

July 6, 2015

The Municipal Council for the Municipality of the County of Pictou met in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Administration Building on Monday, July 6, 2015 at 7:15 p.m.

PRESENT

Dist.	1	Clr. Sally Fraser
	2	Clr. Deborah Wadden
	4	Warden Ronald Baillie
	5	Clr. Robert Parker
	6	Clr. Jim Turple
	7	Clr. David Parker
	8	Clr. Leonard Fraser
	9	Clr. Larry Turner
	10	Clr. Jamie Davidson
	11	Deputy Warden Andy Thompson
	12	Clr. Chester Dewar
	13	Clr. Randy Palmer
	14	Clr. Scott Johnston

ABSENT

3 Clr. Edward MacMaster

IN ATTENDANCE

Jay Matheson, Solicitor, MacIntosh, MacDonnell & MacDonald
Brian Cullen, CAO/Municipal Clerk-Treasurer
Carolyn MacIntosh, Deputy Municipal Clerk
Jane Johnson, Recording Secretary

PRAYER

Warden Baillie opened the meeting with a prayer.

UP-DATE

Warden Baillie informed Council that he has received correspondence from the Solicitor on the prayer which will be dealt with at the next Committee meeting.

WELCOME

Warden Baillie welcomed Jay Matheson, Solicitor, MacIntosh, MacDonnell & MacDonald.

AGENDA

It was moved by Clr. L. Fraser and seconded by Clr. Palmer that the agenda be approved as circulated.

Motion carried.

MINUTES

It was moved by Clr. Turple and seconded by Clr. L. Fraser that the minutes of June 1, 2015 be approved as circulated.

Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence was received and acknowledged from the following:

- a) Minister of Fisheries & Aquaculture – Thanking Council for its support of the Aquaculture Industry and asking to be kept informed on Council's discussions and how it would like to engage in the Department's work in this region.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Clr. Dewar informed Council that he was very pleased to report that from the village of Hopewell to the town line in Westville there is 6.4 km. of new pavement. The residents of Hopewell would like to thank Transportation & Infrastructure Renewal on the good job.

Clr. D. Parker reported that LORDA will be hosting its annual fundraising event Music LORDA on Sunday, August 16, 2015 starting at 1:00 p.m. Clr. D. Parker invited Councillors to support the event and informed Councillors he was selling tickets on a painting done by local artist Dan Munroe.

Warden Baillie invited Councillors to the Warden's Tea he will be hosting at the River John Fire Hall on Thursday, July 23, 2015 from 2 to 4 p.m. as part of the River John Festival Days.

FINANCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

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For information purposes the Financial Services Committee submits the following report on the activities of the Committee for the month of June

1. Reviewed the report of the Recreation Coordinator for the month of May
2. Considered requests for account adjustments. (Resolution to follow)
3. Considered request for municipal grants. (Resolution to follow)
4. Prepared the draft budgets for the General Operating Fund, the Water Utility and the Sewer Area Rate for 2015/16, and the five year Capital Budget for 2015/15 to 2019/20. (Budgets & Resolutions to follow)

DATED at Pictou, N.S. this 6th day of July, 2015.

(Sgd.) Randy Palmer
Scott Johnston

MOTION

It was moved by Clr. Palmer and seconded by Clr. Johnston that the report of the Financial Services Committee be received for information purposes.

Motion carried.

PROPERTY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

Clr. D. Parker presented the report of the Property Services Committee as follows:

PROPERTY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

For information purposes the Property Services Committee submits the following report on the activities of the Committee for the month of June:

1. Reviewed the report of the Building Inspector, By-Law/Dog Control Officer and Warden for the month of May.
2. Deferred a discussion on proposed amendments to the Onsite Sewage Disposal System Regulations for further information from the Director of Public Works & Development.
3. Discussed the status of on-going projects. The River John Wastewater Extension is expected to begin late in June. The Highway 4 Water & Wastewater Project is expected to go to tender for construction by the end of June. Improvements in the Lyon's Brook Wastewater Project continue to be under discussion.
4. Reviewed cost estimates for a possible extension of the Coalburn Wastewater System. The Councillor will be reviewing this information with the residents to determine an interest in proceeding with the project.
5. Requested that the Director of Public Works & Development prepare cost estimates to extend water and sewer services to the Magic Valley property in Alma.
6. Reviewed the list of Accounts Paid for the month of May.
7. Met in closed session to discuss matters of a legal nature involving legal advice eligible for solicitor-client privilege, and provided direction to staff.

DATED at Pictou, N.S. this 6th day of July, 2015

(Sgd.) David Parker
Jim Turple

MOTION

It was moved by Clr. D. Parker and seconded by Clr. Turple that the report of the Property Services Committee be received for information purposes.

Clr. Dewar pointed out there was discussion at the Property Services Committee meeting on a sewer extension from the Eureka Fire Hall to a new sub-division owned by Mr. Art Gillespie.

Clr. R. Parker asked if there was any costs estimates or contact from the owner of Magic Valley to the Warden or CAO.

The CAO replied that Mr. MacMillan will probably have the costs for the next Committee meeting and Mr. MacNeil has not contacted either the Warden or himself.

Motion carried.

MUNICIPAL ALCOHOL PROJECT

Clr. Wadden reported that the MAP Committee had met with organizers for various festivals held in the county during the summer months and have successfully arranged a liaison between Pictou Lobster Carnival, Riverfront Jubilee and Stellarton Homecoming with CHAD for safe transportation home from these events. Just go to their respective home pages or call their listed numbers and arrangements will be made. This has been advertised these past couple of weeks and we are hopeful this program will be a success this year with our expectations of expanding the service to suit the needs for next year. Our MAP Committee want to promote our fun filled festivals but to do it safely. Any profits realized from this endeavor will be donated to MADD.

We hope to meet soon with representatives from the various high schools to discuss how the graduation exercises went this year with our focus being the non-school sanctioned parties. Again, this is definitely a work in progress but with each passing year, hopefully, we will get our message out concerning underage drinking and the harms of binge drinking. Another work in progress.

Recently we were made aware of possible changes coming with provincial legislature concerning liquor licenses for restaurants. Currently, you cannot buy liquor in these licensed establishments unless you order food but the government is looking at changing this ruling so you can order two drinks without ordering food so of course this goes against the message we are trying to get out there so we are working on a response to the government concerning this issue. Our deadline for response is September so we will be working on this over the course of the summer. Our next meeting is not until late August so this will likely be my final report until our September meeting.

Clr. R. Parker asked if the consumption of alcohol at hockey games is going to be looked at and Clr. Wadden replied that is one of their projects for the fall.

Clr. Dewar pointed out the Municipal Alcohol Project has worked well because it was a success with the high schools in Pictou County this year.

Warden Baillie thanked Clr. Wadden on behalf of Council for all the hard work she has done on the Committee and to relay Council's appreciation to the Committee as it moves forward.

