



QUISPAMIS TOWN COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES

MARCH 21, 2017, 7:00 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
QUISPAMIS TOWN HALL

Members Present: Mayor Gary Clark
Deputy Mayor Libby O'Hara
Councillor Lisa Loughery
Councillor Sean Luck
Councillor Kirk Miller
Councillor Emil T. Olsen
Councillor Pierre Rioux
Councillor Beth Thompson

Staff Present Colbourne; Dwight, Municipal Planning Officer
Deville, Susan; CAO
Snow, Catherine; Town Clerk

Absent: Kennedy, Arron; Manager of Communications (Conference)
Losier, Gary; Director of Engineering & Works (Previous Commitment)
McGraw, Jo-Anne; Town Treasurer (Vacation)
Purton Dickson, Dana; Director of Community Services (Conference)

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

Canadian Sport Tourism Alliance's Sport Event Volunteer of the Year Award - Mayor Clark made special mention of Quispamsis resident, Bill MacMackin, who was

recognized, earlier in the day, as the Canadian Sport Tourism Alliance's Sport Event Volunteer of the Year in Ottawa at a ceremony hosted by Scott Russell of CBC Sports. Mr. MacMackin's volunteer efforts include serving as the President of the Saint John Track Club for over a decade, coaching at Saint John High School and sitting on the Board of Athletics NB, as well as managing the East Coast Games. Three years later, the East Coast Games, under Mr. MacMackin's leadership, brought together 2,200 athletes, 1,500 parents and \$800,000 in economic activity.

Lip Sync Battle & Auction in Support of Muscular Dystrophy – Mayor Clark noted he will be participating in the March 24 Lip Sync fundraiser event for Muscular Dystrophy, hosted by Jeff and Heidi Sparks at the Saint John Trade and Convention Centre.

3. Moment of Reflection

Councillor Olsen read the Moment of Reflection.

4. Disclosures of Interest

No disclosures were declared.

5. Presentations

5.1 NB Power Presentation - Point Lepreau Nuclear Generating Station

In Attendance: (Request for 30 Minute Presentation)

Brett Plummer, Site Vice-President & Chief Nuclear Officer, Pt. Lepreau Nuclear Generating Station; Kathleen Duguay, Manager, Community Affairs and Nuclear Regulatory Protocol; and Robert Scott, Government Relations

Moved By Deputy Mayor O'Hara

Seconded By Councillor Olsen

Council extend the time line for NB Power's Presentation from 10 minutes to 30 minutes.

Motion Carried

Mr. Plummer made presentation to Council on the Point Lepreau Nuclear Generating Station operation, advising they will be making application to the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission, (CNSC), to grant a five year operating license for Point Lepreau. He noted NB Power is committed to providing New Brunswick with safe, reliable and emission-free electricity for an additional 25 to 30 years. The Station is operating at 100 percent reactor power and is providing 1/3 of the Province's energy requirements.

The Generation Station, Mr. Plummer continued, is a safe, predictable and reliable operation, employing more than 800 highly skilled and trained

employees. Ongoing training, including fire protection and emergency preparedness is practiced and drilled regularly. The total radiation dose to the public since 1983 is below the regulatory limit; (less than 1%); noting a single chest x-ray gives 70 μSv , (*a measure of the health effect of levels of radiation on the human body), while the total radiation dose due to emissions from Point Lepreau Generating Station since 1983 is 25.78 μSv . All nuclear waste and used fuel are safely stored on site. NB Power has demonstrated responsible stewardship and is registered under ISO 14001 Environmental Management. The site houses a Bird Observatory and a Monarch Butterfly study area.

Mr. Plummer and Ms. Duguay concluded their presentation noting community engagement and support are important to them, noting they operate in a very transparent and respectful manner. Public Hearings will be held by the CNSC in Saint John May 10 & 11, 2017; and in Ottawa, January 26, 2017 as part of the application process.

Council Members expressed an interest in having a tour of the Point Lepreau Nuclear Generating Station, which Mr. Plummer noted could be set up.

