



QUISPAMISIS TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

April 1, 2014, 7:00 pm
Council Chambers
Quispamsis Town Hall

Members Present: Mayor G. Murray Driscoll
Councillor Gary Clark
Councillor Lisa Loughery
Councillor Kirk Miller
Councillor Emil T. Olsen
Councillor Pierre Rioux
Councillor Beth Thompson

Staff Present: Brennan, Michael; CAO
McGraw, Jo-Anne; Town Treasurer
Snow, Catherine; Town Clerk

Absent: Deputy Mayor Libby O'Hara (illness)
Losier, Gary; Director of Engineering & Works (vacation)
Purton Dickson, Dana; Director of Community Services
(out of town conference)

1. Approval of Agenda

Moved By Councillor Clark
Seconded By Councillor Olsen

The agenda be approved as prepared.

Motion Carried

2. Mayor's Comments – No comments at this time.

3. Moment of Reflection

Councillor Thompson led the meeting in prayer.

4. Disclosures of Interest

No disclosures were declared.

5. Presentations (None)

6. Public Hearings (None)

7. Minutes of Previous Meetings

7.1. March 18, 2014 - Regular Meeting

Moved by Councillor Loughery

Seconded by Councillor Olsen

Minutes be approved as prepared.

Motion Carried.

8. Unfinished Business

8.1. (Mar. 5/13) Estate of John Robinson Property - Motion to Proceed with Expropriation Process

Moved By Councillor Thompson

Seconded By Councillor Olsen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the town of Quispamsis accept the recommendation of the Director of Engineering and Works, and the Town Solicitor to proceed with expropriation of PID No. 30210264, listed to the Estate of John Robinson in order to clear titles and obtain ownership for the purposes of the Ritchie Lake Sanitary Sewer Collector

Project, as the Town Solicitor and Service New Brunswick have exhausted all reasonable measures to locate any heirs or representatives of the Estate.

Motion Carried

8.2. Appointment to Kennebecasis Valley Fire Board of Directors

Moved By Councillor Thompson

Seconded By Councillor Loughery

Council accept the Nominating Committee's recommendation to appoint Katrina White to the Kennebecasis Valley Fire Department Inc.'s Board of Directors as one of Quispamsis' representatives for a term effective immediately and expiring June 30, 2016.

Motion Carried

9. Correspondence

9.1. Requests from Councillor Miller – Correspondence from Councillor Miller referenced the following items:

1. Suggestion that the *Long Term Water Management Plan* become a component of the Five Year Municipal Plan Review- development of municipal water supplies be examined in areas with significant growth, as part of the Town's long term development planning.
2. Options for *Pettingill Road Widening* - including cost for sidewalks on both sides of the street as well as only on one side with the street with the other side widened to permit a four foot bike lane.
3. *A Town Vehicles & Usage Breakdown*

Moved By Councillor Miller

Seconded By Councillor Olsen

Staff be directed

- 1) to include Water Management as a component in the Five Year Municipal Plan Review;

2) to provide a cost breakdown of the various Pettingill Road widening options for budget 2015 consideration; and,

3) the request for a Town Vehicle & Usage report be withdrawn as this information was previously provided.

Motion Carried.

- 9.2. Ms. Jennifer Loomer - Questions & Suggestions Re Kennebecasis Valley Deer Management Plan – Ms. Loomer was in attendance and expanded upon her correspondence of March 17, 2014. She requested more detail upon what is meant by a Deer Management Plan in the Kennebecasis Valley, and clarification on the KV Regional Deer Committee's request to the Minister of Natural Resources, including the subdivision of Wild Life Zone 23.

Ms. Loomer stated she had met recently with MLA, Minister Blaine Higgs requesting answers to these questions, and he had referred her back to the municipality. Ms. Loomer stated the black legged ticks originate from migrating birds, and is then spread to many hosts, not just deer. She asked if there has been any thought given to developing an Animal Preserve large enough to permit the survival of these animals, possibly with the highway fences around its edges to keep the animals contained.

Mayor Driscoll and Councillor Olsen, both Quispamsis representatives on the KV Regional Deer Committee, updated Ms. Loomer on the status of events concerning the deer issue. They noted the Towns have all passed by-laws prohibiting the feeding of deer within the respective municipalities. Following the public opinion survey and the high number of respondents requesting implementation of some form of deer management, the KV Regional Deer Committee, with the support of the three towns, had requested DNR to subdivide Wildlife Zone 23 into two zones, making the Kennebecasis Valley its own Zone and requesting DNR to implement a Deer Management Plan within this new Zone.

