

Rural Municipality of Crapaud

Council Meeting

Tuesday, November 21, 2023

7:00 pm

Crapaud Community Hall

Minutes

Present: Mayor Joanne Harvey; Deputy Mayor Margaret Armsworthy; Councillor Della Ferguson, Councillor Dean MacDonald, Councillor Tom Patterson, Councillor Savannah Dugay; Interim CAO Susan Williams Bulman

Guests: The Nice Boys (Coady Dawson, Garrett Harkness, Marshall Main, Randy Shaw), Connie MacKinnon

- 1. Call to Order** - Mayor Joanne Harvey called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
- 2. Approval of Agenda** - Approval of Agenda for Tuesday, November 21, 2023 – Moved by Councillor Della Ferguson and seconded by Councillor Tom Patterson to approve the agenda for Tuesday, November 21, 2023, with the change of New Business moving to item #6 and Mayor's Report moving to item #7. Motion unanimously carried.
- 3. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest** - Nil
- 4. Approval of Minutes from the October 17, 2023, Regular Council Meeting** – It was moved by Councillor Della Ferguson and seconded by Councillor Tom Patterson to approve the October 17, 2023, Regular Council Meeting Minutes as presented. Motion unanimously carried.

5. **Business Arising from Previous Minutes** – The mayor reported that heat pumps were installed in the Community Hall, the Library and the Atlantic Guns & Gear rental space.
6. **Presentation** – The Nice Boys did a presentation on who and what they are all about. The Nice Boys are a community give-back initiative with an emphasis on youth and sport in the Crapaud, Borden, Kinkora and Bedeque areas. As a group, they were fortunate to form life-long friendships through sport in their local communities. They want to pay-it-forward! Members donate \$25/quarterly, and these funds are used to support local initiatives. Their funds flow through the Community Foundation of Prince Edward Island and then the CFPEI sends the funds to registered charities. Because there are some organizations which are not official registered charities, CFPEI would send the funds to the Rural Municipality of Crapaud (a registered charity) to distribute. Examples would be supporting a youth curling at the Crapaud Curling Club and supporting the Crapaud Food Share. While neither of these organizations is a registered charity, they need financial support to support others. The mayor thanked The Nice Boys for attending the meeting and for supporting our local communities.
7. **Grant Application** - The Municipality has applied for the Hurricane Fiona Recovery Fund and the Canada Day Grant.
8. **Mayor's Report**
 - i. By-Election in 2024.
 - ii. Committees – anyone interested can submit their name and contact information, and area of interest.
 - iii. Reviewing Stantec proposal, addressing banking issues, ongoing discussions with fire hall, still sorting through paperwork to get an accurate picture of our position.

iv. The Christmas Tree Lighting is December 3 at the Community Hall.

9. **Meals on Wheels** - Councillor Dean MacDonald reported that he sent an email to Meals on Wheels and is waiting to hear back from them.

10. **RMC EMO Plan** - Motion presented by Councillor Ferguson to accept the Rural Municipality of Crapaud's EMO plan, seconded by Councillor Dugay, motion unanimously carried.

11. Public Input

- i. A resident inquired if the municipality was applying to the Active Transportation Fund. Mayor Joanne Harvey said that council would investigate it. Resident stated that she realized that council was starting from scratch, and it is a lot of hard work. She thanked the councillors.
- ii. A resident inquired if the municipal computers were back yet. Councillor Della Ferguson reported that the computers are still at Municipal Affairs, but Kevin MacCarville will return them.
- iii. **A resident asked** who built the gazebo. Mayor Joanne Harvey responded it was Sterling MacNeill of Decks by Design. He requested to see copies of the quotes. The same resident asked if the Masons use the top level of the community hall. Mayor Joanne Harvey and Connie MacKinnon both responded that the Mason's use the main level of the community hall.

12. Next Council Meeting – January 16, 2024

13. Adjournment - Moved by Councillor Della Ferguson to adjourn meeting at 8:10 pm.

Joanne Harvey _____

Mayor

Alana Searle _____

Chief Administrative Officer