Moved By Councillor Olsen

Seconded By Deputy Mayor O'Hara

Council lend its support to the Point Lepreau Nuclear Generating Station's application for a five year renewal of its Nuclear Power Reactor Operating License by sending a letter to the Secretariat Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission, in support of this endeavour, recognizing the important contribution this facility makes to the reduced carbon footprint in New Brunswick and its contribution to the regional economy.

Motion Carried

5.2 Public Presentation - Proposed Municipal Plan By-law No. 054

Mr. Colbourne presented highlights of the proposed Municipal Plan By-law No. 054, as follows:

- Schedule A – The Plan in By-law Format; Schedule B – The Future Land Use Map;
- Vision - "Quispamsis is a forward-thinking community where families enjoy a safe, friendly and active lifestyle surrounded by a beautiful, natural environment";
- Timeline – 2018 – 2028, with mid-term review at 2022 -2023;

- Decision Making Guide based on Background Document;
- More Sustainable Town -
 - Protection of the Natural Assets of the Town,
 - Mixed Land Uses,
 - Compact Density in Building Design to meet Changing Demographic,
 - Range of Housing Opportunities,
- Land Use Residential Pre-zoning areas to provide medium-density housing options – 5 – 6 units per acre, (similar to Wellington Court and Hamel Drive developments),
- Walkable Neighborhoods,
- Development directed towards existing communities to optimize municipal services and infrastructure, (Infilling),
- No new pre-designations for Commercial as many vacant commercially zoned properties available on Millennium Drive, Hampton Road and Pettingill Road, with exception of two properties located near the Hampton Road/Rte. 119 intersection being redesignated from Rural (RU) to Highway Commercial,
- Millennium Drive Development Scheme to be updated with view towards improving streetscape and walkability,
- Industrial Zoning limited to Palmer Brook and Enterprise Drive, recognizing environmental sensitive nature of the Palmer Brook and Hammond River watersheds,
- Scrap/Salvage Yards – the Town will prohibit any further development of new scrap yards and will work with Province to ensure existing yards are in compliance,
- Institutional rezoning of francophone school property, with future requests for institutional properties continuing as an amendment to Municipal Plan and Zoning By-law,
- Rural policies will introduce Hobby Farms as a discretionary use in Residential and Rural Zones to better address these common requests,
- Community & Stakeholder Collaboration through Citizen Engagement,
- Energy Conservation – Climate Change and Resiliency Planning, including a Climate Adaption Plan,
- Identify critical drainage paths that must be protected,
- Identify areas within the Municipality prone to flooding,
- Promote open ditches/channel flows to promote more sustainable development, and recharge groundwater aquifers,
- Water Resource Management,
- Social, Cultural and Economic Policies – “The Living Town”

- Liquor Licenses in Commercial areas proposed as a discretionary use of PAC, with exception of gaming facilities and tavern like establishments which will remain as case by case considerations,
- Developing sport tourism in Quispamsis, (fastest growing segment of tourism industry in Canada),
 - Canada 55+ Games in 2018,
 - 2018 World Under 17 Hockey Championship to SJ Region,
- Community Day Care Homes to broaden the scope of Day Care Services - allowing a smaller number of children in an individual's home,
- Studies and Programs -
 - Functional Parks, Recreation and Open Space,
 - Gateways to the Town – Hampton Road and Millennium Drive,
 - Municipal Water System Development Study,
 - Watershed and Storm Water Management Plan,
 - Transportation Master Plan,
 - Functional Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan,
 - Asset Management Plan,
 - Five Year Capital Works Program
- Establishment of a Municipal Plan Working Group to include participation of citizens to review Municipal Plan bi-annually.

Moved By Councillor Thompson

Seconded By Deputy Mayor O'Hara

Mr. Colbourne be thanked for his informative presentation, and the Open Houses scheduled for April 5, 12 and 19, and the noted times be advertised on the Town's website, and the Proposed Municipal Plan By-law No. 054 be referred to the May 16, 2017 Regular Meeting to allow for public input.

