

**Municipality of the District of Argyle  
Committee of the Whole Meeting  
Tuesday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021  
Council Chambers, 6:30 p.m.**

**Present:** Warden Danny Muise, Deputy Warden Nicole Albright; Councillors Glenn Diggdon, Guy Surette, Calvin d'Entremont, Gordon Boudreau, Richard Donaldson, Ted Saulnier and Kathy Bourque, Chief Administrative Officer Alain Muise, and Municipal Clerk/Recorder Eilidh Canning.

**Regrets:** none

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m. by Deputy Warden Nicole Albright.

**Agenda:**

On a motion by Guy Surette and seconded by Richard Donaldson the agenda was approved as circulated.

*Motion Carried (9 in favour, 0 against)*

Councillor Glenn Diggdon requested to add Shift House under For Decision 7H, and letter of support for The Town of Yarmouth's Four-Wheeler trails initiative under 7I.

**Conflict of Interest Declaration**

Deputy Warden Nicole Albright asked for any declarations of conflict of interest from the floor.

None declared.

**Presentation**

None.

**Adoption of Minutes**

Regular Council Meeting minutes – Tuesday, September 14, 2021

It is moved by Calvin d'Entremont and seconded by Glenn Diggdon that the Tuesday, September 14, 2021 Regular Council Meeting minutes be approved as circulated.

*Motion Carried (9 in favour, 0 against)*

PAC Minutes – July 15, 2021

It is moved by Guy Surette and seconded by Danny Muise that the July 15, 2021 PAC Meeting minutes be approved as circulated.

*Motion Carried (9 in favour, 0 against)*

PAC Minutes – September 14, 2021

It is moved by Kathy Bourque and seconded by Glenn Diggdon that the September 14, 2021 PAC Meeting minutes be approved as circulated.

*Motion Carried (9 in favour, 0 against)*

## **Business Arising from the Minutes**

None.

### **Financial Statements – August 2021**

CAO Muise reviewed the August 2021 Financial statements, as attached to the agenda. Council discussed and proceeded with a motion to approve.

It is moved by Kathy Bourque and seconded by Richard Donaldson that Council approve the August 2021 Financial Statements, as presented.

*Motion Carried (9 in favour, 0 against)*

*Attachment 092801*

### **For Decision and discussion**

#### Article C44 – Allergy Accommodation Policy

It is moved by Guy Surette and seconded by Gordon Boudreau that Council approve the Allergy Accommodations Policy.

*Motion Carried (9 in favour, 0 against)*

#### 2021 Fall Grants to Organizations Recipients

Deputy Warden Albright reviewed the Fall Grants to Organizations recipients list, as attached to the agenda. After some discussion, Council agreed to add an additional \$150 to the existing list, to meet the \$7,000 budget assigned to the 2021 Fall Grants to Organizations.

Warden Danny Muise then made a motion to transfer the remaining \$150 left in the fall 2021 Grants to Organizations to Hubbards Point Community Center. Council discussed and agreed to this motion.

It is moved by Danny Muise and seconded by Guy Surette that Council transfer the remaining \$150 left in the fall 2021 Grants to Organizations to Hubbards Point Community Center.

*Motion Carried (9 in favour, 0 against)*

It is moved by Glenn Diggdon and seconded by Ted Saulnier that Council approve the \$7,000 in Grants to Organizations as presented which includes the additional \$150 assigned to the Hubbards Point Community Center.

*Motion Carried (9 in favour, 0 against)*

*Attachment 092802*

#### Coastal Protection Act: Proposed Regulations and MODA's response

It is moved by Calvin d'Entremont and seconded by Glenn Diggdon that comments and concerns be drafted by staff and delivered to the Province prior to the September 30<sup>th</sup> deadline, with the points raised by this request for decision.

