

A meeting of **MUNICIPAL COUNCIL** was held in the Council Chamber of the Municipal Administration Building on the above date at 9:30 a.m. with the following in attendance:

Warden Jack Wentzell - District 7 (present in morning only)
Deputy Warden Elmer Garber - District 4
Councillor Diane Spinney - District 1
Councillor Sherman Palmer - District 2
Councillor Donald Zwicker - District 3
Councillor Milton Countway - District 5
Councillor Sandra Statton - District 6
Councillor Cathy Moore - District 8 (present in afternoon only)
Councillor John Veinot - District 9
Councillor Arthur Young - District 10 (present in morning only)
Councillor Lee Nauss - District 11
Councillor Karen Dempsey - District 12
Councillor Martin Bell - District 13

Absent were:

Councillor Sherman Palmer - District 2
Councillor John Veinot - District 9

Also in attendance were:

Tammy Wilson, Chief Administrative Officer
Heather Whynott, Administrative Assistant

PUBLIC INPUT

Warden Wentzell called the meeting to order.

The first item on the agenda allows a 15 -minute period for public input. As the only members of the public who were in attendance were scheduled to meet with Council at 9:45 a.m., Council continued with the agenda.

AGENDA

Warden Wentzell asked if there were any requests for additions to the agenda. There were no requests.

Moved by Counc. Zwicker, seconded by Counc. Spinney that the Agenda be approved as circulated. Carried.

MINUTES

Moved by Counc. Young, seconded by Counc. Nauss that the Minutes of the monthly Council meetings held May 13, 2008 and June 10, 2008 and the Special Council meetings held April 4, 2008, May 15, 2008 and June 25, 2008 be approved as circulated. Carried.

SECOND READING -

In attendance was April Whynot-Lohnes, Municipal Clerk.

DEED TRANSFER

At the June 10, 2008 meeting, Council conducted First Reading of an amendment to the Deed Transfer Tax By-law to increase the rate from 0.50 percent of the value of property transferred to 0.75 percent. An ad was published in the newspapers to notify the public that Second Reading of the amendment would be conducted at today' s meeting.

TAX BY-LAW

Ms. Whynot-Lohnes reported that once Council approves the amendment a notice will be published in the newspapers to inform the public of the increase in the rate. The effective date of the amendment will be July 15, 2008, which is the first date that the public advertisement can be published.

Moved by Counc. Zwicker, seconded by Counc. Nauss that Municipal Council approves the amendment to change the deed transfer tax rate from 0.50% to 0.75% and hereby gives Second Reading of the amendment to the

Deed Transfer Tax By-law and directs staff to prepare notifications for the paper and the Registrar of Deeds. Carried.

AMENDMENT TO
POLICY MDL-41 -
PAYMENT FROM
GENERAL REVENUE
re STREET LIGHTS

At the June 10, 2008 meeting, Council accepted a recommendation from the Committee of the Whole to consider at today' s meeting the adoption of an amendment to Policy MDL-41 " Payment from General Revenues for Street Light Intersections in Street Light Areas" to replace the date " August 8, 2006" in line four of section 5 with the date " April 1, 2008".

Moved by Counc. Nauss, seconded by Counc. Young that Municipal Council approves the amendment to Policy MDL-41, " Payment from General Revenues for Street Light Intersections in Street Light Areas", to replace the date " August 8, 2006" in line four of section 5 with the date " April 1, 2008".

At the request of Counc. Dempsey, the rationale for the date change was explained.

The motion was carried.

AMEND COST TO
MAIL PRELIMINARY
VOTER CARDS

Ms. Whynot-Lohnes reviewed her June 25th memo informing Council that, at their June 10, 2008 meeting, they received a report updating them on the 2008 Election work. Included were costs for the preparation and mailing of preliminary voter cards. She reported that there was an error in the calculation of the cost figure to mail the cards which was presented as \$132.00 but should have been \$13,200.00 (22,000 cards at \$0.60). Therefore, the revised approximate cost to prepare and mail the cards is \$15,900.00. She requested Council' s approval of the amended cost.

Moved by Counc. Young, seconded by Counc. Zwicker that Municipal Council approves the amended cost of \$15,900.00 for the preparation and mailing of the preliminary voter cards for the 2008 Elections. Carried

CHEQUE
PRESENTATION TO
KIPPERS

In attendance at 9:45 a.m. for a cheque presentation were Mrs. Deanne Kelley and her two daughters who are members of the Kippers School of Gymnastics.

Counc. Wentzell welcomed them and presented them with a cheque in the amount of \$9,500.00 which had been approved during Council' s budget deliberations.

Mrs. Kelley thanked Council on behalf of the Board, staff, coaches and parents and indicated that they appreciate the support of Council.

UNSM REQUEST TO
RECONSIDER FUND-
ING SUPPORT FOR
WOMEN IN LOCAL
GOVERNMENT
BURSARY PROGRAM

Circulated with the agenda was a letter from the President of UNSM, Deputy Mayor Robert Wrye, requesting Council to reconsider its decision not to contribute to the Women in Local Government Bursary Program. Based on the population formula, they were asking the Municipality of the District of Lunenburg for a total contribution of \$3,000 at \$1,000 per year over 3 years. The letter explained why the Bursary Program was established. They would like to announce at the Fall Conference that all 55 municipalities have contributed to this UNSM program.

Council discussed this request for reconsideration. A number of Councillors reiterated that, although they don' t disagree with Deputy Mayor

Wrye' s remarks about the valuable contribution of women in municipal administration, they do feel that the Bursary Program should be available to all, regardless of gender or classification as a Councillor or employee.

As Council agreed that there would be no change from the motion made at the April 4, 2008 budget meeting to not support the Bursary Program, Ms. Wilson said she will prepare a letter advising UNSM that Council is not prepared to change their decision.

DEMOCRACY 250 -
REQUEST TO FLY
DEMOCRACY 250
FLAG

Circulated with the agenda was a letter from John Hamm and Russell MacLellan, Democracy 250 Co-Chairs, informing Council that this year marks the 250th anniversary of parliamentary democracy in Canada. In recognition of this historic national milestone, Democracy 250 is asking the Municipality to fly a Democracy 250 Flag which accompanied the letter.