2015/16 GENERAL OPERATING BUDGET

Clr. Palmer presented the 2015/16 Operating Budget to Council as follows:



MUNICIPALITY OF PICTOU COUNTY GENERAL OPERATING BUDGET APRIL 2015 – MARCH 2016

	2014-15 Budget <small>(Including Area Rate)</small>	2014-15 Budget <small>(Excluding Area Rates)</small>	2015-16 Budget <small>(Excluding Area Rates)</small>
REVENUE			
TAXES	\$ 17,042,076	\$ 13,899,878	\$ 14,871,370
GRANTS IN LIEU OF TAXES	185,321	185,321	190,176
OTHER REVENUE FROM OWN SOURCE	459,568	459,568	858,468
UNCONDITIONAL TRANSFERS FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS	419,951	419,951	425,241
CONDITIONAL TRANSFERS FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS	7,800	7,800	7,900
CONDITIONAL TRANSFERS FROM LOCAL GOVERNMENTS	49,166	49,166	53,077
OTHER TRANSERS	424,212	424,212	284,500
TOTAL	\$ 18,588,094	\$ 15,445,896	\$ 16,690,732

EXPENDITURES

GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES	\$ 2,815,610	\$ 2,815,610	\$ 2,711,096
PROTECTIVE SERVICES	6,111,855	4,141,610	4,325,134
TRANSPORTATION SERVICES	920,039	503,771	671,643
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES	2,815,164	2,059,479	2,167,468
PUBLIC HEALTH & WELFARE SERVICES	90,000	90,000	105,000
ENVIRONMENTAL DEVELOPMENT SER.	284,967	284,967	428,723
RECREATION SERVICES	223,901	223,901	344,081
CULTURAL SERVICES	225,138	225,138	225,137
EDUCATION	4,355,136	4,355,136	4,491,166
SPECIAL ITEMS	450,000	450,000	925,000
FINANCING & TRANSFERS	296,284	296,284	296,284
TOTAL	\$ 18,588,094	\$ 15,445,896	\$16,690,732



**MUNICIPALITY OF PICTOU COUNTY
GENERAL OPERATING BUDGET
APRIL 2015 – MARCH 2016**

	Unaudited			Budget Difference %
	2014-15 Year to Date (as at 03-31-2015)	2014-15 BUDGET Approved	2015-16 BUDGET Proposed	
REVENUE				
TAXES				
Assessable Property Residential	9,332,269.88	9,333,027.00	9,715,300.00	
Commercial Resource	3,351,618.89	3,237,023.00	3,218,701.00	
Based on taxable assessments	545,241.49	548,301.00	575,682.00	
Non-Profit	6,996.60	6,996.00	7,346.00	
Forest - less than 50,000 acres	73,126.70	73,082.00	72,900.00	

Forest - more than 50,000 acres	42,729.20	42,729.00	42,734.00	
	668,093.99	671,108.00	698,662.00	
Business Property				
Based on Revenue	86,589.03	86,589.00	172,271.00	
Nova Scotia Power Corp.	9,923.00	9,923.00	10,381.00	
Nova Scotia Power HST Offset Grant	34,148.00	38,000.00	35,000.00	
Wind Energy Tax	527,013.36	524,208.00	571,055.00	
	657,673.39	658,720.00	788,707.00	
Deed Transfer Tax	454,874.41	0.00	450,000.00	
Sub-total	14,464,530.56	13,899,878.00	14,871,370.00	7.0%
GRANTS IN LIEU OF TAXES				
Federal government	0.00	4,405.00	5,871.00	
Federal government agencies				
Canadian Broadcasting Corporation	1,482.30	1,345.00	1,352.00	
Canada Post Corporation	5,437.10	3,928.00	3,962.00	
Provincial government				
Real property	147.15	173,079.00	176,375.00	
Wind Energy Tax	0.00	2,564.00	2,616.00	
Sub-total	7,066.55	185,321.00	190,176.00	2.6%
OTHER REVENUE FROM OWN SOURCE				
Licenses and permits				
Dogs	522.00	700.00	600.00	
Building Permit Fees	92,848.82	60,000.00	60,000.00	
Fines	8,093.34	20,000.00	10,000.00	
	101,464.16	80,700.00	70,600.00	
Return on Investment				
Interest on bank deposits	77,783.24	50,000.00	50,000.00	
Interest on tax arrears	294,500.45	200,000.00	250,000.00	
	372,283.69	250,000.00	300,000.00	
Leases	126,867.96	126,868.00	126,868.00	
NSP - Sale of Wind Energy		0.00	350,000.00	
Miscellaneous	19,642.80	2,000.00	11,000.00	
Sub-total	620,258.61	459,568.00	858,468.00	86.8%
UNCONDITIONAL TRANSFERS FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS AND AGENCIES				
PNS - Service Nova Scotia & Municipal Affairs				
Equalization Grant	135,300.00	270,601.00	270,601.00	
Farm property - acreage	152,089.00	149,350.00	154,640.00	
Sub-total	287,389.00	419,951.00	425,241.00	1.3%
CONDITIONAL TRANSFERS FROM FEDERAL AND PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENTS AND AGENCIES				
Provincial Government				
PNS - EMO 911 Database				
Sub-total	7,912.87	7,800.00	7,900.00	1.3%

CONDITIONAL TRANSFERS FROM LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

Towns Municipal Intern	8,897.10	0.00	0.00	
Town of Pictou - Dog Control	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	
Town of NG - GIS Services	0.00	8,000.00	14,000.00	
Towns Fire Inspection	0.00	24,166.00	23,077.00	
Pictou County Shared Services Authority	59,693.94	16,000.00	16,000.00	
	<u>68,591.04</u>	<u>49,166.00</u>	<u>53,077.00</u>	8.0%

OTHER TRANSFERS

Transfer from Own Reserve	0.00	208,537.00	0.00	
Transfer from Other Funds & Reserves	0.00	24,500.00	24,500.00	
Transfer from Other Departments	191,175.00	191,175.00	260,000.00	
Sub-total	<u>191,175.00</u>	<u>424,212.00</u>	<u>284,500.00</u>	-32.9%

TOTAL GENERAL REVENUE

<u>15,646,923.63</u>	<u>15,445,896.00</u>	<u>16,690,732.00</u>	8.1%
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EXPENDITURES

General Government Services

Legislative

Warden	47,139.00	47,136.00	47,984.00	
Warden Expenses	17,448.77	17,633.00	20,561.00	
Council	233,029.80	233,013.00	237,207.00	
Other Legislative Services	59,561.46	74,638.00	79,695.00	
	<u>4,536.43</u>	<u>5,700.00</u>	<u>6,750.00</u>	
	<u>361,715.46</u>	<u>378,120.00</u>	<u>392,197.00</u>	

General Administrative

CAO	133,158.73	138,037.00	138,235.00	
Administration Dept.	157,037.48	164,849.00	164,118.00	
Finance Dept.	320,956.47	401,519.00	382,421.00	
Human Resource Services	5,916.42	25,000.00	25,000.00	
Legal services	36,140.94	40,000.00	40,000.00	
Financial Management	0.00	27,740.00	27,000.00	
IT Expense	84,265.39	132,700.00	132,700.00	
Office Expense	107,997.10	111,000.00	113,000.00	
Municipal Buildings	181,265.75	230,600.00	206,040.00	
	<u>1,026,738.28</u>	<u>1,271,445.00</u>	<u>1,228,514.00</u>	

