MUNICIPALITY OF THE DISTRICT OF ARGYLE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, October 9, 2018
Tusket, NS 6:30 p.m.

Public Hearing

CAO Alain Muise reviewed the development agreement outlining the proposed development and operation of a nutraceutical/dietary supplements production facility in the Tusket Industrial Park. Councillor LeBlanc elaborated further on the proposed business and its potential impact on the neighboring residents and businesses.

Warden Donaldson asked if there any questions from the public.

Mrs. Melanie Sweeney, owner of a business which abutted the proposed development property, raised a concern regarding the strength of the language included in the section on odor and noise mitigation and the unclear process for residents or businesses who wish to raise concerns regarding compliance.

Residents of Ruel Gardner Lane raised issues with the location of the proposed development and the potential smell emitting from the facility that could cause a serious nuisance.

A commitment was made by CAO Muise to organize a meeting between the developer and neighboring property owners to clarify details regarding the development.

It is moved by Calvin d’Entremont and seconded by Lucien LeBlanc that the public hearing be adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Regular Council Meeting

Present: Warden Richard Donaldson; Deputy Warden Danny Muise; Councillors Calvin d’Entremont, Nicole Albright, Guy Surette, Lucien LeBlanc, Kathy Bourque and Glenn Digdgon; Chief Administrative Officer Alain Muise, Solicitor Réal Boudreau and Municipal Clerk Chris Frotten.

Regrets: Roderick Murphy Jr.

The meeting was called to order at 7:22 p.m. by Warden Richard Donaldson.

Agenda:
On a motion by Danny Muise and seconded by Kathy Bourque the agenda was approved with the addition of a Community Grant request from the Abrams River Hall under 13aii.

Motion Carried

Conflict of Interest Declaration
Warden Richard Donaldson asked for any declarations of conflict of interest from the floor.

None declared.

**Presentations and/or Petitions**
None.

**Adoption of Minutes**

**Special Council Meeting - July 3, 2018**
It is moved by Danny Muise and seconded by Kathy Bourque that the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of July 3, 2018, be approved as circulated.
*Motion Carried (8 in favour, 0 against)*

**Regular Council Meeting – September 11, 2018**
It is moved by Glenn Diggdon and seconded by Nicole Albright that the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of September 11, 2018, be approved as circulated.
*Motion Carried (8 in favour, 0 against)*

**Audit Committee Meeting - September 25, 2018**
It is moved by Kathy Bourque and seconded by Calvin d’Entremont that the minutes of the Audit Committee Meeting of September 25, 2018, be approved as circulated.
*Motion Carried (8 in favour, 0 against)*

**Committee of the Whole Meeting – September 25, 2018**
It is moved by Nicole Albright and seconded by Kathy Bourque that the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of September 25, 2018, be approved as circulated.
*Motion Carried (8 in favour, 0 against)*

**Business Arising from the Minutes**

**By-Law #38 Well supply Lending Program Amendment - Second Reading**
CAO Muise presented the Well Supply Lending Program By-Law amendment for second reading.

It is moved by Guy Surette and seconded by Danny Muise that Council adopt the amendments to By-Law #38 Well Supply Lending Program.
*Motion Carried (8 in favour, 0 against)*

**Councillor's Reports**

Councillor d’Entremont updated Council on a pump that was installed at a local water source.

Councillor Albright reported on her attendance at the Nakile Board meeting, a Recreation Commission meeting, the Senior Expo and Oktoberfest, updated Council on the upcoming Halloween event and noted that the sports banquet as accepting nominations.
Councillor Surette reported on his support with the water assistance and his attendance and the Senior Expo.

Deputy Warden Muise reported on his attendance at a CDÉNÉ Board meeting, at the Nova Scotia Library Association’s AGM in Yarmouth and at a Tourism Nova Scotia meeting.

Councillor Bourque reported on her attendance at a Recreation Commission meeting, the Nakile Board meeting and an Audit Committee meeting. She highlighted that there were still some water concerns and the washer at fire department was still being used.

Councillor Diggdon suggested to prepare a plan to address drought situations in the future and include additional water sources, clothes washing services and more.

