

MUNICIPALITY OF THE DISTRICT OF LUNENBURG
Minutes of a Meeting of
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
Held in the Council Chamber, 210 Aberdeen Road, Bridgewater, N. S.
Thursday, October 9, 2008 - 8:00 a.m.

ATTENDANCE

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

Staff: Tammy S. Wilson, Chief Administrative Officer
April Whynot-Lohnes, Municipal Clerk
Sherry Conrad, Administrative Assistant (morning *In Camera* session)
Heather Whycott, Administrative Assistant

1. CALL TO ORDER

Warden Wentzell called the meeting to order at 8:10 a.m.

14. IN CAMERA

- 14.2 **Moved by Councillor Young, seconded by Councillor Zwicker that Council**
14.3 **go *In Camera* to discuss a Personnel Matter/Labour Relations under Section**
22 (2) (c) & (d) of the *Municipal Government Act* and a Land Negotiations
Matter at Osprey Village under Section 22 (2) (a) of the *Municipal*
***Government Act*. Carried.**

At 9:44 a.m., it was **moved by Councillor Young, seconded by Councillor Spinney that Council come out of *In Camera* and return to open session. Carried.**

Moved by Councillor Spinney, seconded by Councillor Nauss that Council approves the actions taken while *In Camera*. Carried.

Warden Wentzell called the public meeting to order at 9:53 a.m.

- 2. PUBLIC INPUT** - There were no requests from the public to address Council.

3. AGENDA

Requests for additions to the Agenda:

Councillor Dempsey - Library Update (see item 13.1 under Added Business)

Councillor Young - Request to attend Preserving Agricultural Lands Conference (This request was made at the end of the meeting - see item 13.2 under Added Business)

Moved by Councillor Countway, seconded by Councillor Dempsey that the Agenda be approved with the addition requested. Carried.

Councillor Countway reminded Councillors that this is Fire Prevention Week and he encouraged Councillors to drop into the Fire Departments in their area if they get an opportunity.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Councillor Young, seconded by Councillor Zwicker that the Minutes be approved as circulated for the regular Council meetings held August 12, 2008 and September 9, 2008, and for the Special Council meetings held April 17, 2008, May 1, 2008, August 14, 2008 and September 4, 2008. Carried.

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

5.1 Amendment to Subdivision By-law re Application Fee for Final Plan Approval

In attendance were Ed Curran, Director of Planning and Development Services, and Jeff Merrill, Planner.

At the August 12, 2008 Council meeting, staff was directed to prepare amendments to the Subdivision By-law to establish an application/processing fee for subdivision final approval. At the request of Council, staff looked at several options for the fee, such as a sliding scale, and not just a flat fee. A report on the options was circulated with the Agenda. However, it is still staff's recommendation to charge a flat fee of \$100.

Council discussed the options.

Moved by Councillor Bell, seconded by Councillor Nauss that staff investigate a subdivision fee structure to be set at no fee for up to 2 lots if done in any given year, 3 - 5 lots for \$100 and thereafter \$25.00 for each additional lot. Carried.

Mr. Curran and Mr. Merrill left the meeting.

6. AWARDING OF TENDERS

In attendance at 10:00 a.m. was Matt Davidson, Assistant Municipal Engineer.

6.1 Snow Removal - Tender 2008-01-005 - New Germany Wastewater Treatment Plant

Moved by Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Zwicker that Municipal Council awards the tender for Snow Removal Services for 2008-2011 for the New Germany Wastewater Treatment Plant and Pump Stations to Gerald Delong Construction Ltd. for the unit prices submitted, excluding HST. Carried.

6.2 Snow Removal - Tender 2008-01-008 - Municipal Administration Building

Moved by Councillor Zwicker, seconded by Councillor Palmer that Municipal Council awards the tender for Snow Removal Services for 2008-2011 for the Municipal Administration Building to William A. Gerhardt Property Improvement for the unit prices submitted, excluding HST. Carried.

