MUNICIPALITY OF THE DISTRICT OF ARGYLE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, May 10, 2016
Tusket, NS 6:30 p.m.

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

Regrets: None.

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m. by Warden Aldric d'Entremont.

Agenda:
On a motion by Roderick Murphy Jr. and seconded by Guy Surette the agenda was approved with the addition of Alternate Member on Solid Waste Park under 9d.

Motion Carried

Conflict of Interest Declaration
Warden Aldric d'Entremont asked for any declarations of conflict of interest from the floor.

None declared.

Presentations and/or Petitions
Wedgeport Tuna Tournament & Festival – Brandon Doucette
Mr. Brandon Doucette, Coordinator for the Wedgeport Tuna Tournament & Festival, was in attendance to make a presentation to Council regarding the economic impact of the Wedgeport Tuna Tournament & Festival.

Mr. Doucette explained the goal and process of the study, the results from the survey of visitors, the attendance and expenditures data gathered through the study and the total direct and associated spending activity of the events and its impact on the local economy.

Presentation Attached.

Adoption of Minutes
Emergency Management Organization Planning Committee - February 3, 2016
It is moved by Richard Donaldson and seconded by Roderick Murphy Jr. that the minutes of the Emergency Management Organization Planning Committee of February 3, 2016, be approved as circulated.

Motion Carried (9 in favour, 0 against)
136th Annual Council Meeting, April 12, 2016
It is moved by Kathy Bourque and seconded by Calvin d’Entremont that the minutes of the 136th Annual Council Meeting of April 12, 2016, be approved as circulated.
Motion Carried (9 in favour, 0 against)

Committee of the Whole Meeting, April 26, 2016
It is moved by Nicole Albright and seconded by Calvin d’Entremont that the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of April 26, 2016, be approved as circulated.
Motion Carried (9 in favour, 0 against)

West Pubnico Sewer Committee Meeting - April 27, 2016
It is moved by Guy Surette and seconded by Calvin d’Entremont that the minutes of the West Pubnico Sewer Committee Meeting of April 27, 2016, be approved as circulated.
Motion Carried (9 in favour, 0 against)

Tusket Sewer Committee Meeting – May 5, 2016
It is moved by Danny Muise and seconded by Kathy Bourque that the minutes of the Tusket Sewer Committee Meeting of May 5, 2016, be approved as circulated.
Motion Carried (9 in favour, 0 against)

Business Arising from the Minutes
CAO Muise updated Council on the upcoming assessment by BRK Engineering on May 17th of the condition of the Hipson Bridge.

Warden’s Report
On April 14th, I attended an Active Transportation meeting in Halifax.

On the 15th, I took part in our annual Municipal volunteer banquet that took place at the Wedgeport Legion hall this year. It was well attended and very well organized.

I also attended a dinner honoring Donnie Jacquard as volunteer of the year put on by the CAPEB.

April 23rd, I attended a meeting to work out the details for the FM Transmitter project. Charlene LeBlanc is involved on that project along with Neil MacKenzie. Last week I attended the UNSM Spring Workshop at the Old Orchard Inn. It was a good conference.

On Saturday, May 7th, I attended the memorial service for the late Ken Langille in the morning. In the afternoon I took part in the graduation ceremonies at Université Sainte-Anne in Church Point and finished the day at the Yarmouth County Sports Hall of Fame banquet at the Grand Hotel. There was a good representation from Argyle inducted to the Hall of Fame and the graduation. Congratulations to all.

Councillor’s Reports
Deputy Warden d’Entremont reported on the frequent use of the new multipurpose court in West Pubnico.
Councillor LeBlanc raised concerns from residents regarding the increased numbers of derelict buildings in his district and his intention to raise it at a future meeting.

**Staff Report**

CAO Alain Muise reviewed the staff report that was circulated to Council; reporting specifically on the progress of the track and field resurfacing project, the administration building decision, the Wedgeport sewer project and the Green Energy Committee’s wind turbine project.

*Report Attached.*

**Other Business and for Decision**

**SPCA Contract**

CAO Muise presented the SPCA contract to Council noting the longer agreement period and SPCA’s intentions to increase their work on trapping, neutering and releasing cats.

> It is moved by Richard Donaldson and seconded by Guy Surette to approve the SPCA contract as presented through to March 31, 2019.  
> *Motion Carried (9 in favour, 0 against)*

Council questioned whether the funding provided to the provincial SPCA organization would be given to the local Yarmouth SPCA organization. CAO Muise confirmed that it would be and indicated that any local fundraising also stays within the community.

**Grants to Organizations Policy Amendments**

CAO Muise presented the possible grants to organizations policy amendments regarding the district community grants as requested by Council at the last meeting.

> It is moved by Lucien LeBlanc and seconded by Danny Muise to proceed with the amendment to the Grants to Organizations policy with the proposed changes.  
> *Motion Carried (9 in favour, 0 against)*

**Growing Communities Scholarship Recommendation**

Councillor Surette brought forward two applications to the Municipality’s scholarship program from two students of Drumlin Heights Consolidated School. He noted that the program is intended to provide a scholarship to one student from École secondaire de Par-en-Bas and one from Drumlin Heights Consolidated School but recommended to approve the two applications as none were received from École secondaire de Par-en-Bas.

> It is moved by Guy Surette and seconded by Kathy Bourque to proceed with issuing a scholarship to each of the two students of Drumlin Heights Consolidated School.  
> *Motion Carried (9 in favour, 0 against)*

**Solid Waste Park Authority Alternate Member**

Councillor Surette brought forward a request from the Yarmouth County Solid Waste Park Board that each municipal unit appoint an alternate member.
It is moved by Guy Surette and seconded by Kathy Bourque to appoint Councillor Danny Muise as an alternate member to the Yarmouth County Solid Waste Park Authority.  
*Motion Carried (9 in favour, 0 against)*

**Correspondence and for Information**  
**WREN CEO Report of March 26, 2016**  
The WREN CEO report of March 26, 2016 was circulated to Council for their information. No action was requested by Council.

**2016-2016 DPC Annual Report**  
The 2015-2016 Annual Report of the District Planning Commission was circulated to Council. No action was requested by Council.

**2015-2016 April Building Permit Comparisons**  
A comparison of building permits issued in April 2015 and 2016 was circulated to Council for their information. No action was requested by Council.

**Development, Building and Subdivision Annual Report**  
The development, building and subdivision annual report was circulated to Council for their information. No action was requested by Council.

**Yarmouth County Solid Waste Park Board - Minutes of February 3, 2016, April 6, 2016 and the Manager’s Report**  
The minutes of the Yarmouth County Solid Waste Park Board’s February 3, 2016 and April 6, 2016 meetings as well as the Manager’s Report were circulated to Council for their information. No action was requested by Council.

**Financial Requests**  
None.

**Notice of Motion by Councillors**  
None.

**Question Period**  
None.

There being no further business, it is moved by Richard Donaldson and seconded by Roderick Murphy Jr. to adjourn the Regular Council Meeting at 7:28 p.m.

Recorder  
Chris Frotten
Date Approved: __________________________________________

Chairman/Warden _________________________________________

Alain Muise, Chief Administrative Officer ___________________________