

**TOWN OF LOCKEPORT
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 11, 2016 AT 6:00 P.M.
MINUTES**

PRESENT: MAYOR DARIAN HUSKILSON, DEPUTY MAYOR ALONZO (LONNIE) TOWNSEND, COUNCILLOR DAYLE ESHELBY, COUNCILLOR JOANN SWIMM, TOWN CLERK/TREASURER, JOYCE YOUNG AND RECORDING SECRETARY, JUNE HARDING-SCOTT

REGRETS: COUNCILLOR ERROL L. WILLIAMS

1. Call to order

The Meeting was called to order by Mayor Huskilson at 6:00 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

04-11-16-01

It was duly moved and seconded that the agenda be approved with the following addition under Other Business: Shelburne County Housing Meeting Minutes.

Motion Passed

3. Approval of previous minutes

- *Regular Council Meeting Minutes, March 14, 2016*

04-11-16-02

It was duly moved and seconded that the Regular Council Minutes from March 14, 2016, be approved.

Motion Passed

4. Open Mic

5. Presentations

6. Recommendations from Other Committees

- *Economic Development/Planning Advisory, March 21, 2016 (Attached as Schedule "A")*
 - o *Lockeport 2017 – Make up of Committee*

04-11-16-03

It was duly moved and seconded that as recommended by the Economic Development/Planning Advisory Committee, the following people be appointed to the Lockeport 2017 Committee: George Harding, Mary Meagher, Janice Fiske and Kevin Grant.

Motion Passed

- *Committee of the Whole, March 29, 2016 (Attached as Schedule "B")*

There was a discussion regarding reading recommendations out loud so anyone attending the Council Meetings can be aware of what recommendations are put before Council.

It was decided that from now on a copy of the recommendations to go before Council will be made available to the public along with the agendas in the citizen's gallery.

- *Onshore Construction/Dunes Structure Project*

04-11-16-04

It was duly moved and seconded that as recommended by the Committee of the Whole, On-Shore Construction Ltd. be contracted to reintroduce the wire lobster traps into the dunes structure that were dislocated during a recent storm, at a cost of \$5,094.50 (HST included). This project is to be paid utilizing Federal Gas Tax funds.

Motion Passed

- *Mutual Aid annual supper*

04-11-16-05

It was duly moved and seconded that as recommended by the Committee of the Whole Councillor Swimm be approved to attend the annual Mutual Aid supper being held in Woods Harbour on April 2, 2016.

Motion Passed

7. Finance

- *Request for contribution toward the 50th Anniversary event of the Canadian Coast Guard Rescue Boat 101, from Mayor Leigh Stoddart, Town of Clark's Harbour*

04-11-16-06

It was duly moved and seconded that this item be considered during budget deliberations.

Motion Passed

- *Western Counties Regional Library, "Adopt A Book" campaign*

04-11-16-07

It was duly moved and seconded that this item be considered during budget deliberations.

Motion Passed

- *Invoice from EastPoint Engineering Limited*

04-11-16-08

It was duly moved and seconded that the outstanding invoice from Eastpoint Engineering Ltd., in the amount of \$1800.90, be paid by utilizing Federal Gas Tax funds.

Motion Passed

8. Other Business

- *Funding request for Map/Brochure from Shelburne County Tourism*

04-11-16-09

It was duly moved and seconded that since this request deadline has passed this item will be forwarded to Budget deliberations to determine what the Town of Lockeport can contribute next year.

Motion Passed

- *UNSM Spring Workshop 2016*

Mayor Huskilson told Council at this time that the CEO/CAO Forum that he and Joyce attended in Truro recently was very informative. There was a lot of discussion at the forum regarding restructuring etc. and this discussion is supposed to continue at the UNSM Spring Workshop in May. Mayor Huskilson requested that he and Joyce be approved to attend the UNSM Spring Workshop in Greenwich, Nova Scotia May 4th to May 6th, 2016.

04-11-16-10

It was duly moved and seconded that Mayor Huskilson and Town Clerk/Treasurer, Joyce Young be approved to attend the UNSM Spring Workshop May 4th to May 6th at the Old Orchard Inn in Greenwich Nova Scotia.

Motion Passed

There was a discussion regarding the budget process as it pertains to Conventions and Delegations.

Deputy Mayor Townsend requested that Mayor Huskilson and Joyce bring a report back to Council from the Workshop. He also stated that hard decisions must be made during budget deliberations and this budget will be as difficult to balance as the last.

Mayor Huskilson stated that he believes that associating with peers is very important and this topic will be further discussed during budget deliberations.

It was decided that the topic of restructuring/amalgamation/annexing be discussed at the next Council Team Meeting.

- *Funding Request from South Shore Tourism Team*

04-11-16-11

It was duly moved and seconded that the Town of Lockeport support the South Shore Tourism Team by contributing \$63.45 toward implementing the proposed 2016 plan.

Motion Passed

- *Visitor Information Centers – Feasibility Study*

04-11-16-12

It was duly moved and seconded that Joyce notify REN that Council of the Town of Lockeport wish to be included in the VIC Feasibility Study and the subject has been forwarded to the Economic Development/Planning Advisory Committee for discussion and possibility of appointing a member to the Project Advisory Committee.

Motion Passed

- *Shelburne County Housing Committee Minutes*

Information Purposes only

Mayor Huskilson asked Council to think about who might be interested in being his alternate for the REN Liason/Oversight Committee and it can be discussed at the next Council Meeting.

Councillor Swimm asked about the situation at the Old Royal Bank where a recent storm had dislodged part of the front. She has had tax payers asking about it. The building is in a horrendous state and very unsightly.

Mayor Huskilson told Council that it is a tough situation and we have no way of knowing what the owner of the building is thinking. Structurally the building is like a fortress. The Building Inspector has checked the building and has declared it safe. As long as it is deemed safe Council cannot force the owner to bring the building down.

The next budget meeting was slated for Wednesday, April 20, 2016 at 1:00 p.m.

9. Council Reports

10. Correspondence

11. Date of next meeting

- *Monday, May 9, 2016*

12. "In Camera"

13. Adjournment

04-11-16-13

There being no further business to discuss, it was duly moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Time 7:18 p.m.

Motion Passed

**Darian Huskilson,
Mayor**

**Joyce Young,
Town Clerk/Treasurer**