Motion Carried

6. Public Hearings (none)

7. Minutes of Previous Meetings

7.1 March 7, 2017 - Regular Meeting

Moved By Councillor Olsen

Seconded By Councillor Rioux

Minutes be approved as prepared.

Motion Carried

8. Unfinished Business

8.1 (July 19/16) Response from Province to Reduce Speed on Route 119 Near Squire Drive - Staff Report from Director of Engineering & Works

Mr. Losier's Staff Report responded to DTI Minister, The Honourable Bill Fraser's letter of January 31, 2017. DTI had responded that the traffic analysis they conducted indicates a traffic reduction is not warranted in the Route 119/Squire Drive area. In addition, the Minister's letter questioned the existing speed reductions in the vicinity of the Route 119/Hampton Road intersection. As background for Council, Mr. Losier stated DTI (formerly DOT), would have reduced the speed zone on Route 119 when the traffic signals at the Hampton Road intersection were initially installed in 1988. The speed reduction from 80 km per hour to 60 km per hour provided the vehicles opportunity to transition to a reduced speed as motorists approached the lights. This speed transition area is used by DTI all over the Province at intersection approaches and highway ramp exits.

CAO Deuille advised Council the Town will continue to monitor the Squire Drive/Route 119/Alma Drive intersection area and when warranted levels are met, the Town will apply for traffic lights.

Moved By Councillor Olsen

Seconded By Councillor Luck

In the interim, the background information be forwarded to DTI and the Department be requested to reconsider the Town's request for a reduced speed limit on Rte 119 on the approaches to the Squire Drive/Alma Lane intersection with Rte 119.

Motion Carried

Moved By Councillor Olsen

Seconded By Deputy Mayor O'Hara

The DTI be further requested to install provincial signage on the Gondola Point Arterial identifying the Chamberlain Road on both approaches, as currently no sign exists.

Motion Carried

9. Correspondence (none)

10. By-laws (none)

11. New Business

11.1 Award of Tender No. 2017TQ02-4 Ice Floor Covering

A Staff Report from the Director of Community Services indicated the tender for the qplex ice floor covering presented two options, 1) purchasing the complete system in one year, or 2) purchasing ¼ of the floor each year for four years. Two tenders were received; however the lowest bid did not meet the tender specifications. The pricing, Ms. Purton Dickson stated, to purchase all the flooring in one year would allow the Town to save \$44,041 versus purchasing it over four years. Once the new floor is installed, it is Staff's intention to sell the current floor and hopefully recover \$10,000 towards the purchase price of the new floor. The 2017 Capital Budget had allocated \$40,000 for the flooring, and Staff have submitted an application to ACOA Canada's 150 Community Infrastructure Program for this purpose. It is hoped that the Town's application will be successful, but in the interim, Staff are recommending that the remaining funding to complete the floor installation in one year come from the Capital Reserve Fund. CAO Deuville demonstrated samples of the existing flooring compared with the two proposals submitted.

Moved By Councillor Olsen

Seconded By Councillor Luck

To award the tender for the qplex Ice Floor Covering to Space Age Synthetic Ltd. for \$194,985, plus HST due to the substantial savings in purchasing the complete ice floor cover all at once. Funding required for this project in excess of the \$40,000 included in the 2017 General Capital budget to come from the General Capital Reserve Fund.

Motion Carried

12. Reports

- 12.1 Animal Control Monthly Report Summary As At February 2017
- 12.2 NB Heart Foundation – Heart Truth, 2017
- 12.3 YMCA Newsletter – Spring 2017
- 12.4 Kennebecasis Public Library – 2016 Annual Report
- 12.5 Planning Advisory Committee – February 14, 2017 Regular Meeting
- 12.6 January 2017 Internet Unaudited Financial Statements
- 12.7 Key Industries Tour Dates Available

Moved By Councillor Rioux

Seconded By Councillor Olsen

Reports be received and filed.

Motion Carried

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

14. **Adjournment**

Moved By Councillor Olsen

Seconded By Deputy Mayor O'Hara

Meeting adjourn.

Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

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Gary Clark
Mayor

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Catherine P. Snow
Clerk