Present: Warden Aldric d’Entremont; Deputy Warden Calvin d’Entremont; Councillors Danny Muise, Nicole Albright, Roderick Murphy Jr., Kathy Bourque, Richard Donaldson; Chief Administrative Officer Alain Muise, Director of Finance Marsha d’Eon and Executive Assistant/Deputy Clerk Chris Frotten.

Regrets: Councillors Guy Surette and Lucien LeBlanc.

The Committee of the Whole Meeting is called to order at 6:33 p.m. by Deputy Warden Calvin d’Entremont.

Agenda:
On a motion by Aldric d’Entremont and seconded by Roderick Murphy Jr., the agenda is approved as circulated.
Motion Carried

Conflict of Interest Declaration:
Deputy Warden Calvin d’Entremont asked for any declarations of conflict of interest from the floor.

None declared.

Presentations and/or Petitions
None.

Business Arising from the Minutes
Montague Road
CAO Muise briefly explained the details of the request and provided an update on new information which was received prior to the meeting. He noted that as the new information impacted the request, the item would be deferred to a future meeting to provide Staff and Council with an appropriate amount of time to review it.

Financial Report
Director of Finance d’Eon summarized the financial report at December 31, 2014. She indicated an anticipated surplus at fiscal year-end. She noted the considerable positive variance in the Change of Use Tax in the revenues and a variety of positive variances in the expenditures which resulted in the anticipated surplus.

It is moved by Roderick Murphy Jr. and seconded by Kathy Bourque to accept the unaudited Financial Report at December 31, 2014.
Motion carried (7 in favour, 0 against)
Financial Report Attached
Other Business and for Decision
By-Law #35 Repeal – Second Reading
Deputy Clerk Frotten noted that the By-Law was presented to Council for first reading at December’s Regular Council Meeting and was subsequently advertised in the Vanguard on January 6th, 2015.

It is moved by Richard Donaldson and seconded by Danny Muise that Council adopt By-Law #35, Repeal.  
Motion Carried (7 in favour, 0 against)

Nova Scotia Music Week Sponsorship
CAO Muise indicated that YASTA had made a presentation to Council in June 2014 regarding a bid for the 2015, 2016 and 2017 Nova Scotia Music Week. He noted that at that time, Council sent a letter supporting the bid but that in November 2014, YASTA were awarded the 2015 event. Now that they have been awarded the event, YASTA is requesting a decision from Council regarding the funding request they made in June 2014.

Council discussed the request and noted the success of the event in the past. Council also discussed the impact the request would have on the budget and the possibility of dividing the request in two fiscal years.

It is moved by Aldric d’Entremont and seconded by Roderick Murphy Jr. to approve a funding contribution of $11,132.00 to the Yarmouth and Acadian Shores Tourism Association for the 2015 Nova Scotia Music Week event.
Motion Carried (7 in favour, 0 against)

Smart Energy Conference Attendance
Deputy Warden d’Entremont indicated that at the previous Council meeting, Council had deferred the decision on whether to send a member of Council to the conference. He noted the Smart Energy Conference would be held April 14th and 15th, 2015.

It is moved by Kathy Bourque and seconded by Richard Donaldson to send Councillors Danny Muise and Richard Donaldson to the Smart Energy Conference.
Motion Carried (7 in favour, 0 against)

Community Transit – Nova Scotia Membership
Warden d’Entremont brought forward the request and indicated that the municipality does not have an abundance of community transit but that it may be a good idea to participate in conversations with the rest of the Province on this topic.

Council discussed the request and debated the benefits of becoming a member. They concluded that the need to become a member was not essential at that time and decided to table the request.

Request for Assistance – Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture
CAO Muise noted that the Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture made a presentation to Council in January and outlined the proposed next steps which were included in the position paper presented to Council.
It is moved by Kathy Bourque and seconded by Danny Muise to send a letter to the Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture regarding the request for their assistance in developing the aquaculture industry in the municipality and approve the approach as proposed in the aquaculture position paper.  
*Motion Carried (7 in favour, 0 against)*

Aquaculture Position Paper Attached

Request for Relief of Taxes and Interest  
CAO Muise indicated that Staff continued to try and clean up accounts and noted that this was another request to relieve taxes and interests of an inactive account.