6.3 Snow Removal - Tender 2008-01-009 - MARC and Miller Point

Moved by Deputy Warden Garber, seconded by Councillor Dempsey that Municipal Council awards the tender for Snow Removal Services for 2008-2011 for the MARC and Miller Point in Dayspring to William A. Gerhardt Property Improvement for the unit prices submitted, excluding HST. Carried.

6.4 Snow Removal - Tender 2008-01-010 - Former Centre Jail

Councillors' questions regarding the use of the former Jail property and the need to provide snow removal and salting services were answered. It was noted that Airfield Engineering uses the building for storage.

Moved by Councillor Palmer, seconded by Councillor Zwicker that Municipal Council awards the tender for Snow Removal Services for 2008-2011 for the former Centre Jail to William A. Gerhardt Property Improvement for the unit prices submitted, excluding HST. Carried.

6.5 Snow Removal - Tender 2008-01-011

Moved by Councillor Young, seconded by Councillor Zwicker that Municipal Council awards the tender for Snow Removal Services for 2008-2011 for the AES/AEF Building on the Harold Whynot Road to William A. Gerhardt Property Improvement for the unit prices submitted, excluding HST. Carried.

6.6 Snow Removal - Tender 2008-01-012

Moved by Councillor Nauss, seconded by Councillor Spinney that Municipal Council awards the tender for Snow Removal Services for 2008-2011 for the Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plants and Pump Stations located in Cookville, Conquerall Bank, and Hebbville to William A. Gerhardt Property Improvement for the unit prices submitted, excluding HST. Carried.

Mr. Davidson left the meeting.

7. PRESENTATIONS/SCHEDULED TIMES

7.1 Lunenburg Queens Volunteer Centre/Partnership

In attendance was Carroll Randall, Recreation Coordinator.

Mr. Randall introduced Ms. Amy Haughn and Ms. Christina Pottie who were in attendance to make a presentation on behalf of the Lunenburg Queens Volunteer Centre/Partnership. They provided a PowerPoint presentation to explain to Council what services they provide. More information can be obtained from their website www.lqvc.ca. The total budget they are looking for this year is \$25,000. They are seeking \$10,000 from municipal units. They are requesting \$3,000 from the Municipality of the District of Lunenburg.

Warden Wentzell thanked them for their presentation and indicated to them that Council will consider their request for funding at a later point in the meeting.

For information, Warden Wentzell reported that every three years the museums in the province are evaluated. He announced that the Parkdale/Maplewood Museum's evaluation had the highest score ever recorded in the province.

11. STAFF MATTERS

11.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER' S MATTERS

11.1.2 - Date of first Council meeting after Municipal Election

Ms. Wilson reviewed what the *Election Act* states with regard to the first Council meeting to be held after a Municipal Election.

Moved by Councillor Countway, seconded by Deputy Warden Garber that the first Council Meeting after the Municipal Election be held on Thursday, November 6, 2008 at 9:30 a.m. for the swearing-in ceremony of the new Council members, and that the Committee of the Whole Meeting immediately follow the Council Meeting. Carried.

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

5.2 Amendments to District Three Secondary Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law

5.2.1 - Renaming of " District Three" planning area

5.2.2 - Draft 1D - Keeping of Livestock Amendments

5.2.3 - Amendment re Golet Score Wetlands

In attendance were Ed Curran, Director of Planning and Development Services, and Jeff Merrill, Planner.

Mr. Merrill provided a PowerPoint presentation to highlight the proposed amendments.

As Councillor Spinney had to leave the meeting at 11:30 a.m., and as this was her last meeting as Councillor, as she had decided not to reoffer in the upcoming Municipal Election, Warden Wentzell wished her best wishes in future endeavours and congratulated her for all her years of service as Councillor.

Councillor Spinney thanked Council and extended best wishes to Council in the future. She left the meeting at this point.

Council returned to its discussion on proposed amendments to the District Three Secondary Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law .