Taxation

Low Income Reduction	28,442.91	33,000.00	39,000.00	
By Law Reduction	212,444.46	125,000.00	215,000.00	
Tax sale expenses	917.94	5,000.00	10,000.00	
	<u>241,805.31</u>	<u>163,000.00</u>	<u>264,000.00</u>	

Assessment Services

<u>461,282.36</u>	<u>483,820.00</u>	<u>492,543.00</u>	
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Banking Expense

<u>7,203.83</u>	<u>4,500.00</u>	<u>7,500.00</u>	
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Interest on Inter-fund Loan

<u>0.00</u>	<u>27,500.00</u>	<u>22,940.00</u>	
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Reserve for Uncollectable Taxes	347.30	150,000.00	0.00	
Other General Government Expense				
Elections	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Council Grants	219,541.13	229,043.00	152,997.00	
Municipal Intern Program	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Intergovernmental relations	13,256.68	14,000.00	14,000.00	
Liability insurance	58,780.00	58,780.00	58,663.00	
Pensions	22,836.30	22,765.00	23,175.00	
Sundry	1,443.14	12,637.00	39,567.00	
	315,857.25	337,225.00	288,402.00	
Capital From Revenue	0.00	0.00	15,000.00	
Sub-total	2,414,949.79	2,815,610.00	2,711,096.00	-3.7%
<u>PROTECTIVE SERVICES</u>				
Police Protection	2,979,332.00	2,940,230.00	3,002,277.00	2.1%
Court Expenses	11,068.48	8,400.00	12,000.00	42.9%
Corrections	311,413.00	311,414.00	310,195.00	-0.4%
By-Law Enforcement-Wages & Expense	68,357.12	80,548.00	75,705.00	-6.0%
Fire Protection				
Grants to Fire Departments	136,812.00	137,010.00	133,000.00	
Insurance on fire brigade members	48,800.00	48,802.00	49,465.00	
Fire Inspection	2,937.44	60,417.00	81,923.00	
Fire Hydrant Protection	285,985.00	285,985.00	285,985.00	
Fire Protection - Other	0.00	0.00	79,344.00	
	474,534.44	532,214.00	629,717.00	18.3%
Emergency measures organization	17,786.57	19,400.00	23,588.00	21.6%
Building Inspect. Dept. - Expense	174,190.82	184,404.00	186,652.00	1.2%
Unightly Property & Dog Control	11,478.85	65,000.00	55,000.00	
Capital From Revenue	3,807.48	0.00	30,000.00	#DIV/0!
Sub-total	4,051,968.76	4,141,610.00	4,325,134.00	4.4%
<u>TRANSPORTATION SERVICES</u>				
Roads & Streets	190,879.62	196,271.00	289,535.00	
Sidewalks	23,183.75	50,000.00	68,000.00	
Street Lighting	5,005.18	5,000.00	5,000.00	
Capital From Revenue	488,926.38	252,500.00	309,108.00	
Sub-total	707,994.93	503,771.00	671,643.00	33.3%
<u>ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES</u>				
Service Connection Expense	46,858.61	70,000.00	60,000.00	
Collection - Garbage	407,995.62	527,767.00	558,996.00	

Collection - Recycling	234,128.21	310,215.00	331,084.00	
Tipping Fees	568,969.83	608,306.00	600,085.00	
PCSSA-Accounting & Administration	53,356.96	53,357.00	71,164.00	
Public Works Dept. Expenses	467,366.65	424,834.00	471,139.00	
Other Environmental Health	5,288.07	10,000.00	10,000.00	
Capital From Revenue	0.00	55,000.00	65,000.00	
Sub-total	<u>1,783,963.95</u>	<u>2,059,479.00</u>	<u>2,167,468.00</u>	5.2%

PUBLIC HEALTH & WELFARE

Housing Authority Deficit	Sub-total	<u>107,889.00</u>	<u>90,000.00</u>	<u>105,000.00</u>	16.7%
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ENVIRONMENTAL DEVELOPMENT

GIS - Wages & Expenses	70,567.09	78,546.00	130,662.00	
Municipal Planning	24,820.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	
Regional Development Sub-Division	2,075.74	100,000.00	100,000.00	
Administration	9,610.50	20,000.00	20,000.00	
Community Development Grants	51,591.76	56,421.00	58,061.00	
Industrial Park Expenses	7,288.74	0.00	80,000.00	
Wind Farm Expenses	184.11	0.00	10,000.00	
Boundaries	2,683.82	5,000.00	5,000.00	
Capital From Revenue	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Sub-total	<u>168,821.76</u>	<u>284,967.00</u>	<u>428,723.00</u>	50.4%

RECREATION SERVICES

Grants	73,492.50	84,880.00	203,218.00	
Program expense	16,606.07	17,333.00	17,333.00	
Co-Ordinator - Wages and Expenses	74,368.77	79,316.00	78,078.00	
Students Wages & Expenses	29,388.52	33,372.00	35,952.00	
Municipal Newsletter	9,385.74	9,000.00	9,500.00	
Sub-total	<u>203,241.60</u>	<u>223,901.00</u>	<u>344,081.00</u>	53.7%

CULTURAL SERVICES

Regional Library	171,139.00	171,138.00	171,137.00	
Branch Library	51,490.01	54,000.00	54,000.00	
Heritage Program	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Sub-total	<u>222,629.01</u>	<u>225,138.00</u>	<u>225,137.00</u>	0.0%

EDUCATION

Mandatory Contribution	Sub-total	<u>4,355,136.00</u>	<u>4,355,136.00</u>	<u>4,491,166.00</u>	3.1%
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SPECIAL ITEMS

Municipal Services Grants	260,547.27	250,000.00	250,000.00	
Inter-municipal Contributions	0.00	200,000.00	225,000.00	
PCWCA - Deed Transfer Tax	454,874.41	0.00	450,000.00	
Sub-total	<u>715,421.68</u>	<u>450,000.00</u>	<u>925,000.00</u>	105.6%

FINANCING and TRANSFERS

Principal on Inter-fund Loan	0.00	200,000.00	200,000.00	
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Transfer to General Operating Reserve	0.00	96,284.00	96,284.00	
Sub-total	0.00	296,284.00	296,284.00	0.0%
TOTAL GENERAL EXPENDITURE				
	14,732,016.48	15,445,896.00	16,690,732.00	8.1%
Excess Revenue over Expenditure	914,907.15	0.00	0.00	

MOTION

It was moved by Clr. Palmer and seconded by Clr. Dewar that Council accept the 2015/16 General Operating Budget.

Clr. R. Parker referred to the Special Items category and asked why the amount doubled and the CAO replied that this year Municipal Affairs wants the Deed Transfer Tax recorded.

Clr. R. Parker reported that Council was very fortunate to be able to increase the budget and yet hold the tax rate. He pointed out that he has yet to be convinced that the MOU is the proper direction and the same would still exist if we were an amalgamated county.

