



# QUISPAMISIS TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

April 21, 2015, 7:00 pm  
Council Chambers  
Quispamsis Town Hall

Members Present: Mayor G. Murray Driscoll  
Deputy Mayor Libby O'Hara  
Councillor Gary Clark  
Councillor Kirk Miller  
Councillor Emil T. Olsen  
Councillor Pierre Rioux  
Councillor Beth Thompson

Members Absent: Councillor Lisa Loughery (personal commitment)  
Snow, Catherine; Town Clerk (illness)

Staff Present Deuille, Susan; Acting CAO/Acting Town Clerk  
Losier, Gary; Director of Engineering & Works  
MacInnis, Lisa; Recording Secretary  
McGraw, Jo-Anne; Town Treasurer  
Purton Dickson, Dana; Director of Community Services

## 1. Approval of Agenda

**Moved By** Councillor Clark  
**Seconded By** Councillor Olsen

The agenda be approved as prepared with the addition of the 2015 Hammond River Angling Association being added to New Business as item 6.1.

**Motion Carried**

## 2. Mayor's Comments - No comments at this time.

3. **Moment of Reflection** - Mayor Driscoll led the moment of reflection.

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

5. **Presentations**

5.1 Volunteers' Recognition Awards – 2015 - Presentation of Volunteer Recognition Awards - Mayor Driscoll and Deputy Mayor O'Hara officiated the Presentation of Volunteer Recognition Awards - Mayor Driscoll stated National Volunteer Week is held each year in April. For over 25 years the municipality has hosted an annual event to recognize the good works of its volunteers. This year special recognition is being given to the following individuals:

1. **Ryan Vaughan– Kennebecasis Valley Basketball Association**

Ryan has coached Bantam Boys basketball teams for KVBA for the past five years and Quispamsis Middle School boys teams for several years. His spare time has also been shared coaching football players of KVHS and the Elite Development Program which identifies and works with potential players for Provincial teams. As a young adult with no children of his own Ryan has devoted countless hours to volunteer with the children of others to encourage them to develop and grow on and off the court. Even while he was an unemployed student Ryan went over and above to work with his players and team to give them exposure and new experiences at his own cost as they travelled around the Maritimes. Ryan is committed and driven to encourage our youth to be involved in sports and become life-long active people. He sets a great example for our kids to be involved in our community, showing them that they can start contributing at an early age.

2. **Jack Morrell – Quispamsis Seniors Club**

Jack has been a faithful member of the club for several years. He is among the first to arrive at each weekly meeting. With a big smile and cheery hello Jack pitches in doing the many things required during set up and even helps members sign in. His wonderful approach enriches all who come in contact with Jack. These details make the difference and mean a lot to those who attend. Like the other members who have helped over the years Jack does not seek recognition which make his actions even more of a positive impact on people's lives. Jack is the type of person who works tirelessly out of the limelight and does anything he notices that will be helpful.

3. **Heather McCurdy – Kings Way Care Centre**

Heather has been a very active volunteer for Kings Way Care Centre since 2009. She began her volunteering with initially watering the multitude of plants at the home. Heather's contribution then expanded to include walking with some of the seniors, becoming a friend to many along the way. In 2010 Heather recognized that she would like to do more with the residents so she created a weekly Bingo program which has become a very popular event! More than 30 residents currently attend her bingo games and look forward to her weekly visits. Heather has not only given of her time and energy, she has also purchased many, many bingo prizes to make the experience more pleasurable for the participants. As well, she recently purchased a set of large print special shutter bingo cards which she donated to our home. Heather is a motivated, dedicated and genuine person who truly cares for our residents and their home. She has become a wonderful addition to Kings Way Care Centre!

#### **4. Orida Savoie – KV Committee for Disabled Persons**

Orida began her career in 1957 at Centracare, where she worked and volunteered in her off-hours for almost 35 years. After her retirement she began volunteering with the Catholic Church's CWL. There Orida has enjoyed doing World of Prayer and preparing lunches for funerals for the past 15 years. Shannex has also benefitted from her generosity through the delivery of their monthly Communion. Orida has been an active member of the Saint Joseph's Hospital Ladies Auxillary for the past nine years and the St. Mark's Seniors Club for four years. Santa Claus has also appreciated her help during various day care and seniors functions over the years. During her five years volunteering with the KV Committee for Disabled Persons Orida always lends a helping hand. From selling raffle tickets to sponsorship drives she contributes much. She is a great person to have on the Committee and in the community.