*Motion Carried (9 in favour, 0 against)*

*Attachment 092803*

Selection and approval of quote to relocate MODA generator from 27 Courthouse Road treatment plant

It is moved by Danny Muise and seconded by Ted Saulnier that Council approve the Acadian Plumbing quote (proposal #12-79) and move forward with the work outlined in quotation

*Motion Carried (9 in favour, 0 against)*

*Attachment 092804*

RFD – Amendment of Active Transportation Plan

It is moved by Ted Saulnier and seconded by Kathy Bourque that Council approve staff to engage WSP to lead the amendments to the Active Transportation Plan, and that staff seek funding to support this work through the federal application.

*Motion Carried (9 in favour, 0 against)*

Argyle Township Courthouse and Archives Provincial Guidelines

It is moved by Danny Muise and seconded by Guy Surette that for the health and safety of our staff, the archives be asked to apply mandatory proof of vaccination for the public access to archival services and to amend policy as the Provincially mandated pandemic plan progresses.

*Motion Carried (9 in favour, 0 against)*

Bilingual Signs Program for Congrès mondial acadien 2024

Councillor Calvin d'Entremont advised Council that Clare has signs within their Municipality that express the Acadian culture of Southwest Nova Scotia. He has been approached by his residents who are requesting the Municipality of Argyle do the same, in preparation for Congrès mondial acadien 2024. Warden Danny Muise then advised the sign program in Clare is the bilingual stop signs, which MODA is also participating in. Councillor d'Entremont advised that this is a separate initiative, and he feels a signage sub committee should be created.

Councillor Ted Saulnier advised that he believes staff should get an estimate for custom bilingual community signs within the Municipality of Argyle. Council agreed.

It is moved by Calvin d'Entremont and seconded by Guy Surette that staff research custom bilingual signs for the Municipality of Argyle to be installed prior to Congrès mondial acadien 2024, and bring the costs of these signs back to Council for approval.

*Motion Carried (9 in favour, 0 against)*

Shyft House – Certificate of Appreciation

It is moved by Glenn Diggdon and seconded by Danny Muise that the Municipality of Argyle send a certificate of appreciation to the Shyft House and this certificate be hand delivered by either the Warden or Deputy Warden.

*Motion Carried (9 in favour, 0 against)*

Letter of Support to the Town of Yarmouth for Four Wheel Trails initiative

Councillor Glenn Diggdon advised Council that the Town of Yarmouth is looking to have access routes provided to four wheelers from our Municipality into the town. After some discussion, Council proceeded with a motion.

It is moved by Glenn Diggdon and seconded by Kathy Bourque that staff draft a letter of support to the Town of Yarmouth for their four-wheeler access routes initiative.

*Motion Carried (9 in favour, 0 against)*

**Correspondence and for Information**

Western REN Quarterly Reports

No action, for information.

Western Counties Regional Library Board – June 17 2021 Board Minutes

No action, for information.

Pop Up COVID 19 Vaccination Clinics in the Municipality of Argyle

No action, for information.

MODA Building Permit Statistics

No action, for information.

**Financial Requests**

None.

**Agenda Topics for Next Meeting/Notice of Motion**

None.

**Question Period**

None.

**In Camera – Negotiations**

It is moved by Danny Muise and seconded by Glenn Diggdon that Council go In Camera at 7:47pm.

*Motion Carried (9 in favour, 0 against)*

It is moved by Glenn Diggdon and seconded by Kathy Bourque that Council accept the offer of \$15,000 for the sale of Lot 8 in the Tuskent Business Park for a water storage facility. This offer is based on the condition within the Purchase and Sale agreement that the buyer has access approval from Nova Scotia Public Works.

*Motion Carried (9 in favour, 0 against)*

There being no further business, it is moved by Ted Saulnier and seconded by Gordon Boudreau to adjourn the Committee of the Whole Meeting at 8:35 p.m.

Recorder  
Eilidh Canning

Date Approved: October 26, 2021

Chairman/Warden Original Signed

Alain Muise, Chief Administrative Officer Original Signed