Considerable discussion followed regarding this request.

Several Councillors were of the opinion that we should not change the flags that are flown on the current flag pole on the Municipal Administration Building property which holds three flags, being the Canadian flag, the Provincial flag, and the Municipality' s flag.

One of the suggestions was to install another flag pole if we want to fly the Democracy 250 flag or any other flag that an organization or group may request the Municipality to fly. Another suggestion was to purchase the type of flag pole that installs on the side of the building.

Moved by Counc. Nauss, seconded by Counc. Spinney that we remove the Municipality' s flag to fly the Democracy 250 flag a few days every month; and if a Democracy event comes up, we fly the Democracy 250 flag during that event.

It was pointed out that we do have a Flag Policy.

Ms. Wilson reported that the Municipality' s Flag Policy pertains to the use of the Municipality' s flag. It doesn' t address flying other flags on this property.

Warden Wentzell commented that it' s a bit of a dilemma, as we wouldn' t be around this table today if it were not for democracy.

Another suggestion was to display the Democracy 250 flag in the Council Chamber, but some felt the idea is that the flag be seen and displaying it in the building would not accomplish that.

The matter of flag protocol was also brought up. It was indicated that it' s not proper to fly organizations' flags at the same level as the Provincial flag.

It was commented that there are organizations that Council should support if they were to ask the Municipality to fly a flag recognizing their organization or an event they may be hosting, such as the 4-H Club.

A number of the Councillors said they could support flying other flags if another flag pole was installed for that purpose.

The motion was defeated.

Moved by Counc. Countway, seconded by Counc. Statton that we purchase a flag pole setup that attaches to the side of the Municipal Administration Building so we can display different flags at times of the year when required.

It was questioned if that type of flag pole would hold large flags.

Moved by Counc. Dempsey, seconded by Counc. Bell that the motion be amended to reflect that staff is authorized to choose a method to either attach a flag pole to the building or install a flag pole in another acceptable way.

Amendment Carried.

MOTION AS AMENDED - that we authorize staff to choose a method to either purchase a flag pole setup that attaches to the side of the Municipal Administration Building or install a flag pole in another acceptable way so we can display different flags at times of the year when required. Carried.

Counc. Bell reported that there is a store on Akerley Boulevard in Dartmouth that carries a lot of different supplies in relation to flags and flag poles.

It was felt that a policy is needed regarding the flying of flags other than those three that are flown daily.

FLAG POLICY FOR
OTHER FLAGS

Moved by Counc. Bell, seconded by Counc. Dempsey that we fly the Democracy 250 flag for the next 90 days or more; and in the meantime, we ask the PR Committee to come back with a recommendation on a flag policy for flying other flags for Council' s consideration and approval. Carried.

REQUEST TO FLY
MUN. FLAG -
LaHAVE RIVER
YACHT CLUB

Counc. Bell reported that the LaHave River Yacht Club will be hosting the LTS Regatta which is a youth sailing championship on July 26 & 27, 2008. There will be 60 - 80 teams from across the province competing in this event. As this is the host municipality, they would like permission to fly the Municipality' s flag at the LaHave River Yacht Club during this event.

Moved by Counc. Bell, seconded by Counc. Dempsey that the LaHave River Yacht Club be authorized to fly the Municipality' s flag on the LaHave River Yacht Club' s property during the LTS Regatta to be held July 26 - 27, 2008.

Deputy Warden Garber reported that we had a request to fly the Municipality' s flag at Shipyard Landing in Bridgewater on Canada Day; but because our Flag Policy requires Council to approve requests to fly the Municipality' s flag, we could not honour that request as we had no Council meeting before the day of the event. Therein lies the difficulty with our policy. It' s sometimes not timely. There needs to be some change to the policy to allow expediency to come into play.

Ms. Wilson reviewed the section of the Flag Policy which states that Council, if it wishes, can designate the CAO or the Municipal Clerk to determine if the Municipality' s flag can be flown at an event.

Counc. Zwicker asked if we' ve received a written request from the Yacht Club to fly the Municipality' s flag at their event.

Counc. Dempsey noted that we have a request from a member of the Yacht Club who happens to be a Councillor.

Counc. Bell reported that he received the request by way of an e-mail from the event organizer. Counc. Wentzell requested Counc. Bell to forward the e-mail to Ms. Wilson.

The motion authorizing the Municipality' s flag to be flown during the LTS Regatta at the LaHave River Yacht Club was carried.

Moved by Counc. Dempsey, seconded by Deputy Warden Garber that Council appoints the Chief Administrative Officer or the Municipal Clerk as staff representatives to carry out the Municipality' s Flag Policy. Carried.

At 10:55 a.m. Pierre Breau, Director of Engineering and Public Works, was in attendance for Council' s consideration of tender awards.

DESIGNATES re
FLYING OF MUN.
FLAG

TENDER AWARD -
TRANSFER STATION
CARTAGE SERVICES
LRCRC

Mr. Breau reviewed the tender analysis information for Tender No. 2008-01-003 which is for the provision of Solid Waste Cartage from the Lunenburg Regional Community Recycling Centre (LRCRC) Transfer Station to the Kaiser Meadows Landfill in Chester Municipality (copy attached to original Minutes). The contract term ends July 31, 2009. Mr. Breau reported that Bernard L. Mailman Projects was the only bidder and that they have had the contract on a tendered basis since the service was required in 2006. He noted that there is a significant increase in the price, because there has been a significant increase in the price of gas.

Moved by Counc. Statton, seconded by Deputy Warden Garber that, based on the recommendation from the Engineering Department, we award Tender No. 2008-01-003 for the supply of Transfer Station Solid Waste Disposal Cartage Services for the LRCRC to Bernard L. Mailman Projects, Bridgewater, N. S., for a one-year term ending July 31, 2009 for the price of \$110,378.40, including HST. Carried.

TENDER AWARD -
HOUSEHOLD
HAZARDOUS
WASTE COLLECTION
AND DISPOSAL
LRCRC

Mr. Breau reviewed the tender analysis information for Tender No. 2008-01-004 which is for the provision of Household Hazardous Waste Collection and Disposal Services at the LRCRC (copy attached to original Minutes). The contract is for a three-year term which ends July 31, 2011.

