



**Town of Mulgrave
Council Meeting Minutes
Nov 5 2018**

Present: Mayor Hadley, Deputy Mayor Brophy, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Russell, Councillor Snow, CAO Jim Davis

Regrets:

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 6:30 by Mayor Hadley.

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by C'lr Chisholm and seconded by C'lr Russell that the agenda be approved as circulated with the following additions

- Onsite Energy Manager(OEM)
- Advertise for CAO

Motion Carried

3. Minutes

Moved by C'lr Chisholm and seconded by C'lr Snow that the minutes of Oct 15th,2018 be approved as presented .

Motion Carried

4. Reports/Presentations

Letter from Town Solicitor -Poultry and Farm Animals

A review letter from the Town Solicitor regarding the Poultry and Farm Animals proposal from the Backyard Farm Animals Association was read. It was agreed to discuss this during the Gallery session.

Update on School EOI –Minutes

The Mayor reviewed the minutes from the last MARA meeting, noting that school repairs to the windows and façade of the building are complete. The committee is working towards taking advantage of ideas and opportunities for the use of the school.

Tax Adjustment Account #10418194

Moved by C'lr Brophy and seconded by C'lr Chisholm that the full amount of taxes for 2018-19 be adjusted on account # 10418194 as the trailer was not in Town this year.

Motion Carried

New Business /Correspondence

Appointment of Tanya Snow as Deputy Mayor

Moved by C'lr Russell and seconded by C'lr Chisholm that Council approve the Appointment of Tanya Snow as Deputy Mayor for the term Nov 5 2018 to Nov 5 2019.

Motion Carried

Fire Hall Windows

C'lr Brophy brought up the matter of repairs to the fire hall windows. It was decided, as these would be cosmetic improvements to have the repairs included in the 2019 -2020 operating budget, as the current budget for building repairs has been expended. However it was noted that windows and the adjoining interior wall of the building on the second floor have suffered water damage and are in need of immediate repair. The Public Works superintendent will be assigning personnel and obtaining materials to carry out these repairs, estimated at \$1800.

Xmas Bazaar Donation Request

Moved by D/M Snow and seconded by C'lr Chisholm that the Town Council donation to the Fire Dept Xmas Bazaar be approved in the amount of \$100.00

Motion Carried

5. Additions to Agenda

OEM (Onsite Energy Manager)

There was discussion on the potential energy cost savings of entering into a letter of intent with Efficiency One and a number of municipal units sharing the cost .C'lr Chisholm referenced success of another municipal unit from one of the unit's staff members and felt that the cost of approx. \$2,400/yr was worth entering into the agreement with the goal of making the Town of Mulgrave more energy efficient .

Moved by C'lr Brophy and seconded by C'lr Chisholm that we enter into the Letter of Intent (LOI) with Efficiency One and Strait Area municipalities as proposed in the e-mail received from CAO Terry Doyle(Port Hawkesbury) dated September 28th,2018.

Motion Carried

Advertisement for the position of CAO

Moved by C'lr Chisholm and sec'd by C'lr Russell that we advertise for the position of CAO.

Motion Carried

Gallery

Backyard Farm Animals

The matter of the Solicitor's letter on poultry and backyard farm animals was discussed and the following points or suggestions were made:

- it was suggested the Town conduct a public vote on the matter
 - negotiate a reasonable solution based on numbers and size of property area
 - for effective business delivery for the Town it was proposed that the Municipal Planning Strategy (MPS) and the Land Use By-Law(LUB) be reviewed to support it
- C'lr Snow left her Council seat and joined the gallery to speak on the matter inquiring of the gallery as to what are the acceptable numbers of animals to keep
- C'lr Russell noted the Association's numbers are not realistic and are way too high
 - it was suggested that Council and the Association sit down and agree on mutually acceptable numbers
 - the Mayor noted that there are different situations throughout the Town .The consensus seems to be that we sit down and hash out at the committee level with members of the BYFA Association
 - it was agreed to hold a meeting with members of BYFA on November 12th ,2018 at 6:30pm
- C'lr Snow returned to her Council seat.

Other matters

- an inquiry regarding flu shots. C'lr Brophy to check with an associate on holding a clinic
- Mayor in response to an inquiry said ditching will be carried out in Pirate's Harbour on completion of other projects
- the Town Offices location was questioned and in response the Mayor noted that a number of issues have to be firmed up before any change is made from the present location

In Camera

Moved by C'lr Brophy and sec'd by D/M Snow that the meeting go in camera at 7:55pm to discuss CAO position , water meter issue and tennis court property.

Motion c'rd

On motion returned to public session at 8:17pm

Moved by C'lr Russell and sec'd by C'lr Brophy that the Town purchase the tennis court lot of land for the appraised value from the Diocese of Antigonish.

Motion c'rd

Adjournment

Moved by D/M Snow and sec'd by C'lr Chisholm that the meeting adjourn.

Adjournment at: 8:18pm

Motion c'rd

Minutes approved by:

Mayor Ralph Hadley

Minutes recorded by:

CAO Jim Davis