Clr. D. Parker reported that we have grown comfortable with the same tax rate but we are in a period of a very difficult real estate market in Pictou County. Clr. D. Parker pointed out that he had a concern on how we do our budgeting and one of our fastest growing department was Public Works, yet during the review of the draft budget Council has no way of questioning those particular increases and Public Works was significantly above the average. Clr. D. Parker reported that it is important during that budget meeting that all senior staff who present a budget be present at the meeting. There were questions asked at our budget meeting that could not be answered because the department head was not present.

The CAO clarified that the Deed Transfer Tax is actually in taxation and not the own source revenues so the \$450,000 is in taxation with the own source revenue being the sale of wind energy in Riverton.

Clr. Palmer pointed out that the Municipality has taken on a lot of projects over the years so that is why the Public Works Department's budget is increasing.

Deputy Warden Thompson referred to the increase in the budget regarding the Public Works Department and pointed out that the last collective agreement had an increase in more service coverage so that has to be taken into account as well.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION – 2015/16 TAX RATES

Clr. Palmer presented a resolution to Council as follows:

RESOLUTION - TAX RATES

2015-16

BE IT RESOLVED by the Municipal Council that the estimated expenditures of the Municipality of the County of Pictou for the fiscal period **April 1, 2015 – March 31, 2016** be approved in the amount of **\$16,690,732** and after making the allowance for estimated revenue in the amount of **\$3,044,702** the amount of **\$13,646,030** is required from general taxation of the assessed valuation of **\$1,457,366,812**.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Tax Rate for the fiscal period **April 1, 2015 – March 31, 2016** be set at **\$0.81** per \$100 of assessment for residential and resource property and at **\$1.82** per \$100 of assessment for commercial property;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the rates and taxes for the current period may be collected by Warrant of Distress without further notice if not paid on or before the **15th day of October, 2015**, with all costs and expenses of levy and on all proceedings incidental thereto: and further, if the said taxes are not paid before the 15th day of October 2015 an additional penalty charge will be payable in accordance with the Municipality's Interest Rate Policy.

DATED at Pictou, N. S. this 6th day of July, 2015.

(Sgd.) Randy Palmer
Chester Dewar

MOTION

It was moved by Clr. palmer and seconded by Clr. Dewar that the preceding resolution be adopted as presented.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION – HYDRANT & SEWER MAINTENANCE RATES

Clr. R. Parker presented a resolution to Council as follows:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Municipal Council for the Municipality of the County of Pictou, that Council authorize the rating and collection of hydrant fees and sewer maintenance fees on applicable properties assessed in all districts as follows for the fiscal period 2015/2016:

AREA RATES

<u>Type of Area Rate</u>	<u>Area</u>	<u>Per \$100 Assessment</u>	<u>Flat</u>
Hydrant Fee	Northumberland High School		83,136.00
Hydrant Fee	W.A. MacLeod School		20,784.00
Hydrant Fee	Riverview Home Corporation		20,784.00
Hydrant Fee	Valley View Villa		20,784.00
Hydrant Fee	Commercial	.2700	
Hydrant Fee	Residential		248.00
Sewer Maintenance Fee			305.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all rates and taxes as set out above shall be due and shall be paid to the Treasurer on or before the 15th day of October, 2015. If such rates and taxes are not paid by the 15th day of October, 2015 an additional charge will be payable in accordance with the Municipality's Interest Rate Policy.

DATED at Pictou, N. S. this 6th day of July, 2015.

(Sgd.) Robert Parker
Jim Turple

MOTION

It was moved by Clr. R. Parker and seconded by Clr. Turple that the preceding resolution be adopted as presented.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION – FIRE RATES

Clr. Wadden presented a resolution to Council as follows:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Municipal Council for the Municipality of the County of Pictou that Council authorize the rating and collection of the following fire rate on properties assessed in the district for the fiscal period 2015/16:

DIST. #	RATE	PAYABLE TO
1	\$0.18/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	Merigomish Fire Department
	\$0.18/\$100 Assessment \$0.0169/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	Barney's River Fire Department
2	\$0.08/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	Little Harbour Fire Department
	\$0.19/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	Pictou Landing Fire Department
3	\$0.09/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	Caribou Fire Department
4	\$0.09/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	Caribou Fire Department
	\$0.10/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	River John Fire Department
5	\$0.10/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	River John Fire Department
	\$0.10/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	Scotsburn Fire Department
	\$0.10/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	West River Fire Department
6	\$0.09\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	Caribou Fire Department

	\$0.10/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	Scotsburn Fire Department
7	\$0.10/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	Alma Fire Department
	\$0.10/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	West River Fire Department
	\$0.14/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	Eureka Fire Department
8	\$0.10/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	Alma Fire Department
	\$0.10/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	West River Fire Department
	\$0.14/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	Eureka Fire Department
9	\$0.10/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	Alma Fire Department
	\$0.085/\$100 Residential Assessment \$0.01/Acre	Abercrombie Fire Department
	\$0.095/\$100 Commercial Assessment \$0.01/Acre	Abercrombie Fire Department
10	\$0.08/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	Little Harbour Fire Department
	\$58.69/Property \$0.01/Acre	Trenton Fire Department
	\$0.17/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	Linacy Fire Department
11	\$0.17/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	Linacy Fire Department
	\$0.14/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	Eureka Fire Department
	\$0.20/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	Plymouth Fire Department
12	\$0.14/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	Eureka Fire Department
	\$0.16/\$100 Assessment	East River Valley Fire Department

13	\$0.18/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	Merigomish Fire Department
	\$0.18/\$100 Assessment \$0.0169/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	Barney's River Fire Department
	\$0.17/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	Linacy Fire Department
	\$0.14/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	Thorburn Fire Department
	\$0.16/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	Blue Mountain Fire Department
14	\$0.18/\$100 Assessment \$0.0169/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	Barney's River Fire Department
	\$0.20/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	Plymouth Fire Department
	\$0.14/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	Thorburn Fire Department
	\$0.16/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	Blue Mountain Fire Department
	\$0.16/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	East River Valley Fire Department
	\$0.14/\$100 Assessment \$0.01/Acre	East River St. Mary's Fire Department

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that all rates and taxes as set out above shall be due and shall be paid to the Treasurer on or before the 15th day of October, 2015. If such rates and taxes are not paid by the 15th day of October, 2015 an additional charge will be payable in accordance with the Municipality's Interest Rate Policy.

DATED at Pictou, NS this 6th day of July, 2015.

(Sgd.) Deborah Wadden
Sally Fraser

MOTION

It was moved by Clr. Wadden and seconded by Clr. S. Fraser that the preceding resolution be adopted as presented.

Clr. Turner reported that he did not have his ratepayers meeting yet this year and he anticipates the rate should remain the same.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION – STREET LIGHT & ROAD MAINTENANCE RATES

Clr. L. Fraser presented a resolution to Council as follows:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Municipal Council for the Municipality of the County of Pictou, in respect of the districts hereinafter set out, that Council authorize the rating and collection of additional rates on properties assessed in the respective districts as follows for the fiscal period 2015/2016.