Deputy Warden Garber noted that there is a price for a fuel surcharge. Mr. Breau reported that the surcharge is built into the price.

Moved by Counc. Nauss, seconded by Counc. Statton that we accept the Engineer' s recommendation and award Tender No. 2008-01-004 for the supply of Household Hazardous Waste Collection and Disposal Services to Atlantic Industrial Services, Dartmouth, N. S. for a three-year term ending July 31, 2011 for the price of \$95,714.92, including HST. Carried.

TENDER AWARD -
ON-SITE TRUCKING
SERVICES - LRCRC

Mr. Breau reviewed the tender analysis information for Tender No. 2008-01-006 for the provision of On-Site Trucking Services for transport of various solid wastes and road-building materials at the LRCRC (copy attached to original Minutes). The contract is for a two-year term which ends July 31, 2010. Mr. Breau reported that there is only one bidder and he previously held the contract.

Moved by Counc. Young, seconded by Counc. Bell that we accept the Engineer' s recommendation and award Tender No. 2008-01-006 for the supply of On-Site Trucking Services for the LRCRC to Gerald W. Veinot Excavation Co. Ltd., Bridgewater, N. S. for a two-year term ending July 31, 2010 for the price of \$49,720.00, including HST.

Deputy Warden Garber questioned what happens if we change the scope of our operation and the estimated 400 hours of trucking services per year changes either up or down.

Mr. Breau reported that we try to work within the budget. If there would be a significant change and we would require more hours, such as 700 hours, then we would have to come back to the Committee with that change.

Counc. Dempsey questioned if the tender guarantees the contractor will get 400 hours.

Mr. Breau said in the tender specifications we state no minimum quantities guaranteed.

The motion was carried.

WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - RECOMMENDATIONS

TENDER ISSUANCE -
NEW COMPOST
BUILDING AND
DEMOLITION OF
EXISTING BUILDING

Moved by Counc. Statton, seconded by Counc. Dempsey that we accept the recommendation of the Waste Management Committee and approve the calling of the Waste Management Committee Lunenburg Regional Community Recycling Centre Tenders for the Membrane-Cover Compost Building and for the Existing Compost Building Demolition.

Mr. Breau reported on the projects that are to be done at the LRCRC with the \$1,000,000 budgeted for the Waste Management Committee.

Counc. Countway asked if the issuance of these tenders will bring the compost up to a standard so that it meets the new standards that will be coming out.

Mr. Breau said the standards that will be in effect in 2010 will require compost to be stored longer to reach the proper temperature. What we are doing is to save what we have now, but it will help towards the new standards in 2010.

At the request of Counc. Nauss, Mr. Breau explained the extended size of the first building and the size of a second building which will be done at a later date.

Counc. Countway said he' s a little leery about spending a million dollars when we may not meet the standards in a year and a half.

Deputy Warden Garber said there is a study being done by Region 6 that is not yet completed. In the meantime we have to meet today' s standards.

Mr. Breau said there are two studies being done. One is sponsored by Region 6 and the other by the Provincial government. This is ultimately a fix for an existing system to deal with health and safety issues.

Ms. Wilson reported that we could find no other options that we could take advantage of to address these issues.

Counc. Young said it was not an easy decision to make by the Waste Management Committee. We may only be dealing with compost for awhile but it has to be taken care of and this is the solution we came up with. There is no guarantee we are going to be there long term. He asked if we know what the standards will be in 2010. Mr. Breau said we know what the standards are.

Counc. Dempsey pointed out that we have known for some time that we have had a problem with the compost. At least we end up with a building that is safe for the employees. That should be our main concern.

The motion approving the calling of the tenders was carried.

Mr. Breau was thanked and he left the meeting.

PRESENTATION -

LUN. CO. LIFESTYLE
CENTRE SOCIETY

At 11:30 a.m. in attendance on behalf of the Lunenburg County Lifestyle Centre (LCLC) Society were Mr. Paul Belliveau, Mr. Jeff Sabeau and Mr. Andrew Kimball.

Moved by Deputy Warden Garber, seconded by Counc. Young that the representatives of the LCLC Society be permitted to address Council. Carried.

Mr. Belliveau thanked Council for the opportunity to update Council on the status of the multi-purpose facility project. The information he presented included the status of the following (copy attached to original Minutes):

- ▶ Hiring of Project Coordinator
- ▶ Fundraising
- ▶ Governance
- ▶ Architect/Engineering
- ▶ Project Manager
- ▶ Final Design
- ▶ Facility Manager
- ▶ Timeline

Mr. Belliveau reported that they will be making the same presentation to the Bridgewater Town Council on July 14th.

Counc. Zwicker asked what the Society's comfort level is with reference to the work plan at this point in time.

Mr. Belliveau said this is a major project that none of us have been through before. They would like to have been further along but they are pleased with where they are now.

Counc. Zwicker noted the lack of the federal government identifying their support to the project and questioned what that does in relation to design and construction plans.

Mr. Belliveau said they can't do anything until they know for sure how much funding will be available for the project. They have to go through proper channels to access federal funding. They are using our provincial partners to access our federal partners. Until they get some definitive funding from the federal government and know what it is and what we're putting up, they will not be putting any shovels in the ground.

Counc. Dempsey said what concerns her is the timeline. She understands they are working with Ida Scott to formulate the request to the federal government. She asked if they have a timeline on that.

Mr. Belliveau said they didn't. They are gathering information and hope

to have some key meetings in the near future. They have to identify programs. Until they get to that point, they don't have any timelines. What they are working hard against now is elections.

Counc. Nauss commented that a few months ago the estimate for the project was \$31.5 million. He thinks it's going to be a very difficult figure to reach because daily everything goes up in price. He feels that every day we delay, and even after the project is commenced, if we don't soon get firm figures on construction, he's afraid where we're going.

Mr. Belliveau said they don't have final numbers. That's a process that they have to go through with the architects and engineering. In the original figures, they had some contingency built in. The only thing going down right now is their investments, so they have to get their fundraising program underway. It is a concern with the rising cost of fuel which translates into rising transportation costs which translates into rising costs for material and also increased labour costs. They are hoping that all the people working now in this boom era will be looking for work when they are finally ready to go.

