

A meeting of Committee of the Whole was held on Tuesday, October 24, 2023, beginning at 6:00 PM in Council Chamber.

Present: Mayor Donald Hussher
Deputy Mayor VJ Earle – Chair
Councilor Steven Cotter
Councilor Heather Head
Councilor Nicole LeBlanc
Alanna Grover – CAO
Marilou Sutherland – Deputy Clerk

Also in Attendance: Wanda White
Carissa & Asha
Pictou County Pride

Call to Order by Deputy Mayor Earle

Land Acknowledgement – Deputy Mayor Earle

At the Town of Trenton, we acknowledge that we are in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq people. This land is governed by the treaties of Peace and friendship, first signed by the Mi'kmaq. We reside by Pictou Landing First Nation, which is governed by a Chief and Five Council.

Approval of Agenda

Moved by Councilor Head
Seconded by Councilor Cotter
To approve the Agenda as presented.
Motion carried.

Presentation - Wanda White & Carissa, CoChairs of Pictou County Pride

Gave an overview of Pictou County Pride; their programs, events and presented statistics and facts on LGBTQ youth.

Approval of Minutes

Moved by Councilor LeBlanc
Seconded by Councilor Cotter
That the Minutes of September 26, 2023, be approved as presented.
Motion carried.

Business Arising from the Minutes

The Trenton Park iron gate was open, the CAO explained that there is work being done to the Amphitheatre. The construction crew was using the entrance to complete the work.
The intersection at the Trenton Connector is currently being set up for site and speed survey.

New Business

Town of Trenton No. 14 Alternative Voting Bylaw
Moved by Councilor LeBlanc
Seconded by Councilor Cotter
To recommend the Town of Trenton No. 14 Alternative Voting Bylaw be forwarded to Council meeting for First Reading.
Motion carried.

Joint Statement, Coast Protection Act

Moved by Mayor Hussher

Seconded by Councilor Head

To support the Joint Statement for Coast Protection Act by sending letter to Minister Tim Halman, Minister of Environment and Climate Change.

Motion carried.

Donation Request

Moved by Councilor Cotter

Seconded by Councilor LeBlanc

To recommend the donation request from Pictou County Christmas Fund be \$250, this will be forwarded to Council.

Motion carried.

Moved by Mayor Hussher

Seconded by Councilor LeBlanc

To recommend the donation request from North Nova Gryphon's Boys Hockey Memorial Tournament be \$200, the request will be forwarded to Council.

Motion carried.

St. Andrews Society

Donation request was received, more information was requested on upcoming events.

Pictou County Transit

The Sale of Service Agreement will be forwarded to November's Council Meeting.

Round Table

- Councilor Cotter reported that the cenotaph is almost finished. The half ton fire truck is having repairs, the Fire Department is requesting use of the public works truck for the winter.
- Councilor Head inquired about the replacement plaque at the Park which will be installed this fall. A reminder to the public that the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 29 is hosting a Christmas Craft Fair on November 23 from 4-8 PM.
- Councilor LeBlanc reported that Pictou County Partners celebrated Small Business Week last week. They did an awesome job featuring the local businesses. The Pictou-Antigonish Library Board has provided updates on programs offered at each of the libraries. The ice went in at the Trenton Rink, more details on the schedule would be great to see on social media.
- Mayor Hussher inquired about the sidewalk being installed on Park Road across from Trenton Park. The CAO reported that the sidewalk will be in two stages.
- The CAO displayed the thank you from 55+ Games.
- Deputy Mayor Earle inquired about the patching schedule, which is behind schedule. The reservoir replacement is on schedule. No changes on the status of the water shed on Main Street.

Moved by Councilor Cotter

Seconded by Councilor Head

To move into "In Camera"

Moved by Councilor LeBlanc
Seconded by Mayor Hussher
To move out of "In Camera"
Motion carried.

Adjournment

Moved by Mayor Hussher
That the meeting be adjourned.
Meeting adjourned at 7:25PM

VJ Earle
Deputy Mayor

Alanna Grover
Chief Administrative Officer