

1. **CALL TO ORDER**1.1 O' Canada

Warden Al Gillis called the February 1, 2017 Council session of the Municipality of the County of Cumberland to order at 6:30 p.m. The meeting was held at the E.D. Fullerton Municipal Building. O'Canada was sung.

1.2 Roll Call

Municipal Clerk/Records Manager Brenda Moore, called the roll with the following Councillors present: Councillor Porter, Councillor Chase, Councillor van Vulpen, Warden Gillis, Councillor Welton, Councillor Palmer, Councillor Rector, Councillor Gilbert, Councillor McLellan, Deputy Warden Fletcher, Councillor Williams, Councillor Jackson, and Councillor Rafuse

Staff present: Rennie Bugley, CAO; Steve Ferguson, Director of Community Development; Andrew MacDonald, Director of Finance; Justin Waugh-Cress, Director of Engineering and Operations; Michele Byers, Community Economic Development Officer; Ron Moore, Administrator of Dangerous and Unightly Premises/Bylaw Enforcement Officer; Brenda Moore, Municipal Clerk/Records Manager who recorded the meeting. Ron Dauphinee, Municipal Advisor was also present.

2. **ADMINISTRATIVE AND PROCEDURAL ISSUES**

2.1 The agenda was approved with the following addition(s)/deletion(s):

Addition(s):	4.1	Police Services Review
	4.2	CJSMA Budget
	4.3	Revenue Report
	6.8	Speed Limit Review Parrsboro area
	6.9	UNSM Spring Conference Topics
	6.10	Joint Council Meeting
	6.11	Council Committee Nominations
Deletions:	6.3	Wallace Fire Department Rescue Vehicle

2.2 a) Approval of Minutes of January 18, 2017 council meeting.

**IT WAS MOVED by Deputy Warden Fletcher seconded by Councillor Rafuse to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2016 Council meeting.  
MOTION CARRIED #17-013**

2.3 Business Arising from the January 18, 2017 council meeting

The Business Arising and the On Going Business Arising were reviewed and Council was brought up to date on the status of the lists.

2.4 Delegations, Presentations, Petitions, Proclamations

i) Cumberland Public Libraries

Warden Gillis welcomed Denise Corey, Chief Librarian Cumberland Public Libraries who gave a presentation on the services provided by the library and funding to the public libraries in the province of Nova Scotia. The Library is requesting a 10% increase in the funding the Municipality provides to them. There was a brief question and answer period. Warden Gillis thanked Denise for the presentation and assured her when the request for additional funding is received in writing Council will consider it during the budget deliberations.

ii) Cumberland Joint Services Management Authority Budget

Steven Rayworth presented the CJSMA annual budget for the 2017/2018 fiscal year. Mr. Rayworth responded to questions on the budget.

iii) Cumberland's Emergency Management Coordinator Mike Johnson provide an update on the situation in New Brunswick after the freezing rain storm of January 24, 2017 left them with widespread power outages; as well as the preparations made by the Cumberland Emergency Management to be able to provide assistance to our residents if required. Cumberland Emergency Management was able to provide assistance to New Brunswick by loaning and delivering them some generators.

## 2.5 Public Hearings

- (i) Dangerous and Unsightly Premises, 23 Templar Street, Parrsboro, PID #25220120, AAN #04690095.

Warden Gillis called to Order the Public Hearing at 7:09 p.m.

Mr. Ron Moore, Administrator of Dangerous and Unsightly Premises, provided written and photographic evidence to Council regarding the condition of the property.

Warden Gillis then asked if the property owner was in the gallery and if they would like to speak to this issue. There were none. Warden Gillis asked if any Councillors had any questions.

Hearing none, Warden Gillis then closed the public hearing at 7:11 p.m.

**IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Rector seconded by Councillor Welton to order demolition of the house and shed as well as the removal of all debris from the property to an approved facility on or before February 10, 2017.**

**MOTION CARRIED #17-014**

## 3. STRATEGIC PRIORITIES ISSUES

### 3.1 Strategic Priorities

A memo was included in your meeting material outlining the 6 Strategic Priorities as set by the previous Council.