#### **5. Louise Anne Ryan – Kennebecasis Public Library**

Louise Anne joined the Library Volunteer Team in November 2013. Since that time she has helped with operational duties including shelving and daily reports as well as special tasks such as assisting with the Beginner Computer Course, sorting through donations, and updating the large bulletin board with eye-catching seasonal decorations. While most of the volunteers attend on a weekly basis Louise often comes in several times a week or as required – even in snowstorms! She has volunteered 185 hours since she began. Louise Anne and her family moved from Cypress three years ago and ever since she has continuously given of her time at Quispamsis Middle School and at the Kennebecasis Public Library. With her lovely personality and dedicated way she is an inspiration to all. The Library staff say that they are very lucky to have her as a volunteer!

## **6. Ken Mason – St. Luke’s Church – Parish of Gondola Point**

As a retired employee of the Town of Quispamsis, Ken is now able to do additional volunteer work in the community. Through Horizon Health Care he dedicates many hours each week to helping those at both Ridgewood Veteran’s Wing and Dalhousie Medical School. Currently, he is also in the Vestry at St. Luke’s Church where one of his main projects is care of the cemetery through the Care and Preservation Committee. Ken is a very quiet person who is more than willing to lend a hand when needed. At his retirement banquet he was introduced as “a very fine individual and a true gentleman” – which best describes him. Please join me in congratulating Ken Mason.

Following the conclusion of the Awards Ceremony, the meeting recessed for a brief reception and group photo opportunity.

## **BACK TO REGULAR MEETING**

### **5.2 Heart & Stroke Foundation of New Brunswick**

10 Minute Presentation - Mud Run for Heart Participation

HEART & STROKE FOUNDATION have asked to Council that their presentation be postponed to the next meeting when the representative from Heart & Stroke Foundation, Jen Forbes, will be in attendance.

## **6. Public Hearings**

### **6.1 (Jan.20/15) Homestar Inc.'s Request to Rezone 15 Elliot Road from Rural (RU) to Highway Commercial (HC) to Expand Existing Office and Warehouse Building located at 11 Elliot Road**

Mayor Driscoll read PAC’s written views.

PAC’s Written Views – A Notice of Decision, dated March 27, 2015 from the Planning Advisory Committee expressed approval of the application for the rezoning of 15 Elliot Road (PID 30213284) from Rural (RU) to Highway Commercial (HC) with the proposed development subject to the following conditions:

1. Any setbacks or variances required for the proposed buildings be reviewed independently;
2. Any new signage is required to meet the Sign By-law;
3. The installation of buffering along the property line of 15 Elliot Road adjacent with the residential property at 17 Elliot is approved by the Town;
4. Exterior finish of the building(s) is to be aesthetically pleasing and in keeping with the exterior of the proposed adjoining building; and
5. Lighting is to be downward directed to mitigate impact to the neighbouring properties.

Councillor Thompson asked if the change had any impact on the Planning Advisory Committee's decision.

The Director of Engineering & Works informed Council that the wording in the public advertisement was the only thing that changed in this application. It was felt that the wording in the first public advertisement did not accurately describe what was being requested.

PAC reviewed overall land use; they considered the plans as a complete package. Since there were no variances, it is felt no additional public notice was required.

**Moved By** Councillor Thompson

**Seconded By** Councillor Clark

Council formally cancel the April 21, 2015 Public Hearing due to the error in the building expansion dimension, and ratify the Email Poll conducted April 13, 2015 authorizing the scheduling and advertising of a new Public Hearing date for May 19, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. which will also address the residents' concerns re the building addition dimensions; and PAC's Notice of Decision as well as the Residents' letters and petition be referred to the May 19, 2015 Public Hearing.

**Motion Carried**

**7. Minutes of Previous Meetings**

7.1 April 7, 2015 - Regular Meeting

**Moved By** Councillor Olsen

**Seconded By** Councillor Miller

Minutes be approved as prepared.

**Motion Carried**

**8. Unfinished Business**

**9. Correspondence**

9.1 Steve Sanderson & Nancy Lyon Re EPP, Comex, and Municipal Plan

Mayor Driscoll summarized concerns mentioned in correspondence from Steve Sanderson & Nancy Lyon and thanked them for the letter. Mayor Driscoll wished to address the three areas of concern:

- Comex – is ongoing and will be brought forward once fully addressed by the Adhoc Committee which is working with Rothesay on this issue.
- Municipal Plan – will also be addressed as we moved forward through the process.
- EPP - Extended Producer Responsibility Program – needs to be kept front and center. Quispamsis has been in touch with Recycle NB and a follow up has been completed to respond to request, presentations are scheduled for Councils and Regional Services Commissions throughout the province. Mayor Driscoll referenced New Brunswick as a world class leader in tire recycling, and asked them not to be discouraged , as it takes time to achieve programs such as these.