Warden Wentzell congratulated them on the report to Council and commended them for what they are doing.

The representatives of the LCLC Society thanked Council and they left.

At 11:50 a.m. Pierre Breau returned to the meeting for Council's consideration of the remainder of the Waste Management Committee's recommendations.

LRCRC - COMPOST
OVERSIZE

Moved by Counc. Statton, seconded by Counc. Young that we accept the recommendation of the Waste Management Committee and approve the movement of the Lunenburg Regional Community Recycling Centre's compost oversize to Fundy Compost with a minimum commitment of 2,000 tonnes for the fiscal year 2008-09; and further, we approve the haulage of compost oversize to Fundy Compost by Warren Transport and G.E.'s All Trucking until staff can issue a tender for the haulage.

Ms. Wilson said this would be sole source. It's much cheaper than the service we have been using. We'll be using the trucking company until we have time to tender for the service.

At the request of Counc. Zwicker, Mr. Breau clarified what is meant by compost oversize. It's compost material that doesn't go through the fine screen and is not cured enough for our use.

Counc. Countway questioned why we would commit to 2,000 tonnes when we're hoping to reduce the amount to zero.

Mr. Breau said we will easily achieve 2,000 tonnes this year. We will only bring it down to negligible amounts in late winter.

At the request of Counc. Nauss, Mr. Breau explained why the rate from Warren Transport was referred to as a back-haul rate.

The motion was carried.

Council then considered tenders to be issued for the LRCRC. In

accordance with the Municipality' s Purchasing Policy, approval from Municipal Council is requested for the issuance of two tenders for the LRCRC. The value of the tenders are each estimated to be in excess of \$20,000.

TENDER ISSUANCE - The first tender to be issued is for compost facility improvements. This
COMPOST FACILITY capital project involves the extension of the existing concrete foundation for the
IMPROVEMENTS - compost facility building in order to place a newer, longer compost building.
CONCRETE This work is part of the compost facility improvement project budgeted at
FOUNDATION WORK \$1,000,000. The expected cost for this work is \$35,000 - \$40,000.

Moved by Counc. Young, seconded by Deputy Warden Garber that Council approves the issuance of the Tender for the Compost Facility Improvements 2008 - Concrete Foundation Work.

At the request of Counc. Countway, Mr. Breau explained why we need the extension for the next year and a half.

The motion was carried.

TENDER ISSUANCE - Council was informed of the compost carts that are required to be
PURCHASE OF purchased this year for distribution to the public in accordance with the
COMPOST CARTS Municipality' s compost cart distribution policy for use in the Municipality' s
solid waste collection system. The budget figure for this capital project is \$35,000.

Moved by Counc. Nauss, seconded by Counc. Dempsey that Council approves the issuance of the Tender for the purchase of the following compost carts: 300 Wheeled Carts (240 litre capacity); 100 Wheeled Carts (140 litre capacity); and 400 Compost Mini-Bins. Carried.

At 12:03 p.m. Council recessed for lunch.

At 1:12 p.m. the meeting resumed.

Deputy Warden Garber was in the chair.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - RECOMMENDATION

APPLICATION re Counc. Countway noted that the first recommendation is asking for the
SIGNS RESTRICTING submission of an application for the installation of two signs restricting the use
USE OF JAKE of Jake Brakes in the communities of Oakland and Indian Point. He has pointed
BRAKES out several times that there needs to be three signs - one on the Indian Point
Road but on the other road (Oakland Road) there needs to be one on each end.

Moved by Counc. Bell, seconded by Counc. Nauss that Council accepts the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and approves the submission of an application to the Department of Transportation and Public Works for the installation of two signs restricting the use of Jake Brakes - one in an area on the Oakland Road around civic #664 (past civic #570 close to hidden driveway sign) and the second in an area on the Indian Point Road near the fire hall.

Moved by Counc. Countway, seconded by Counc. Nauss that the motion be amended to reflect that three signs need to be installed - two on the Oakland Road (one on each end) coming into the area of the Indian Point Road and one on the Indian Point Road near the fire hall. Amendment Carried.

MOTION AS AMENDED - that Council accepts the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and approves the submission of an application to the Department of Transportation and Public Works for the installation of three signs restricting the use of Jake Brakes - two on the Oakland Road (one on each end) coming into the area of the Indian Point Road and one on the Indian Point Road near the fire hall. Carried.

The remaining recommendations from the Committee of the Whole were considered later in the meeting.

RDA PRESENTATION

At 1:15 p.m. in attendance was Mr. Neil Emenau, Executive Director of the Lunenburg Queens Regional Development Agency (LQRDA), to update Council on the activities of the LQRDA.

Moved by Counc. Moore, seconded by Counc. Bell that Mr. Emenau be permitted to address Council. Carried.

Mr. Emenau provided each Councillor with a copy of the Annual Report he had presented at the LQRDA' s annual meeting and reviewed the information that he felt would be of interest to Council (copy attached to original Minutes). He pointed out that they are not a funding source for businesses, as some are under that misconception. The LQRDA helps businesses to find funds for their business.

Counc. Dempsey noted that one of the LQRDA' s priority areas is community development. She asked if we can anticipate the same level of assistance from the LQRDA in relation to the multi-purpose facility project.

Mr. Emenau said they are assisting with that project right now. They are helping with funding applications and identifying other funding alternatives.

Deputy Warden Garber said they are definitely applying to ACOA. A preliminary application has gone to them.

In a letter to Mr. Emenau dated June 7, 2008, he was provided with a list of 7 items that Councillors had asked be discussed with Mr. Emenau at today' s meeting. They were as follows:

1) Funding Programs for Small Businesses (i.e. Wage Subsidy or Programs to cover Wage Costs for Increase in Workable Hours for Employees) - Mr. Emenau reported on some of the wage subsidy programs available through Service Canada, e.g. Job Creation Partnership and Labour Market Partnerships, and the rebate programs available through Nova Scotia Business Inc., e.g. Payroll Rebate Program and Maintenance Rebate Program. He also explained the Apprenticeship Job Creation Tax Credit that is available at the federal level.