### 3.2 Proposed Expansion of Pugwash Water Distribution System

Justin Waugh-Cress briefly reviewed the memo and information that was provided in the meeting materials and provided additional information to Council. A recommendation from staff was also included.



**IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Gilbert seconded by Councillor van Vulpen that Municipal Council approve the expenditure of up to \$1,064,000 to extend domestic water mains and service laterals to those portions of Pugwash Point Road and Gulf Shore Road as outlined in Schedule A and subject to approval from our funding partners.**

**MOTION CARRIED #17-015**

## 4. MAJOR ORGANIZATIONAL ISSUES

### 4.1 Police Serviced Review

CAO Bugley gave a brief update on the requirement of a review.

**IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Williams seconded by Councillor Chase that staff contact the Nova Scotia Department of Justice to request a Police Services Review.**

**MOTION CARRIED #17-016**

4.2 CJSMA Budget

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Gilbert seconded by Deputy Warden Fletcher that Council approve the CJSMA Budget for the 2017/2018 fiscal year.

MOTION CARRIED #17-017

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor van Vulpen seconded by Councillor Welton that Council approve the Cumberland Joint Services Management Authority expenditure of \$100,000 for sea cans for storage of recyclable material at the Land Fill Site.

MOTION CARRIED #17-018

4.3 Revenue and Expenditure Report

Director of Finance Andrew MacDonald explained this report does not include any information from Parrsboro. There will be a report similar to this for Parrsboro at a future meeting. Mr. MacDonald briefly reviewed the Statement of Operations 31-Dec-16 for Council.

## 5. ORGANIZATIONAL POLICY/BY-LAW ISSUES

5.1 Bylaw Repeal

A bylaw to repeal the Bylaw Respecting Tax Exemption for Fire Companies, Charitable and Non-Profit Organizations of the Form Town of Parrsboro was included in your meeting material.

IT WAS MOVED by Deputy Warden Fletcher seconded by Councillor Rafuse to approve first reading of the bylaw to repeal Bylaw Respecting Tax Exemption for Fire Companies, Charitable and Non-Profit Organizations of the Form Town of Parrsboro.

Municipality of County of Cumberland By-Law 17-01  
Bylaw Respecting Tax Exemption for Fire Companies, Charitable  
and Non-Profit Organizations Repeal Bylaw

1. The By-Law Respecting Tax Exemption for Fire Companies, Charitable and Non-Profit Organizations of the former Town of Parrsboro is hereby repealed.

MOTION CARRIED #17 - 019

## 6. BUSINESS ISSUES

6.1 Bylaw Report

By law Enforcement Officer, Ron Moore provided a brief update which was included in the Council meeting material.

6.2 Canine Control/Bylaw Enforcement Officer Report

Jaime Spicer Canine Control/Bylaw enforcement Officer provided an update for Council which was included in your meeting material.

6.3 Wallace Fire Department Rescue Vehicle

This was deleted from the agenda for this meeting and will be included on a future meeting agenda.

6.4 Tidnish Bridge Renaming

There are documents in the meeting package that are requesting Council's support for naming the Tidnish River Bridge the Gillian Lawrence Memorial Bridge.

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor van Vulpen seconded by Councillor Jackson that a letter be sent to Nova Scotia Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal supporting the request to name the Tidnish River bridge the Gillian Lawrence Memorial Bridge.

MOTION CARRIED #17-020

6.5 Divestiture of Surplus Real Property Mandate

A draft mandate for the Divestiture of Surplus Real Property Committee was included in the meeting material.

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Gilbert seconded by Deputy Warden Fletcher to approve the mandate for the Divestiture of Surplus Real Property Committee.

MUNICIPALITY OF CUMBERLAND  
DIVESTITURE OF SURPLUS REAL PROPERTY COMMITTEE  
MANDATE

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**Overview**

The Mandate of the Divestiture of Surplus Real Property Committee is generally to make recommendations to Council regarding whether certain properties owned by the Municipality should be declared surplus, and if so, to recommend how those properties should be divested or leased, then to oversee the divestiture or leasing process and report back to Council. The main goal of the Committee is to return as many surplus properties as practicable to private ownership.