AREA RATES

<u>Dist.</u>	<u>Type of Area Rate</u>	<u>Area</u>	<u>Per \$ 100 Assessment</u>	<u>Flat</u>
1	Street Lights	Merigomish & Area		\$96.14
1	Intersection Lights	District 1		13.80
2	Street Lights	Pictou Landing	\$0.0903	
2	Street Lights	Little Harbour	0.0239	
3	Street Light	Poplar Hill	0.1641	
4	Street Lights	River John East		127.29
4	Street Lights	River John West		127.29
4	Street Lights	Welsford		108.16
5	Street Lights	Lyons Brook & Area		91.48
5	Street Lights	Pleasant Heights		54.29
6	Street Lights	Lyons Brook & Area		91.48
6	Street Lights	Scotsburn	0.0950	
7	Street Lights	Greenhill		53.20
7	Street Lights	Springfield Estates		126.67
7	Street Lights	Union Centre		81.43
7	Street Lights	Green Acres		7.92
7	Road Capital Charge	MacIntosh Drive		162.70
7	Rd Maintenance Fee	Green Acre Subdivision		150.00
9	Street Lights	District 9	0.0286	
9	Road Capital Charge	Maple Estates Drive		477.10
10	Street Lights	Hillside		73.31
10	Street Lights	Little Harbour Road	0.0286	
10	Street Lights	Frasers Mountain	0.0699	
10	Street Lights	Linacy	0.0702	
10	Street Lights	Priestville/Walkerville		18.53
11	Street Lights	Plymouth & Area		73.92
11	Street Lights	Priestville/Wkville Area		63.33
12	Street Lights	Riverton	0.0562	

12	Street Lights	Hopewell	0.1079	
12	Street Lights	Eureka	0.1356	
12	Street Lights	Lorne	0.1710	
12	Street Lights	Marshdale	0.1090	
13	Street Lights	Thorburn & Area		108.53
14	Street Lights	Thorburn & Area		108.53
14	Intersection Lights	Merigomish, Dist. 1		13.80
14	Street Lights	Plymouth		73.92
	Annual Sewer Capital Charge			\$833.33

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all rates and taxes as set out above shall be due and shall be paid to the Treasurer on or before the 15th day of October, 2015. If such rates and taxes are not paid by the 15th day of October, 2015 an additional charge will be payable in accordance with the Municipality's Interest Rate Policy.

DATED at Pictou, N.S. this 6th day of July, 2015.

(Sgd.) Leonard Fraser
Larry Turner

MOTION

It was moved by Clr. L. Fraser and seconded by Clr. Turner that the preceding resolution be adopted as presented.
Motion carried.

RESOLUTION – CAPITAL BUDGET

Clr. D. Parker presented a resolution to Council as follows:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Municipal Council for the Municipality of the County of Pictou that Council adopt the 2015/16 – 2019/20 Capital Budget in the amount of \$11,906,600, the same having been reviewed and approved the Financial Services Committee of Council.

DATED at Pictou, N. S. this 6th day of July, 2015.

(Sgd.) David Parker
Jim Turple



Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations

Instructions:

In completing this form, list each of your municipality's planned capital projects for the next five years by expenditure category. Provide a description, 3 digit expenditure code (see attached), estimated project cost, a breakdown of the source of financing for each project, estimated annual operating expenses for the project and, where applicable, the source of financing code.

The Estimated Project Cost should be the total cost of the project, and the cost to your municipal unit should be identified in the Sources of Financing. For further information or clarification, please contact your Municipal Advisor.

I, Karen E. Cornish Deputy Treasurer of the MUNICIPALITY OF PICTOU COUNTY Municipality

do certify that this Five Year Capital Budget is consistent with the budget approved by Council for the year ended March 31, 2016.

Date _____

Deputy Municipal Treasurer

PROJECT DESCRIPTION <small>Insert additional lines, if required.</small>	Expenditure Code	Estimated Project Cost	Estimated Sources of Financing							Estimated Annual Operating Expenses	
			Municipal Sources		Lease / Other	Provincial Grant	Federal Grant	Long-Term Borrowing			
			Operating Fund	Reserve Fund				Long-Term Borrowing (Utilities)	Long-Term Borrowing (General)		
	Code		Code	Code	Code	Code	Code	Code	Code	Code	
YEAR 1 20 15 / 16											
Truck Purchase	290	30,000	1								
Sidewalks	322	230,000	1								
Paving Roads J Class	321	76,600	1			37,500	17				
Paving Roads - Municipal	321	120,000	1								
Sewer Lift Station Flow Meters	421	65,000	1								
Telephone System	121	15,000	1								
River John Sewer Extension	421	65,000		65,000	5						
Green Hill Rd Hwy 4 Water & Sewer	421	1,000,000		500,000	4			500,000	26		
Sewer Pump Stns Upgrade	421	370,000						370,000	26		1,800,000 42
LED Street Lights	325	1,800,000									
Riverton Wind Towers	690	10,000						10,000	26		
(Outstanding From Previous Year)											
Year 1 Totals		3,781,600		419,100		0		37,500		0	1,800,000
		3,781,600									0

PROJECT DESCRIPTION Insert additional lines, if required.	Expenditure Code	Estimated Project Cost	Estimated Sources of Financing										Estimated Annual Operating Expenses	
			Municipal Sources			Federal Grant	Provincial Grant	Other Sources	Long-Term Borrowing		Estimated Annual Operating Expenses			
			Operating Fund	Reserve Fund	Lease / Other				Long-Term Borrowing (Utilities)	Long-Term Borrowing (General)				
			Code	Code	Code	Code	Code	Code	Code	Code				
YEAR 2 20 16 / 17														
ERECC Upgrades	423	30,000	30,000	1										
Truck Purchase	490	30,000	30,000	1										
Sidewalks	322	100,000	100,000	1										
MacLeilians Bk Plymouth Sewer Phase II	421	3,450,000				1,150,000	16	1,150,000	26			1,150,000	42	
Year 2 Totals		3,610,000	160,000		0	1,150,000		1,150,000		0	0	1,150,000		0
		3,610,000												

PROJECT DESCRIPTION Insert additional lines, if required.	Expenditure Code	Estimated Project Cost	Estimated Sources of Financing										Estimated Annual Operating Expenses	
			Municipal Sources			Federal Grant	Provincial Grant	Other Sources	Long-Term Borrowing		Estimated Annual Operating Expenses			
			Operating Fund	Reserve Fund	Lease / Other				Long-Term Borrowing (Utilities)	Long-Term Borrowing (General)				
			Code	Code	Code	Code	Code	Code	Code	Code	Code	Code		
YEAR 3 20 17 / 18														
ERECC Upgrades	423	30,000	30,000	1										
Truck Purchase	490	25,000	25,000	1										
Sidewalks	322	100,000	100,000	1										
MacLeilians Bk Plymouth Sewer Phase II	421	3,450,000				1,150,000	16	1,150,000	26			1,150,000	42	
Year 3 Totals		3,605,000	155,000		0	1,150,000		1,150,000		0	0	1,150,000		0
		3,605,000												

