

In Attendance: Nancy MacDonald, Al MacDonald, Anna LeBlanc, Brenda MacLeod, Jane MacDonald, AJ Law, Paula Law, Kay Langille, Jen Langille, Rob Boudreau, Ed George, Sarah MacDonald, Bill MacMillan, Gretchen Maguire, Anne Chaldecott, Joyce Halasz, Skip Hamilton, Susan Forsyth, David Read, Brenda Collins

Nancy brings the meeting to order. She asks for the Agenda to be accepted as presented. Susan moves to accept, Anna seconds, all in favour.

Nancy asks for the approval of the minutes from the September 18th. Gretchen moves to accept the minutes, Ed seconds, all in favour.

### 1. Tower for Internet

Nancy spoke to Darla McKeil respecting the proposed broadband tower installation under the supervision of Terry Dalton, i-Valley Intelligent Community Assn. The County and Mr. Dalton are working well together to move forward on this project. The Company is waiting for equipment and will do a site survey as soon as practicable.

### 2. Ferry

Gretchen reads the letter she sent to Kim Masland, Minister of Public Works. Thank you to Gretchen for your well-written letter.

Gretchen received an emailed response on October 8th, from Kim Masland's Office asking for a meeting on October 15th with Dan Leopold, Depart. Of Transportation.

Gretchen will reply to the email on Tuesday and suggests that the Ferry Committee members meet with him on the 15th.

Nancy speaks to the funding for additional runs and to prioritize the runs. Discussion ensues and the following points will be discussed at the meeting:

- Reservations are recommended but not mandatory but passengers must be at the dock, ready to load and board the vessel, 15 minutes prior to departure.
- Reservations will be accepted one week in advance.
- Reservations will not be accepted prior to 12 hours in advance of departure.
- Cancel reservations by email.
- Ferry to depart on the scheduled time.

Ed speaks to Sarah's suggestion that the Ferry Committee keep the base scheduled runs in the existing contract but ask for 30 additional (float) runs in the new contract.

Sarah moves that the Ferry Committee ask for 30 additional runs in the new contract, Al seconds, all in favour.

Anne suggests that the Ferry Committee extend an invitation to meet with the new Ferry operator next April to discuss the schedule. Gretchen agrees with this suggestion.

### 3. Closing Up Tasks

Lawn mowers - Chris Stafford

PICA Water - Fire Dept.

Tables - Ed & Sarah

### New Business:

Dr. Brenda has kindly offered to hold a First Aid Course for Pets on October 16th at 10 am and will provide Lyme vaccines for those who order them for their pets by contacting Dr. Brenda advance. Nancy will send an email to everyone on the Pictou Island email list.

Dr. Brenda is also putting together a First Aid kit for pets. Contact Dr. Brenda before using it for instructions and pay for items that are used.

Joyce suggests adding a list with human equivalent medications.

Thank you Dr. Brenda for volunteering your time to look after our pets!

Brenda M. moves to adjourn the meeting, Susan seconds, all in favour.