



QUISPAMISIS TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

**November 1, 2016, 7:00 pm
Council Chambers
Quispamsis Town Hall**

Members Present: Mayor Gary Clark
Deputy Mayor Libby O'Hara
Councillor Lisa Loughery
Councillor Kirk Miller
Councillor Emil T. Olsen
Councillor Pierre Rioux
Councillor Beth Thompson
Deville, Susan; CAO
Kennedy, Aaron; Communications Manager
Losier, Gary; Director of Engineering & Works
McGraw, Jo-Anne; Town Treasurer
Purton Dickson; Dana; Director of Community Services
Snow, Catherine; Town Clerk

Members Absent: Councillor Sean Luck (vacation)

1. Approval of Agenda

Moved By Deputy Mayor O'Hara

Seconded By Councillor Loughery

The Regular Meeting Agenda be approved as prepared.

Motion Carried

2. Mayor's Comments

Mayor Clark welcomed those in attendance, noting Quispamsis was recently named in Expedia's, "*Top Friendliest Canadian Communities*" listing, ranking number 8 of 25. The Town's trails and parks were cited as friendly attractions, as well as the local Smoking Pig BBQ.

3. Moment of Reflection

Deputy Mayor O'Hara read the Moment of Reflection.

4. Disclosures of Interest

No disclosures were declared.

5. Presentations

5.1 Cherry Brook Zoo - Request for Financial Contribution

In Attendance, Mr. Norman McFarlane, Board Member, and Martha McDevitt, Executive Director

Mr. McFarlane made presentation to Council, noting this past year, the Zoo's regular supporters have stepped up, while new supporters have joined in coming together to establish a new Cherry Brook Zoo Board of Directors, along with new management, introducing Ex. Director, Ms. Martha McDevitt. Ms. McDevitt noted the Board has developed a new Vision and Mission statement, that considers the zoo a Greater Saint John attraction, that inspires excellence in conservation through education and safe family fun. It is a community attraction for all ages, dedicated to conservation, animal enrichment, education and recreation, through the protection and exhibition of animals, plants and their habitats. Visual differences include new logo, improvements to the structures and grounds, increased staff morale, the addition of two new exhibits, including two new African lions.

The new Board, employees and volunteers are all committed to putting the Zoo on stable financial ground and asked Quispamsis to consider increasing its previous \$2500 annual contribution to \$5000 if possible, noting 24% of Zoo camp children come from Quispamsis. It was noted every five years the Zoo is required to accommodate and provide the transportation fees for a CAZA member to inspect their facility to attain accreditation from the Canadian Accreditation of Zoos and Aquariums (CAZA). The Accreditation is due in 2017, and will cost approximately \$5000. The Cherry Brook Zoo's 2017 forecasted budget totaled \$390,850.

Moved By Councillor Loughery

Seconded By Councillor Miller

The Cherry Brook Zoo's request for a \$5000 financial contribution be referred to the 2017 Budget Deliberation Process.

Motion Carried

5.2 KV Oasis Youth Centre - Request for Financial Assistance (\$15,000)

In Attendance: Cathy & Brian Riganesi & Presenters: Whitney Walls and Arfan Hajizadeh

Ms. Cathy Riganesi made presentation to Council noting the KV Oasis has received tremendous community support over the past year. Oasis's goal is to bring a new multifaceted entity to the Kennebecasis Valley that will give youth the resources they need to develop and learn new skills, engage with their peers, express themselves creatively and access medical attention if needed. Mental health is the single biggest issue facing young people, and Oasis believes in providing preventative resources in hopes of youth avoiding more serious problems in the future.

They have moved into their Pettingill Road accommodations, with many youth already frequenting their facility. The Grand Opening is scheduled for this Thursday evening, November 3, 2016. Ms. Riganesi introduced Oasis' Youth Advisory Committee Members, Miss Whitney Walls and Mr. Arfan Hajizadeh, who proceeded to highlight the many, successful fundraising events Oasis organized this past year, raising thousands of dollars. They commended the works of their excellent Summer Students,

noting they also have a second hand store, Deja New, and an Oasis Canteen, Pit Stop.

In conclusion, Ms. Riganesi stated Oasis is asking both Quispamsis and Rothesay to consider a donation of \$15,000 to help furnish the Centre's hub area to include comfortable furniture and commercial grade games, i.e. air hockey, ping pong, etc.