Additionally, the KV Regional Deer Committee, and the three Towns supported a request to the Minister of Health for the second time, asking that a tick drag be done in each of the towns to determine if there is a number of infected black legged ticks as it is important to identify the reality of this situation so the public can be made aware. The Town is

waiting for a response from both DNR and the Department of Health on these issues, with it being noted that these matters fall within Provincial jurisdiction, not municipal. Once the Province presents its plan, it will become public information as DNR are the professionals on wildlife issues, and the Towns are looking to them for guidance.

Ms. Loomer thanked Members for their time, with it being noted her correspondence has also been referred to the KV Regional Deer Committee.

- 9.3. New Brunswick Organ & Tissue Program - Green Porch Light Campaign 2014 - In Attendance: Betty-Anne Waugh, RN. Ms. Waugh expanded upon her correspondence, thanking Council for its participation in the Green Porch Light Campaign for the past two years, and requesting the Town's support again on this project in 2014. She stated, in Canada, there are over 4500 people waiting for a lifesaving organ, and in New Brunswick, at any given time, there are over 200 individuals in need of an organ and/or tissue transplant.

Moved By Councillor Clark

Seconded By Councillor Loughery

The Town support The Green Porch Light Campaign 2014 by displaying green outdoor lights at the Town Hall, the QMA and the Parks & Facilities Building the week of April 20 - 27, 2014 to raise awareness of Organ & Tissue Donation Awareness.

Motion Carried

- 9.4. 2014 MS Bike Tour - Sussex to Saint John (June 28 & 29, 2014) – Correspondence from Ms. Machin, Development Coordinator, stated the 10th Annual MS Bike Tour scheduled for the weekend of June 28 and 29, 2014, will travel from Sussex to Rothesay Netherwood School. She requested permission to travel through Quispamsis on the dates in question, specifically along the Hampton Road to the Gondola Point Arterial and then along the Gondola Point Road. In addition, she asked the Town to confirm the aforementioned route would be free of any construction on the planned dates.

Moved By Councillor Olsen

Seconded By Councillor Miller

Council approve the 2014 MS Bike Tour through Quispamsis subject to confirmation from the Engineering Department that there is no planned construction on the proposed Route during June 28 and 29, 2014, and the local Police Force be copied on same.

Motion Carried

- 9.5. Bullying Canada - Request for Support - Ex. Director Rob Frenette – Mr. Frenette's correspondence acknowledged bullying today is on the rise, with countless children being bullied every day. Bullying Canada is a national organization that provides individual, family and community based support related to bullying issues in schools and the workplace. The organization operates solely on contributions received from private and corporate donations, fundraising events and from its national volunteer network. He asked for Council's support by providing a financial donation to Bully's Canada to assist in their anti-bullying efforts.

Moved By Councillor Miller

Seconded By Councillor Clark

Bullying Canada's request be referred to the Finance Committee for review as a budget consideration for 2015.

Motion Carried

Nay: Councillor Thompson

10. By-laws (none)

11. New Business

11.1. Application for Financing Capital Projects

Moved By Councillor Olsen

Seconded By Councillor Clark

1. RESOLVED that the Treasurer be instructed to pay out the balance of Debenture AQ-07 in the amount of \$109,000 with funding from the General Operating Reserve Fund.
2. RESOLVED that the Clerk and/or Treasurer and/or Mayor be authorized to issue and sell to the New Brunswick Municipal Finance

Corporation a Municipality of Quispamsis debenture in the principal amount of \$ 3,650,000 on such terms and conditions as are recommended by the New Brunswick Municipal Finance Corporation, and be it resolved that the Municipality of Quispamsis agree to issue postdated cheques payable to the New Brunswick Municipal Finance Corporation as and when they are requested in payment of principal and interest charges on the above debenture.

Motion Carried

12. Reports

12.1. Michelle Renner- Deer Issues & Lyme Disease Concerns

12.2. Councillor Miller's Letter to Saint John Transit - Councillor Miller referenced his report addressed to Frank McCarey responds to Mr. McCarey's presentation of March 18, 2014. He noted his report includes the calculations that he had alluded to during Mr. McCarey's presentation. It was noted Councillor Miller's correspondence has been referred to the Chair of the Comex Committee, Councillor Olsen.

12.3 Harbour Skating Club – Thank You for Sponsorship

12.4 Dr. Lori Ferguson – Thank you to Town for Hosting International Women's Day Luncheon – March 6, 2014

12.5 Kennebecasis Public Library – Minutes of Board Meetings from August 2013 to Present.

12.6 Kennebecasis Public Library – Audited Financial Statements 2012

12.7 Saint John Board of Trade – Thank you for Membership Renewal

Moved By Councillor Olsen

Seconded By Councillor Miller

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 Clark

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Motion Carried

G. Murray Driscoll
Mayor
Catherine P. Snow
Clerk