

The Rural Municipality of Malpeque Bay  
November 10,2021  
Regular Council Meeting – 7:00pm  
Kensington Town Chambers

**Present:** Mayor Paul Brown, Deputy Mayor Herb Clark, Councillors Ashley, Crosby, Duplain, McKinnon

**Regrets:** Councillor Andrews

**CAO:** Joanne McCarvill

1. **Call to order**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Brown at 7:00 pm.

2. **Agenda**

**Motion 2021:76** *It was moved by Councillor Duplain and seconded by Councillor Ashley that the agenda be approved as circulated.* **MOTION CARRIED**

3. **Disclosure of Conflict of Interest**

4. **Introduction and Welcome of Jake and Katherine Rix, Owner/Operator of Bug Busters**

Mayor Brown welcomed the Jake and Katherine Rix to the meeting.

Jake and Katherine Rix gave Council an informative presentation on establishing a mosquito program within the municipality.

They identified the following:

The area requiring treatment is huge. A municipal boundary map with all the saltwater marshes highlighted was circulated. The project would be a big undertaking. It was noted that the application of the larvicide known as VectoBac usually begins in early June and runs until the end of August. It is the responsibility of the municipality to contact and gain approval for Atlantic Bug Buster staff to enter their property if necessary to access any of the areas requiring treatment. If this project were approved, it would necessitate the hiring of two additional employees by the company to work solely on this project. Although not yet quoted the program could cost upwards of \$80,000.00 annually to have administered.

Following a lengthy discussion, Mayor Brown thanked Jake and Katherine for attending the meeting and identified that Council would be in touch with them in the next day or two with a firm commitment to engage the company to provide a quote.

There was general agreement for the CAO to contact Jake and Katherine Rix to officially engage them to provide Council with a quote to treat the whole municipality as well as a quote to possibly administer the program on a smaller scale by identifying the top three areas that in their opinion

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would be the best area to begin a program. A deadline of December 5 will be given for receipt of the quote(s) so that Council has an opportunity to review the document prior to the December 8 meeting. The price of the quote is not to exceed \$3,000.00 as established in the May 19, 2021 Motion 2021:72.

5. **Approval of Minutes**

**Motion 2021:77** *It was moved by Councillor Crosby and seconded by Councillor McKinnon to accept the minutes of the October 6, 2021, meeting as circulated. MOTION CARRIED*

6. **Business arising from minutes**

**EMO Survey** documents were circulated and reviewed, and it was determined that the rate of response was favourable. CAO McCarvill was directed to proceed with mailing the survey out to residents in the remaining areas with a deadline of December 15, 2021.

**Bike Repair Stations** – In September 2021 the Active Transportation Fund administered by the Department of Environment, Energy and Climate Action had approved funding of \$10,000.00 for the installation of two Bike Repair Stations in the community. It is anticipated that one repair station will be installed at the Malpeque corner and the second near the Sea View Hall. Both locations are to be determined in conjunction with representatives from the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure. The Provincial AT Fund Contribution Agreement has been received and the documents will be signed and sealed this evening. The stations will be ordered and it is anticipated that the installation will take place in the Spring of 2022.

**IRF Geothermal project** – It was noted that a new well had been dug and that the company was waiting on the three units which have been delayed due to the global supply/shipping delays.

**Malpeque Post office boxes** – Mayor Brown reported that gravel has been installed and access to the boxes is now believed to be safe.

7. **Other Business**

**Remembrance Day** – Mayor Brown will attend the ceremony at the Malpeque Cenotaph and lay a wreath on behalf of area residents.

**Sea View Estates Road** - Several calls have been received regarding unauthorized signs being installed on the road. The Department of Highways and Infrastructure are aware and are working to resolve the issue. Councillor Duplain noted that several No Parking signs had been installed at the entrance to the parking area at Brander's Pond. They do not appear to be provincial signs. The CAO will contact the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure to see if the signs were authorized by them.

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**EMO Meeting**

Mayor Brown identified that he and CAO McCarvill had met with Mayor Caseley, CAO Baker and Jamie MacKay representing the Murray Christian Centre regarding the possibility of entering into an agreement for the use of the warming centre in the event of an emergency in the municipality. Jamie MacKay identified that the board of the Murray Christian Centre has indicated that the Town of Kensington would have to negotiate an agreement with Malpeque Bay since the Centre already has an agreement in place with the Town of Kensington. CAO Baker agreed to create an agreement for Council's review.

Next meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 8, 2021 at 7pm Kensington Town Hall.

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm.

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Paul Brown, Mayor  
Rural Municipality of Malpeque Bay  
Dated: November 10, 2021 at Kensington, PE

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Joanne McCarvill, CAO  
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