

Pictou N.S. Municipal Council May Term 1887

This half yearly meeting of the Mun. Council for Pictou County was held this Tuesday 3rd, May 1887.

The Warden opened the Council with prayer.

A discussion arose about the Clerk. It was moved by Dr. McDougall, seconded by Cls. Ross and passed unanimously, that Robert Matheson be Deputy Clerk during the Present Term.

The Clerk then called a roll and 17 Cls answered to their names.

The Warden had a statement from the Prov. Secretary office showing the subdivision of road grant for this year giving the price of \$18059.81 to Pictou County.

Read abstract of Treasurers a/c for the year, which was laid out to take for the information of the Council.

The Warden read the endorsements of the several papers which had accumulated in the Clerks having handed them several committees to take action thereon.

Read letter from W. Cameron, Stellarton, Reviser, in the names to be added to the tables instead rolls – handed to the Committee on assessments.

Read petition from the Stewiacke to Valley Lansdowne Railway Co. praying for right of way through a portion of the County. Moved, seconded and resolved that a Several Railway Committee as appointed do that the whole matter be submitted to them to report there on.

The Council was occupied with the discussion of County matters generally by the several members until 12 o'clock when it was moved, seconded and resolved that this Council stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m.

Council met at 2 p.m. pursuant to adjournment. Councilors all present but 3. Minutes of forenoon read and adopted.

The Warden addressed the Council with Town Officials, Railway damages, Clerk and proposed change of officers; and it was moved and seconded that a Committee of 5 be appointed to consider what proportion of the salary for the year current shall be paid to the outgoing and incoming clerks to provide for the place wither the office of the County Clerks shall be and to see that all furniture and the papers of the municipality are transferred by the retiring officers to this successors. ?? McKay Fraser. Passed.

Report on Committee on nominations were the Clerks Salary of their matters; and also the Committee on the Stewiacke Valley and Lansdowne Railway Co. read by the Warden and passed and ordered to be filed.

Council adjourned at 5:45 until 9 o'clock a.m tomorrow.

Council met this Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock. Minutes of yesterday afternoon meeting were read and adopted. After a discussion on several matters including the cost of the County Asylum, a letter given was sent to J.G. Reid requesting him to furnish the Council with the accounts and relating thereto at once, as instructed to do so at the annual meeting.

The Committee of the Pictou Town resolved being in Court, the Dep. Clerk read the report laid over from last night and after a discussion from several members and the Warden, Mr. Stewart on behalf of the Committee addressed the Council and endeavored to fine them.

All the information necessary, often other members of Council and of the Railway Committee had expressed their news of the aforesaid matters, it was moved by Clr. A. McKenzie, seconded by Cls. John D. Fraser that the nominating committee affidavit a special

Committee of 3 to meet the Railway Committee of Pictou Town to arrange and settle all matters connected therewith. Passed.

Moved by Cls. Grant seconded by Clr. McKay and resolved that the new bridge required over the East River near Stellarton Station be placed under the provisions of the Bridge Act, its early constructions by the Government being desired.

Council adjourned at 12 o'clock until 2 p.m.

Council met at 2 p.m. pursuant to adjournment. Minutes of forenoon read and adopted. Nominating Committee reported nominating as Committee on the Pictou Town Branch Railway, Clrs. A. Bell, Donald Fraser, and John D. Fraser. Report received passed and filed.

The members of Council [????] all the afternoon at Committee work at 3 o'clock it was moved seconded and resolved that the Council should adjourn until tomorrow at 9 o'clock.

Council met this Thursday morning at 9 o'clock. Minutes of yesterday afternoon read and adopted.

The Warden handed to the Committee the various papers that had accumulated in the Clerks hands since last meeting.

Read resignation of W.M. McBean, Stipendiary Magistrate Westville, also of John follows Stipendiary of River John. Later handed in and read at January Term 1887, Laid resignation of W. McBean and after withdrawn.

Read a statement from the Prov. Secretary's Office showing the number of Bridges placed under the provisions of the Bridge Act. The Dept. clerk was requested to have list from the Records and see that they are found and report thereon at next meeting.

Read petition from Ratepayers Poll. Sect. No. 21, Barney's River, to have said section subdivided. Said petition was addressed to the Municipal Legislature and read the Council endorsed and referred back to the W. McColl, M.P.P.

Read report of Committee were Clerk's salary received and laid out on the table until tomorrow morning.

Read report of Committee on Public Property. On motion Report received. Moved seconded and resolved that the report be read clause by clause and passed as endorsed by the warden thereas.

Moved by Clrs. A.G. Bell, seconded by Clr. McKenzie, that the commissioners of the Court House shall have the Court House cleaned and white washed or covered with alabaster plaster repaired and wood painted. Passed.