Moved by Councillor Zwicker, seconded by Councillor Dempsey that Municipal Council gives notice of its intention to adopt a by-law amending the District Three Secondary Planning Strategy and amending the District Three Land Use By-law , dated October 2, 2008, and conducts First Reading of the same. Carried.

Moved by Councillor Dempsey, seconded by Councillor Zwicker that Municipal Council instructs staff to hold a Public Information Session in the community prior to the Public Hearing on the proposed amendments to the District Three Secondary Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law , and that staff determine the date for the Public Information Session. Carried.

Moved by Councillor Zwicker, seconded by Councillor Palmer that a Public Hearing on the proposed amendments to the District Three Secondary Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law be held in the Riverport School on November 12, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. Carried.

Mr. Curran and Mr. Merrill left the meeting.

10. RECOMMENDATIONS/REFERRALS FROM COMMITTEES, BOARDS & FOCUS GR.

10.1 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE RECOMMENDATIONS

10.1.1 - Set up Uniform Area Rate for Street Lights - Westside Dr., Wileville

Moved by Councillor Young, seconded by Councillor Veinot that Municipal Council accepts the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and accepts the Petition to set up a uniform area rate for existing street lights along Westside Drive, Wileville, and charge the properties, as petitioned, to recover the associated costs for operation and maintenance on a year-to-year basis. Carried.

10.1.2 - Amendments to By-law re Fees Charged for Police Clearance Cert. Applications

Moved by Councillor Bell, seconded by Councillor Moore that Municipal Council accepts the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and approves the amendments to the Bylaw Respecting “ Fees Charged for

Police Clearance Certificate Applications” and conducts First Reading of the same. Carried.

10.1.3 - Tax Relief under Policy MDL-12

Moved by Councillor Dempsey, seconded by Councillor Zwicker that Municipal Council accepts the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and approves tax relief in the amount of \$241.06 to Doris L. Rosen as per submitted application under Policy MDL-12 “ Tax Exemption/Reduction Policy”. Carried.

10.1.4 - Method of billing Shore Drive Sewer Rates

Moved by Councillor Nauss, seconded by Councillor Young that Municipal Council accepts the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole that, considering the adoption of the Global Sewer Rate Policy, the existing method of billing Shore Drive sewer rates, as identified in the Shore Drive Sewer By-law, be used for the 2008/09 fiscal year.

Ms. Wilson noted that at the Committee of the Whole meeting it was questioned if the motion would be out of order. The motion made in April is void as the motion was contrary to the By-law. Legal counsel has advised that this motion on the floor is in order.

The motion was carried.

10.1.5 - Method of levy - Private Road Main. Agreement re East Covey Lake Association

Moved by Councillor Veinot, seconded by Deputy Warden Garber that Municipal Council accepts the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole that the method of levy in the existing private road maintenance agreement between Municipal Council and East Covey Lake Association be revised as per the petition received July 21, 2008 from the East Covey Lake Road land owners. Carried.

10.1.6 - Purchase of tickets to attend Lun. Co. Business Excellence Awards

Moved by Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Nauss that Municipal Council accepts the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and authorizes the expenditure of \$300 to purchase tickets for a table to allow staff and Councillors to attend the Lunenburg County Business Excellence Awards on October 27, 2008 at Oak Island Resort. Carried.

10.1.7 - Amendment to Policy MDL-43 “ Community Grants Program”

Moved by Councillor Statton, seconded by Councillor Dempsey that Municipal Council accepts the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and approves the amendment to Policy MDL-43 “ Community Grants Program” by adding the Schedule A “ Budgeted Grants” as presented.

Councillor Bell referred to Schedule E of Policy MDL-43 and questioned the wording of the sentence “ Municipality reserves the right to determine the number of Canada Day celebrations it will support throughout the Municipality.” He is of the opinion that perhaps it should read “ throughout the region” instead of “ throughout the Municipality” .

The motion on the floor was carried.

