Annual Meeting Community of Malpeque Bay March 4, 2014 7pm Spring Valley Hall

Attendance: Councillors:	Jamie Crozier, James Carruthers, Trent Caseley, Herb Clark, Myles Hickey, Tyler Pickering, Tim Thomspon
Residents:	Two Residents
Administrator:	Joanne McCarvill

The meeting was called or order by Chairman Jamie Crozier at 7pm.

# Approval of Agenda

James Carruthers moved to accept the Agenda as presented, seconded by Myles Hickey. Motion Carried

# Minutes from 2013 Annual Meeting

The minutes from the 2013 annual meeting were ready by Joanne McCarvill. The Chair asked if there were any error or omissions. There being none, Trent Caseley moved that the minutes be accepted as read. The motion was seconded by James Carruthers. **Motion Carried**.

# **Financial Statements for 2013**

Joanne McCarvill read the Audit Report. The financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2013 were presented by Jamie Crozier. It was moved by Ross Harrington and seconded by Herb Clark that the audited financial statements be accepted as presented. **Motion Carried** 

# Proposed 2014 Budget

Jamie Crozier reviewed the budget numbers identifying that Council's recommendation was to leave the tax rate at 6.5 cents per \$100 of assessed value for 2014. It was moved by Ross Harrington and seconded by Tyler Pickering that the Budget for 2014 be accepted as presented and that the tax rate for 2014 be set at 6.5 cents. **Motion Carried** 

# **Other Business**

Jamie identified that Joanne had received a telephone call from Derek Huestis of Neptune Estates regarding a planned upgrade to their water treatment facility in Darnley. Mr. Huestis had identified that the Department of Environment had recommended that the lagoon undergo upgrades. Mr. Huestis was asking if Council would support their application for funding. Joanne was asked to have the request made in writing. The item was tabled until the next Council meeting.

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Tim Thompson identified that he had submitted Council's draft letter regarding viewscapes to Samantha Murphy of the Province of PEI who indicated that she understood that the Official Plan was "off the table". A discussion followed. Joanne identified that Council had been asked by Darlene Rhodenizer of the Infrastructure Secretariat to release the funds earmarked for the Community's Development Officer position if the Official Plan was not to be adopted in 2013 so that the funds could be accessed by other groups looking for funding. Council agreed to release the funds on the basis that Council could resubmit an application at a later date. Joanne believed that this request was likely the cause of Ms. Murphy's understanding that the Official Plan was "off the table". It was moved by Trent Caseley and second by Myles Hickey to write a letter to Samantha Murphy, Manager, Municipal Affairs, identifying that the Council for the Community of Malpeque Bay is still interested in establishing an Official Plan, including consideration of viewscape provisions as recommended by Provincial officials.

There being no further business, Ross Harrington moved for adjournment at 7:35pm.

Next meeting, Tuesday, April 8 at 7pm at Joanne's.