

*Cape Breton Regional Municipality  
Special Council Meeting – Minutes*

**Tuesday,  
March 7, 2023  
4:34 p.m.  
Council Chambers  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, City Hall  
320 Esplanade, Sydney, NS**

**Mayor McDougall-Merrill called the meeting to order.**

**Present:**

Mayor Amanda M. McDougall-Merrill  
Deputy Mayor James Edwards, Chairperson  
Councillor Gordon MacDonald  
Councillor Earlene MacMullin  
Councillor Steve Gillespie  
Councillor Eldon MacDonald  
Councillor Glenn Paruch  
Councillor Steve Parsons  
Councillor Darren O'Quinn  
Councillor Lorne Green

**Staff:**

Marie Walsh, Chief Administrative Officer  
John MacKinnon, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer  
Deborah Campbell Ryan, Municipal Clerk  
Jennifer Campbell, Chief Financial Officer  
Demetri Kachafanas, KC, Regional Solicitor  
Michael Ruus, Director of Planning and Development  
Wayne MacDonald, Director of Engineering and Public Works  
Sharon MacSween, Recording Secretary

**Absent:**

Councillor Cyril MacDonald (Regrets)  
Councillor Ken Tracey (Regrets)  
Councillor Darren Bruckschwaiger (Leave of Absence)

*The Council met earlier this date in accordance with Section 22(2)(e) of the Municipal Government Act.*

**Summary of Decisions**

**Land Acknowledgement**

**Roll Call**

**1. Approval of Agenda:**

**Motion** to approve the March 7, 2023, Special Council Agenda as circulated. **Carried.**

**2. Business Arising**

**2.1 In Camera Council – March 7, 2023:**

**a) CBRM EOI01-2022 – RHI Submission Recommendation:**

**Motion** to approve the staff recommendation to:

- Appoint New Dawn Enterprises as CBRM's intermediary for the Cities Stream - Round 3 RHI application;
- Negotiate with New Dawn to increase their proposed unit number to 24, meeting CBRM's required allotment; and
- Negotiate an agreement to protect the CBRM from any possible capital overruns or operational shortfalls.

**Motion Defeated.**

**Adjournment**

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**Land Acknowledgement**

**Roll Call**

**1. Approval of Agenda:**

**Motion:**

Moved by Councillor Green, seconded by Councillor Gordon MacDonald, to approve the March 7, 2023, Special Council Agenda as circulated.

**Motion Carried.**

**2. Business Arising:**

**2.1 In Camera Council – March 7, 2023:**

**a) CBRM EOI01-2022 – RHI Submission Recommendation:**

Michael Ruus, Director of Planning and Development, introduced the staff recommendation.

The following motion was then put forward:

**Motion:**

Moved by Councillor Parsons, seconded by Deputy Mayor Edwards, to approve the staff recommendation to:

- Appoint New Dawn Enterprises as CBRM’s intermediary for the Cities Stream - Round 3 RHI application;
- Negotiate with New Dawn to increase their proposed unit number to 24, meeting CBRM’s required allotment; and
- Negotiate an agreement to protect the CBRM from any possible capital overruns or operational shortfalls.

**Motion Defeated.**

**Adjournment 4:30 p.m.**

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**Mayor Amanda M. McDougall-Merrill**

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**Deborah Campbell Ryan  
Municipal Clerk**