to help with outfitting the youth. We provided them with a grant in the amount of \$40/county participant in 2012, and grants of \$1,000 in 2010 and \$1,800 in 2011. Ms. Weaver has contacted the group to follow up with more information, and she anticipates being able to provide that to you by the September 18th Council session.

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Kellegrew, seconded by Councillor Gillis to provide \$40 per County participant to the Cumberland Minor Football Association.

MOTION CARRIED #13-186

Ship's Company Theater

This group is holding a golf tournament this Friday as a fund raiser, and are wondering if the Municipality would consider sponsoring a hole. The cost is \$300 and that would buy us a sign recognizing our support at the hole and recognition in their brochure.

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Fletcher, seconded by Councillor Kellegrew to provide a sponsorship of \$300 to Ship's Company Theatre for their golf tournament from District 10 Community Development funds.

MOTION CARRIED #13-187

Bus for Meeting with Premier

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor McLellan, seconded by Councillor Rector, to provide funding in the amount of \$800 plus tax to assist with the costs of bussing of concerned residents of the River Hebert Schools catchment area to Halifax to visit the Premier. The funds to come from Districts 2, 8, and 9.

MOTION CARRIED #13-188

11.3 Dr. D. M. Cochrane Memorial Medical Centre

Staff were directed to bring back up to date financials for this application.

At this point, an introduction of Mr. Jim Campbell, the Municipality's new Community Economic Development Officer, was done.

11.4 Thinker's Lodge Restoration

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Gillis, seconded by Councillor Welton to approve the expenditure of an extra \$30,000 in funding for the Thinker's Lodge Restoration Project

MOTION CARRIED #13-189

12. Operational Services/Reports Issues

- 12.1 New Sidewalk – **IT WAS MOVED** by Councillor Gillis, seconded by Councillor Welton to approve the use of concrete for the sidewalk from the County boundary to the Hospital.

MOTION CARRIED #13-190

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Gilbert, seconded by Councillor Rector to authorize the CAO to enter into a sidewalk maintenance agreement with the Province of Nova Scotia.

MOTION CARRIED #13-191

12.2 Project(s) Update

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Kellegrew, seconded by Councillor Rector to authorize the CAO to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with either the Town of Amherst or the Amherst Water Utility regarding the Maccan Water Supply.

MOTION CARRIED #13-192

- 12.3 Maccan Wastewater Treatment Plant Update - This item was deleted as it is a duplicate.

13. Committee/Other Reports

- 13.1 Cumberland Public Libraries Report — Circulated for the information of Council.

14. Old Business

- 14.1 River Hebert District High Renovation Project -

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor McLellan, seconded by Councillor Fletcher to forward a letter to all three party leaders requesting written confirmation that if the government changes hands the River Hebert District High renovation project will continue.

MOTION CARRIED #13-193

15. New Business

- 15.1 Right to Know Week Proclamation - This will be signed by the Warden.

16. Information Items

- 16.1 Thrive - Regional Meeting - Provided as information.

- 16.2 Election - Councillor Kellegrew expressed his displeasure with one of the Provincial candidates providing a comment to the media regarding a Municipal issue without getting complete information on this issue.

17. Adjournment

On motion the meeting adjourned at 1:51 p.m.

18. God Save the Queen

Warden Keith Hunter

Municipal Clerk Brenda Moore