It is moved by Aldric d’Entremont and seconded by Roderick Murphy Jr. to relieve the taxes and interest on the accounts presented to Council in the amount of $ 4.86.  
*Motion Carried (7 in favour, 0 against)*

2015 Summer Staff Employees  
It is moved by Richard Donaldson and seconded by Roderick Murphy Jr. to approve the 2015 Summer Staff Employee Budget in the total amount of $66,658.80.  
*Motion Carried (7 in favour, 0 against)*

East Kemptville Community Center – Request for Support  
Councillor Muise explained that a group of residents in the East Kemptville community were interested in building a community center as many events held in the community took place in the fire hall. He noted the residents were interested in attaching the center to the fire hall but that they were still in the preliminary stages of planning. He concluded that the group was looking for financial support in the amount of $40,000 but that the fire hall was in the Municipality of Yarmouth and that the two municipal units could potentially partner to fund the project.

Council debated the request and highlighted the fact that the community does not have a proper community hall and agreed that a partnership between both municipal units would be beneficial.

CAO Muise added that the project could be added to the capital investment plan to begin the process of reviewing the information and that a financial commitment could be made once more financial information was gathered and reviewed.

It is moved by Aldric d’Entremont and seconded by Danny Muise to add the East Kemptville Community Center to the Capital Investment Plan.  
*Motion Carried (7 in favour, 0 against)*

Dennis Point Road – Potential Name Change  
Deputy Warden d’Entremont explained that there were no signs indicating where the d’Entremont Road and Dennis Point Road began and some residents were using the name “Dennis Point Wharf” Road which is incorrect and had caused confusion with medical responders. Deputy Warden d’Entremont noted the name change of other roads in the municipality and expressed his intention of gathering information regarding the official
name and possibly bringing a request to Council to add signs indicating where the d’Entremont Road and Dennis Point Road begin.

**Correspondence and for Information**

*Department of Municipal Affairs – Gas Tax Funding*

Correspondence from the Department of Municipal Affairs regarding gas tax funding was circulated to Council for their information. No action was requested by Council.

*Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal – Chemin de la Pointe*

Correspondence from the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal regarding the paving of the Chemin de la Pointe was circulated to Council for their information. No action was requested by Council.

*Yarmouth and Acadian Shores Tourism Association – Minutes of Nov. 18, 2014*

Minutes of the Yarmouth and Acadian Shores Tourism Association November 18th, 2014 Board Meeting were circulated to Council for their information. No action was requested by Council.

*Yarmouth and Acadian Shores Tourism Association – Branding Update*

A report from the Yarmouth and Acadian Shores Tourism Association providing an update on their branding project was circulated to Council for their information. No action was requested by Council.

*Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal – Twinning of Highway 104*

Correspondence from the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal regarding the twinning of Highway 104 was circulated to Council for their information. No action was requested by Council.

*Société des Jeux de l’Acadie – Launch of Selection Process*

Correspondence from the Société des Jeux de l’Acadie regarding the beginning of the selection process for the 2018 Finale des Jeux de l’Acadie was circulated to Council for their information. No action was requested by Council.

**Financial Requests**

None.

**Notice of Motion**

None.

**Question Period**

None.

**In Camera**

It is moved by Aldric d’Entremont and seconded by Roderick Murphy Jr. to recess the Committee of the Whole Meeting and go In-Camera to discuss a Personnel Matter, Contract Negotiations and Legal Advice Eligible for Solicitor-Client Privilege.  
*Motion Carried (7 in favour, 0 against)*
It is moved by Richard Donaldson and seconded by Kathy Bourque to recess the In-Camera meeting and go back to the Committee of the Whole Meeting. 
*Motion Carried (7 in favour, 0 against)*

It is moved by Kathy Bourque and seconded by Danny Muise to approve the salary bands as presented by CAO Muise. 
*Motion Carried (7 in favour, 0 against)*
*Salary Bands Attached*

There being no further business, it is moved by Lucien LeBlanc and seconded by Kathy Bourque to adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting at 8:32 pm

Recorder
Chris Frotten

Date Approved: _______________________________________

Chairman/Deputy Warden ___________________________________

Alain Muise, Chief Administrative Officer ________________________