

A meeting of Committee of the Whole was held on Tuesday, April 25, 2023, beginning at 6:00 PM in Council Chamber.

Present:	Mayor Donald Hussher Deputy Mayor VJ Earle- Chair Councillor Heather Head Councillor Nicole LeBlanc Alanna MacDonald – CAO	Regrets:	Councillor Steven Cotter
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Call to Order by Deputy Mayor Earle

Approval of Agenda

Moved by Councillor Head
Seconded by Councillor LeBlanc
Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Moved by Councillor Head
Seconded by Mayor Hussher
That the Minutes of March 28, 2023, be approved as presented.
Motion carried.

No Business Arising from the Minutes

Other Business

Draft Outdoor Fires Policy OTH-20230509

Moved by Councillor Head
Seconded by Mayor Hussher
Discussion on the Outdoor Fires Policy drafted to establish fees when issuing Outdoor Fire burn permits as required within the Town of Trenton’s Outdoor Fires By-law No.2023-01 (once approved) and will allow for changes to the fee structures for permits without the need to alter the by-law. To approve a motion to bring the Outdoor Fire Policy to May Council meeting for approval.
Motion carried.

Lyme Disease Awareness Month

To receive information from the Nova Scotia Lyme Support Group with request to proclaim May 2023 as Lyme Disease Awareness Month. The CAO reach out to local advocates to speak to Council regarding Lyme Disease Awareness.

Pictou County Partnership Request

To receive information from the Pictou County Partnership regarding continuing commitment to regional economic development and an increase in financial support for their fourth operational year. To recommend bringing request forward for further budget discussions and consideration.

Round Table

- Councillor Head thanked residents for participating in the Pictou County Go Clean Get Green week and Public Works for beginning cold patch work last week.
- Councillor LeBlanc also thanked those who participated in Pictou County Go Clean Get Green week. The Albion Boxing Club is celebrating their 35th Anniversary this May and would like to acknowledge the group.
- Mayor Hussler inquired about the street patching for this year and patching on streets planned to be paved. The paving schedule in 2022 was delayed due to Hurricane Fiona. The CAO explained the paving companies generally schedule different processes across multiple towns to be done simultaneously.
- Deputy Mayor Earle confirmed the Joe Earle Road Races are once again scheduled for Victoria Day. He inquired if an announcement has been made regarding the Trenton Park Canteen operations for this summer to which the CAO confirmed no announcement has been made. He is looking forward to the new upgrades to Trenton Park scheduled to be completed this summer including the barrier-free accessible dock, amphitheatre roof and mini golf upgrades.

Residents

- Robin Morash commended Council for cleaning garbage at Trenton Park during the Pictou County Go Clean Get Green week. Many people pick up after themselves but unfortunately there are still people who throw away coffee cups or dog bags in the park instead of carrying them to the garbage cans. He inquired about fire bans and burn permits. The CAO informed him that under the proposed Outdoor Fires By-law a regular backyard fire in a regulated fire pit is allowed (dependent on Provincial burn restrictions) without a permit but a larger fire (brush, etc.) needs to have a permit approved by the Fire Chief.

Moved by Councillor LeBlanc
Seconded by Councillor Head
To move into "In Camera"

Moved by Councillor LeBlanc
Seconded by Mayor Hussler
To move out of "In Camera"
Motion carried.

Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Head
That the meeting be adjourned.
Meeting adjourned at 7:10PM

VJ Earle
Deputy Mayor

Alanna MacDonald
Chief Administrative Officer