Counc. Countway reported that the problem some employers have is that they have employees working part time but they would have them working full time if they could get some assistance. He asked if there are any programs available to employers that would subsidize wages to give employees more hours. Mr. Emenau said there were programs available in the past, but he' s not aware of any programs at this time that would assist with that.

2) Update re Immigration Initiative - Mr. Emenau reported that they are spending

a lot of time with that. The number of enquiries is probably 50% above last year. What he deals with mainly is the Nova Scotia Nominee Program trying to bring people here. The purpose of the program is to fill job shortages that businesses cannot fill locally or to start a business, because you either have to fill job shortages or contribute to the economy of the area. They are bringing people in from everywhere. The majority are coming from the United Kingdom, Germany, Switzerland and the U.S. The people coming here are highly skilled ...engineers, medical people, technicians. The RDA's Immigration Navigator Officer, Corey Pickens, helps people once they are here. The money that pays Corey's salary comes from the Office of Immigration under Settlement Services. One of the things that Corey helps them with is how to get their children in school. He also helped some Mexican immigrants who came here to work at Michelin. The insurance companies were charging them two or three times as much as us for car insurance because many of them came here without the proper documentation on their driving records. Corey helped them get their insurance rates reduced by as much as half. Mr. Emenau reported that the term of Corey's position will end in two weeks. He's trying to get funding to extend the position for another year, as he feels the position is critical to the RDA.

3) Update re Business Retention and Expansion (BRE) Program (where the Municipality stands in relation to the Program) - Mr. Emenau updated Council on the BRE Program. The LQRDA was one of the original six RDAs that started out with the 18 month pilot program and Dave Waters was their BRE Officer when they first started. Since then, the original six RDAs have transitioned that into a core activity. That means his Business Development Officer is spending about 30% - 40% of his time out doing BRE visits and follow-ups. They have had to cut back on some of the other business activities that they do. The other six RDAs have now put in an application and they are running into the same problem as the original six ran into ...what happens after the 18 months when their funding runs out. In order to get the funding, they had to sign on that it would transition into a core activity. Right now how this works with the Municipality of the District of Lunenburg, Dave Waters is part of their team. They have partners that sit around the table that are going out doing BRE visits and they are still documenting those visits in their database. They have partnered with Nova Scotia Business Inc., the RDAs, Nova Scotia Economic Development, the Municipality of the District of Lunenburg, and the Bridgewater Development Association. All the people that are doing the visits are BRE certified. He reported on the number of visits that have to be made each year. In order to get their visits up, they have to partner with others. Three of the original six RDAs have started a new pilot program and they have approached LQRDA to see what we're doing here. The Municipality of the District of Lunenburg, through Dave Waters, is a key player in the BRE Program here in the Lunenburg Queens area.

4) What is the RDA' s feeling in relation to BizPal? - Mr. Emenau said BizPal is one of a number of databases that are available. He likes the way some of it is organized. His main problem with it is that it' s available in only three municipal units in the province at the current time. He doesn' t like the way HRM' s is set up ...it' s too tourism oriented. He likes the way New Glasgow' s is set up. His concern is when is it going to be available to the rest of the province; and once it is, who' s going to update the information in BizPal? He feels it will be a full-time job. He explained how the permits and license registry works using BizPal. He also explained some of the other databases where information is available, such as Target Nova Scotia.

Deputy Warden Garber asked if that is something the RDA would coordinate (with reference to updating BizPal). Mr. Emenau reported that they have committed to updating the information in Target Nova Scotia and he explained to what extent their commitment is.

Ms. Wilson informed Council that Dave Waters has arranged a BizPal presentation for a meeting of the Committee of the Whole in August.

5) Update re Progress on Broadband in the Municipality of Lunenburg - The last update he could find on Broadband in Lunenburg County was April 30th, so he called this morning to try to find out what was happening. He understands they have finished their engineering and site selection and tested their signal strength that they are going to need for the various areas in Lunenburg County. He understands that within the next few weeks they will be contacting the CAOs of each of the municipal units here to set up individual meetings. At those meetings they want to see the CAO, IT person if you have one, Development people and Planning people because they would like to explain what the role of the Municipality is going to be in the public consultation process that is being forced on them by Ministry Canada. They want to review the process that is going to be required by Industry Canada. They want to go through the permitting process, the construction process, and then they will tell you where the sites are going to be. Mr. Emenau' s understanding is that they are on schedule for the December 2009 deadline that was imposed by the Provincial government, although nothing has been hooked up in Lunenburg County as of yet by Eastlink under this broadband initiative. There are two more towers needed in Queens County and five additional ones in Lunenburg County that have not been put up yet. These are the sites they are negotiating now. The only other thing he can say is he thinks on June 3rd Caledonia was hooked up, mainly because they had the towers that were put there by the previous company. He understands quite a few people have signed on in Caledonia. He expects the Municipality' s CAO and perhaps some Council members will hear more in the weeks to come.

6) Update re Gateway Project - Mr. Emenau said he didn' t have much more information from the last time on the Gateway initiative. The main part of it is to expand container traffic in Nova Scotia, although it' s only one of four

different areas they are looking at. It seems to be that most of the activity is centred right around two areas, one being the logistics park at Burnside and the second one being an expansion of the Sydney and Milford site near Canso. Most of the talk is centred around that right now. Mr. Emenau provided some details as to how the Gateway initiative may benefit job creation. He understands the job creation numbers are very high if the Gateway initiative comes into play ...he understands around 40,000 and mostly in the transportation sector. He personally questions how we will benefit from it in this area, as we don't have a rail line and we don't have a port facility. All he has heard about is short sea shipping and a home port facility for small cruise liners.

Counc. Zwicker asked, in reference to the Gateway project, if there have been any discussions on upgrading Highway 103 further down through the South Shore. Mr. Emenau said his understanding is that there had been talks about extending it, but he doesn't believe it's in the schedule right now.

