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

Regrets: Councillors Richard Donaldson and Roderick Murphy Jr.

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

Agenda:
On a motion by Danny Muise and seconded by Calvin d’Entremont the agenda was approved with the addition of Abrams River Wharf Association and Paroisse Sainte-Famille under 11aiv and 11av, Waste Disposal Limits under 9d and Unsightly Premises under 9e.

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
None.

Adoption of Minutes
Emergency Management Organization Planning Committee Meeting – April 6, 2016
It is moved by Guy Surette and seconded by Danny Muise that the minutes of the Emergency Management Organization Planning Committee Meeting of April 6, 2016, be approved as circulated.

Motion Carried (7 in favour, 0 against)

Regular Council Meeting - May 10, 2016
It is moved by Kathy Bourque and seconded by Calvin d’Entremont that the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of May 10, 2016, be approved as circulated.

Motion Carried (7 in favour, 0 against)

Special Council Meeting - Budget - May 10, 2016
It is moved by Lucien LeBlanc and seconded by Kathy Bourque that the minutes of the Special Council Meeting - Budget of May 10, 2016, be approved as circulated.

Motion Carried (7 in favour, 0 against)
Committee of the Whole Meeting - May 31, 2016

It is moved by Nicole Albright and seconded by Danny Muise that the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of May 31, 2016, be approved as circulated.

Motion Carried (7 in favour, 0 against)

Business Arising from the Minutes
CAO Muise updated Council on the assessment by BRK Engineering of the condition of the Hipson Bridge and the anticipated report, the ongoing work on policy amendments and the potential changes to the community litter cleanup program following a discussion by the Staff Core Team.

Welcome Street Banner Update
Deputy Clerk Frotten and CAO Muise provided an update to Council on the welcome street banner project. Council provided feedback on the project; including the potential themed design and the possibility for private tourism businesses to participate by purchasing their own banners.

Warden’s Report
May 12th, I attended a building committee meeting in Tusket and an Argyle Fire Association meeting at Lake Vaughn fire hall.

On the 14th, I took part in the VON walkathon in Yarmouth and raised $180.00.

May 18th, I attended the Active Transportation meeting to review our draft plan with our Active Living Coordinator, Natalie Surette-d'Entremont.

On the 21st, I took part in a Police week display at the Superstore as part of the Crime Prevention Association. There were three RCMP officers on hand and we received a demonstration from the dog master. We served 125 pieces of cake which was donated by Superstore.

May 24th, I attended a joint council meeting at Yarmouth Town Hall. We had a presentation by the Board that governs oil exploration.

June 1st, I attended a meeting at the Grand and received a presentation from staff of Tourism Nova Scotia. We got an overview of what their plans are going forward.

From June 2nd to the 6th, I attended the FCM conference in Winnipeg. In the past it seems it was a lot about cities but we heard a lot more about rural municipalities. That is encouraging.

On the 9th, I attended the Burridge graduation ceremonies. It was good to see such a large group graduating. I am sure a lot of those will be working in the Southwest region of N.S.

That evening we had our Ride your Riding in Pubnico. We didn't have a large group as it was cold and windy but we did it none the less. A big thank you to the Recreation Department for organizing it and thanks to Angela for pinch hitting for Natalie.
We have an awesome team working for Argyle Municipality and that includes our summer staff.

**Councillor's Reports**

Councillor Muise reported on his attendance at the Yarmouth Karate Challenge. He commended the organization of the great event and his pleasure in seeing youth and adults together. He also reported on a garbage dumping issue on the Mecoque Road.

Deputy Warden d’Entremont reported on his attendance at the opening ceremonies of the Yarmouth Geocaching competition.

**Staff Report**

CAO Alain Muise reviewed the staff report that was circulated to Council; reporting specifically on provincial funding programs which opened, the ongoing work on the Wedgeport wastewater project, the Green Energy wind turbine project and the new Yarmouth Airport Board.

*Report Attached.*

**Other Business and for Decision**

**Community Hall Capital Project Grant - Evaluation Committee Recommendation**

CAO Muise presented the recommendation from the evaluation committee of the Community Hall Capital Project Grant applications.

It is moved by Lucien LeBlanc and seconded by Guy Surette that Council approve the recommendation of the evaluation committee to support the Wedgeport Legion, East Pubnico Community Hall and the Twin Village Social Club, in contributions of $15,000 for each hall.

The following projects are contemplated with these funds:

**Wedgeport Legion:**
Number of improvements including, repair of roof, insulation, 3 heat pumps, accessibility upgrades to ramp and bathrooms, new exterior door, upgrade electrical etc.. Total project costs are estimated at $72,000, with funds coming in from ACOA, MODA, New Horizons Seniors, and in-kind/actual donations from the Legion.

**East Pubnico Community Hall:**
Complete replacement of shingles and other roof repairs, total cost is estimated at $30,590, with contributions coming from the hall, and from donated time.

**Twin Village Social Club:**
Installation of a heat pump for upstairs rental facility, reducing/eliminating oil heat requirement. Replacing ceiling tiles, damaged gyproc, new door and leak repairs. Total cost is estimated to be $15,000.

