



## **QUISPAMIS TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**March 17, 2015, 7:00 pm  
Council Chambers  
Quispamsis Town Hall**

**Members Present:** Mayor G. Murray Driscoll  
Deputy Mayor Libby O'Hara  
Councillor Kirk Miller  
Councillor Emil T. Olsen  
Councillor Pierre Rioux  
Councillor Beth Thompson

**Members Absent:** Councillor Gary Clark (illness)  
Councillor Lisa Loughery (personal commitment)  
Purton Dickson, Dana; Director of Community Services (illness)

**Staff Present:** Deuille, Susan; Acting CAO  
Losier, Gary; Director of Engineering & Works  
McGraw, Jo-Anne; Town Treasurer  
Richard McPhee, Town Solicitor  
Snow, Catherine; Town Clerk

### **1. Approval of Agenda**

**Moved By** Deputy Mayor O'Hara

**Seconded By** Councillor Olsen

The agenda be approved as prepared.

**Motion Carried**

**2. Mayor's Comments (None)**

**3. Moment of Reflection**

Councillor Olsen led the meeting in prayer.

**4. Disclosures of Interest**

No disclosures were declared.

**5. Presentations**

- 5.1 CARILED (Caribbean Local Economic Development Project) – Mayor Driscoll read correspondence from Alix Yule, Program Director, thanking the Town, on behalf of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and CARILED Staff for the Town's partnership in the CARILED Project. The letter acknowledged the Acting CAO and the Director of Community Services' recent participation in the 2015 CARILED Program. Ms. Deuville and Ms. Purton Dickson visited the Rainforest Foods LDP in Saint Lucia, and the Parang Seafood Festival in Grenada respectively, evaluating and providing technical expertise on these initiatives.

**Moved by** Deputy Mayor O'Hara

**Seconded by** Councillor Miller

The CARILED Presentation to be presented to Council, highlighting the Acting CAO and the Director of Community Services' recent CARILED experience be postponed to the next meeting when the Director of Community Services will be in attendance.

**Motion Carried**

**6. Public Hearings**

- 6.1 Kennebecasis United Baptist Church and Atlantic Baptist Housing (ABH)- Request to Amend Developer's Agreement

Letter of Withdrawal from Gerald Ingersoll, Ex. Director, Seniors Housing (To Withdraw Application to Amend Developer's Agreement Re Time Lines & Design Plans) – Mayor Driscoll read a letter from Gerald Ingersoll of ABH withdrawing their request to amend the Developer's Agreement between them and the Town concerning the Senior's Housing Project at

383 Hampton Road. Mr. Ingersoll stated an opportunity has developed for them to work with another partner in Quispamsis, the Kings Way Life Care Alliance, who plan to carry the seniors housing project forward. On March 30, 2015, Mr. Ingersoll wrote, ABH will be meeting with the tenant prospects with the details that will allow this project to become a reality. He stated all evaluation work done to date has been made available to Kings Way Life Care Alliance who will be planning to build on their own land adjacent to their Nursing Home.

Letters of support for the proposed Senior's Housing Project were received from Bev Steeves and Muriel Wark.

**Moved By** Councillor Olsen

**Seconded By** Deputy Mayor O'Hara

WHEREAS the Developer, Atlantic Baptist Senior Citizen's Homes Inc., entered into a Section 39 agreement dated January 9, 2014 with the Town for the construction of a senior citizen housing project at 383 Hampton Road;

AND WHEREAS the Developer has failed to meet the time limits prescribed in the agreement and has further indicated that it will not be proceeding with the project at that location;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to Section 39(5) of the *Community Planning Act* that the said agreement is hereby cancelled.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Clerk file a Notice of the Cancellation in the Registry Office and give newspaper Notice of the Cancellation.

**Motion Carried**

**6.2 Proposed By-law No. 049; A By-law of the Municipality of Quispamsis to Stop Up & Close a Portion of Autumn Avenue**

The Director of Engineering & Works stated proposed By-law No. 049 would see the existing concrete barriers at Autumn Avenue removed, and would delineate a specific area of Autumn Avenue as being closed to

vehicular traffic so that the barriers can be replaced with a neighbourhood green space for the better enjoyment and safety of the public.

Letter of Objection Received from Donna McFarlane – Ms. McFarlane's letter opposed the proposed by-law to permanently separate Autumn Avenue and Market Street. She noted Summer Court has recently opened to Fairholme which permits through access to Millennium Drive. Although the number of vehicles using Summer Court has increased, she stated, it has created few problems, and has actually created the convenience of accessing the highway via Millennium Drive much quicker. She felt that by opening Autumn Avenue to through traffic would provide both access points, equalizing the traffic on Summer Court and Autumn Avenue.

Mayor Driscoll asked if anyone wished to speak for or against the proposed Stop Up & Close By-law.

Mr. Steve Mahler of 23 Sunset Drive stated he is in favour of the proposed Stop Up & Close By-law, asking if the portion to be closed would become a small park area. The Director of Engineering & Works confirmed it would become a green area with pathways for pedestrian traffic.

Mayor Driscoll called three more times if anyone wished to speak for or against the proposed Stop Up and Close By-law No. 049.

**Moved By** Councillor Rioux

**Seconded By** Councillor Thompson

First reading be given to proposed By-law No. 049; A By-law of the Municipality of Quispamsis to Stop Up and Close a Portion of Autumn Avenue to delineate a specific area of Autumn Avenue as being closed to vehicular traffic so that the barriers can be replaced with a neighbourhood green space for the better enjoyment and safety of the public.