7) What is the RDA's strategy for tourism and are there projects identified that will help retain and grow the tourism sector in Lunenburg and Queens County -
Mr. Emenau said he doesn't have one officer completely devoted to tourism. He has one that works with non-profit groups which does cover off tourism. They do work with various groups. Tina Connors, Community Development Officer, works with non-profit groups, such as Bluenose Coast, to try to do small projects. Usually they get involved in one-off projects. For example, they worked closely with the Tall Ships last year and the Tall Ships coming next year to try to increase the number that we get coming into Lunenburg to increase the spin-offs from that. He doesn't have the staff to take on any big projects unless they go out and seek funding that includes a resource person to help them out. There are several projects that they are working on in the area right now but they are smaller projects. These usually come about when they go out and do their community consultations and there is a group that wants to do something and the RDA will work with them.

Deputy Warden Garber asked about the Bluenose IV project - is that project something they could be working on?

Mr. Emenau said yes he would work on that project if there was a group coming forward to prove that the project is going forward. He has heard a presentation on it. He would like to see it go forward. He thinks there are a lot of benefits, but where is the Provincial support on that project?

As there were no further questions from Council, Deputy Warden Garber thanked Mr. Emenau for coming to the meeting and providing updates and answering questions on the topics that Council had requested.

Mr. Emenau thanked Council for their support and he left the meeting.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - RECOMMENDATIONS (continued)

Moved by Counc. Dempsey, seconded by Counc. Moore that Council accepts the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and approves the submission of an application for the Municipality of the District of Lunenburg to

APPLICATION -

KATIMAVIK

ATLANTIC PROJECT

participate in the Katimavik Atlantic project slated for September 2008. Carried.

TOURISM FOCUS

Moved by Counc. Nauss, seconded by Counc. Spinney that Council

GROUP BUDGET

accepts the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and approves the new Tourism Focus Group proposed budget expenditure structure as follows for the 2008/09 budget year:

• Advertising - Tourism and Economic Development	\$ 7,885.00
• Website Updates	\$ 1,000.00
• Promotional Material	\$ 5,600.00
• Events and special projects (i.e. Ride the Lobster)	\$ 3,300.00
• Trade Shows and Conferences	\$ 1,500.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$19,285.00

Motion Carried.

FINAL LIST OF

Moved by Counc. Moore, seconded by Counc. Nauss that Council accepts

ELECTORS - DATE

the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and approves that the date for completion of the Final List of Electors for the 2008 Municipal Election be August 22, 2008. Carried.

FOR COMPLETION

PROV. BRAVERY

Moved by Counc. Statton, seconded by Counc. Countway that Council

AWARD NOMINEES

accepts the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and nominates Ira Barkhouse and Arnold Whynot for the Provincial Bravery Award. Carried.

COMM. CAPITAL

Moved by Counc. Countway, seconded by Counc. Spinney that Council

GRANT -

accepts the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and awards a Community Capital Grant in the amount of \$1,000.00 to the Middlewood United Church towards their project to relocate the washroom from the basement to the main floor and for the installation of a new door and replacement of door step to improve access. Carried.

MIDDLEWOOD

UNITED CHURCH

BLOCKHOUSE SPS

At 2:15 p.m. in attendance were Ed Curran, Director of Planning and

AND LUB - DRAFT

Development Services, and Jeff Merrill, Planner, for Council' s consideration of Draft 1E to Draft 2 of the Blockhouse Secondary Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law .

1E TO DRAFT 2

Mr. Curran reported on the meetings that were held to develop the Blockhouse document that is before Council today for consideration and highlighted the main changes to the document.

Ms. Wilson said, for the process of approval, if Council concurs with the recommendation of the Planning Advisory Committee then Council would give notice of its intention to adopt the revised Blockhouse Secondary Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law and Council would be required to conduct First Reading. Council would then set a date for the Public Hearing and there are advertising requirements that would have to be complied with. There is a recommendation from staff that the Public Hearing date be Wed., August 13, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. and that a Public Information Session be held as well, and that would be held prior to the Public Hearing. The purpose of the Public Information Session is for the public to attend and receive information on the document, so that when they attend the Public Hearing they can make informed comments and be aware of what is being proposed. Councillors' attendance is mandatory at the Public Hearing if they wish to vote on the matter. Attendance

at the Public Information Session is discretionary. If Council approves this, there will be a notice published in the papers notifying the public of the dates of the Public Hearing and Public Information Session and that Council has conducted First Reading. Council is required to conduct two Readings of this planning document.

Counc. Statton asked, if this document goes to Second Reading, what happens if someone wanted a change in a boundary? Would that come under this by-law or would that have to be dealt with as an amendment some time later?

Ms. Wilson said if it's not being recommended by the Planning Advisory Committee or the Area Advisory Committee, and if Council wanted to make that change without consultation with the Committee, you could do that as part of this. However, she would recommend that Council do it before conducting First Reading and advertising the Public Hearing, because that could impact on who gets impacted by the revised document.

Counc. Statton asked if a request would go to Council for that change or would a request go to the Area Advisory Committee for a change?

Ms. Wilson said if you don't want it as part of this but if you would like to have it considered and still move ahead with this document as it is, then the request could come from Council for staff to meet with the Area Advisory Committee and review the boundary. If an individual has a request that they would like Council to consider, they can make that request to Council. That's the normal process and then it would go to the Area Advisory Committee and staff would meet with them, and then the Area Advisory Committee would make a recommendation to the Planning Advisory Committee.

Counc. Statton commented so it wouldn't impact on the Secondary Planning Strategy that we are trying to do First Reading on now.

Ms. Wilson said once First Reading is conducted the boundaries would be set based on what is showing on the map right now and Council would do Second Reading on that. If a resident wanted to be removed from that, but it's not something that Council wants to initiate on its own without having the Area Advisory Committee reviewing that, then that could come after Second Reading and it would be a separate amendment to the document.

Counc. Statton asked if, at the public participation meeting, one of the residents says they want us to look at the boundary because it includes them or it doesn't include them, would it be taken into consideration at that time?

Ms. Wilson said Council would have to decide whether or not they wanted to; but if it's a significant change to the document, Council would have to do First Reading over again.

Counc. Statton asked how we would proceed if that happens at the public meeting.

Ms. Wilson said that suggestion could be made but it may result in the document having to go back and Council deferring it until you get the

consultation.