Council Members commended the KV Oasis representatives for their enthusiastic presentation, their past successful year and hopes for a productive year to come.

Moved By Deputy Mayor O'Hara

Seconded By Councillor Olsen

The KV Oasis Group be thanked for their presentation, and their request for a \$15,000 donation be referred to the 2017 Budget Deliberations.

Motion Carried

5.3 Chris Saunders Memorial Elementary School - Request for Financial Assistance

In Attendance: Ms. Shelly Roy & Mr. Justin Walsh, Spokespersons, Playground Fundraising Committee

Mr. Walsh and Ms. Roy made presentation to Council, noting the 'Chris' Code of their school stands for *Caring, Honest, Respectful, Inclusive and Safe*. There are currently 293 students with a capacity for 328 from Grades K-5, which also offers an after school program. The Playground Committee was established this past May, comprised of school staff and parents, to develop a plan for the playground. The Province has provided \$80,000 towards the playground which will cover the basic equipment. It is the goal of the Committee to raise another \$80,000 - \$100,000 to purchase additional equipment to add onto the base playground. This will include a rock climbing wall, sliding bar, benches/seating and potential for additional ground cover. They asked Council to consider a \$20,000

donation to assist them in their fundraising efforts. They anticipate having the new playground in place by fall of 2017.

Councillor Miller thanked Ms. Roy and Mr. Walsh for their presentation noting the Town supported the other three elementary schools' in their playground development with a \$5,000 donation.

Moved By Deputy Mayor O'Hara

Seconded By Councillor Olsen

The Chris Saunders Memorial Elementary School Playground Committee's ask for a financial contribution be referred to the 2017 Budget Deliberations.

Motion Carried

5.4 Saint John Theatre Company - Request for Financial Contribution (\$1500)

In Attendance, Mr. Stephen Tobias

Mr. Tobias made presentation to Council, noting since 1990, the SJTC has been producing and developing theatre in the Greater Saint John region. In 2006, they moved to their permanent location on Princess Street. Since then, the company has initiated several provincial tours, benefiting students and audiences province-wide. The current season, SJTC has produced a 3 show Main Stage series at Imperial Theatre, and a 3 show series at their own BMO Studio Theatre. In addition, the SJTC has produced the Provincial Fundy Fringe Festival, and the Loyalist City Shakespeare Festival.

Mr. Tobias noted the SJTC have developed two main programs to anchor their Education Outreach – 1) Classics for the Classroom, and 2) On the Road Program. He asked Council to consider making a donation of \$1500 to help expand their 2017 Education Outreach Touring Program, the production, "Of Mice and Men", based on John Steinbeck's adaptation of one of the most widely read and beloved novels. The SJTC will book extra rental time at Imperial Theatre to offer two performances at no charge to students at local high schools. He noted over the last 2 seasons, the SJTC presented the play "937" and "Fallout" to approximately 10,000 plus

students at schools in Saint John, Sussex, Belleisle, Rothesay, Quispamsis, Hampton, Fredericton and St. Stephen. These productions gave the students a better perspective on the subject of cyber bullying.

Council Members commended Mr. Tobias and the Saint John Theatre Company for the impressive works they are doing through their Education Outreach Programs, conveying positive and educational messages to their young audiences.

Moved By Councillor Miller

Seconded By Councillor Rioux

The Saint John Theatre Company's request for a \$1500 financial contribution be referred to the 2017 Budget Deliberations.

Motion Carried

5.5 Key Industries Presentation - Update on Services Provided and Request for Continued Financial Support

In Attendance - Tom James, Chairman and Christine Evans, President, CEO

Mr. James thanked Council for providing Key Industries with the opportunity to update Members on their recent activities, and also acknowledged that the Town's past support has been greatly appreciated.

Ms. Evans noted Key Industries has been providing progressive social services to people with disabilities since 1974 using a holistic and client focused approach. Their Board of 15 dedicated Directors and 57 Staff offer services to over 160 individuals. They continue to move forward with the view to improve programs so that they can grow with the needs of the individual. They have transitioned from only offering day services, to now providing a wide range of outreach programs, including their new Community Connections, and Elite Support Services Program, which assists people with more complex needs. They are focused on helping clients achieve economic independence. They have adopted a new brand name, "Promo Heroes" for their Promotional products. They are

always looking at new possibilities, and hope to expand into the woodworking area in the near future.

