Mayor Fowler welcomed everyone to the Council Meeting for the Town of Bridgetown, held on the above date at 6:30 p.m. in the Kaulbach Memorial Community Room of the Bridgetown Fire Hall.

SUMMARY OF MOTIONS

MOTION: 120411.01 Approved the 2nd and Final Reading of the amendment to the Bridgetown Land Use Bylaw: Part 18.1 Business Development (BD) Zone, Uses Permitted, be amended to include: "Commercial Schools with accessory dormitory facilities."
MOTION: 120411.02 Approved the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on March 7, 2012
MOTION: 120411.03 Approved the 2nd & Final Reading of the Taxation Information Bylaw as presented
MOTION: 120411.04 Agreed to repeal the current Valley Region Solid Waste-Resource Management Bylaw and agreed to give 1st Reading to the amended Valley Region Solid Waste-Resource Management Bylaw as presented
MOTION: 120411.05 Approved the Account Write Offs in the amount of Three Thousand Two Hundred Twenty Four Dollars and Fifty-Eight Cents ($3,224.58) as attached
MOTION: 120411.06 Received, for information, the reports in the Council package
MOTION: 120411.07 Agreed that the property located at 19 Water Street be given heritage approval to allow for repairs to fire damage, as per the recommendation included in the Heritage Advisory Committee report to Council dated April 5, 2012 (as attached)
MOTION: 120411.08 Agreed to adjourn at 7:44 p.m.

PRESENT

Mayor R. Fowler, Deputy Mayor A. Allen, and Councillor J. Thurber, Acting CAO N. Comeau and AA M. Merry.

Also in attendance: Shaun Saunders, Jeff Bishop, Audrey Shields and Heather Frenette, Annapolis Valley Health and approximately 20 area residents.

Regrets: CAO D. Hiltz

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PUBLIC HEARING

LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT – PERMITTED USES

MOTION: 120411.01 Approved the 2nd and Final Reading of the amendment to the Bridgetown Land Use Bylaw: Part 18.1 Business Development (BD) Zone, Uses Permitted, be amended to include: "Commercial Schools with accessory dormitory facilities."
On motion of Deputy Mayor Allen, seconded by Councillor Thurber, the Town Council approved the 2nd and Final Reading of the amendment to the Bridgetown Land Use Bylaw: Part 18.1 Business Development (BD) Zone, Uses Permitted, be amended to include: "Commercial Schools with accessory dormitory facilities." Motion carried.

PRESENTATION

ANNAPOLIS VALLEY HEALTH (AVH)
COMMUNITY DIALOGUE ON GAMBLING – APRIL 30, 2012
Heather Frenette thanked Council for accepting the invitation from AVH to present "Community Dialogue on Gambling". AVH will be holding a free workshop April 30, 2012 @ 7:00 p.m. at the Bridgetown Lion's Hall. H. Frenette invited Clinical Therapist Audrey Shields to discuss the dialogue on gambling workshop.

A. Shields gave a brief history of gambling in Canada.

The workshop will address:

- What has changed in Nova Scotia?
- What has changed in your community?
- What can be done to decrease the harm?

A tremendous amount of focus have been placed on changing the gambler, some of the changes have to happen in the community. The Atlantic Lottery Corporation regulates gambling; regulating something does not make it safe, it makes it permissible.

H. Frenette and A. Shields left the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

APPROVALS

MOTION: 120411.02 Approved the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on March 7, 2012
On motion of Mayor Fowler, seconded by Deputy Mayor Allen, the Town Council approved the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on March 7, 2012. Motion carried.

BUSINESS ARISING
TAXATION INFORMATION BYLAW

2ND & Final Reading
MOTION: 120411.03 Approved the 2nd & Final Reading of the Taxation Information Bylaw as presented
On motion of Deputy Mayor Allen, seconded by Councillor Thurber, the Town Council approved the 2nd & Final Reading of the Taxation Information Bylaw as presented. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

NOVA SCOTIA INTERNATIONAL FERRY PARTNERSHIP (NSIFP)
Deputy Mayor Allen noted the request for financial assistance and suggested the item be deferred to the budget process.

NOVA SCOTIA COMMUNITY ACCESS PROGRAM (CAP)
Deputy Mayor Allen commented there are many unanswered questions and noted the CAP sites are not always manned by paid staff. Councillor Thurber suggested additional information be requested regarding operational costs. Mayor Fowler will meet with local CAP site employees and an update for Council's next meeting.

Council received, for information, the correspondence in the Council package.

NEW BUSINESS

VALLEY WASTE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY (VWRMA)

REPORT TO COUNCIL

MOTION: 120411.04 Agreed to repeal the current Valley Region Solid Waste-Resource Management Bylaw and agreed to give 1st Reading to the amended Valley Region Solid Waste-Resource Management Bylaw as presented

Deputy Mayor Allen commented on the report to Council noting the amendments to the bylaw are minor wording changes and corrections.