**Motion Carried**

**Moved By** Councillor Thompson

**Seconded By** Councillor Miller

Second reading be given to proposed By-law No. 049; A By-law of the Municipality of Quispamsis to Stop Up and Close a Portion of Autumn Avenue to delineate a specific area of Autumn Avenue as being closed to vehicular traffic so that the barriers can be replaced with a neighbourhood green space for the better enjoyment and safety of the public.

**Motion Carried**

## **7. Minutes of Previous Meetings**

### **7.1 March 3, 2015 - Regular Meeting**

**Moved By** Councillor Olsen

**Seconded By** Deputy Mayor O'Hara

Minutes be approved as prepared.

**Motion Carried**

## **8. Unfinished Business**

### **8.1 Quispamsis Memorial Arena Upgrades - Award of Tender**

Staff Report from Director of Community Services – Ms. Purton Dickson's report provided tender results for the Quispamsis Memorial Arena Exterior Upgrades ranging from \$339,949 to \$451,000. The Town's 2015 Capital Budget allocation for this project is \$353,700.

It was noted the upgrade will include structural enhancement of the building, including canopies and exterior siding as an investment in the building's longevity.

**Moved By** Councillor Olsen

**Seconded By** Councillor Rioux

The tender be awarded to Edgeline Construction Limited for \$339,949, (excluding HST), for the Quispamsis Memorial Arena Exterior Upgrades.

**Motion Carried**

## **9. Correspondence**

9.1 Professional Office Building Development at 3 Hazelton Drive - Steeves, Porter- Hetu & Associates Inc. – Accounting Firm – Staff Report from the Municipal Planning Officer

Mr. Colbourne's report informed Council the Town has received a development application from Mr. Scott Jamieson of Jamieson Homes for the construction of a 3500 square foot single story professional office building at 3 Hazelton Drive, (corner of Hazelton Drive/Millennium Drive). The building will be occupied solely by the accounting firm Steeves, Porter-Hetu & Associates Inc., currently located on Scott Avenue in Rothesay. The development will occur within the Business Park Commercial zone on Millennium Drive where it is a permitted use, and will require approval under the Development Scheme By-law for Millennium Drive. Mr. Colbourne noted, the Development Scheme By-law provides Council, Town Departments and the Police and Fire Services up to 14 days to submit observations and recommendations concerning the proposed development to him in writing. Once all feedback is received, the proposal will return to the Planning Advisory Committee and to Council for final assent subject to the execution of the Development Agreement.

It was noted Council Members have until March 27, 2015 to provide the Development Officer with their input on the proposed Professional Office Building Development.

9.2 LED Streetlight Conversion – Staff Report from Director of Engineering & Works

Mr. Losier's report informed Council NB Power has introduced a program to replace old style HP Sodium Streetlights with newer energy efficient LED style lights. These lights have a brighter more realistic light signature with less overspray and encourage energy savings for communities. Quispamsis, he wrote, is one of the first communities completely converted to the new light style. Attached to his report were before and after photos demonstrating the lighting change.

**Moved By** Councillor Olsen

**Seconded By** Deputy Mayor O'Hara



A letter of thanks be sent to NB Power for implementing the new energy efficient LED style lights in Quispamsis, and Mr. Losier's report be received and filed.

**Motion Carried**

9.3 Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada - 2015 MS Bike - Sussex to Saint John (June 27 & 28, 2015)

Correspondence from Whitney Machin, Development Coordinator, MS Society of Canada stated the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual MS Bike Event will be held June 27 and 28, 2015. This event is projected to raise over \$160,000 for the MS Society of Canada, Atlantic Division, and will see approximately 150 cyclists ride from Sussex to Saint John and back again the next day. Ms. Machin requested confirmation that the proposed route going through Quispamsis will be free of any planned road works or construction during the dates in question.

**Moved By** Councillor Thompson

**Seconded By** Councillor Olsen

The Engineering Staff be asked to review the portion of the 2015 MS Bike run that will go through Quispamsis and advise Ms. Mackin whether there is any road construction scheduled on June 27 or 28, 2015, and also Ms. Mackin's letter be copied to the Kennebecasis Regional Police Force and the Kennebecasis Valley Fire Department so they are aware of this event.

**Motion Carried**

9.4 Letter from Bill MacMackin, President, Saint John Track Club

Correspondence from Mr. MacMackin related a new full time position is being created in New Brunswick to help grow the recreational side of Track & Field. The Saint John Track & Field Club, with over 200 members, will be competing against other NB Track and Field Associations for this position. He requested a letter of support from the Town to accompany their application, indicating Quispamsis' willingness to

work with them as a delivery partner in the future if they are successful in getting this position in Saint John.

**Moved By** Deputy Mayor O'Hara

**Seconded By** Councillor Miller

Council authorize sending a letter of support, in principle, to the Saint John Track & Field Club wishing them success in acquiring the full time position for Saint John.

**Motion Carried**

**10. By-laws (none)**

**11. New Business (none)**

**12. Reports**

12.1 Harbour Skating Club – Thank You for Sponsorship

12.2 Kennebecasis Regional Joint Board of Police Commissioners' January 28, 2015 Meeting & Statement of Financial Position December 31, 2014

12.3 PAC Minutes of February 10, 2015

12.4 Canadian Cancer Society – Request to Proclaim "April" as Daffodil Month

12.5 Town of Quispamsis – Building Permit Reports As At February, 2015

**Moved By** Councillor Rioux

**Seconded By** Councillor Thompson

Reports be received and filed.

**Motion Carried**

**13. Adjournment**



**Moved By** Deputy Mayor O'Hara

**Seconded By** Councillor Olsen

**Motion Carried**

Meeting adjourn at 7:30 p.m.



 X G. Murray Driscoll Mayor	 X Catherine P. Snow Clerk
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