PROJECT DESCRIPTION Insert additional lines, if required.	Expenditure Code	Estimated Project Cost	Municipal Sources				Federal Grant	Other Sources	Long-Term Borrowing		Annual Operating Expenses
			Operating Fund	Reserve Fund	Lease / Other	Provincial Grant			Long-Term Borrowing (Utilities)	Long-Term Borrowing (General)	
YEAR 4 20 18 / 19											
ERECC Upgrades	423	50,000	50,000 1								
Truck Purchase	490	30,000	30,000 1								
Sidewalks	322	100,000	100,000 1								
Spring Field Estates Water & Sewer	421	550,000	550,000 1								
Year 4 Totals		730,000	180,000	550,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	
		730,000									

PROJECT DESCRIPTION Insert additional lines, if required.	Expenditure Code	Estimated Project Cost	Municipal Sources				Federal Grant	Other Sources	Long-Term Borrowing		Estimated Annual Operating Expenses
			Operating Fund	Reserve Fund	Lease / Other	Provincial Grant			Long-Term Borrowing (Utilities)	Long-Term Borrowing (General)	
YEAR 5 20 19 / 20											
ERECC Upgrades	423	50,000	50,000 1								
Truck Purchase	490	30,000	30,000 1								
Sidewalks	322	100,000	100,000 1								
Year 5 Totals		180,000	180,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
		180,000									

FIVE YEAR TOTALS	11,906,600	11,906,600	1,094,100	1,115,000	0	2,337,500	3,260,000	0	4,100,000	0
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MOTION

It was moved by Clr. D. Parker and seconded by Clr. Turple that the preceding resolution be adopted as presented.

Clr. R. Parker asked where the money is that has been approved for repairs to Stanwood Drive and the CAO replied it is in the Operating Budget.

Clr. R. Parker asked when the budget is approved tonight then it does not have to come before Council again.

The CAO responded that will depend on the tendering process that will be used but the award will come back to Council.

Clr. R. Parker asked the timeline expected for the work to be done and the CAO replied it is not a major job so it should be done relatively quickly.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION – WATER UTILITY BUDGET

Clr. Palmer presented a resolution to Council as follows:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Municipal Council for the Municipality of the County of Pictou that Council approved the Water Utility Budget for the 2015/16 fiscal period in the amount of \$340,968, the same having been reviewed and approved by the Financial Services Committee of Council.

DATED at Pictou, N. S. this 6th day of July, 2015.

(Sgd.) Randy Palmer
Jamie Davidson

MOTION

It was moved by Clr. Palmer and seconded by Clr. Davidson that the preceding resolution be adopted as presented.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION – ACCOUNT ADJUSTMENTS

Clr. Dewar presented a resolution to Council as follows:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Municipal Council for the Municipality of the County of Pictou that Council approve the following write-off on sewer maintenance fees, the same having been reviewed and approved by the Financial Services Committee:

<u>ACCOUNT #</u>	<u>ACCOUNT NAME</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>REASON</u>
02824191	Neil MacKenzie	\$803.03	House demolished in 2011
00319309	Shelly Cotter	\$152.50	House demolished in 2015

DATED at Pictou, N.S. this 6th day of July, 2015.

(Sgd.) Chester Dewar
Scott Johnston

MOTION

It was moved by Clr. Dewar and seconded by Clr. Johnston that the preceding resolution be adopted as presented.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION – MUNICIPAL GRANTS

Clr. S. Fraser presented a resolution to Council as follows:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Municipal Council for the Municipality of the County of Pictou that Council approve the payment of the following Municipal Grants:

Municipal Services:

D 1 Dist. 1 Newsletter	\$ 1,600.00	Production & Circulation of Newsletter
D 1 District One Meals on Wheels	1,500.00	Start-Up Costs for Weekly Pgm.
D 1 Barney's Riv. Stn. School Museum	1,500.00	Sill & Footing Replacement
D 1 Thorburn & Dist. War Vet. Assoc.	500.00	Property Maintenance
D 1 Murray's Point Cemetery	1,500.00	Stone Repairs
D 1 Lismore & Area Community Hall	5,500.00	Roof Replacement
D 1 Merigomish Cemetery Company	2,500.00	Stone Repairs
D 1 Hattie's Cemetery	500.00	Groundskeeping
D 1 District One Development Society	500.00	Computer Classes
D 1 District One Development Society	1,000.00	Outdoor Rink Infrastructure
D 1 District 1 Street Lights	200.00	Merigomish Hall Street Light
D 2 Pictou Landing Fire Department	3,000.00	Tile Replacement
D 2 Little Hbr. Walk/Bike Trail Soc.	3,000.00	Culverts, Gravel & Signage
D 2 Little Hbr. Community Ctr.	4,300.00	Electrical Panel & Wiring
D 2 District 2 Street Lights	10,841.00	Little Hbr. & PL Street Lights
D 3 Seaboard Cemetery	1,000.00	Maintenance & Groundskeeping
D 3 Caribou River Upper Cemetery	1,000.00	Maintenance & Repairs
D 3 Pictou Cem. Co/Haliburton Cem.	2,000.00	Shed Repairs & gravel
D 3 Caribou River Community Hall	9,000.00	Sill Replacement & Heat Pump
D 3 Waterside Cemetery Co.	1,500.00	Groundskeeping & Operating Exp.
D 3 Caribou Island Cemetery	500.00	Groundskeeping
D 3 Central Caribou Cemetery	1,500.00	Maintenance
D 3 District 3 Street Lights	490.00	Bayview Hall & Simpson Road Lights
D 4 Meals on Wheels RJ	1,500.00	Program Expenses

D 4 RJ & Area Recreation	1,000.00	Program Expenses
D 4 Royal Can. Legion Branch 108	4,000.00	Bar cooler, Student Wages & Deck Repairs
D 4 River John Comm. Action Soc.	1,000.00	Student Wages
D 4 Toney River Comm. Hall	4,000.00	Furnace Replacement
D 4 St. John's Anglican Cemeteries	1,500.00	Fence Repairs & Groundskeeping
D 4 Mountain Road Cemetery	1,000.00	Groundskeeping & Equip't. Repairs
D 4 River John Festival Days	3,500.00	Event Expenses
D 4 RJ & Area Historical Society	3,500.00	Student Wages & Operating Exp.
D 4 Salem United Cemetery	1,000.00	Maintenance Expenses
D 4 District 4 Street Lights	440.00	Welsford Street Light
D 5 District 5 Street Lights	600.00	Meadowville, West Branch & Elmfield Hall Lights
D 7 Greenhill Alma United Church	5,000.00	Roof Replacement
D 7 West River Presby. Church	3,000.00	New Furnace
D 7 Durham Community Hall	2,000.00	Tables & TV
D 7 Pump Road Homeowners	6,152.00	Road Improvements
D 7 Green Acres Road Committee	3,000.00	Snow Removal & Rd. Improv'ts.
D 7 West River Fire Department	3,500.00	Kitchen Cabinets, Sinks & Ventilation
D 8 LORDA	5,000.00	Operating Expenses
D 8 Watervale & Area Rec. Ctr.	3,237.25	Steel Doors
D 8 Gairloch Presby. Church	7,005.74	Electrical Panel, Plug, Fridge & Chairs
D 8 Millbrook & Area Comm. Club	5,473.20	Basement Insulation
D 8 Saltsprings 4-H Club	2,955.00	Radios
D 8 West River Fire Department	5,000.00	Countertops, Sinks, Cabinets & Relocate dishwasher
D 8 District 8 Street Lights	400.00	Saltsprings Car Pool Lot Light
D 10 District 10 Street Lights	6,451.00	Street Light Off-Set
D 11 Churchville Community Hall	5,000.00	Footings, Siding & Insulation
D 11 Priestville Walk. Res. Co.	2,500.00	Turning Radius & Cem. Mtnce.
D 11 Dist. 11 Summer Recreation	3,000.00	Wages, Equip, & Pgm. Expenses
D 11 Plymouth Fire Department	1,750.00	Turn-Out Gear
D 11 ERVCDA	1,500.00	Newsletter, Community Gdn. & Miscell. Expenses
D 11 Active Pictou County	2,350.00	Thorburn Spur Assessment
D 12 District 12 Street Lights	3,995.00	Street Lighting Off-Set
D 12 Lorne Community Hall	2,000.00	Repairs & Up-Keep of Hall
D 12 Hopewell & Area Park & Footbridge Assoc.	2,500.00	Ceilidh & Candy Cane Comm. Exp.
D 12 Iona Park	1,000.00	On-Going Park Projects

