



# QUISPAMSIS TOWN COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

May 24, 2016, 7:00 pm Council Chambers Quispamsis Town Hall

Conclusion of the 5<sup>th</sup> Session of the Quispamsis Council:

Present:

Mayor G. Murray Driscoll

Deputy Mayor Libby O'Hara

Councillor Gary Clark
Councillor Lisa Loughery
Councillor Kirk Miller
Councillor Emil T. Olsen
Councillor Beth Thompson

Members Absent:

Councillor Pierre Rioux (out of Province)

Staff Present

Armstrong, Deborah; Director of Human Resources

Deuville, Susan; CAO

Losier, Gary; Director of Engineering & Works

McPhee, Richard; Town Solicitor

Purton Dickson, Dana; Director of Community Services

Snow, Catherine; Town Clerk

# 1. Approval of Agenda

Moved By Deputy Mayor O'Hara Seconded By Councillor Thompson

The agenda be approved as prepared.

**Motion Carried** 

## 2. Moment of Reflection

Mayor Driscoll read the Moment of Reflection.

## 3. Conclusion of the Fifth Session of the Amalgamated Quispamsis Council

Mayor Driscoll acknowledged his pleasure of serving the residents of Quispamsis over the past 15 years, initially for two terms as Deputy Mayor followed by an additional two terms as Mayor. He referenced the many significant developments that occurred in the Town over this past decade and a half, in particular, two large nursing homes, the qplex facility, two new elementary schools, continuous expansion to trail development and substantial utility infrastructure projects, including annual capital street upgrades. He acknowledged Aaron Kennedy and Dana Purton Dickson's tremendous work in bringing the very successful Telus Cup event to the qplex.

Mayor Driscoll also expressed his appreciation to fellow Councillors, the CAO and Town Staff for all their work during his tenure on Council. He acknowledged, during his time in office, Canadian Heraldry granted to the Town Armorial Bearings for an official coat of arms and flag, noting the Town should be proud of its heritage. He recognized Quispamsis has become known for its progressiveness and high quality of life, and has truly proven 'there is no other'. He congratulated Mayor-Elect Clark and members of the new Council, and wished them all the best noting the ultimate mandate of a Council is to make decisions based on the betterment of the community at large, to support the majority as the will of Council, and to work together, with Staff, as a team. In closing, Mayor Driscoll noted he has been proud of his time as an elected official for the town of Quispamsis.

Moved By Councillor Olsen Seconded By Councillor Thompson

The 5th Session of the Amalgamated Town of Quispamsis Council be officially concluded, and the meeting adjourn to the administering of the Oaths of Office.

**Motion Carried** 

## 4. Oaths of Office -

Emceed by CAO Deuville, the Town Clerk and Town Solicitor officiated the Swearing in of the 6<sup>th</sup> Session of the Amalgamated Quispamsis Council in the order noted below:

Mayor Elect Gary Clark
Councillor Elect Lisa Loughery
Councillor Elect Sean Luck
Councillor Elect Kirk Miller
Councillor Elect Elizabeth (Libby) O'Hara
Councillor Elect Emil T. Olsen
Councillor Elect Beth Thompson

All Members, with the exception of Councillor Rioux, who was out of province, (to be sworn in May 27, 2016), took their respective seats around the Council Chamber.

Moved by Councillor Miller Seconded by Councillor O'Hara

The 6th Session of the Amalgamated Quispamsis Council be called to order.

**Motion Carried** 

## 5. Mayor's Introduction

Mayor Clark thanked his family and friends for their attendance and acknowledged the presence of Police Chief McIntyre and Fire Chief Ireland. He congratulated each of the returning members of Council noting their re-election speaks highly of the work that has been done on behalf of constituents over the past term, plus. He also extended his congratulations to new member, Councillor Sean Luck, an astute businessman who will be a positive contributor at the table. Mayor Clark thanked CAO Deuville and Staff for their efforts, and lastly, thanked outgoing Mayor, Murray Driscoll, whom he noted has served the Town with much grace and dignity over the past 15 years. He noted he is humbled to accept his new position as Mayor in the Town where he grew up, and now resides, noting

his love for Quispamsis and as Mayor, he is prepared to create a culture of pride to make Quispamsis even better.

#### 6. **Election of Deputy Mayor**

Moved By Councillor Miller Seconded By Councillor Olsen

Councillor Libby O'Hara be nominated as Deputy Mayor.

**Motion Carried** 

#### 7. Appointment of Mayor Clark as Financial Signing Officer

Moved By Deputy Mayor O'Hara Seconded By Councillor Thompson

Mayor Gary Clark be appointed as one of the Town of Quispamsis's Financial Signing Officers, and former Mayor, Murray Driscoll, be removed as a Town Financial Signing Officer.

**Motion Carried** 

### 8. Blessing of New Council by Father Donald Breen

Father Breen said a prayer of blessing for the new Council.

#### 9. Adjournment to Reception

Moved By Deputy Mayor O'Hara Seconded By Councillor Olsen

Meeting adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

**Motion Carried**