



QUISPAMIS TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

February 4, 2014, 7:00 pm
Council Chambers
Quispamsis Town Hall

Members 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

Absent:

Councillor Pierre Rioux (out of town)
Brennan, Michael; CAO (out of town)

Staff Present

Losier, Gary; Director of Engineering & Works
McGraw, Jo-Anne; Town Treasurer
Purton Dickson, Dana; Director of Community Services
Snow, Catherine; Town Clerk

1. Approval of Agenda

Moved By Deputy Mayor O'Hara

Seconded By Councillor Clark

Agenda be approved as prepared.

Motion Carried

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

3. Moment of Reflection – Councillor Clark led the meeting in prayer.

4. **Disclosures of Interest** - No disclosures were declared.

5. **Presentations (none)**

7. **Minutes of Previous Meetings**

7.1. January 21, 2014 - Regular Meeting

Moved By Councillor Clark

Seconded By Deputy Mayor O'Hara

Minutes be approved as prepared.

Motion Carried

8. **Unfinished Business (none)**

9. **Correspondence**

9.1. Rob MacPherson - Request for Resurfacing of Marianne Drive – Correspondence from Mr. MacPherson referenced previous correspondence from the Town that had placed the resurfacing of Marianne Drive for completion in 2014. He noted several streets in his subdivision were done last year, and requested confirmation that Marianne Drive would be resurfaced this coming year.

Staff Report from Director of Engineering & Works - Mr. Losier's Staff Report informed Council during the budget process each year, the Five Year Capital Plan is evaluated and streets are adjusted according to priorities and conditions of various streets at that time. In this case, he stated, Mr. MacPherson is referring to a document prepared in advance of the 2010 budget where at that time, Marianne Drive was projected to be done in 2014. In the three years since 2010, Marianne Drive has been moved to the 2016 budget due to other priorities and not sufficient funds to complete all of the streets from previous years.

Moved By Councillor Loughery
Seconded By Deputy Mayor O'Hara

The resurfacing of Marianne Drive be referred to staff for an update of the costing and priority rating for background information to be submitted to the next street capital budget deliberations.

Motion Carried

- 9.2. Bob & Anne Downey - Model Farm Road - Lyme Disease – Mr. and Mrs. Downey were in attendance and expanded upon their correspondence of January 26, 2014. They related they had voluntarily taken part in a Mount Allison study that was testing dogs in New Brunswick for Lyme Disease. Last week, the Hampton Veterinary Hospital confirmed that their dog has tested positive for Lyme Disease. Another dog from the Chamberlain Road has also tested positive for Lyme disease as well as a dog from Hampton. The Downeys requested the Town's support in asking the Minister of Health to conduct a tick drag in Quispamsis to determine if there is a number of black legged deer ticks infected with the bacteria that causes Lyme Disease in the community. Additionally, Mr. Downey asked for Council's support in requesting the Department of Natural Resources to reinstate the issuance of special bow hunting licenses for female deer, similar to a project done two years ago.

Mayor Driscoll related the KV Regional Deer Committee met earlier in the day, and noted there is a certain frustration at the lack of response from the Province to the Deer Committee's request made last July asking that Wildlife Zone 23 be subdivided so that the areas of Hampton, Quispamsis and Rothesay could become one new Zone, and that a Deer Management Plan be implemented in this new Zone.

Councillor Olsen read a letter addressed to the Towns of Hampton, Quispamsis and Rothesay from the KV Regional Deer Committee as a result of their meeting earlier in the day. The letter noted Chairman Doucet will issue a follow up request to the DNR requesting a formal response to the Committee's previous letter dated July 24, 2013; and also endorsed Anne and Bob Downey's request that the Municipal Councils write to the Minister of Health, asking for the second time, that the Province conduct a Tick Drag in the KV municipalities.

Moved By Councillor Thompson
Seconded By Councillor Clark

WHEREAS Council recognizes the high number of deer existing in the Kennebecasis Valley, who are known hosts of the black legged deer tick,

AND WHEREAS, the black legged deer tick is a possible carrier of Lyme Disease, which can be transmitted from an infected deer tick to humans,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a formal request be issued to the Minister of Health, as recommended by the KV Regional Deer Committee, requesting that the appropriate Provincial Department conduct a Tick Drag in Quispamsis, similar to the one done previously in Milledgeville, to determine if there is a significant number of black legged deer ticks in Quispamsis, and letter be copied to local MP's, MLA's, DNR, and Towns of Hampton and Rothesay.

Motion Carried

Moved By Councillor Thompson
Seconded By Councillor Olsen

A letter be sent to The Honourable Paul Robichaud, Minister of Natural Resources requesting the Department to reinstate the issuance of Special Bow Hunting Permits for female deer.

Motion Carried

- 9.3. Lee Robinson, Hammond River Angling Association - Request for Letter of Support for Tree Planting Along Banks of Hammond River Watershed Project – Mr. Robinson's letter informed Council the HRAA has submitted a proposal to plant native trees as a means to stabilize eroding banks in the Hammond River Watershed. This project will create volunteer opportunities for youth and community members to help restore this local watershed that extends through the Town of Quispamsis. Along with improving air quality, planted trees will also transform barren river banks into naturally regenerating floodplain forests, effectively reducing erosion and sedimentation, increasing forest cover, and improving water quality and habitat for the watershed's wildlife. The funding bodies have requested a letter of support from the Municipality, acknowledging that the

Municipality has worked with the Association on other projects and supports their ongoing efforts to restore and protect the Hammond River watershed.

Moved By Councillor Thompson
Seconded By Deputy Mayor O'Hara

The Town send a letter of support acknowledging the Town has worked with the Hammond River Angling Association on other projects and is supportive of their ongoing efforts to restore and protect the Hammond River Watershed.

Motion Carried

10. By-laws (none)

11. New Business

11.1. New Brunswick Highway Corporation - Memo from Planning Officer - Millennium Drive Survey Plan

Moved By Councillor Olsen
Seconded By Councillor Miller

Council accept ownership of that portion of the existing Millennium Drive Public Street Right-of-Way identified as Parcel 13-1 and described in the New Brunswick Highway Corporation Plan of Survey which is being conveyed to the Town by way of Deed transfer.

Motion Carried

11.2. Nominating Committee's Recommendations Re Committee Appointments

Moved By Deputy Mayor O'Hara
Seconded By Councillor Thompson

Council accept the Nominating Committee's recommendations to extend the appointments of those Committee Members whose term expires January 31, 2014 for another two month period until March 31, 2014, to

permit the Nominating Committee an opportunity to further review and make recommendations to Council.

Motion Carried

12. Reports

1. KVCC on KV Winterfest 2014
2. Town of Rothesay's Support Re Domestic Natural Gas Exploration in NB
3. May, 2014 – Asian Heritage Month Celebrations in Saint John
4. Harbour Station Club – Thank you for Sponsorship

Moved By Councillor Olsen

Seconded By Councillor Clark

Reports be received and filed.

Motion Carried

14. Adjournment

Moved By Councillor Olsen

Seconded By Deputy Mayor O'Hara

Meeting adjourn.

Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.


G. Murray Driscoll
Mayor


Catherine P. Snow
Clerk