Moved by Councillor Zwicker, seconded by Councillor Bell that Council refers Schedule E - Canada Day Grant of Policy MDL-43 to staff to review the wording of the sentence “ Municipality reserves the right to determine the number of Canada Day celebrations it will support throughout the Municipality.” Carried.

10.1.8 - Over-budget expenditure to fund DARE Programs

Moved by Councillor Countway, seconded by Councillor Nauss that Municipal Council accepts the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and approves the over-budget expenditure of \$300 to fund the DARE Programs at the Hebbville Academy School; and further, that this over expenditure be funded out of the Community Program Grant Budget. Carried.

10.1.9 - First Reading - Proposed Amendments to Street Improvement By-law

Moved by Councillor Zwicker, seconded by Councillor Statton that Municipal Council accepts the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and conducts First Reading of the proposed amendments to the Street Improvement By-law as presented.

Ms. Whynot-Lohnes reported that there is one further small amendment that needs to be included. It has to do with the “ Due Dates of Tax” . On page 181 of today’ s agenda, in section 8(2) it states “ shall be due on the 30th day of June of each year” It needs to be amended to read “ shall be due on the last business day of June” .

Ms. Wilson said this is a non-substantial change that can be incorporated in the By-law before Second Reading is conducted.

The motion on the floor was carried.

RECESS

At 12:02 p.m. Council recessed for lunch.

At 1:22 p.m. the meeting resumed.

10.2 PENSION COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

In attendance was Gordon Pettipas, Director of Financial Services and Municipal Treasurer.

10.2.1 - Use of Employee Contingency Reserve to fund Pension Transfer Deficiencies

Moved by Deputy Warden Garber, seconded by Councillor Zwicker that Municipal Council accepts the recommendation of the Pension Committee and approves the use of the Employee Contingency Reserve to fund pension transfer deficiencies from the Municipal Pension Plan due to the termination of employment. After Mr. Pettipas gave some background information and explained the reason for the recommendation, **the motion was carried.**

10.2.2 - Amendment to Article 21 of Personnel Policy

Moved by Councillor Zwicker, seconded by Deputy Warden Garber that Municipal Council accepts the recommendation of the Pension Committee and approves an amendment to Article 21 of the Personnel Policy to reflect using funds from the Employee Contingency Reserve to fund pension transfer deficiencies from the Municipal Pension Plan due to the termination of employment. Carried.

10.2.3 - Actuarial Review of Municipal Pension Plan as of Dec. 31, 2007 (for information)

Mr. Pettipas reviewed the summary information of the funding impact from the Actuary's Report which was circulated for information. He answered Councillors' questions throughout the review.

At 1:38 p.m. Councillor Nauss left the meeting.

10.6 AUDIT COMMITTEE

10.6.1 - Update from Committee re Management Letter (for information)

Mr. Pettipas reviewed what staff has been requested to do as a result of the auditors' Management Letter which was circulated with the agenda. (Report attached to the Minutes)

At 1:42 p.m. Mr. Pettipas left the meeting.

10.4 HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PAC) RECOMMENDATION

In attendance were Ed Curran, Director of Planning and Development Services, and Jeff Merrill, Planner.

Moved by Councillor Palmer, seconded by Councillor Zwicker that Municipal Council accepts the recommendation of the Heritage Advisory Committee (PAC) and approves the substantial alteration to the Simpson's Corner Union Church, a Municipal Heritage Property located at 1315 Highway 208, Simpson's Corner, for the replacement of the wooden door on the eastern façade with a raised panel steel door, and that the door be painted to match the colour scheme of the church. Carried.

Mr. Merrill left the meeting.

10.5 ICSP COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

10.5.1 - MOU re Respective ICSPs between Municipality and Bridgewater

In attendance was Doug Reid, ICSP Coordinator.

Moved by Councillor Dempsey, seconded by Councillor Countway that Municipal Council accepts the recommendation of the ICSP Committee that the Municipality of the District of Lunenburg seek agreement through a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Town of Bridgewater, agreeing to be committed partners in the development of their respective Integrated Community Sustainability Plans.