Moved seconded, and resolved that the Council do stand adjourned until tomorrow's morning meeting at 9 o'clock as the members are going as a body to visit the County Asylum.

Council met this Friday morning at nine o'clock pursuant to adjournment. Minutes of yesterdays meeting read and approved after correction.

The Warden read the endorsements of the papers accumulated in the Deputy Clerks Lands since last meeting.

Took up report Committee with clerk, laid over from yesterday, and after discussions by several members, report was referred back to Committee for amendment.

Report of Committees on Roads and Bridges. Report read and passed as marked there as:

Petitions

1. Petition Wallace Munro & others, Mill Brook, in opposition to road running through his premises. Deferred to Jan. Term, 1886

2. Confirmation of road at or near James H. Weirs, C. River. Not confirmed.
3. Petition James W. Fraser and others against the appointment of a Committee to lay off Road of St. Pauls East River – Petition granted.
4. Petition of Alex Matheson Poll Sect. No. 11 for money to ?? road. Not granted.
5. Petition for Committee to lay off pent road for Margaret Fraser, Fox Brook – Granted A.W. McBean, Com.
6. Petition James Arbuckle for Committee to lay off public road from shore to Dominion wharf. Granted.
7. Petition for the four Thomas Harbournes Bridge Matheson’s Forks W.B. River John. Not Granted.
8. Petition for Committee to lay off road from the residence of Simon McGregor to the farm lately occupied by Geo. Cooke. – Not granted.
9. Petition of free holders, North Shore Cape John for access to shore. – Not granted
10. Petition for confirmation of road at French River Polling Sect. 24. Deed of dedication as asked for Jan. Term 1884, filed.
11. Report of Supervisors of Road in re ? Cameron’s road, Elgin and Muir’s Hopewell. Recommend Supervisors of Road Board No. 8 resolve abstractions.
12. Of Road Board No. 8 remove obstructions
13. Petition to lay off road East River – Granted. A.W. McBean, Com
14. Petition of free holders Glengarry, Polling Sec. 18 for Public road from Glengarry Station to Stewiacke road . Granted. D.W. McDonald, com
15. Petition of Chas. Graham, West River to close part of old road. Not granted.
16. Petition of free holders Thorburn for committee to lay off street. Granted. A.W. McBean, Com.
17. Petition Rate payer Hopewell, to ?? ??. Ordered Supervisor of Roads and Bridges to be notified to remove obstructions.
18. Petitions of Geo. Archibald, St. Paul’s to lay off Pent Road – Not granted .
19. Petition of Duncan McDonald Sec 20 for payment for fences. Not granted.
20. Petition of Wm. McDonald Sect 20 for payment of road damages. Ordered that Hugh McPhee be ordered to pay they said damages.

Appointment of Provincial Road Grant as follows :

Grant		\$8059.81	
Fries		<u>79.79</u>	
		\$8139.60	
Road District No. 1		\$2406.00	
“ “	2	1511.00	
“ “	3	2684.00	
“ “	4	<u>1538.70</u>	\$8139.70

All of which is respectfully submitted

- 290 J.Rod McDonald
- “ A.J. McKay
- “ John D. Fraser
- “ James McKay

Read report of Committee on Statute Labour – read by the Chairman, report received and adopted – passed.

Read report of Committee on Assessment – read by Chairman, moved, seconded, and resolved that the said report be received and adopted. Passed.

Committee on Finance – Report read by Chairman. Moved, seconded, and resolved that said report be received and adopted. Passed.

Council adjourned at 12:30 until 2 p.m.

Council met at 2 p.m. pursuant to adjournment. Minutes of a.m. read and adopted.

Read report of Committee on Poor, Received and adopted.

Read report on Railway Committee. Moved and seconded that the report be received, read clause by clause and passed as marked there as by the Warden – Passed.

Read report Nominating Committee, report received and adopted.

Read report with Clerks office. Report received and adopted.

Committee on Nominations. Report read received and adopted.

Read Committee on Railway matters. Received and adopted.

Moved by Councilor McColl, seconded by Councilor E.J. Ross that the following bridges be placed under the provisions by the Bridge Act. viz

Saw Mill Bridge

Lower Carriboo River

Baillie's Cape John

Murphy's Creek

Lower French River

Lower Barney's River

Barry's Mills

Avondale

New Glasgow

River John

Boat Harbour

Read minutes afternoon meeting, which on motion were received and adopted.

Resolved that the minutes as read from day to day be adopted as a whole.

Adjourned Sine Die

Adjourned Friday May 8/87

At 2:20

Robert McNeil, *Warden*