Moved by Counc. Zwicker, seconded by Counc. Countway that Municipal Council gives notice of its intention to adopt Draft 2 of the Blockhouse Secondary Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law dated June 26, 2008 and conducts First Reading of same; that Municipal Council sets a Public Hearing date of Wed., August 13, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. at the Blockhouse Fire Hall; and that Municipal Council instructs staff to hold a Public Information Session in the community prior to the Public Hearing.

Counc. Dempsey asked if the draft document addresses some of the controversial issues that we have had to deal with in the last few years.

Mr. Curran said there were a number of issues brought forward through the Area Advisory Committee and they were all dealt with in the normal fashion. In some cases they had to go back and do research. He explained some of the research that was done which resulted in some planning tools and instruments that were not there before.

Ms. Wilson said one of the major items that the community grappled with was existing commercial uses and how to address them going forward. In the past we have had development agreements for a 215 square foot entry way on an existing business. It just seemed to be a cumbersome process, so they did work to that and she believes that is why the site plan approval came into place, as opposed to using a development agreement. It's a much better tool, speedier and more efficient.

Counc. Countway reported that they had a public meeting in the community and the issues brought up at that meeting were listed. The Area Advisory Committee then took each issue and discussed it in length. He believes there were six issues that they really had to work at. He thinks everyone was fairly happy with the outcome.

The motion was carried.

WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - RECOMMENDATION

AWARD OF RFP
2008-01-400 -
PROVISION OF
RECYCLABLE
PROCESSING
SERVICES

In attendance was Pierre Breau, Director of Engineering and Public Works.

Ms. Wilson reviewed the letter she had written on behalf of the Waste Management Committee which included a recommendation to the four partner units for the award RFP No. 2008-01-400 for the Provision of Recyclable Processing Services.

Several Councillors still question if it would be more expensive to continue to recycle blue bag items in-house rather than contracting the service.

It was pointed out that the risks and costs are associated with Capital expenses, and this is where the savings would occur.

As Council wanted to discuss this in detail, and as the discussion would include matters relating to personnel, labour relations and contract negotiations, it was agreed to do the *In Camera* session at this time.

IN CAMERA

Moved by Counc. Zwicker, seconded by Counc. Nauss that Council go *In Camera In Committee*. Carried.

Council *In Camera In Committee*. The purpose of the *In Camera* meeting was to discuss the following:

- 1) Contract Negotiations, in accordance with sections 22 (2) (c) (d) and (e) of the *Municipal Government Act*; and
- 2) Contract Negotiations - Lunenburg Back Harbour, in accordance with section 22 (2) (a) of the *Municipal Government Act*.

Moved by Counc. Dempsey, seconded by Counc. Spinney that Council resume its public meeting. Carried.

Council in session.

The *In Camera* discussions resulted in two motions.

RFP AWARD -
PROVISION OF
RECYCLABLE
PROCESSING SERV.

Moved by Counc. Statton, seconded by Counc. Zwicker that we accept the recommendation of the Waste Management Committee for the award of RFP No. 2008-01-400 Provision of Recyclable Processing Services to the Municipality of the County of Colchester, subject to the satisfactory development of a Contract between Colchester and the Waste Management Committee partners to be presented to the four Municipal Councils for approval. Carried.

LEASE AGREEMENT
re LUNENBURG
BACK HARBOUR

Moved by Counc. Zwicker, seconded by Counc. Spinney that the Municipality of the District of Lunenburg enter into a lease agreement with the Department of Natural Resources pertaining to Sawpit Wharf at the Back Harbour property in Lunenburg. Carried.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - RECOMMENDATIONS (continued)

S. S. EXHIBITION re
FUNDING

Moved by Counc. Zwicker, seconded by Counc. Nauss that Council accepts the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole that the Municipality of the District of Lunenburg make available an amount of \$1,000.00 towards the South Shore Exhibition and that on the form we specify a portion of it is to be used at their discretion and a portion is to be put towards the Firefighters' event.

Counc. Dempsey asked if we had budgeted for this. Ms. Wilson said we didn't, but she had explained to the Committee of the Whole that there should be funds in the budget available for this, either in Program grants or Tourism funds.

The motion was carried.

COMM. PROGRAM
GRANT - SOUTH
SHORE SPORTS

Moved by Counc. Spinney, seconded by Counc. Nauss that Council accepts the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and awards a Community Program Grant in the amount of \$500.00 to the South Shore Sports Association towards the introduction of their new program to introduce people with mobility problems to various sports. Carried.

COMM. CAPITAL
GRANT - NEW
GERMANY & AREA
PROMO. SOCIETY

Moved by Counc. Bell, seconded by Counc. Moore that Council accepts the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and awards a Community Capital Grant in the amount of \$1,000.00 to the New Germany and Area Promotion Society towards their project to install a second washroom in the Community Room/Teen Centre in New Germany. Carried.

RECREATION CONF - **Moved by Counc. Dempsey, seconded by Counc. Countway that Council**
 COUNCILLOR TO **accepts the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and directs staff to**
 ATTEND **register a Councillor, who will be appointed following the Municipal Council**
Election, for the Recreation Nova Scotia Conference being held in Halifax at the
Westin Hotel from November 5 to 8, 2008. Carried.

MUN. LAND - OFFER **Moved by Counc. Nauss, seconded by Counc. Zwicker that Council**
 NOT ACCEPTED **accepts the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole that we not accept**
the offer to sell a parcel of Municipal Land to Mr. Henneberry. Carried.

PROVINCE' S OFFER **Moved by Counc. Moore, seconded by Counc. Dempsey that Council**
 re DREWS HILL RD. - **accepts the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole that we request an**
 REQUEST FOR **extension from the Province to accept the Province' s letter of offer for the**
 EXTENSION **conveyance of Drews Hill Road until the litigation between the community and**
the Province has been settled. Carried.

