



**QUISPAMISIS TOWN COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES**

**October 18, 2022, 6:00 pm  
Council Chambers  
Quispamsis Town Hall**

**Present:** Mayor Libby O'Hara  
Deputy Mayor Mary Schryer  
Councillor Noah Donovan  
Councillor Kerrie Luck  
Councillor Kirk Miller  
Councillor Emil T. Olsen  
Councillor Beth Thompson  
Kennedy, Aaron; Acting CAO  
Brandon, Krista, Town Treasurer  
Emmerson, Cheryl, Human Resources Manager  
Losier, Gary; Director of Engineering & Works  
MacInnis, Lisa; Assistant. Clerk  
Purton Dickson, Dana; Director of Community Services  
Roszell, Tim; Communications Manager  
Snow, Catherine; Town Clerk

**Absent:** Councillor Mike Biggar (out of Province)

**1. Approval of Agenda**

**Moved By** Deputy Mayor Schryer

**Seconded By** Councillor Miller

The Agenda be approved as prepared.

**Motion Carried**

## **2. Mayor's Comments**

UMNB Presentation to Councillor Beth Thompson- In Attendance: Past President, Alex Scholten, Ex. Director, Dan Murphy and Hampton Councillor, Ken Chorley - Councillor Alex Scholten, (New Maryland), Councillor Ken Chorley (Hampton), and Executive Director, Dan Murphy, were in attendance and made a special presentation to Councillor Beth Thompson in appreciation of her 18 year term serving as one of UMNB's Board of Directors since 2004. They thanked her for her many years of dedicated service representing UMNB's Zone 3 Region. The UMNB representatives were thanked and left the meeting.

Kennebecasis Valley Fire Department Inc. – Open House – Mayor O'Hara thanked the KVFD Inc. for hosting their open house event last Saturday in recognition of Fire Prevention Week, focusing on fire safety. They provided the opportunity for the public to explore the trucks, see firefighting gear and equipment and learn about what can be done in the home to make it fire safe.

"Mark It Read" for Dyslexia Awareness Month – Mayor O'Hara acknowledged the red lights displayed in front of the Town Hall are in recognition of October being Dyslexia Awareness Month to bring awareness and support for those living with Dyslexia. She acknowledged earlier in the evening she had a photo op with Dyslexia Canada ambassadors Abigail Crawley, Eva Trites and Leo Roelcke..

## **3. Treaty Acknowledgement - Moment of Reflection**

Councillor Thompson read the Treaty Acknowledgement – Moment of Reflection.

## **4. Disclosures of Interest**

No disclosures were declared.

## **5. Presentations**

### **5.1 PRUDE Inc. (Pride Race Unity Dignity Education) - Presentation - Overview of Programs Offered**

In Attendance: Brenda Diaz, All Women Project Coordinator and Christine Eruokwu, from Nigeria and serves on the Women's Newcomers Program

Ms. Diaz provided highlights of the various programs that fall under PRUDE acknowledging that each of the programs provide inspiration in movement, transition, and cultural differences -

- Newcomer Connections,
- Newcomer Women,
- Leadership Program,

- Education Programs - Diversity and Inclusion, Anti-racism Education
- Prude's All Women Project - Women and Gender Equality Canada

Recommendations included –

- Connectivity – Encouraged Quispamsis to participate in discussions with Saint John Transit on connectivity.
- Education Programs for housing providers and tenants so they can understand and follow the human rights framework involved in tenants rights.
- Cultural diversity – more diverse representation, more immigrant serving on Boards, government offices, non profit, to generate awareness and integration.
- Domestic Violence Prevention.

Deputy Mayor Schryer noted she represents Quispamsis on the All Women's Equality Project, and she felt it was important for Council to receive a high level insight on PRUDE's many beneficial community programs.

**Moved By** Deputy Mayor Schryer

**Seconded By** Councillor Olsen

Ms. Diaz be thanked for her informative presentation which highlighted PRUDE's beneficial programs and events offered to all races and ethnicities in the greater Saint John Region.

**Motion Carried**

## **6. Public Hearings**

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

### **7.1 October 4, 2022 - Regular Meeting**

**Moved By** Deputy Mayor Schryer

**Seconded By** Councillor Donovan

Minutes be approved as prepared.

**Motion Carried**

8. **Unfinished Business** (none)

9. **Correspondence** (none)

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

11. **New Business**

11.1 Civic Relations, Sponsorships and Grants Budget - Finance Committee's Recommendations

The following highlights in yellow the Finance Committee's recommendations to Council for the Community Grant Program – 2023:

<b>GRANTS</b>	<b>Council Approval</b>	<b>Finance Committee Recommendations</b>	<b>2023 Request</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
Dalhousie Medicine NB			-	-	5,000
KV Committee for Disabled Persons			-	-	-
Kings Way LifeCare Alliance Foundation (Community Hub Gazebo)		10,000	10,000	-	-
Key Industries			-	-	-
Kennebecasis Valley Oasis Youth Centre (Operating Expenses)		7,500	10,000	7,500	7,500
The Saint John Theatre Company Inc.				500	-
Saint John Regional Hospital Foundation Inc.				5,000	5,000
Kennebecasis Valley - Community - Capacity - Children Inc. (KV3C)				-	1,500
The YMCA of Greater Saint John				1,000	-
Compassionate Grief Centre (Living with Cancer Support Program)		2,000	2,000	-	-
Crimestoppers		1,875	1,875	1,875	1,875
Shining Horizons (Operating Expenses)		1,500	10,000		
Fundy Soccer (Annual Maritime Soccer Tournament)		-	10,000		
Hammond River Angling Association (Kids Fishing Club)		-	8,986		
Oldies 96 Radio		3,000	10,000		
Various other donations and support		1,850	1,850	1,850	1,850
<b>SUB-TOTAL GRANTS</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>27,725</b>	<b>64,711</b>	<b>17,725</b>	<b>22,725</b>

