Public Hearing

Senior Planner, Brad Fulton, reviewed the document outlining the proposed amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-Law for Automobile Salvage Yard Accessory Uses to Automotive Mechanical Repair Uses in Rural Centres. Chief Administrative Officer, Alain Muise, provided a brief explanation of the discussions at the Planning Advisory Committee. One member of the public commented on the fact that residents in the residential section of the business park were advised that a business could be built that would be a nuisance and that a salvage yard use should continue to be allowed in the business park under development agreement.

It is moved by Lucien LeBlanc and seconded by Guy Surette that the public hearing be adjourned.

Regular Council Meeting

Present: Warden Aldric d’Entremont; Councillors Danny Muise, Nicole Albright, Roderick Murphy Jr., Guy Surette, Lucien LeBlanc, Kathy Bourque; Chief Administrative Officer Alain Muise, and Executive Assistant/Deputy Clerk Chris Frotten.

Regrets: Deputy Warden Calvin d’Entremont; Councillor Richard Donaldson.

The Committee of the Whole Meeting was called to order at 6:51 p.m. by Warden Aldric d’Entremont.

Agenda:
On a motion by Lucien LeBlanc and seconded by Kathy Bourque, the agenda was approved with the modification of discussing item 6d and 6e at the beginning of new business. 
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.

Business Arising from the Minutes
CAO Muise updated Council on the outstanding report by engineers of the condition of the Hipson Bridge, on amendments to a variety of policies currently being drafted by
Welcome Street Banners
CAO Muise presented the minutes of the meeting held with the tourism stakeholders of the municipality regarding the banners. He noted the differing opinions on the design, location and use of the banners and that more meetings would be scheduled with the stakeholders once more information was available.

Grants to Organizations Policy Amendment
Council discussed the policy amendments; specifically the clause on whether or not to allow grants to be disbursed after July 31st of a municipal election year.

It is moved by Guy Surette and seconded by Nicole Albright to approve the amended Grants to Organizations Policy as presented with the addition of “until the swearing in ceremony” to clause 7.7.

Motion Carried (7 in favour, 0 against)

Council Priorities Progress Report
CAO Muise reported on the progress of each Council priority.

Other Business and for Decision
Rezoning Request – Tusket Business Park
Senior Planner Brad Fulton presented a request from Delmar Construction Limited to rezone a lot in the Business Park (BP) zone in Tusket. He noted the request was to rezone from Business Park (BP) zone to Mixed Use (MU) zone and that the intended use of the lot was for the development of a single family dwelling. He explained that the BP zone does not include single family dwellings as a permitted use but that single family dwellings are a permitted use in the MU zone.

It is moved by Guy Surette and seconded by Roderick Murphy Jr. to proceed to a public hearing on the proposed amendment to the Land Use By-law to rezone the subject lot from Business Park (BP) to Mixed Use (MU) for the development of a single unit residence.

Motion Carried (7 in favour, 0 against)

Amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-Law for Automobile Salvage Yard Accessory Uses to Automotive Mechanical Repair Uses in Rural Centres
Council discussed whether to maintain status quo for the use of a salvage yards in the business park. They questioned what regulations or guidelines Council would use in the event an application for a development agreement was received.

It is moved by Guy Surette and seconded by Nicole Albright to adopt the presented amendments to allow for automobile salvage yard uses as accessory uses to automobile mechanical repair uses in the Rural Centres and Village Zones by development agreement and to allow for all salvage yard uses by development agreement in the General Use Zone. In addition, maintain the status quo MPS policies and LUB provisions in the Business Park for salvage yard uses.
Motion Carried (7 in favour, 0 against)

East Pubnico Biking / Walking Track Project
CAO Muise presented the project and explained that it was mistakenly omitted from the Capital Reserve Budget during budget deliberations. He noted that an application for funding to the Province was accepted and since the project had been prioritized by Council, he recommended approving the municipal portion of funding.

Council questioned whether the project was eligible for Gas Tax Funds. CAO Muise explained that the project was eligible under the Gas Tax Program and that the municipal portion of funding could be taken from that fund.

It is moved by Kathy Bourque and seconded by Guy Surette that the East Pubnico Biking/walking track proceed in fiscal 2016-17, with the municipal portion of $40,541 to be paid from the Gas Tax Fund, if conditions allow.
Motion Carried (7 in favour, 0 against)

Municipal Voting Contract
CAO Muise presented the Municipal Voting Contract and recommended its approval.