Council Members thanked Key Industries for their uplifting presentation, noting a motion was passed at the October 18, 2016 Regular Meeting to refer consideration of a donation to Key Industries to the 2017 budget deliberations.

6. Public Hearings - (none)

7. Minutes of Previous Meetings

7.1 October 18, 2016 - Regular Meeting

Moved By Councillor Rioux

Seconded By Councillor Thompson

Minutes be approved as prepared.

Motion Carried

8. Unfinished Business

8.1 (Sept.2/14) Post Tropical Storm Arthur – Funding Approval from NB EMO on the Town's Request for Financial Compensation

Correspondence from Greg MacCallum, Director of NB EMO, confirmed payment to the Town for Disaster Financial Assistance for \$18,185.81 to assist the Town in the recovery from damages it suffered as a result of the Post Tropical Storm Arthur July 5, 2014.

Moved By Councillor Thompson

Seconded By Deputy Mayor O'Hara

A letter of thanks be issued to the NB EMO for their funding assistance and Mr. MacCallum's letter be received and filed.

Motion Carried

8.2 (Sept.6/16) Greater SJ Field House Project - Clarification on "Ask" - \$45,000 to \$50,000 over 5 Year Period

A follow up letter from Mr. Bill MacMackin proposed a funding option that Quispamsis might consider for funding support for the Greater Saint John Fieldhouse Project. He noted in his presentation in August, they did not suggest an amount, but would now like to propose that Quispamsis consider a contribution in the range of \$.50 per citizen for each of the next five years. This would amount to a total of \$45,000 - \$50,000 over the five year period.

Moved By Councillor Olsen

Seconded By Councillor Miller

The follow up letter from Mr. MacMackin clarifying the Greater Saint John Fieldhouse Project's ask for a contribution of approximately \$45,000 - \$50,000 over the 5 year period be referred to the 2017 Budget Deliberation process.

Motion Carried

8.3 (Sept.20/16) Waste Packaging and Paper Stewardship Program (EPR & PPP) - Response from the Minister of Environment

Correspondence from the Honourable Serge Rousselle, QC, thanked Quispamsis Council for its endorsement of an Extended Producer Responsibility Program for Plastic and Printed Paper for New Brunswick. The Department, he said, recognizes the benefits of such a program. A study has been done by Giroux Environmental Consulting and the workshop held by Recycle NB regarding a PPP Program has provided valuable information on moving forward in New Brunswick. The Minister wrote the Province is still in the early stages of stakeholder awareness and education, and over the next year with Recycle NB's lead, they expect to engage stakeholders and solicit more feedback on a PPP Program.

Moved By Deputy Mayor O'Hara

Seconded By Councillor Olsen

Correspondence be issued to Mr. Pat McCarthy, CEO for Recycle NB, encouraging Recycle NB to pursue the lead on moving the EPR Program for PPP forward, hopefully within their previously defined 2017 goal, and copying the letter to the officials identified in Minister Rousselle's correspondence.

Motion Carried

8.4 (Oct.18/16) Ellipsis Production & KV Players - "Alice, the Musical" - Additional Information from Craig Lang - Business Plan

A follow up letter from Craig Lang provided a financial plan for "Alice, the Musical", for Council's review. The production budget effectively triples the regular budget of the KV Players for their major productions. A large portion of the added cost is to rent the Imperial Theatre venue. They feel this is of significant value in order to engage the greater Saint John communities in this project to grow the audience of the KV Players. The total budget expenditures for the Production, amounts to \$150,390.

Moved By Councillor Thompson

Seconded By Deputy Mayor O'Hara

Mr. Lang's further submission of the "Alice, the Musical" financial detail also be referred to the 2017 Budget Deliberation Process.

Motion Carried

9. Correspondence

9.1 Joint Advisory Committee Letter Re EMO Mutual Aid Agreement

CAO Deuville expanded upon the Joint Advisory Committee's correspondence that recognized both Quispamsis and Rothesay have their own EMO plans, and recommended the two Towns enter into a mutual aid agreement with respect to sharing common resources in the event of an emergency. She noted this could include the coordination of

operating both Town's Warming Centres on an alternative basis to best utilize both staff and Red Cross resources.

Moved By Councillor Thompson

Seconded By Deputy Mayor O'Hara

Quispamsis Council accept the Joint Advisory Committee's recommendation to direct the Quispamsis and Rothesay CAO's to draft a mutual aid agreement with respect to sharing common resources in the event of a significant emergency incident in one or both Towns, including the coordination of operating both Town's Warming Centres, on an alternate basis, to best utilize resources.