*Councillor LeBlanc excused himself at this time.*

**Warden’s Report**
September 11th - Council
September 12th - Mayor, Wardens, Deputy’s and CAO’s Meeting
September 18th - YMCA meeting
September 22nd - SPCA, Grand Reopening
September 24th - YAIC Meeting
September 25th - Pubnico Library Meeting
September 25th - Committee of the Whole

**Staff Report**
CAO Alain Muise reviewed the staff report that was circulated to Council; reporting specifically on ongoing work in the aquaculture industry and possible grant funding, two additional systems within the Wedgeport wastewater project, the progress of the municipal administration building and announced to Council that the FCM Green Municipal Fund application was successful. He also reported on an upcoming Airport Corporation meeting where they would be seeking a facilitated discussion on the future of the airport, the condition of the East Pubnico Water Tank and the progress of the fire dispatch situation. He also noted that the AMANS conference and the Experience of Argyle were on the horizon and concluded with congratulating Archivist Peter Crowell’s recent award.

*Report Attached (18100901)*

**Strategic Priority Topics**
None.
For Decision

LUB & MPS Amendments
CAO Muise reviewed the draft amendments to the Land Use By-Law (LUB) and Municipal Planning Strategy (MPS), including:

- Introduction of Development Agreements
- Cannabis
- Riparian Buffer, or Natural Coastline Protection
- Combination of recommendations from ICSP and MCCAP and Strategic Plan
- Additional section on Partnership and collaboration
- Comprehensive review of our Subdivision Bylaw, including standards for the
- Argyle will now require a development permit, regardless of the location of the

It is moved by Guy Surette and seconded by Kathy Bourque to proceed with the public participation program for the amendments of the Land Use By-Law and Municipal Planning Strategy to allow the public an opportunity to comment, make suggestions, discuss and receive information with respect to the amendment of the planning documents.

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

Fees Policy Amendment
Warden Donaldson reviewed the amendments to the fees policy which proposed eliminating fees for criminal record checks.

It is moved by Nicole Albright and seconded by Danny Muise to approve the amendments to the Fees Policy, as presented.

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

Cell Phone Policy Amendment
Municipal Clerk Frotten reviewed the amendments to the Cell Phone Policy which removes a detailed list of the positions eligible for a cell phone and adds a section regarding internet allowances.

It is moved by Guy Surette and seconded by Danny Muise to approve the amendments to the Cell Phone Policy, as presented.

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

Relief of Taxes and Interest
CAO Muise explained a request to relieve taxes and interest of properties.

It is moved by Danny Muise and seconded by Calvin d’Entremont to approve the relief of taxes and interest in the amount of $1,995.83.

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

Other Business
Development Agreement - Metatron Solutions & Consulting
CAO Muise reviewed a draft development agreement with Metatron Solutions & Consulting for a proposed metal machine manufacturing facility. CAO Muise outlined Council’s options to proceed.

It is moved by Guy Surette and seconded by Kathy Bourque to proceed with a public hearing regarding the development agreement with Metatron Solutions Consulting for a proposed metal machine manufacturing facility.

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

Substance Abuse Policy
Municipal Clerk Frotten reviewed the draft substance abuse policy to communicate its expectations and guidelines surrounding substance use, misuse, and abuse. Council had a conversation regarding the inclusion of council member’s and municipal volunteers in the policy and the specifics of the usage of alcohol at municipal events. He noted their comment and noted that this was presented to Council as their official notice for approval at the next meeting.

**Correspondence and for Information**

**Waste Check August 2018 Financials**
The August 2018 financials of Waste Check were circulated to Council for their information. No action was requested by Council.

**Financial Requests**

**Community Grants**

**Drumlin Heights Senior Girls Volleyball Team**
A letter from the Drumlin Heights Senior Girls Volleyball Team requesting a Community Grant of $500 to help with the maintenance of their cemetery was circulated to Council. Councillor Bourque noted that this grant would come from her budget as Warden Donaldson had depleted his.

It is moved by Calvin d’Entremont and seconded by Kathy Bourque to give a Community Grant of $500 to the Drumlin Heights Senior Girls Volleyball Team to help with the maintenance of their cemetery.

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

**Abrams River Hall**
A letter from the Abrams River Hall requesting a Community Grant of $500 to help with repairing the Hall was circulated to Council.

It is moved by Danny Muise and seconded by Glenn Digdgon to give a Community Grant of $500 to the Abrams River Hall to help with the repair of the Hall.

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

**Agenda Topics for Next Meeting/Notice of Motion**
Councillor Bourque brought forward a complaint raised regarding the separation, pick-up and containment of garbage.
Question Period
None.

In Camera
It is moved by Kathy and seconded by Guy Surette to recess the Regular Council Meeting and go In-Camera to discuss the acquisition, sale, lease and security of municipal property.  

*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)*

There being no further business, it is moved by Kathy Bourque and seconded by Guy Surette to adjourn the Regular Council Meeting at 9:22 p.m.

Recorder
Chris Frotten

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