



**QUISPAMISIS TOWN COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
PRESENTATION OF THE
CHAIN OF OFFICE
January 1, 2014
12:30 p.m.**

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 Pierre Rioux
Councillor Beth Thompson

Staff Present: Brennan, Michael; CAO
Deville, Susan; Director of Human Resources
Losier, Gary; Director of Engineering & Works
Snow, Catherine; Town Clerk

- 1. National Anthem** – The singing of O'Canada was led by Claire Driscoll, accompanied by Robert McKinney.
- 2. Call to Order**– Mayor Driscoll welcomed those in attendance to the 12th Annual Mayor's Levee. He thanked His Honour Wallace Turnbull, Reverend Doctor John Crawford and Clair Driscoll for their participation in the ceremony.

December 2013 Ice Storm/Power Outage - Mayor Driscoll also acknowledged the resilience and tenacity of the community in its response to the past week's ice storm and massive power outage in the Kennebecasis Valley and throughout many parts of New Brunswick. He gave special recognition to Brian Shanks, EMO Director, and all others who assisted the Town in the operation of the Warming Centre that remained open for eight straight days during the power outage to help those in need.

Mayor Driscoll also paid special tribute to his soon to be 98 year old mother-in-law, Dorothy MacMurray, who braved the cold weather to attend this ceremony. He turned the meeting over to Deputy Mayor O'Hara to MC the Presentation of the Chain of Office Ceremony.

3. **Deputy Mayor O'Hara, MC** - Deputy Mayor O'Hara welcomed and introduced Council and Staff to those in attendance. She acknowledged other dignitaries in attendance such as Hampton's MLA, Bev Harrison, Police Chief Steve McIntyre, Mr. Kwon Young, President of the Korean Community, EMO Director, Brian Shanks, and Participants - The Honourable Wallace S. Turnbull, QC; The Reverend Doctor John Crawford, and Councillor Emil T. Olsen.
4. **Councillor Emil T. Olsen - Reading of the History of a Chain of Office** – Councillor Olsen acknowledged the Canadian Heraldic Authority granted Quispamsis its official Armorial Bearings – the Coat of Arms and Flag in May, 2008. As the final phase of that process, the Town has developed a Chain of Office, which acknowledges the responsibilities, authority and dignity which are attached to the Office of the Chief Magistrate of the Town. He noted the practice of wearing a Chain of Office originated over a thousand years ago, with civic authorities bearing their official seal incorporating the arms of the authority. Today, mayors of municipal councils throughout the democratic world wear distinctive chains of office, symbolic of their communities. Quispamsis' Chain of Office includes the Town's Coat of Arms as the suspended medallion, name bars for each of the Mayors who have served the community, the Provincial flower, the Provincial Coat of Arms and Metal Maple leaves representing Canada.
5. **The Reverend Doctor John Crawford** – The Reverend Doctor John Crawford led a benediction to dedicate the Chain of Office.
6. **The Honourable Wallace, S. Turnbull, QC** – The Honourable Wallace Turnbull named all the past and present Mayors who served the former Village of Gondola Point, the former Town of Quispamsis and the Amalgamated Quispamsis:

Mayors Who Served Former Village of Gondola Point:

1. *Otty S. Sherwood 1967-1969*
2. *Gerarda R. Connors 1969 – 1971*
3. *Joseph G. Scott 1971 – 1974*
4. *E. Lloyd Marshall 1974-1980*
5. *James F. Watt 1980-1995*
6. *Leslie Hamilton-Brown 1995 – 1997*

Mayors Who Served Former Town of Quispamsis:

1. Alan E. Kelly 1966-1968
2. Keith S. Settle 1968 – 1972
3. Sterling E. Gilmore 1972-1977
4. John F. H. Robinson 1977 – 1980
5. Gary G. Smith 1980 – 1983
6. Emil T. Olsen 1983 – 1995
7. Bob A. Peters, Ed. D. 1995 – 1998

Amalgamated Quispamsis:

1. Leslie Hamilton-Brown 1997 – 2001
2. Ron Maloney 2001 – 2008
3. Murray Driscoll 2008 – (present)

7. **Bestowing of the New Chain of Office**– The Honourable Wallace S. Turnbull, QC, formally bestowed the new Chain of Office on Mayor G. Murray Driscoll.
8. **Proposed Policy No. 048 - A Policy Governing Use of Chain of Office** – Mayor Driscoll read the proposed Policy No. 48; A Policy Governing the Chain of Office. The proposed policy noted the Mayor, as a mark of pride, will wear the Chain of Office on the following occasions:
 - i. During the Inauguration Ceremony when he or she is sworn in, and,
 - ii. During Ceremonial Occasions such as the Mayor’s Levee and Remembrance Day, or other such events when the Mayor appears in his or her official capacity.

Moved By Councillor Olsen
Seconded by Deputy Mayor O’Hara

Council approve Policy No. 48: A Policy Governing the Chain of Office as presented.

Motion Carried.

9. **Closing** - The singing of the Royal Anthem was led by Claire Driscoll, accompanied by Robert McKinney.
10. **Adjournment**

Moved By Councillor Clark
Seconded By Councillor Thompson

Meeting adjourn to the Mayor’s Levee.

Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:55 p.m.

X 
Murray Driscoll
Mayor

X 
Catherine P. Snow
Clerk