A Staff Report from Acting CAO Kennedy indicated the KV maps that were previously printed were not a product of Quispamsis and Rothesay. They were produced by a private business located in Saint John. Salespeople were employed to solicit ads from local KV businesses to offset the cost of production and provide a small profit to the business. Quispamsis purchased an ad - at a nominal cost - in exchange for maps that the Town made available to the public Town Hall. The maps have not been printed since 2019. Likely due to the proliferation of GPS and mapping applications available for wireless devices, the Town only gets an occasional request at Town Hall for a map. The private business has quoted a cost

of \$3,000 to prepare and print maps. At this time, Rothesay is not interested in cost-sharing maps. This item was removed from the draft budget by the Finance Committee.

Councillor Luck requested, in lieu of the Town not printing street and/or destination maps in paper form, could digital mapping be made available on the Town's website showing the Town's specific offerings, such as parks, trails, facilities, etc. to make finding such destinations more user-friendly.

Acting CAO Kennedy informed Council there is funding in this year's budget along with the proposed \$1000 for 2023 to revamp the Town's website. RFPs will be going out shortly and mapping will be considered as a component for the updated website.

Mr. Kennedy informed Council the Oldies 96 Radio is a not-for-profit community-minded KV radio station, located in Quispamsis, and has partnered with the Town on promoting the COMEX service, and has a strong relationship with the Mayor promoting Town events. They are being recommended for a \$3000 grant.

**Moved By** Councillor Miller

**Seconded By** Deputy Mayor Schryer

Council accept the Finance Committee's recommendations, as presented, for the 2023 Community Grants Program, and this amount be included in the proposed 2023 Budget.

**Motion Carried**

11.2 Serenity Heights Subdivision Ph.3 – Council Assent for Local Government Services Easement (LGSE)

**Moved By** Councillor Olsen

**Seconded By** Councillor Miller

Council grant assent to the Serenity Heights Phase 3 Subdivision Plan so the Development Officer can approve the plan and the assent of Council certified under the corporate seal of the Town and signed by the Town Clerk as per Section 88(5) of the Community Planning Act 2017, Chapter 19 (CPA) and the plan registered so the Local Government Services Easement rights vest to the Town as per Section 88(7) of the CPA.

**Motion Carried**

## **12. Reports**

12.1 Quispamsis Finance Committee - October 6, 2022 Meeting Minutes

- 12.2 Greater Saint John Regional Facilities Commission - Approved 2023 Budgets  
Imperial Theatre, Canada Games Aquatic Centre, TD Station, Saint John Trade & Convention Centre, Saint John Arts Centre
- 12.3 Town of Quispamsis Building Report
- 12.4 Planning Advisory Committee September 27, 2022 Meeting Minutes
- 12.5 2022 Update to Quispamsis' Smart Energy Community Benchmark Grade - from 70% (2021) to 79% (2022)
- 12.6 Kennebecasis Regional Joint Board of Police Commissioners - June 22, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes, Financials and Call Summary Report
- 12.7 Local Governance Reform Presentation - RSC Budget Process and Mandates

**Moved by** Councillor Olsen

**Seconded by** Councillor Donovan

Correspondence be issued to the Fundy Regional Service Commission requesting the following two items 1) a clear definition as to what constitutes a 'regional facility', and, 2) a formal legislated document be provided to the participating municipalities that outlines the terms and conditions of the request for capital coverage of the regional facilities, and the Municipalities be given opportunity to review said document prior to approval.

**Motion Carried**

- 12.8 PNB - Report of the Expert Panel on Provincial Municipal Fiscal Arrangements in New Brunswick - September 2022

12.8.1 PNB - 2023 Community Funding and Equalization Grant and 2023 Tax Base Growth Sheet for NB Municipalities

12.8.2 UMNb - Paper - Update on An Act Respecting Community Funding - October 2022

- 12.9 Thank You - New Brunswick Southern Black Bears 2022 Eastern Canadian Softball Championships - U15AA - Newfoundland Tournament

**Moved By** Councillor Donovan

**Seconded By** Councillor Luck

Reports be received and filed.

**Motion Carried**

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

14. **Adjournment**

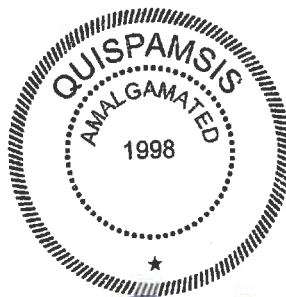
**Moved By** Councillor Olsen

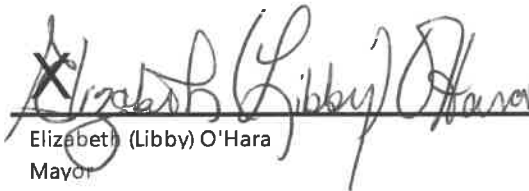
**Seconded By** Councillor Donovan

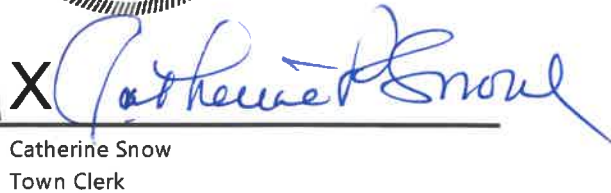
Meeting adjourn to the Special Budget Meeting on October 25, 2022.

**Motion Carried**

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.



  
Elizabeth (Libby) O'Hara  
Mayor

  
Catherine Snow  
Town Clerk