LISTING PRICES - **Moved by Counc. Statton, seconded by Counc. Nauss that Council**
 OSPREY VILLAGE **accepts the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and accepts the**
listing prices provided in the spreadsheet to be public listed prices for Osprey
Village. Carried. (Copy of spreadsheet attached to original Minutes)

PROCUREMENT - Ms. Wilson reviewed her July 2, 2008 memo to Council regarding the
 MULTI-PURPOSE multi-purpose recreation facility project as it relates to a Review Committee for
 RECREATION Expressions of Interest and Requests for Proposals. Her memo noted that at the
 FACILITY June meeting Council approved the Municipality' s Purchasing Policy as the
 Policy to be used for the procurement of goods required in the planning and
 development of a Recreation Facility and, further, that the administration of the
 Policy is to be done by the Town of Bridgewater. Council' s motion also
 required that there be joint approval by the Town and Municipality of the award-
 ing of all tenders, RFPs, and/or Expressions of Interest. The Purchasing Policy
 requires that there be a Review Committee established for all RFPs/Expressions
 of Interest which have an estimated value over \$10,000. The Role of the
 Review Committee is to assist in the evaluation of consultants/firms for a short
 list and the evaluation of proposals received. In discussions with Ken Smith,
 CAO for the Town of Bridgewater, it was agreed that the Review Committee, as
 required by the policy, should consist of one elected representative from the
 Municipality of Lunenburg Council and one elected representative from the Town
 of Bridgewater Council. They are recommending that the elected representative
 from the Municipality' s Council should be the Council representative on the
 LCLCS (Lunenburg County Lifestyle Centre Society) Board, who is presently
 Deputy Warden Garber. Ms. Wilson said the recommendation does not
 circumvent the review and award process.

Moved by Counc. Dempsey, seconded by Counc. Moore that Municipal
Council appoints the Council representative on the LCLCS Board to a Review
Committee for the review and evaluation of all Expressions of Interest and
Requests for Proposals in relation to the Recreation Facility. Carried.

ELECTION FEES AND In attendance was April Whynot-Lohnes, Municipal Clerk.

MILEAGE RATE

Circulated with the agenda and reviewed by Ms. Whynot-Lohnes was the comparison list of election tariffs and fees that were paid for past federal, provincial and municipal elections, as well as the fees and expenses that are proposed for the 2008 Municipal Election. The 2008 proposed fees and expenses are:

Hall - Advance Poll	\$200.00 for 2 days
DRO - Advance	\$220.00 for 2 days
Poll Clerk - Advance	\$200.00 for 2 days
Hall - Ordinary Poll	\$125.00 if only 1 poll 80.00 each poll if more than 1
DRO - Ordinary Poll	\$120.00
Poll Clerk - Ordinary Poll	\$110.00
Standby DRO & Poll Clerk	\$ 35.00
Training	\$ 25.00

It was noted that the list of proposed fees doesn't include a mileage rate, and that it should be included at the current Municipal mileage rate.

Moved by Counc. Moore, seconded by Counc. Zwicker that Council accepts the schedule of tariffs and fees for the 2008 Election as presented with the addition of the mileage rate to be paid at the Municipal mileage rate.

Counc. Statton's questions regarding the use of the standby DRO and Poll Clerk were answered by Ms. Wilson.

The motion was carried.

MARC - TRAIL

In attendance was Carroll Randall, Recreation Coordinator.

IMPROVEMENTS -
SPECIFICATIONS

Council was asked to approve the issuance of Tender No. 2008-05-003, which is a capital project for the supply and placement of approximately 900 metric tonnes of crusher dust type aggregate along approximately 3700 feet of trail at the MARC. The work is anticipated to begin in August and be completed by August 30, 2008. The purpose of this work is to upgrade the accessibility and quality of the main trail route for trail users in addition to improving the surface to reduce maintenance. The estimated cost for this work is \$35,000.

Moved by Counc. Zwicker, seconded by Counc. Dempsey that Council approves the issuance of Tender No. 2008-05-003 for the Supply and Placement of Crusher Dust at the MARC for the estimated amount of \$35,000.

Counc. Countway asked if this is part of what Council talked about during the budget deliberations when we were discussing the purchase of a vehicle for staff to use for moving material around.

Mr. Randall explained that the vehicle Counc. Countway is referring to is for maintaining and upgrading small portions of the trail. That is not for this tender.

The motion was carried.

DATA LINKAGE
PROJECT

Ms. Wilson reviewed her July 2, 2008 memo which noted that earlier in the fiscal year Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations (SNSMR) were prepared to fund 50% of the cost to continue the data linkage project for the Municipality of the District of Lunenburg. The Provincial contribution was proposed to be \$10,000 and the Municipality's contribution was proposed to be \$10,000. Ms. Wilson provided a copy of the staff report that was circulated

to Council at that time (copy attached to original Minutes). During the 2008-09 budget deliberations, Council cut the municipal funding for this project. When SNSMR was informed of Council' s decision, they advised that they are prepared to contribute \$10,000 towards this project without a requirement for municipal funding, and they provided an Amending Agreement to the MOU that the Municipality of the District of Lunenburg has with the Province of Nova Scotia respecting this project. The costs to the Municipality to accept the revised Addendum is limited to payroll costs (minimal) and approximately \$800 in advertising fees (recruitment). The amount of \$10,000 is anticipated to generate approximately 4 months of work on this project.

Moved by Counc. Dempsey, seconded by Counc. Countway that Municipal Council accepts the Amending Agreement to the Memorandum of Understanding for the Data Linkage Project and authorizes the execution of the same. Carried Unanimously.

BUILDING REPORT
FOR MAY 2008

For information, circulated with the agenda was a summary of the Municipality' s building activities for the month of May 2008 (attached to original Minutes). The report showed that the value of building permit applications issued in May totalled \$6,664,809.84, bringing the year-to-date value to \$10,207,001.84.

WREATH - LUN.
FISHERMEN' S
THANKSGIVING
SERVICE

Council was asked to appoint a Councillor to present a wreath on behalf of the Municipality at this year' s Fishermen' s Thanksgiving Service in Lunenburg. This year' s service will be held on Sunday, September 14, 2008.

Moved by Counc. Zwicker, seconded by Counc. Bell that Councillor Diane Spinney be appointed to present the Wreath at this year' s Fishermen' s Thanksgiving Service on behalf of the Municipality of the District of Lunenburg. Carried.

There being no further business, at 4:50 p.m. it was moved by Counc. Zwicker, seconded by Counc. Dempsey that the meeting adjourn.

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