It is moved by Lucien LeBlanc and seconded by Roderick Murphy Jr. to approve the execution of the Municipal Voting Contract with Scytl Canada.
Motion Carried (7 in favour, 0 against)

Wedgeport Wastewater Project – CWWF Application
CAO Muise reviewed the application to the Clean Water and Wastewater Fund for the Wedgeport Wastewater Project. He provided a brief explanation of the project, its funding model and the next steps if the application were to be accepted.

It is moved by Lucien LeBlanc and seconded by Roderick Murphy Jr. that the Wedgeport Clean Water and Wastewater fund application of $858,013 be approved and submitted as presented.
Motion Carried (7 in favour, 0 against)

Correspondence and for Information
Western Counties Regional Library – June 2016 Library Report
The Western Counties Regional Library’s June 2016 Report was circulated to Council for their information. No action was requested by Council.

Yarmouth County Agricultural Society Annual Report
Correspondence from the Minister of Infrastructure and Communities regarding improvements to the 2014 New Building Canada Fund was circulated to Council for their information. No action was requested by Council.

WREN CEO Report of June 7, 2016
The WREN CEO Report of June 7, 2016 was circulated to Council for their information. No action was requested by Council.
Nova Scotia Department of Business - Review of Alternatives for Rural High Speed Internet

A letter sent by UNSM to Minister Diana Whalen, Chair of the Law Amendments Committee regarding the amendments to the Municipal Government Act was circulated to Council for their information. No action was requested by Council.

Western Counties Regional Library – Minutes of February 11, 2016

The minutes of the Western Counties Regional Library Meeting of February 11, 2016 were circulated to Council for their information. No action was requested by Council.

Municipality of Argyle Selfie Contest

CAO Muise explained a selfie contest that would be launched in the current tourism season to Council for their information. No action was requested by Council.

Financial Requests

District Community Grants

Pubnico Light Monument Society

A letter from the Pubnico Light Monument Society requesting a District Community Grant of $500 to help with the cost of renting a porta-potty was circulated to Council.

It is moved by Kathy Bourque and seconded by Danny Muise to give a District Community Grant of $500 to the Pubnico Light Monument Society to help with the cost of renting a porta-potty.  
*Motion Carried (7 in favour, 0 against)*

Club des Audacieux de Quinan & Quinan & District Volunteer Fire Department

A letter from the Club des Audacieux de Quinan & Quinan & District Volunteer Fire Department requesting a District Community Grant of $500 to help with the costs associated with their Labour Day Picnic was circulated to Council.

It is moved by Nicole Albright and seconded by Kathy Bourque to give a District Community Grant of $500 to the Club des Audacieux de Quinan & Quinan & District Volunteer Fire Department to help with the costs associated with their Labour Day Picnic.  
*Motion Carried (7 in favour, 0 against)*

Ste Agnes Parish

A letter from the Ste Agnes Parish requesting a District Community Grant of $500 to help with the cost of repairs to their church was circulated to Council.

It is moved by Nicole Albright and seconded by Roderick Murphy Jr. to give a District Community Grant of $500 to the Ste Agnes Parish to help with the cost of repairs to their church.  
*Motion Carried (7 in favour, 0 against)*

Notice of Motion

None.
**Question Period**
None.

**In Camera**
It is moved by Kathy Bourque and seconded by Guy Surette to recess the Regular Council Meeting and go In-Camera to discuss Personnel Matters.  
*Motion Carried (7 in favour, 0 against)*

It is moved by Kathy Bourque and seconded by Danny Muise to recess the In-Camera meeting and go back to the Regular Council Meeting.  
*Motion Carried (7 in favour, 0 against)*

It is moved by Danny Muise and seconded by Kathy Bourque to accept the appointment of Darryl LeBlanc and William Crowell as voting members of the Building Committee and open the final position to the next interested individual.  
*Motion Carried (7 in favour, 0 against)*

There being no further business, it is moved by Roderick Murphy Jr. and seconded by Guy Surette to adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting at 8:07 pm.

Recorder  
Chris Frotten

Date Approved:  
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Chairman/Warden  
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Alain Muise, Chief Administrative Officer  
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