Motion Carried

9.2 Kennebecasis Crimestoppers - Request for \$3000 Financial Contribution

Correspondence from Kevin Taylor, President, Kennebecasis Crimestoppers, acknowledged the Municipal Councils have been supporting their Association since 1986. He requested Council's continued support in the amount of \$3000 towards the 2017 Kennebecasis Crimestopper's budget.

Moved By Councillor Olsen

Seconded By Councillor Loughery

The Kennebecasis Crimestoppers' request for \$3000 be referred to the 2017 Budget deliberations.

Motion Carried

9.3 Adam Noseworthy - Speeding on Cedar Ridge Boulevard

Mr. Noseworthy was in attendance and thanked Council for the opportunity to expand upon his concerns re speeding motorists on Cedar Ridge Boulevard. He requested, as a traffic calming measure, a stop sign be installed at the intersection of Cedar Ridge and Lyman, noting a previous request for a stop sign had been turned down, but asked that Council revisit this matter for pedestrian safety.. He noted a number of vehicles are travelling faster than the posted 40 km per hour, coupled with the high number of young families and taking into account the road is

divided by a median of mature trees, which although aesthetically pleasing, requires caution in terms of visibility.

The Director of Engineering and Works informed Council updated counts of this area are ongoing, which will be adjusted, also taking into account sight distances and blind knolls. He noted ultimately the speeding factor is a police enforcement issue, with traffic calming methods still under review. It was noted mobile digital speed signs will be proposed in the 2017 budget which may also be effective in such areas.

Moved By Councillor Olsen

Seconded By Councillor Loughery

Mr. Noseworthy be thanked for bringing his concerns to Council's attention and his correspondence be referred to the Kennebecasis Regional Police Force asking that they increase their monitoring of Cedar Ridge Boulevard, and further, this matter be referred to the Engineering Department who are currently conducting a review of this area, and to bring their findings and recommendations back to Council.

Motion Carried

10. By-laws: (none)

11. New Business

11.1 Longwood Wastewater Treatment Facility Headworks Building Construction Tender 2016TOQ09-22

Moved By Councillor Rioux

Seconded By Councillor Olsen

Council accept Staff's recommendation to award the 2016 Utility Capital Longwood Wastewater Treatment Facility - Headworks Facilities Construction tender, Project No. 2016TQ09-22 to the low tenderer, Fairville Construction Ltd for the Tender price of \$1,987,452.50 (exclusive of HST).

Motion Carried

12. Reports

- 12.1 Joint Finance Committee Directives to KVFD Inc., KRJBPC, and Kennebecasis Public Library Re 2017 Budget Presentations
- 12.2 Joint Advisory Committee Meeting Notes of October 17, 2016
- 12.3 CWWF Funding Approval - Gondola Point WWPS Study
- 12.4 PRUDE Diversity Champions Awards Night

Moved By Deputy Mayor O'Hara

Seconded By Councillor Olsen

A letter be issued to PRUDE thanking them for their invitation, and wishing them a successful "Diversity Champions Awards" event on November 18, 2016.

Motion Carried

- 12.5 Kennebecasis Regional Joint Board of Police Commissioners - 2016 09 28 Minutes & Financials
- 12.6 Fundy Region Service Commission - Update from Town Treasurer
- 12.7 Kennebecasis Public Library Board Minutes of 2016 09 Meeting
- 12.8 Invitation from Legion Branch No. 58 - Remembrance Day Parade – qplex – Mayor Clark acknowledged he will be attending the Remembrance Day Parade and laying the wreath on the Town's behalf.
- 12.9 HMCS Brunswicker - Remembrance Day Reception
- 12.10 Planning Advisory Committee Minutes -2016 10 11
- 12.11 Copy of Letter Addressed to Town of Rothesay from Betsy and Ray Baker - Request for Sidewalks Donlyn Drive, Rothesay
- 12.12 Kennebecasis Regional Police - Deputy Chief Promoted to Chief - Media Release

Moved By Councillor Olsen

Seconded By Councillor Rioux

Reports be received and filed.

Motion Carried

13. **Business Arising from Committee of the Whole (none)**

14. **Adjournment**

Moved By Councillor Olsen

Seconded By Councillor Rioux

Meeting adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Motion Carried

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Gary Clark
Mayor

X

Catherine P. Snow
Clerk

