SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 13, 2025

A Special Meeting of Victoria County Municipal Council was held via Team's on August 13, 2025, at 2:00pm with Warden Organ in the Chair.

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

District #1- Donna Matheson-Lefort

District #2- Perla MacLeod

District #3- Jess Kerr

District #4- Rosella Born

District #5- Fraser Patterson

District #6 – Tim Donovan

District #7- Jackie Organ

District #8 – Wanda Hennick

STAFF PRESENT

Leanne MacEachen, CAO

Alix Redden, CFO

Steff MacLeod, Municipal Clerk and Executive Assistant, Recorder

Ursula Melski, Manger of Communications

CALL TO ORDER

Warden Organ called the meeting to order and presented the one agenda, Bible Camp request, for approval.

On Motion of Councillor Donovan seconded by Councillor Born to approve the August 13, 2025, agenda.

Motion Carried.

BIBLE CAMP REQUEST

At the Regular Council Meeting held on August 12, 2025, representatives of the Bible Camp requested that Council defer payment of interest on their tax bill until they are able to discuss the payment of taxes with One Hope Canada, the property owner where the Bible Camp is located.

Council discussed the request to defer interest; however, some members of Council determined there was no merit in pursuing this option. Instead, Council chose to reaffirm its original decision from the June 16, 2025, meeting, which found the Cape Breton Bible Camp ineligible under the Municipal Grants Policy due to the policy's exclusion of organizations that promote or require adherence to a faith.

On Motion of Councillor Matheson-LeFort seconded by Councillor Kerr that Council uphold its original decision from the June 16, 2025, Council Meeting, that the Bible Camp is ineligible under the policy exclusion for organizations that promote or require adherence to a faith.

Motion Carried.

Councillor Patterson opposed the motion.

Warden Organ requested Councillor Patterson to contact the Bible Camp and Councillor Patterson refused, stating that it was a decision of Council and as such, Council should contact them.

ADJOURN

Councillor Hennick made a motion to adjourn at 2:23pm