*Motion Carried (7 in favour, 0 against)*
Agreement to Use Information - Scytl Canada
CAO Muise presented a draft agreement to use information between the Municipality and Scytl Canada for the upcoming municipal elections.

It is moved by Lucien LeBlanc and seconded by Kathy Bourque to approve the execution of the agreement to use information with Scytl Canada.  

*Motion Carried (7 in favour, 0 against)*

Old Lobster Pound Smell - Pond Road, Lower West Pubnico
Deputy Warden d’Entremont explained that the old lobster pound on Pond Road in West Pubnico began to smell once again. He described the issue to Council and his work on trying to find a solution. He noted that he would be gathering more information, including cost estimates, in an effort to resolve the issue.

Waste Disposal Limit
Deputy Warden d’Entremont brought forward a complaint from a resident regarding the weekly limit of waste that can be brought to the Solid Waste Park. He explained that the resident disagreed that the limit was weekly and did not carry over.

Council discussed the complaint and the possible review or modifications to the policy.

Unsightly Premises
Councillor LeBlanc expressed his concern regarding the ongoing issue of unsightly premises and the struggle the Municipality had with dealing with these situations. He also requested an update on the current policy and suggested possible additions to encourage enforcement or improvement.

CAO Muise proceeded to review the current policy and provide an overview of the process once a complaint was received. Council discussed the various complaints they had received and possible changes in progress. CAO Muise committed to regular reports regarding dangerous and unsightly premises and a review of the assessment process.

It is moved by Lucien LeBlanc and seconded by Guy Surette to request regular reporting from Staff on dangerous and unsightly premise situations and a review of the assessment process.  

*Motion Carried (7 in favour, 0 against)*

Correspondence and for Information
Recreation Facility Development Grant Program Response
Correspondence from the Department of Communities, Culture and Heritage regarding the Municipality’s application to the Recreation Facility Development Grant Program was circulated to Council for their information. No action was requested by Council.

2015-2016 May Building Permit Comparisons
A comparison of building permits issued in May 2015 and 2016 was circulated to Council for their information. No action was requested by Council.
Consultation with Regard to Proposed Amendments to the Liquor Control Act
Correspondence from Service Nova Scotia regarding consultation on proposed amendments to the Liquor Control Act was circulated to Council for their information. No action was requested by Council.

Call for Applications - Clean Water and Wastewater Fund
A call for applications for the Clean Water and Wastewater Fund was circulated to Council for their information. No action was requested by Council.

Financial Requests
District Community Grants

**East Pubnico Playground Committee**
A letter from the East Pubnico Playground Committee requesting a District Community Grant of $500 to help with the construction of a youth sport area was circulated to Council.

It is moved by Kathy Bourque and seconded by Calvin d’Entremont to give a District Community Grant of $500 to the East Pubnico Playground Committee to help with the construction of a youth sport area.
*Motion Carried (7 in favour, 0 against)*

**Paroisse Saint-Pierre**
A letter from the Paroisse Saint-Pierre requesting a District Community Grant of $500 to help with the cost of repairing their roof was circulated to Council.

It is moved by Calvin d’Entremont and seconded by Danny Muise to give a District Community Grant of $500 to the Paroisse Saint-Pierre to help with the cost of repairing their roof.
*Motion Carried (7 in favour, 0 against)*

**East Pubnico Community Centre**
A letter from the East Pubnico Community Centre requesting a District Community Grant of $500 to help with the purchase of new kitchen supplies was circulated to Council.

It is moved by Kathy Bourque and seconded by Calvin d’Entremont to give a District Community Grant of $500 to the East Pubnico Community Centre to help with the cost to purchase new kitchen supplies.
*Motion Carried (7 in favour, 0 against)*

**Paroisse Sainte-Famille**
A letter from the Paroisse Sainte-Famille requesting a District Community Grant of $500 to help with the cost of hosting a volunteer banquet was circulated to Council.
It is moved by Guy Surette and seconded by Kathy Bourque to give a District Community Grant of $500 to the Paroisse Sainte-Famille to help with the cost of hosting a volunteer banquet.

*Motion Carried (7 in favour, 0 against)*

**Abrams River Wharf Association**

A letter from the Abrams River Wharf Association requesting a District Community Grant of $500 to help with the cost of constructing concrete steps was circulated to Council.

It is moved by Danny Muise and seconded by Guy Surette to give a District Community Grant of $500 to the Abrams River Wharf Association to help with the cost of constructing concrete steps.

*Motion Carried (7 in favour, 0 against)*

**Notice of Motion by Councillors**

Councillor Surette made a notice of motion to review the possibility of posting Council and the CAO expenses on the website.

**Question Period**

None.

There being no further business, it is moved by Danny Muise and seconded by Guy Surette to adjourn the Regular Council Meeting at 8:02 p.m.

**Recorder**

Chris Frotten

Date Approved:  

Chairman/Warden  

Alain Muise, Chief Administrative Officer