**Structure and Governance**

The Committee shall consist of three Councillors, appointed annually by Council. Council may decide to limit the number of consecutive one year terms that a Councillor may serve on the Committee.

Committee members shall, by nomination and vote, select one of the members to Chair meetings. The Chair may be changed by majority vote of the Committee.

The Committee shall attempt to make decisions by consensus without formal motions. If the Committee is unable to reach a consensus, decisions shall be made by motion and vote. A member opposed to a motion is entitled to express their dissent to Council.

The Committee shall be supported by such Municipal staff as the CAO deems appropriate, who shall be responsible for preparing agendas, meeting materials, reports, and meeting notes as required by the Committee.

**Operations**

The Committee shall conduct its operations in accordance with relevant Policies adopted by Council.

The Committee shall identify properties that it believes to be surplus to the Municipality's needs, and that the Committee believes fit into one of the following three categories (in the priority listed):

- (a) properties that would be useful to non-profit organizations carrying on activities that the Committee considers beneficial to the Municipality; or
- (b) properties that can be sold through a public process for an amount in excess of the Municipality's expected costs to register the property pursuant to the *Land Registration Act* (i.e. to "migrate" the title of the property to the current registry system); or
- (c) properties that are, due to insufficient size or dimensions, incapable of any reasonable use

The Committee shall recommend to Council that the properties be declared surplus to the needs of the Municipality and shall recommend that the properties be divested or leased in a manner permitted by sections 50, 51, 51A and 273 of the Municipal Government Act.

Potentially surplus properties that do not fit into one of the foregoing three categories will be reviewed by the Committee, and recommendations for their retention or divestiture will be made to Council.

Council may refer specific properties to the Committee as a priority for consideration and a recommendation back to Council.

The Committee shall oversee the divestiture and leasing processes approved by Council and shall report back to Council on the results of those processes.

**MOTION CARRIED #17-021**

6.6 RCMP Management Advisory Board Report/Recommendation

There was a memo in the meeting material from the Chair of the RCMP Police Advisory Board containing a recommendation from the Board to pay the Provincial Representative.

**IT WAS MOVED** by Deputy Warden Fletcher seconded by Councillor Rector to pay the Provincial Representative on the RCMP Police Advisory Board for attending the meetings the same as the Citizen Representatives.  
**MOTION CARRIED #17-022**

6.8 Speed Limits Parrsboro

**IT WAS MOVED** by Deputy Warden Fletcher seconded by Councillor Rafuse that staff send correspondence to the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal to request a review of the speed limits in the area surrounding and within the boundaries of the former town of Parrsboro.

**MOTION CARRIED #17-023**

6.9 UNSM Workshop Conference Topics

**IT WAS MOVED** by Deputy Warden Fletcher seconded by Councillor Gilbert to send the following suggestions to the UNSM for topics at the Spring and Fall conventions: Extended Producer Responsibility program; Toll highways and their economic upside or down side; Regional solid waste facilities; and ATV access on the shoulder of the road and crossing the road.

**MOTION CARRIED #17-024**

There will be a meeting of our Council and the Council from the Town of Amherst on February 22, 2017 4:30-6:30 at the new Credit Union Business Innovation Center. Council suggested since many of the Councillors are newly elected it should be a casual meeting to allow the members of both Councils to get to know each other. Shelley will send out an invitation and when Councillors respond she will inform the Town of attendance.

**IT WAS MOVED** by Councillor Chase seconded by Councillor Jackson to accept Nominations Committee report for citizen representatives on committees.

**MOTION CARRIED #17-025**

**IT WAS MOVED** by Councillor MacLellan seconded by Councillor Welton to approve the appointment of Barry Anderson to the Audit Committee and Alroy Chase to the Pugwash Source Water Protection Committee.

**MOTION CARRIED #17-026**

7. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

There are no information items for today's meeting

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

8.1 The Queen

The meeting was adjourned at 8:09 p.m. The Queen was sung.

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Warden Alison Gillis

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Municipal Clerk Brenda Moore