After Councillors' questions were answered by Mr. Curran and Mr. Reid, **the motion was carried.**

Mr. Reid left the meeting.

11.4 PLANNING DIRECTOR' S MATTERS

11.4.1 - Agreement - Provision of Building Inspection Services to Region of Queens

Before approving the Agreement to provide the services of a Certified Building Official with Level 2 qualifications to the Region of Queens Municipality, Councillors' questions were answered as to how such approval would affect our own Municipality' s level of building inspection services.

Moved by Councillor Zwicker, seconded by Councillor Bell that Municipal Council approves the Agreement and authorizes the Warden and Chief Administrative Officer to execute the Agreement between the Municipality of the District of Lunenburg and the Region of Queens Municipality regarding the provision of services of a Certified Building Official with Level 2 qualifications. Carried.

11.4.2 - Opportunity to participate in large scale Mapping Program for 2009/2010

Council considered a recommendation from staff that Council grant pre-budget approval to allocate \$21,850 for the 2009/2010 fiscal year to create 23 Large Scale maps (1:2,000 scale) for the Pine Grove planning area. This is a cost-sharing opportunity. The Province will cover 50% of the cost.

Mr. Curran explained why it would be beneficial to have these maps for the Pine Grove planning area.

Ms. Wilson reported that it' s a source of information that staff can use and Council can use to make decisions in the future. Staff is obligated to let Council know about this opportunity. The deadline to make a decision is October 31, 2008.

Moved by Councillor Dempsey, seconded by Councillor Zwicker that Municipal Council grants pre-budget approval to allocate \$21,850 for the 2009/2010 fiscal year to create 23 Large Scale maps (1:2,000 scale) for the Pine Grove planning area. After some further discussion, the motion was defeated.

Mr. Curran left the meeting.

11.1.1 - Building Report for August '08 - This Report was circulated for information.

11.2 COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OFFICER' S MATTERS

In attendance was Dave Waters, Community Economic Development Officer.

11.2.1 - Council Representative for Review Committee re Branding/Website

11.2.2 - Council Representative for Review Committee re Economic Dev. Strategy

Ms. Wilson informed Council that these two agenda items were requests from the Community Economic Development Officer that Council ask the Nominating Committee to nominate one Council member to sit on the Review Committee for the Tourism Branding and Web Development project and one Council member to sit on the Review Committee for the Phase One Economic Development Strategy.

Councillor Bell, Chair of the Nominating Committee, reported that the Nominating Committee met and recommends that Councillor Cathy Moore be appointed to sit on the Review Committee for the Tourism Branding and Web Development project.

Moved by Councillor Bell, seconded by Councillor Young that Municipal Council accepts the recommendation of the Nominating Committee and appoints Councillor Cathy Moore as Council' s representative to sit on the Review Committee for the Tourism Branding and Web Development project. Carried.

Councillor Bell reported that the Nominating Committee recommends that Councillor Don Zwicker be appointed to sit on the Review Committee for the Phase One Economic Development Strategy.

Moved by Councillor Bell, seconded by Councillor Palmer that Municipal Council accepts the recommendation of the Nominating Committee and appoints Councillor Don Zwicker as Council' s representative to sit on the Review Committee for the Phase One Economic Development Strategy. Carried.

Mr. Waters left the meeting.

12. **WARDEN' S/ COUNCILLORS' MATTERS**

12.1 Warden' s Update

Warden Wentzell reported that he and Deputy Warden Garber and Councillor Moore met with Mr. Kevin McNamara, CEO for South Shore Regional Health, and the Honourable Michael Baker to discuss the problems at the New Germany Medical Centre. He also attended the UNSM Conference along with several other Councillors.

