



**Date:** September 29, 2021  
**To:** Municipal Council  
**cc:** Kim Ramsay, Chief Administrative Officer  
**From:** Councillor Michael Perry, Corporate and Residential Services Committee Vice-Chairperson  
**RE:** Corporate & Residential Services Committee Report

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The Committee held its regular meeting on September 21, 2021 in Council Chambers. The following motions are coming forward as a result of this meeting:

## 1. TIN SMITH AND WALTON LIGHT HOUSE LEASES

The Walton Lighthouse and the Watson Smith & Sons Tin Smith Museum are owned by East Hants and operated and maintained by two community groups through formal lease agreements. The leases are due to expire. Staff are seeking direction to renew the leases.

The Corporate & Residential Services Committee recommends to Council that ***Council direct staff to have discussions with both organizations on the financial need at the facilities*** (Tin Smith and Walton Light House Leases).

*As Vice-Chair of the Committee, I so move....*

## 2. CLARKSVILLE COMMUNITY HALL

The former Clarksville School/Community Hall located at 10 Clarksville Road, Clarksville is no longer being used and the Clarksville Community Club is no longer registered with the Registry of Joint Stock Companies. Per the deed, the property is to be transferred back to the municipality as the club is no longer active. As there is no current municipal need, it is recommended that the property be declared surplus for disposal.

The Corporate & Residential Services Committee recommends to Council that ***Council deem the former Clarksville School Property, PID 45149283, surplus to municipal needs.***

*As Vice-Chair of the Committee, I so move....*

The Corporate & Residential Services Committee recommends to Council that ***Council instruct staff to discuss with the remaining trustee and member*** (of the Clarksville Community Club) ***and provide some preliminary information to the community that it would be the Municipality's intent to dispose of the property once it is owned and perhaps wait until October Committee to determine at that time if this is the process that will be taken and for decision on how to dispose of the property.***

*As Vice-Chair of the Committee, I so move....*

The Corporate & Residential Services Committee recommends to Council ***that any costs incurred for required mothball activities*** Re: Clarksville Community Hall ***be funded through year end surplus or Professional Services Reserves up to an amount of \$13,000.***

*As Vice-Chair of the Committee, I so move....*

### 3. TAX SALE REPORT

Staff presented a report in regards to the Covid-19 pandemic, seeking approval to defer the tax sale process for seven accounts that would have normally been taken to tax sale auction in 2021, in order to comply with the Municipal Government Act Section 134(3).

The Corporate & Residential Services Committee recommends to Council that *Council, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and to maintain compliance with the Municipal Government Act section 134(3), authorize that the tax sale process for the below listed properties be deferred until June 14th, 2022.*

Name	AAN	District
Dartmouth Auto Auction Ltd	00084212	3
Spicer, Ashley Beverly & Taylor, Derek Allan	01434756	4
Singh Satinder Paul	03292193	5
Terra Firma Development Corp Ltd	02412446	8
Terra Firma Development Corp Ltd	00843776	8
Kirvin, William Joseph	02381494	8
Robinson, Raymond Russel & Robinson, Gail May	00369519	11

*As Vice-Chair of the Committee, I so move....*

### 4. TAX & WATER COLLECTION COUNCIL POLICY

Staff presented a report in regards to National Day for Truth and Reconciliation and its impact on the final tax bill due date. Staff requested approval of changes to the final tax bill due date from September 30<sup>th</sup> to October 1<sup>st</sup> in the Tax & Water Collection Policy.

The Corporate & Residential Services Committee recommend that *Council give approval to the changes to the Tax and Water Collection Council Policy as attached to the Executive Committee agenda dated September 21st, 2021.*

*As Vice-Chair of the Committee, I so move...*

### 5. RECORDS MANAGEMENT POLICY

The municipality has been actively managing official records since 2008. In recent years, the protection of information and decreasing the liability associated with keeping information for too long has become more important. The organization is improving its records and information program to align with current trends in this area and prepared an update to the Destruction of Documents Policy to reflect these changes and renamed the policy.

The Corporate & Residential Committee recommends that *Council approve the Records & Information Management Policy, to replace the current Destruction of Documents Policy, as attached to the Executive Committee agenda dated September 21, 2021.*

*As Vice-Chair of the Committee, I so move...*

## 6. MANDATED ZONING IN MUNICIPALITIES IN NOVA SCOTIA

Concerns were raised with the mandate of the former provincial government requiring land use planning in all areas of the municipality.

The Corporate & Residential Services Committee recommends that *Council write a letter to the Provincial government (copying the Premier, Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing and the three MLAS responsible for part of East Hants) stating that the Municipality was never in agreement with this mandate, that the Municipality does not feel that adequate consultation was done, and given that all municipalities had the ability to zone where they deemed appropriate, requesting that this requirement toward mandatory zoning be either rescinded or at the very least a moratorium put on its implementation until such time that true, real consultation with rural municipalities can take place. It should also be copied to members of NSFM.*

*As Vice-Chair of the Committee, I so move....*

As Vice-Chair of the Committee, I move the adoption of this report.