



**Committee of the Whole (COW) Meeting Minutes
September 6, 2017 -- 5:30 pm**

Present: Dave Foley, Commission Chair; Tom Mulrooney, COW Chair; Nancy Hatch, Commissioner; Michael Heisler, Commissioner; Forrest McWade, Clerk Treasurer; Maxine Veinot, Recording Secretary;

Regrets: nil

Absent: Bill Nauss, Commission Vice-Chair

There were no members of the public in attendance.

1.0 Call to Order

Commission Chair Foley called the Sept 6, 2017, Committee of the Whole (COW) meeting to order at 5:30 pm and turned the meeting over to COW Chair Mulrooney.

2.0 Public Forum

There were no members of the public in attendance

3.0 Agenda Additions

7.1 Water Study

4.0 Clerk's Report

Clerk Treasurer McWade met with Bruce Blackwood, MODC, regarding the fire services as well as service to the various islands. These issues will be discussed further in the future.

CVFD had the Mobile Burn Unit (MBU) in the area and Commissioner Hatch and Clerk Treasurer McWade attended a training event at the MBU. This event was well received.

The Lido Pool closed for the 2017 season, Monday, September 4/17, at 8:00 pm. At a future meeting in October, a discussion and analysis will be held on the statistics kept by the Life Guards throughout the season.

On the last day of swimming lessons, a Fun Day was held in the morning, and then in the afternoon there were additional snacks, drinks and food in honour of 50th Anniversary for the Lido Pool.

An email was forwarded from MODC, from a resident suggesting the Village consider installing a 'scooter charger' by the car charger.

During the next few weeks there are several conferences that Clerk Treasurer McWade will be attending: September 14, 15, & 16th is the Association of Nova Scotia Villages (ANSV) AGM and conference, which is in Cape Breton. September 27, 28 & 29, the Association of Municipal Administrators of Nova Scotia (AMANS) fall conference will be held in Truro. The Clerk will bring back a report regarding discussion points.

4.0 Clerk's Report (continued)

The other main project is the fire truck. Mr. Redden is gathering the final information and putting together a report.

COW Chair Mulrooney questioned the leak in the pool, which was talked of in the spring of 2017. Clerk Treasurer McWade said a Request for Proposal (RFP) should be out next week, regarding some maintenance needed. It is unknown as to why the water level drops in the pool. It is hoped to have the work completed before the ground freezes this winter.

5.0 Policy

<> Operating Reserve

Clerk Treasurer McWade began the review of the Operating Reserve policy.

Discussion was held.

Clerk Treasurer McWade will update the policy as discussed and bring the policy back to a future meeting for review and possibly for finalizing the policy.

<> Apparatus Use

Clerk Treasurer McWade reported on the current Apparatus Use policy.

Discussion was held.

Clerk Treasurer McWade will put the information together and bring back a draft policy to a future meeting.

6.0 UNSM Report

Clerk Treasurer McWade reported on a request from MODC regarding the Village Commission's input on the UNSM Fire Services report. MODC invited the Chair to an upcoming meeting with the Fire Chiefs and Commission Chairs.

It was agreed that the Village of Chester supports MODC and the Province in making Fire Service a priority for Nova Scotia residents.

7.0 Any Other Business

7.1 Water Study

The Clerk Treasurer stated that the Decision paper is on MODC Council's agenda for September 7th.

Discussion was held.

The next step is to perform Socio-economic Analysis and drilling tests.

8.0 Adjournment

MOTION: Commissioner Heisler adjourned the meeting at 7:00 pm.

Dave Foley
Commission Chair

Maxine Veinot
Recording Secretary