11.3 ENGINEER' S MATTERS

11.3.1 - Tender to Issue - LRCRC - Compost Facility Improvements - Pushwall

In attendance was Pierre Breau, Director of Engineering and Public Works. Council was informed about the construction of a concrete pushwall for screened compostable organics.

Moved by Councillor Statton, seconded by Councillor Dempsey that Municipal Council approves Tender 2008-05-012 to be issued for the construction of a concrete pushwall at the Lunenburg Regional Community Recycling Centre as presented by staff. Carried.

11.3.2 - Tender to Issue - Municipal Trucks - Engineering and Building Inspection Depts.

Mr. Breau explained what trucks are to be replaced in the Engineering and Building Inspection departments and what types of vehicles they are looking for to replace them.

Moved by Deputy Warden Garber, seconded by Councillor Zwicker that Municipal Council approves Tender 2008-05-013 to be issued for replacement vehicles for the Engineering and Building Inspection departments as presented by staff. Carried.

10.3 WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

In attendance was Jim Annand, Waste Site Operations Manager. Mr. Breau explained the three Tender Specifications for the LRCRC that are being recommended to Council for approval by the Waste Management Committee.

10.3.1 - Tender Specifications - Compost Facility Improvements - Ventilation

Moved by Councillor Young, seconded by Councillor Bell that Municipal Council accepts the recommendation of the Waste Management Committee and approves the Tender Specifications for LRCRC Tender 2008-05-009 "Compost Facility Improvements - Ventilation" and that we go to tender for same. Carried.

10.3.2 - Tender Specifications - Compost Facility Improvements - Masonry Wall

Moved by Councillor Veinot, seconded by Councillor Statton that Municipal Council accepts the recommendation of the Waste Management Committee

and approves the Tender Specifications for LRCRC Tender 2008-05-010 “ Compost Facility Improvements - Masonry Wall” and that we go to tender for same. Carried.

10.3.3 - Tender Specifications - Compost Facility Improvements - Roof Reinforcement

Moved by Councillor Statton, seconded by Councillor Young that Municipal Council accepts the recommendation of the Waste Management Committee and approves the Tender Specifications for LRCRC Tender 2008-05-011 “ Compost Facility Improvements - Roof Reinforcement” and that we go to tender for same. Carried.

10.3.4 - Adjustments to the 2008-09 LRCRC Budget

Ms. Wilson explained why the LRCRC Operating Budget needs to be adjusted to accommodate the continued operation of the recycling component of the LRCRC operation for the remainder of the year. Overall, the net impact is an additional \$65,872.

Moved by Councillor Young, seconded by Councillor Statton that Municipal Council accepts the recommendation of the Waste Management Committee and approves the following adjustments to the 2008-09 LRCRC Budget:

- 1) total expense forecast of \$3,979,803, an increase of \$361,422 from the approved Scenario A Budget of \$3,618,381;**
- 2) total revenue forecast of \$1,844,000, an increase of \$295,550 from the approved Scenario A Budget of \$1,548,450;**
- 3) net operating deficiency forecast of \$2,135,803, an increase of \$65,872 from the approved Scenario A Budget of \$2,069,931; and**
- 4) that the approved Scenario A Capital Budget will continue for the remainder of the 2008/09 fiscal year. Carried.**

10.3.5 - Acquisition of a new Baler

Moved by Councillor Statton, seconded by Councillor Bell that Municipal Council accepts the recommendation of the Waste Management Committee that the Engineers be authorized to take the necessary measures for the acquisition of a new baler; and further, that the money to purchase the baler be taken out of the existing Capital Budget using the money allocated for the Consolidation Area Project as this project will not be undertaken this fiscal year. After discussion, the motion was carried.

Mr. Breau and Mr. Annand left the meeting.

12. WARDEN' S/COUNCILLORS' MATTERS

12.2 - Use of Visa as a method to pay taxes

Councillor Zwicker reported that he received a phone call from a constituent who is asking

why Visa is not accepted at the Municipal Office to pay taxes.