D 12 1 st Presbyterian Church	250.00	Mowing @ Hopewell War Mem.
D 12 Riverton Community Club	2,000.00	Hall Up-Keep
D 12 Glengarry Forks Comm. Hall	750.00	Kitchen Floor & General Mtnce.
D 12 MacLean Cemetery	750.00	Cemetery Up-Keep
D 12 Marshdale Cemetery	750.00	Cemetery Up-Keep
D 12 Hopewell 4-H	750.00	Eureka War Mem. Exp. (\$250) & Pgm. Expenses (\$500)
D 12 ERVCDA	1,500.00	Newsletter & Other Projects
D 12 Eureka & Dist. Fire Dept.	3,000.00	Bunker Suit
D 13 Telford Cemetery Assoc.	2,050.00	Entrance Gate
D 13 Thorburn Cemetery Assoc.	2,000.00	Operating Expenses
D 13 St. Alban's Church	2,200.00	Fire Escape Replacement, Window & Door
D 13 Dist. 13 Rec & Plan. Comm.	3,000.00	Summer Rec. Pgm. Expenses & Ballfield Maintenance
D 13 Thorburn & Dist. War Vet. Assoc.	1,500.00	Operating Expenses
D 13 MacPherson's Mills Comm. Hall	3,415.00	Door, Vinyl Siding, Window & Plumbing
D 13 Union Presbyterian Church	1,500.00	Siding & Windows
D 13 Freedom Bible Church	1,483.43	Stove for Parsonage
D 14 MacDonald Rebekah Ldg. 108	1,400.00	Sill/Clap Bd. Repairs & Gutters
D 14 SBI 4-H	450.00	Program Expenses
D 14 East River Valley Rec. Assoc.	1,400.00	Operating Expenses
D 14 Glencoe Comm. Hall Assoc.	1,500.00	Windows
D 14 ERVCDA	1,400.00	Newsletter/Garden/Misc. Exp.
D 14 Springville Cemetery	450.00	Mowing & Maintenance
D 14 Garden of Eden Cemetery	500.00	Ground Maintenance
D 14 Garden of Eden Comm. Club	2,500.00	Electrical Up-Grades
D 14 Ladies Aux Blue Mtn. Fire Dept.	5,000.00	Dishwasher
TOTAL	\$232,818.21	

D 14 Sunny Brae War Mem. Soc. \$500.00 Bal. Approval to extend the completion of this project (originally approved for \$1,000 on October 6, 2015) to March 31, 2016.

Council:

Pictou County 4-H	\$ 250.00	Exhibition Awards Night Trophies
Brittany Fraser	<u>250.00</u>	Pan Am Games Expenses
TOTAL	\$ 500.00	

DATED at Pictou, N.S. this 6th day of July, 2015.

(Sgd.) Sally Fraser
Deborah Wadden

MOTION

It was moved by Clr. S. Fraser and seconded by Clr. Wadden that the preceding resolution be adopted as presented.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION – BUDGET GRANTS

Deputy Warden Thompson presented a resolution to Council as follows:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS numerous applications for funding were received and considered by the Municipality during the preparation of the 2015/16 General Operating Budget;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Municipal Council for the Municipality of the County of Pictou that Council approve the payment of the following grants:

#	APPLICANT	PURPOSE	FUNDING DECISION
	COMMUNITY GRANTS		
1	CHAD	Operating Expenses & Loan Repayment	\$ 55,060.00
2	Festival of the Tartans Committee	Event Expenses	500.00
3	Hector Quay Society	Operating Expenses	7,000.00
4	New Glasgow Farmers Market Coop. Ltd.	Membership Fees & Promotional Materials	2,150.00
5	Pictou Agricultural Society	Repairs to Bldgs/Bleachers & Culvert Replacement	7,000.00
6	Pictou County Community Orchestra	Operating Expenses	1,000.00
7	Pictou Co. Christmas Fund	Telethon Expenses	500.00
8	Pictou Co. Council of Seniors Outreach	Lunch & Learn Program Exp.	5,000.00
9	Pictou Co. Cruise Committee	Membership Fees & Tradeshow Expenses	2,000.00
10	Pictou Co. Early Intervention Assoc.	Program Expenses	5,000.00
11	Pictou County 4-H Council	Repairs & Equipment to Bldgs. & Water Line Repairs	5,550.00
12	Pictou Co. Fuel Fund	Emergency Fuel Funding	2,500.00
13	Pictou Co. Helpline	Operating Expenses	2,500.00
14	Pictou Co. Municipalities Crime Prevention Assoc.	Operating Expenses	5,000.00
15	Pictou County Scouting	Up-Grades to Youth Cabins	4,320.00
16	Pictou Lobster Fisheries Carnival	Event Expenses (Boat Races & Entertainers)	6,000.00
17	Read by the Sea	Literary Festival Exp.	3,500.00
18	Ship Hector Foundation	Golf Tournament Expenses	500.00
19	Sunrise Film Festival Society	Event Expenses	3,000.00
20	VON Pictou County	Volunteer Transportation Pgm. Expenses	5,000.00
21	West Pictou Girl Guides	Program Expenses	500.00
			\$112,580.00

	MARKETING GRANTS		
22	Destination Eastern & Northern Shores	Operating Expenses	18,860.68
			\$ 18,860.68
	RECREATION GRANTS		
23	deCoste Entertainment Centre Society	Operating Expenses	15,000.00
24	Dist. 13 Recreation & Planning Comm.	Female Dsg. Rms. Partial Roof Replac't. & Repairs to Brine Leak	41,618.00
25	Pictou Co. Genealogy & Heritage Society	Operating Expenses	5,000.00
26	Westville Curling Club	Drainage, Foundation Wrap & Interior Basement Repairs	2,500.00 x 2 yrs
			\$ 64,118.00
	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GTS.		
27	District 1 Development Society	Community Coordinator	5,000.00
28	Scotsburn Community Coalition Society	Community Coordinator	8,675.00
			\$ 13,675.00
		GRAND TOTAL	\$220,233.68

DATED at Pictou, NS this 6th day of July, 2015.