On motion of Deputy Mayor Allen, seconded by Councillor Thurber, the Town Council agreed to repeal the current Valley Region Solid Waste-Resource Management Bylaw and agreed to give 1st Reading to the amended Valley Region Solid Waste-Resource Management Bylaw as presented. Motion carried.

REQUEST FOR DECISION

HYDRANTS – HAMPTON MTN ROAD & CLARENCE ROAD

Mayor Fowler gave an update of the issue noting that the installation of the new water system included three new hydrants, which the County feel they never agreed to. The residents who are serviced by those hydrants have petitioned the County to have them removed. CAO Hiltz has prepared two options in his request for decision to address the issue. Mayor Fowler recommended the issue be deferred to the May meeting of Council.

PROVINCIAL VOLUNTEER AWARD

2012 MODEL VOLUNTEER COMMUNITY OF THE YEAR

Deputy Mayor Allen received the award for the Town of Bridgetown at the Provincial Volunteer Awards Ceremony in Halifax on April 2, 2012.

Mayor Fowler commented that CDC Steve Raftery did a great job putting together the application, which recognized the various groups who contribute day in and day out. Information about the award is available on the Town's website www.town.bridgetown.ns.ca as well as the story behind each project.

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE WRITE OFF REQUEST

MOTION: 120411.05 Approved the Account Write Offs in the amount of Three Thousand Two Hundred Twenty Four Dollars and Fifty-Eight Cents ($3,224.58) as attached

On motion of Deputy Mayor Allen, seconded by Mayor Fowler, the Town Council approved the Account Write Offs in the amount of Three Thousand Two Hundred Twenty Four Dollars and Fifty-Eight Cents ($3,224.58)(as attached). Motion carried.

REPORTS

CAO

Mayor Fowler commented that year to date statements will be available at the May Council meeting after the return of CAO Hiltz and the completion of the 2010/2011 audit.

PLANNING SERVICES

Development/Building Permit & Fire Inspection Report – February 2012

BVFD

Bridgetown Volunteer Fire Department – February 2012

RCMP

Royal Canadian Mounted Police – February 2012

EMC

Emergency Management Coordinator Activity Report – as of April 2, 2012

MOTION: 120411.06 Received, for information, the reports in the Council package
On motion of Deputy Mayor Allen, seconded by Councillor Thurber, the Town Council received, for information, the reports in the Council package. Motion carried.

HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (HAC)

19 WATER STREET – RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL
MOTION: 120411.07 Agreed that the property located at 19 Water Street be given heritage approval to allow for repairs to fire damage, as per the recommendation included in the Heritage Advisory Committee report to Council dated April 5, 2012 (as attached)
On motion of Councillor Thurber, seconded by Deputy Mayor Allen, the Town Council, on recommendation of the Heritage Advisory Committee, agreed that the property located at 19 Water Street be given heritage approval to allow for repairs to fire damage, as per the recommendation included in the Heritage Advisory Committee report to Council dated April 5, 2012 (as attached). Motion carried.

MAYORS' & WARDEN'S MEETING

Deputy Mayor Allen attended the Mayors & Warden's Meeting on behalf of Mayor Fowler and reported the County has signed an agreement with the Trans County Transportation Society (TCTS) and distributed the agreement to the towns of Annapolis Royal, Bridgetown and Middleton for signing. Deputy Mayor Allen suggested this item be deferred to the budget process as the agreement has financial implications.

CITIZENS' FORUM

Shaun Saunders thanked Council on behalf of Jeff Bishop and himself for their support in the approval of the Land Use Bylaw amendment and invited Council to tour the facility at their convenience.

Wendy Courtice announced the Arbour Day promotion deadline has been extended to April 19, 2012.

Mayor Fowler commented that the Town of Bridgetown will host a Municipal Recruitment Workshop on Wednesday, May 9, 2012 @ 6:00 p.m. at the Bridgetown Fire Hall and invited anyone thinking about running for municipal council; or anyone who wants to work on an election campaign; or anyone thinking about becoming more involved in the municipality or community; or anyone just wanting to learn more about municipal government to attend.

NEXT MEETING

Mayor Fowler announced the next meeting of the Town Council for the Town of Bridgetown would be held on **Tuesday May 15, 2012** at the Bridgetown Fire Hall at 6:00 p.m.

Council will sit as Committee of the Whole (COTW) as needed or meet in Special Council as required.

ADJOURMENT

MOTION: 120411.08 Agreed to adjourn at 7:44 p.m.
On motion of Deputy Mayor Allen, the Town Council agreed to adjourn at 7:44 p.m. Motion carried.

MAYOR **ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT**