



QUISPAMSIS TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

February 5, 2019, 7:00 pm Council Chambers Quispamsis Town Hall

Present:

Mayor Gary Clark

Deputy Mayor Libby O'Hara Councillor Beth Thompson Councillor Emil T. Olsen Councillor Sean Luck Councillor Lisa Loughery Deuville, Susan; CAO

Brandon, Krista; Town Treasurer

Losier, Gary; Director of Engineering & Works

Purton Dickson, Dana; Director of Community Services

MacInnis, Lisa; Assistant Town Clerk

Absent:

Councillor Pierre Rioux (vacation)

Councillor Kirk Miller

1. Approval of Agenda

Moved By Deputy Mayor O'Hara **Seconded By** Councillor Thompson

The Agenda be approved with the addition of the Twinning of the qplex being added to New Business as Item (5).

Motion Carried

2. Mayor's Comments

Chevrolet Good Deeds Cup

Mayor Clark welcomed the KV Devils Peewee team who were in attendance and wished them best of luck as one of the ten semi-finalists for the Chevrolet Good Deeds Cup, he noted, the Good Deeds Cup is looking for the peewee hockey team that makes the biggest impact in its community and the Devils raised more than \$10,000 in food and cash for the breakfast program at Princess Elizabeth School. If the Devils win the Good Deeds Cup, they will receive \$100,000 which they will donate to YMCA for distribution to schools in Saint John's priority neighbourhoods.

Mayor Clark encouraged resident to view their submission on YouTube, noting, each view of their video counts as a vote.

Jeopardy Contestant and Quispamsis Resident – Sean Thompson

Mayor Clark congratulated Sean Thompson, a resident of Quispamsis, on recently being a contestant on Jeopardy.

The Kennebecasis Valley High School graduate took the lead going into Final Jeopardy and made an impressive showing finishing in second place.

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 Canadian Peacekeeping Veterans Association

Presenter: Norman Gaillard, President, Southern NB Chapter

Mr. Gaillard introduced the Canadian Peacekeeping Veterans Association (CPVA) Southern NB, whose members (150 members) are most active in assisting Veterans, RCMP, seniors and single parents who have need for their resources and expertise, he noted in his correspondence, that the chapter has received "Chapter of the Year" for three successive years.

Mr. Gaillard informed Council that they maintain a large inventory of living assist aids including walkers, wheel chairs, hospital beds and lift chairs which are currently out on loan.

The CPVA would like to purchase additional equipment to have on hand and are asking Council for a \$10,000 donation to purchase this equipment.

Mayor Clarke thanked Mr. Gaillard for his presentation.

Deputy Mayor O'Hara also thanked Mr. Gaillard and informed him of the Community Funding Grants Program and will have the Town Treasurer provide an application for the 2020 budget process.

Moved By Deputy Mayor O'Hara Seconded By Councillor Luck

Council to received and file letter from Canadian Peacekeeping Veterans Association (CPVA).

Motion Carried

5.2 Citizens' Universal Declaration of Climate Emergency

Presenters: - Students of École des Pionniers (Grade 5)

Diego Arseneault, Isabel Cormier, Leah Doucet, Chloé Ryder and Jacob Somers, Grade 5 students at the École des Pionniers Elementary School in Quispamsis, N.B., took turns presenting on the topic of climate change. The students are asking the town to sign the Citizens' Universal Declaration of Climate Emergency.

The Mayor thanked them for their informative presentation, he noted, that the Town has a policy not to use declarations for initiatives and that the Town is proud to have already taken the steps to be a part of the solution with the GHG Energy Action Plans prepared as part of the UMNB Climate change initiative. He encouraged all students in all of our schools to look for opportunities to participate in our community plan to reduce GHG emissions.

Council members thanked them for their presentation.

École des Pionniers Community Engagement representative, Eric Kennedy, addressed Council saying that he was happy with what the Town is currently doing and hopes council will sign the declaration.

Moved By Deputy Mayor O'Hara **Seconded By** Councillor Olsen

Council to ask Climate Change Committee to share the Town's Action Plan and vision with students and also, for students to be invited to participate in sharing their goals with the committee.

Motion Carried

Moved By Councillor Thompson **Seconded By** Councillor Olsen

Council to recognize the Citizens' Universal Declaration of Climate Emergency on our website.

Motion Carried

Nay (1): Councillor Luck

- 6. Public Hearings (none)
- 7. Minutes of Previous Meetings
 - 7.1 January 15, 2019 Regular Meeting

Moved By Councillor Thompson **Seconded By** Councillor Loughery

Minutes be approved as prepared.

