

**Malpeque Bay Council Meeting
April 18, 2012
Spring Valley Hall**

Present: James Carruthers, Jamie Crozier, Grafton Cole, Herb Clark, Jeremy Stiles, and Bobby Beairsto.
Joanne McCarvill, Administrator

Absent: Darren Cousins

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman, Jamie Crozier at 7pm.

Minutes

The minutes from the February 21, 2012 Council meeting were adopted as read by Jamie.

QEES Playground Donation Request

Joanne identified that Council had received a request for financial support for the new community playground planned for QEES (Queen Elizabeth Elementary School). It was noted that the new playground would be wheelchair accessible and offer a safe environment for all children, including those with disabilities.

Jimmy Carruthers moved that Council donate \$500 to the project. Grafton Cole seconded the motion.

Motion Carried

EMO (Emergency Measures Organization)

A request was received from Barry Folland, a provincial EMO officer. He would like to make a presentation to Council about implementing a community EMO plan. There was general consensus from the members present to have Barry attend a future Council meeting. Joanne will call Barry and let him know that his request has been considered and will be addressed and a date convenient for both parties will be set at a later date. Jamie indicated that he would be open to discussing the possibility of a plan with Barry and report to Council if this was something Barry was okay with. Joanne will mention this to Barry when she makes contact.

Lighthouse project

Jeremy Stiles identified that the province was looking to sell all the provincially owned Lighthouses which he thought Council should consider purchasing. This would provide an added tourist attraction to the community. A discussion followed with Jeremy indicating that he would forward information about the Lighthouses to Council. It was noted that the ongoing right of way and building maintenance and insurance could possibly be cost prohibitive for Council.

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Update on Official Plan

Janice Harper was welcomed to the meeting and proceeded to update Council on the status of the draft By-laws pertaining to the official plan. She noted that she and Jeremy had pared down the By-laws from 70 to 32 pages plus appendices. Their aim was to keep them simple and straightforward.

Janice explained that the Official Plan contains the goals for the Community and the By-laws contain the details, check lists, and are the road map.

Ms. Harper led Council through a step by step process for administering the plan which prompted good discussion and suggested updates for the draft By-laws. It was a very informative and successful planning session.

Jimmy Carruthers and/or Herb Clark will contact the Malpeque Harbour Authority to provided information on the draft plan and details on zoning. This will allow for the Authority to consider how they would like the area to be zoned.

Jeremy will look into the government's proposed leasing of Cabot Park's camp ground.

Janice identified that she would have the revisions of the By-laws to Jeremy on Friday (April 20th) which he would then forward to Council.

Councillors were asked to review the draft By-laws in detail have any comments to Janice by May 10th. This would allow her time to make additional revisions prior to the next planning meeting which will follow the Council meeting scheduled for Wednesday, May 16th.

Other Business

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Next meeting: Wednesday, May 16, 2012 at 7pm – Sea View Hall

Chair (Jamie Crozier)

Administrator

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