

CAPE BRETON REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY
Council Meeting – Minutes

**Tuesday,
October 11, 2022
6:03 p.m.
Council Chambers
2nd Floor, City Hall
320 Esplanade, Sydney, NS**

Mayor Amanda M. McDougall called the meeting to order.

Council: Mayor Amanda M. McDougall
Councillor Gordon MacDonald
Deputy Mayor Earlene MacMullin
Councillor Cyril MacDonald
Councillor Steve Gillespie
Councillor Eldon MacDonald
Councillor Glenn Paruch
Councillor Steve Parsons
Councillor James Edwards
Councillor Ken Tracey
Councillor Darren Bruckschwaiger
Councillor Darren O'Quinn
Councillor Lorne Green

Staff: Marie Walsh, Chief Administrative Officer
John MacKinnon, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
Jennifer Campbell, Chief Financial Officer
Deborah Campbell Ryan, Municipal Clerk
Demetri Kachafanas, KC, Regional Solicitor
Wayne MacDonald, Director of Engineering & Public Works
Michael Ruus, Director of Planning & Development
Bruce MacDonald, Manager of Emergency Management
Sharon MacSween, Senior Administrative Assistant
Tanya Nicholson, Recording Secretary

Absent: N/A

The Council met In Camera on September 16, 2022 and on September 26, 2022 in accordance to Section 22 (2) (d) of the *Municipal Government Act*.

Summary of Decisions

Land Acknowledgement

Roll Call

O' Canada

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion to approve the October 11th, 2022, Council Agenda as circulated.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion of approval of the Minutes from:

➤ **August 23, 2022 – Council Carried.**

3. PROCLAMATIONS & RESOLUTIONS:

3.1 Cadet Day (for ratification):

Motion that CBRM Mayor Amanda M. McDougall and Council proclaim Saturday, October 1st, 2022 as Cadet Day in the Cape Breton Regional Municipality. **Carried.**

4. REPORT:

4.1 Update on Hurricane Fiona:

The CBRM Manager of Emergency Management provided a report regarding CBRM's experience with Hurricane Fiona to date.

For information only.

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Summary of Decisions (Cont'd):

5. CORPORATE SERVICES ISSUES:

5.1 Election/Selection of Deputy Mayor:

Councillor James Edwards was elected to serve as Deputy Mayor, commencing November 1st, 2022, for a one-year term as per the Deputy Mayor Policy.

5.2 Appointment of the Nominating Committee:

Motion that the following Councillors be appointed to serve on the Nominating Committee with the Mayor:

- Deputy Mayor Earlene MacMullin
- Councillor Eldon MacDonald
- Councillor Glenn Paruch
- Councillor Steve Parsons
- Councillor Darren O'Quinn

Carried.

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

N/A

7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: Jennifer Campbell, Chief Financial Officer

7.1 CBRM to July 31, 2022:

For Information Only.

7.2 Port of Sydney Development Corporation to July 31, 2022:

For Information Only.

8. Review of Action Items from this Meeting:

The Mayor reviewed action items from this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The Council met In Camera on September 16, 2022 and on September 26, 2022 in accordance to Section 22 (2) (d) of the *Municipal Government Act*.

Land Acknowledgement

Roll Call

O' Canada

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Green, seconded by Councillor O'Quinn, to approve the October 11th, 2022, Council Agenda as circulated.

Motion Carried.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Cyril MacDonald, seconded by Councillor Parsons, approval of the Minutes from:

- **August 23, 2022 – Council**

Motion Carried.

At this time in the meeting, Mayor McDougall thanked all staff of CBRM staff for their commitment during the Hurricane Fiona State of Emergency.

3. PROCLAMATIONS:

3.1 Cadet Day (for ratification):

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Gordon MacDonald, seconded by Deputy Mayor MacMullin, that CBRM Mayor Amanda M. McDougall and Council proclaim Saturday, October 1st, 2022 as Cadet Day in the Cape Breton Regional Municipality.

Motion Carried.

4. REPORT:

4.1 Update on Hurricane Fiona:

Mayor Amanda M. McDougall noted that there is a long road to recovery, rebuilding, strengthening, and growing as an organization when responding to weather events and emergency situations. She advised that CBRM will be conducting a thorough debrief process to help CBRM be more prepared for the next weather event.

Bruce MacDonald, CBRM Manager of Emergency Management, provided a report regarding CBRM's experience with Hurricane Fiona to date, highlighting the following:

- Mitigation/Preparedness
- Response
- Recovery
- Province of Nova Scotia Hurricane Fiona Support
- Response/Recovery Partners to Acknowledge

Mayor McDougall thanked Bruce MacDonald for the information and his efforts in coordinating the CBRM Emergency Operations Centre.

For information only.

5. CORPORATE SERVICES ISSUES:

5.1 Election/Selection of Deputy Mayor:

Mayor Amanda M. McDougall thanked Deputy Mayor Earlene MacMullin for her service as Deputy Mayor during the past two years.

The Municipal Clerk explained the election/selection process as outlined in the Deputy Mayor Policy.

Mayor McDougall then called for nominations for the Office of Deputy Mayor.

Councillor Edwards was nominated by Councillor Green and Councillor Edwards accepted the nomination.

Councillor Eldon MacDonald nominated Gordon MacDonald and Councillor Gordon MacDonald accepted the nomination.

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CORPORATE SERVICES ISSUES – Election/Selection of Deputy Mayor (Cont’d):

Following a vote, Mayor McDougall declared Councillor James Edwards as Deputy Mayor, commencing November 1, 2022, for a one-year term.

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Gordon MacDonald, seconded by Councillor Gillespie, that the ballots from the election process for Deputy Mayor be destroyed.

Motion Carried.

5.2 Appointment of the Nominating Committee:

Deborah Campbell Ryan, Municipal Clerk, advised there is a requirement to appoint the Nominating Committee for a two-year term in accordance with Section 12 of Policy RC4 Committees. Upon appointment, the Nominating Committee shall convene and nominate persons to serve on the standing committees and external agencies/committees.

The Mayor then asked for at least five volunteers to serve with the Mayor on the Nominating Committee. Five Council members put their names forward, and then the following motion was made:

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Bruckschwaiger, seconded by Councillor Green, that the following Councillors be appointed to serve on the Nominating Committee with the Mayor:

- Deputy Mayor Earlene MacMullin
- Councillor Eldon MacDonald
- Councillor Glenn Paruch
- Councillor Steve Parsons
- Councillor Darren O’Quinn

Motion Carried.

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

N/A

7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: Jennifer Campbell, Chief Financial Officer

7.1 CBRM to July 31, 2022:

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7.2 Port of Sydney Development Corporation to July 31, 2022:

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8. Review of Action Items from this Meeting:

Mayor McDougall recognized Council and Staff for making sure CBRM constituents were safe during the effects of Fiona. She advised that Council and Staff are working hard to ensure that the Provincial and Federal counterparts are listening to CBRM needs and once she has details on the Federal disaster financial assistance funding, it will be shared with the constituents of CBRM.

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Meeting adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

Mayor Amanda M. McDougall
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Deborah Campbell Ryan
Municipal Clerk