Motion Carried

- 8. Unfinished Business
 - 8.1 (July 18/17) Update on Les Jeux de l'Acadie 2020

Moved By Deputy Mayor O'Hara Seconded By Councillor Luck

Council to receive and file draft Budget.

Motion Carried

9. Correspondence

9.1 <u>Letter from Steve Sanderson Re Economic Development Plan for Greater Saint John</u>

Mr. Sanderson was in attendance and spoke further to the launch of the Economic Development Greater Saint John's new three-year-plan event he attended, on Tuesday January 29th. He expressed his disappointment with Mayor Darling and he feels that he should have been more involved in the event.

Mr. Sanderson acknowledged the high attendance, noting that all 5 mayors were there, and that the launch was a well-organized and well-prepared presentation.

He felt the following were checked off as items that he felt needed to be addressed:

- Name change was done
- Narrowed their scope
- Improved communication

Mr. Sanderson mentioned the topic of immigration. He concluded noting he and his wife, Nancy, had been involved in the lengthy process and feels things need to change in order to promote immigration to our province.

Finally he offered his comments on some news releases, local publications and articles being very negative in regards to economic development in the region.

Thanked the Mayor and acknowledged his appreciation for his leadership and for keeping residents up to date on issues regarding this topic.

Council members thanked Mr. Sanderson for his comments.

Moved By Councillor Olsen Seconded By Deputy Mayor O'Hara Mr. Sanderson be thanked for his correspondence, and his letter be received and filed.

Motion Carried

10. By-laws (none)

11. New Business

11.1 Nominating Committee Recommendations for Town Committee
Appointments

Moved By Councillor Luck
Seconded By Councillor Thompson

The Nominating Committee recommends the reappointment of both Amy Watling and Kevin Winchester to the Kennebecasis Public Library Board of Directors for a further one year term, expiring January 31, 2020.

Motion Carried

11.2 <u>Iris Estates Phase 1 – AE McKay Builders – Council Final Acceptance</u>

Moved By Councillor Olsen Seconded By Councillor Luck

Whereas the Developer has satisfied the minimum requirements in accordance with Subdivision By-law 035 and the Developers Agreement, it would be appropriate for Council to consider granting final acceptance of phase 1 of the Iris Estates Subdivision development. In addition, we recommend that Council approve release of the \$39,850 bonding to AE McKay Builders Ltd.

Motion Carried

11.3 Award of Tender No. 2019TQ01-2 Propane Ice Resurfacer

Moved By Deputy Mayor O'Hara Seconded By Councillor Thompson

To award the Tender for the QMA Ice Resurfacer Tender No. 2019TQ01-2 to Saunders Equipment for \$94,462.50 \$96,452.50 (as per motion made at February 19, 2019 Regular Meeting) and include the backup alarm and tire wash options at an additional cost of \$1,925.

Motion Carried

11.4 Award of Tender No.2019TQ01-1 6X4 Truck Cab & Chassis

Moved By Councillor Luck
Seconded By Councillor Loughery

Based on staff review and information and where it has been determined that the first low bid do not met town specifications, it is recommended that Council award tender no 2019TQ01-1 New 6x4 Truck Cab and Chassis - 68,000 GVWR to the second low bid from Universal Truck and Trailer for the bid price of \$184,998.00 (exclusive of HST and licensing).

Motion Carried

11.5 Twinning of the gplex

Councillor Olsen wanted to address some recent news releases regarding twinning of the qplex, noting that a second ice surface is not the Town's intention at this time, but he wanted to avoid further false information circulating on social media.

Mayor Clark removed himself from the Chair, stating he has said that twinning the qplex was an option; however it is not something that has been discussed.

Council members agreed with Councillor Olsen's comments. Mayor Clark resumed the Chair.

Moved By Councillor Olsen Seconded By Councillor Loughery

Council does not support the suggestion of twinning the qplex at this time.

Motion Carried

12. Reports

12.1 Planning Advisory Committee Minutes - Dec 11/18 & Jan 8/19

Moved By Councillor Luck Seconded By Councillor Olsen

Reports be received and filed.

Motion Carried

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

14. Adjournment

Moved By Deputy Mayor O'Hara **Seconded By** Councillor Thompson

Meeting adjourn.

Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Gary Clark Mayor Lisa MacInnis Assistant Town Clerk