



TOWN & MUNICIPALITY OF DIGBY
Joint RCMP Advisory Board Minutes
Town of Digby Council Chambers
October 9, 2019



1. CALL TO ORDER/ATTENDENCE

1.1 Roll Call/Regrets

Deputy Warden Gregory called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm.
The following members were present:

Municipal Deputy Warden Linda Gregory, Chair
Municipal Councillor Matthew Ross
Town Councillor Peter Turnbull
Darleen Manzer, Town Citizen Representative
Brian Bowerman, Municipal Citizen Representative
RCMP: Cpl. Candace Slaunwhite, RCMP
Staff Present: Linda Fraser, CAO Municipality of Digby, Tom Ossinger, CAO Town of Digby, Pat Stevens, Executive Assistant who took the minutes for the meeting.

Regrets: Town Councillor Mike Bartlett, Vice Chair, Greg Thomas, Town Citizen Representative, Angela Thurber, Provincial Representative, Alexander Elderkin, Municipal Citizen Representative

2. ADMINISTRATIVE AND PROCEDURES ISSUES

2.1 Approval of Agenda-Additions/Deletions

MOVED and seconded that the agenda for October 9, 2019 be approved with the addition of Business Items 3.4 Cost for membership to NSAPG and 3.4 Trip to RCMP Headquarters, Halifax.

MOTION CARRIED

2.2 Approval of Minutes of July 3, 2019

MOVED and seconded that the minutes of July 3, 2019 be approved as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED

2.3 Unfinished Business Arising from the minutes of July 9, 2019

- i) Deputy Warden Gregory will talk with Crime Stoppers to see if they will come to Digby to promote their organization. (Item to be kept on the agenda)
Crime Stoppers will come from Bridgewater to the next meeting to promote their organization.

3. BUSINESS ITEMS

3.1 Speeding in Tiverton, Freeport and Digby Neck

There have been complaints of speeding, along Highway 217, to catch the ferry to the Island. Brian Bowerman will speak with the Village Commissions and TIR about possibly purchasing an electronic speedometer for the area. The cost to purchase the electronic



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speedometer is from \$900 to \$1200. He will also speak to TIR regarding signage to show distance to ferry.

3.2 Update on policing on Highway between Digby and Weymouth

The RCMP have been patrolling the area with extra speeding checkpoints.

3.3 How best for the community and Board to get to know who are our RCMP Detachment personnel?

Cpl. Slaunwhite will do up a list of members and their general duties. Deputy Warden Gregory discussed possibly having an open house.

3.4 Cost for membership to NSAPG

MOVED and seconded that both Municipal and Town Councils cost share the \$400 Association dues to the Nova Scotia Association of Police Governance.

MOTION CARRIED

3.5 Trip to RCMP Headquarters, Halifax

Cpl. Rob Lewis has arranged a trip to the RCMP Headquarters, Halifax for the Town and Municipal councils plus board members, for November 19th. Lunch will be provided.

4. REPORTS

4.1 RCMP Detachment Report, July, August, September 2019

Cpl. Slaunwhite gave an in-depth overview of the Message from the Detachment Commander brochure circulated.

Cpl. Slaunwhite gave an in-depth overview of the RCMP report for the period covering July, August, September 2019. The report covered Activities/Events, Crime Picture, Mental Health, Drugs, Prolific Offenders, Break & Enters, Frauds, Theft under \$5,000, Assaults, Training/Resources, Road Safety, Traffic Violations, Impaired drivers, School Safety Resource Officer and the Senior Safety Coordinator.

4.2 Nova Scotia Association of Police Governance – Deputy Warden

Deputy Warden Gregory advised that she attended the annual NSAPG meeting at the fall conference. David Walker is still the chair and she is still treasurer.

5. INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

Information was included in the meeting package.

6. BOARD MEMBER ITEMS

Deputy Warden Gregory and Brian Bowerman gave an in-depth update on the fall conference that they attended.



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Deputy Warden Gregory had received a complaint, passed on by Warden MacAlpine, that between the Digby and Smiths Cove exits, two police cars went by with their lights on and a man and woman on a motorcycle, that tried to pull to the side of the road, had almost got hit. They had spoken to an officer when they arrived in Town but was unhappy with the officer's response. Deputy Warden Gregory will pass on further information to Cpl. Slaunwhite privately.

7. NEXT MEETING

January 8, 2020 6:00 pm – Town Council Chambers

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:33 pm

CHAIR

CLERK