Ms. Wilson reported that we have dealt with that matter in the past for here and the Waste Site. At the time it came down to the cost to provide that service. The Municipality would have to pay 2% of each transaction. The Finance department has said it could cost \$189,000 for that convenience; because it would have to be funded through the tax rate and that would mean 1¢ on the tax rate.

After some discussion, Ms. Wilson suggested that, before making a decision, perhaps we should look into how much demand there is by people wanting to use Visa. She can talk to the Finance department's staff to see if they get a lot of requests for Visa payments. Warden Wentzell asked if it would be satisfactory if the staff working at the Tax Office counter took a poll on this.

Councillor Zwicker said he would be satisfied to have staff do a poll to see what the reaction might be before we go any further with this.

13. ADDED BUSINESS

13.1 - LIBRARY UPDATE (K. Dempsey)

Councillor Dempsey provide a verbal update on what is going on at the Library. She read an article on Community Literacy, and noted in particular the section dealing with low literacy skills. She urged Council to continue its support of the Library services.

As she is not reoffering in the upcoming election, Councillor Dempsey extended her thanks to Councillors and staff, and to the residents of District 12 for being their representative for the last eight years.

7.1 - LUNENBURG QUEENS VOLUNTEER PARTNERSHIP/CENTRE - FUNDING REQUEST

Council then considered the request made earlier in the meeting for \$3,000 funding by the Lunenburg Queens Volunteer Partnership/Centre.

Ms. Wilson reported that Mr. Randall has indicated that there are funds available in Recreation's budget for this purpose.

Moved by Councillor Moore, seconded by Deputy Warden Garber that Municipal Council approves a total grant of \$3,000 to the Lunenburg Queens Volunteer Partnership/Centre, and that the funds to pay this grant be taken from the following Recreation budgets:

\$2,500.00 from the Program budget and

\$ 500.00 from the Community Program Grants' budget.

Carried.

13. ADDED BUSINESS

13.2 - REQUEST TO ATTEND AGRICULTURAL CONFERENCE (A. Young)

Councillor Young requested permission to attend the Conference "Preserving Agricultural Lands: Tools for Success" which is to be held November 17, 2008 at the Old Orchard

Inn. The registration cost is \$25.

Moved by Councillor Palmer, seconded by Councillor Veinot that Municipal Council approves the attendance of Councillor Arthur Young at the Agricultural Conference on November 17, 2008 and that he be reimbursed any out-of-pocket expenses. Carried.

At 3:30 p.m. Deputy Warden Garber left the meeting.

14. ***IN CAMERA IN COMMITTEE***

Moved by Councillor Palmer, seconded by Councillor Statton 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:

14.1 - Contract Negotiations/Labour Relations, in accordance with section 22 (2) (d) and (e) of the *Municipal Government Act*.

Moved by Councillor Dempsey, seconded by Councillor Zwicker that Council resume its public meeting. Carried.

14.1 - Contract Negotiations/Labour Relations

Moved by Councillor Young, seconded by Councillor Zwicker that Municipal Council approves the backup plan in the event of a baler failure at LRCRC as discussed *In Camera*. Carried.

Warden Wentzell noted that this is his last day as Chair of a Council meeting. He expressed his gratitude to the electors, to the Councillors for the cooperation they have given him as Warden as well as the staff. He said it has been an interesting 11 years. He wished Councillor Dempsey well in her future endeavours. He congratulated those who were acclaimed and extended well wishes to those who have reoffered in the upcoming election.

Councillor Countway asked if he takes metal to the Waste Site does he have to pay a disposal fee. Mr. Annand said yes. Councillor Countway thinks for that reason we are losing money at the Waste Site because people are taking it elsewhere.

There being no further business, **it was moved by Councillor Zwicker, seconded by Councillor Palmer that the meeting adjourn.**

At 4:13 p.m. Warden Wentzell declared the meeting adjourned.

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WARDEN JACK WENTZELL, CHAIR

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TAMMY WILSON, CAO