

**TOWN AND MUNICIPALITY OF DIGBY
INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION
(DIGBY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY)
February 5, 2015
Municipality of Digby**

Members Present: Mayor Ben Cleveland (chair)
Deputy Warden Jimmy MacAlpine (vice chair)
Councillor Danny Harvieux
Warden Linda Gregory

Staff Present: Terry Thibodeau, Municipality of Digby (4:35 pm)
Jeff Sunderland, Deputy CAO, Municipality of Digby
Tom, Ossinger, CAO, Town of Digby
Leslie Young, Executive Assistant, Town of Digby

Regrets: Dan Harvey, Business Support Consultant

A. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:15 pm.

B. AGENDA

B.1 Additions/Deletions

One Addition under new business E.2 Peter MacLellan

B.2 Approval

Motion:

*Moved by Councillor Harvieux and seconded by Deputy Warden MacAlpine that the agenda of February 5, 2015 be approved with one addition under new business E.2 Peter MacLellan.
Motion Carried.*

C. MINUTES

C.1 Minutes December 9, 2014

Motion:

*Moved by Deputy Warden MacAlpine and seconded by Councillor Harvieux that the minutes of December 9, 2014 be approved as presented.
Motion Carried.*

D. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

D.1 NSCC Student

Dan Harvey has been working with the student from NSCC.

D.2 Port/Strategic Planning

Deputy Warden MacAlpine along with Warden Gregory and Mayor Cleveland has been working with the Port Authority.

D.3 Grant Thornton Financial Statements

This item will be tabled to the next meeting.

D.4 NSBI

Dan Harvey was trying to arrange a meeting with new NSBI employees in the area and see if they would be willing to do a road show the Mayor will contact Dan and see if he was able to put this together.

E. NEW BUSINESS

E.1 PORT/STRATEGIC PLANNING

The port and the Deputy Warden along with the Warden and Mayor have been working with the port and have created an understanding to work together.

E.2 PETER MACLELLAN

Currently the contract with Peter is 20 hours per month at a cost of \$1000.00 but are we using him for the cost of the monthly charge. We may want to look at reducing the amount of hours to 10 hours at a cost of \$500.00. The current contact is managed by the Municipality of Digby and they will contact Peter. The Commission feels that Peter is a great asset but we are not using him enough to warrant the 20 hours per month. Peter should be utilized on the editorial side perhaps we can contact him and we can look at a news piece on the Tidal Energy perhaps we should ask Peter to attend the next meeting.

Terry has recently been in contact with a tidal developer this particular company would require a depth of 14.2 for an ideal depth. In order to have that depth it would require a significant amount of dredging in that area. Deputy CAO indicated that in order to reach that depth the location would be closer Pines hotel along Shore Road. The Commission discussed the possibility of obtaining a meeting with the Minister. Contact should be made with MLA Gordon Wilson and move forward from there in order to move this project forward we will require support from the Province.

Terry would also like to draft a very basic MOU so that we can use with potential developers.

Cold Storage Facility was discussed and the current study is still being worked on.

F. ADJOURNMENT

Motion

Call for adjournment by Warden Gregory and seconded by Councillor Harvieux at 5:10 PM

CHAIRPERSON

SECRETARY