(Sgd.) Andy Thompson
Deborah Wadden

MOTION

It was moved by Deputy Warden Thompson and seconded by Clr. Wadden that the preceding resolution be adopted as presented.

Clr. D. Parker reported this is a difficult job every year and some groups are denied while others are greatly reduced.

Deputy Warden Thompson pointed out there are a lot of worthy causes but you cannot fund them all.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION – SHEEP VALUER APPOINTMENTS

Clr. Johnston presented a resolution to Council as follows:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS Section 9(1) of the Sheep Protection Act provides for the annual appointment of Sheep Valuers;

WHEREAS appointments to this office have been made throughout the various districts of the County of Pictou;

WHEREAS in accordance with the aforementioned Statutes of Nova Scotia, these appointments require the approval of Council;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Municipal Council for the Municipality of the County of Pictou that Council approve the appointment of the following Sheep Valuers for 2015/16:

DIST. # 2 Ross Cameron
DIST. # 3 William Ferguson
DIST. # 4 Doug White
DIST. #12 Willard MacDonald
DIST. #14 Ray Webb & Carolyn Thompson

DATED at Pictou, N.S. this 6th day of July, 2015.

(Sgd.) Scott Johnston
Chester Dewar

MOTION

It was moved by Clr. Johnston and seconded by Clr. Dewar that the preceding resolution be adopted as presented.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION – MUNICIPAL GUARANTEE

Deputy Warden Thompson presented a resolution to Council as follows:

**MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF PICTOU GUARANTEE RESOLUTION
NEW SCOTLAND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT INCORPORATED**

WHEREAS the New Scotland Business Development Incorporated ("hereinafter referred to as "NSBDI") was incorporated on December 31, 2014 pursuant to Section 60 of the Municipal Government Act;

AND WHEREAS NSBDI has determined to borrow the aggregate principal amount of Six Million Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$6,250,000) for the purpose of purchase of lands for the development of a business park and has applied to the Municipality of the County of Pictou for its guarantee of share of the borrowing;

AND WHEREAS NSBDI has requested the Municipality of the County of Pictou, one of the municipalities that executed the instrument of incorporation of the NSBDI Business Development Incorporated to guarantee the said borrowing;

AND WHEREAS Section 88 of the Municipal Government Act, provides that no guarantee of a borrowing by a municipality shall have effect unless the Minister has approved of the proposed borrowings or debenture and of the proposed guarantee;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED

THAT the Municipality of the County of Pictou does hereby approve the borrowings of Six Million Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$6,250,000) for the purpose set out above;

THAT subject to the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs of the borrowing by NSBDI and the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs of the guarantee, the Municipality of the County of Pictou unconditionally guarantees an amount equal to 50 percent of the borrowings; and

THAT upon the issue of the Temporary Borrowing Resolution, the Warden and Chief Administrative Officer (Clerk) of the Municipality of the County of Pictou do sign the guarantee and attached it to the Temporary Borrowing Resolution of the NSBDI and affix hereto the seal of the Municipality of the County of Pictou.

DATED at Pictou, N.S. this 6th day of July, 2015.

(Sgd.) Andy Thompson
Sally Fraser.

MOTION

It was moved by Deputy Warden Thompson and seconded by Clr. S. Fraser that the preceding resolution be adopted as presented.

Clr. R. Parker pointed out that he wants to be clear on who New Scotland Business Development Inc. is and as far as he knows it is fully owned by the Municipality and the Town of New Glasgow but it is not a private corporation. Clr. R. Parker asked if there was a Board of Directors and the CAO replied the Deputy Warden, Clrs. Turner and Davidson are the Municipality's representatives on the Board as well as the Mayor of New Glasgow, Deputy Mayor Nancy Dicks and Clr. Jack Lewis. The CAO pointed out that the Board has the authority to borrow the money and they appointed the Mayor of New Glasgow as one of the signing authorities and Clr. Davidson is the second signing authority along with Lisa MacDonald and myself.

Clr. D. Parker reported that he had discussions with several business people from 2 different areas that feel they are not getting that kind of support. Clr. D. Parker informed Council that he explained this is a new development in a new area but there are always some that are envious.

Motion carried.

EMERGENCY RESOLUTIONS

There were no emergency resolutions to present to Council at this time.

TRURO HOSPITAL

Clr. Turple reported that over the years he surgeries at various hospitals throughout Nova Scotia but recently he had surgery at the new hospital in Truro and informed Council that in his opinion it is a great hospital. He has never seen such caring staff and he just wanted to pass that information on to Council.

GASOLINE PRICES

Clr. Turple reported that he contacted Mr. Paul Allan at the UARB who sent him the following information on why gas prices are increasing:

"The drop in oil prices has been stunning with both US and international crude pushing a 40% decline since June of last year. Attention so far has been on oil and demand getting out of whack. The world has more oil now than it actually needs with various estimates of sub-surplus falling anywhere from 700,000 to more than 1,000,000 barrels of oil daily. The US is mostly to blame. The shale boom has poured in an extra 4,000,000 barrels of oil into the world since 2008. That helped the market whether there was chaos elsewhere keeping oil prices remarkably flat. The trend has been clear for a while now and plenty of smart economists have been talking for more than a year about the potential for much lower prices."

This time last year crude oil was \$150 a barrel and we were paying \$1.49 per liter at the gas stations. Today's price is \$54 a barrel and we are paying \$1.18 at the pumps so what will happen if the price goes back up to \$150 a barrel.

"The first people to act in that field were speculators. Speculators are people who want exposure to oil prices without having to take delivery of the physical crude if they can help it. These organizations have the funds to buy excess oil and gas reserves at the price today and hoard it until the price goes up."

Clr. Turple pointed out there is not much anyone can do about this because the government allows it.

SPRINGVILLE BRIDGE

Clr. Johnston informed Council the Springville Bridge has been repaired and reopened with a weight limit of 10 tons and in the fall the weight limit may increase to 20 tons.

MOTION

It was moved by Clr. Johnston and seconded by Clr Dewar that Council send a letter to the Minister of Transportation & Infrastructure Renewal with a copy to Mr. Troy Webb, Area Manager thanking them for the work done to the Springville Bridge and the residents of the area are very appreciative that the bridge has reopened.

Clr. R. Parker commented that it was important that the Department of Transportation caught the problem before it needed serious repairs.

Motion carried.

REFERRALS TO COMMITTEE & NOTICE OF MOTIONS

Clr. D. Parker reported that at a future Financial Services Committee meeting he will be making a motion that all senior staff be present at future budget meetings.

CLOSED SESSION



Council met in closed session at 8:20 p.m. to discuss matters relating to legal advice eligible for solicitor-client privilege, and contract negotiations.

OPEN SESSION

Council resumed in open session at 9:15 p.m.

ADJOURN

It was moved by Clr. L. Fraser and seconded by Clr. D. Parker that the meeting adjourn.
Motion carried. (9:15 p.m.)


DEPUTY WARDEN

MUNICIPAL CLERK