**Moved By** Councillor Clark

**Seconded By** Deputy Mayor O'Hara

Mr. Sanderson and Ms. Lyon's letter be referred to Staff to draft a response.

**Motion Carried**

9.2 Councillor Kirk Miller - Proposed 2016 Budget Items

Correspondence from Councillor Miller highlighted a few items he wished Council would look at during the 2016 budget process: Internet/phone allowances, Mileage allowances and display of the budget summary.

**Moved By** Councillor Olsen

**Seconded By** Deputy Mayor O'Hara

Councillor Miller's correspondence be referred to the Finance Committee as part of the 2016 budget deliberations.

**Motion Carried**

9.3 Swimming NB & Saint John Fundy Swim Club - G. Losier

Request for Official Greeting - Spring/Summer 2015 Swim Meets

**Moved By** Deputy Mayor O'Hara

**Seconded By** Councillor Thompson

An official letter of greeting be prepared for the Mayor's Signature welcoming participants to the Spring and Summer 2015 Swim Meets at the qplex.

**Motion Carried**

**10. By-laws**

**11. New Business**

11.1 Hammond River Angling Association - Conservation Dinner May 9<sup>th</sup>

Councillor Olsen asked for Council to support reception costs for an upcoming Hammond River Angling Association event, one of their major fundraisers, the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Conservation Dinner on May 9<sup>th</sup> in the amount \$300 to come out the Civic Relation Budget.

**Moved By** Councillor Olsen

**Seconded By** Councillor Rioux

The town of Quispamsis donate \$300 from the 2015 Civic Relations budget ('Other Donations & Support' line item) to the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Hammond River Angling Association - Conservation Dinner being held on May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

**Motion Carried**

## **12. Reports**

- 12.1 Royal Canadian Navy's HMCS Brunswicker - May 3, 2015 Service & Parade
- 12.2 CN - Dangerous Goods List for Emergency Response Planning & Training
- 12.3 Fundy National Female Midget AAA Hockey - Thank you
- 12.4 Kennebecasis Valley Fire Department Inc. - 2014 Annual Report
- 12.5 Town Treasurer - February 2015, Unaudited Financial Statement
- 12.6 PAC Minutes of March 10 and 24, 2015
- 12.7 Bullying Canada - Thank You
- 12.8 L'Arche Saint John Board - Sponsorship
- 12.9 Town of Quispamsis Building Report - March 2015
- 12.10 Animal Control Report - March 2015
- 12.11 Amsterdam Inn - Promotional Initiatives
- 12.12 Kennebecasis Fire Department Inc. - February 11, 2015 Minutes & Financials
- 12.13 Kennebecasis Public Library Year End 2014 Financial Statements

Deputy Mayor O'Hara requested that particular notice be given to the request from L'Arche Saint John which celebrates its 10 years of service in the community and hosting a dinner.



Councillor Thompson requested that particular notice be given to the Town Treasurer - February 2015, Unaudited Financial Statement and thanked the Town Treasurer for presenting this on a monthly basis.

**Moved By** Councillor Olsen  
**Seconded By** Councillor Miller

Reports be received and filed.

**Motion Carried**

**13. Business Arising from Committee of the Whole**

13.1 Garbage Compost Collection in Tax Rate - (From April 7, 2015 Committee of the Whole Meeting)

**Moved By** Councillor Clark  
**Seconded By** Deputy Mayor O'Hara

Staff be directed to pursue an RFP using the garbage compost model, including spring clean-up and fall organic cleanup, with an option to add curbside recycling in the future; with the proposed implementation timeline being January 1, 2016, and an RFP going out this spring, 2015; in order to provide the current haulers with a minimum of 6 months' notice; and 2) the bulky item cleanup be eliminated in 2016, and these funds be allocated towards reducing the costs of implementing garbage and compost in the tax rate.

**Motion Carried**

**14. Adjournment**

**Moved By** Councillor Thompson  
**Seconded By** Deputy Mayor O'Hara

Meeting adjourn to Committee of the Whole.



**Motion Carried**

**BACK TO OPEN SESSION**

**Moved By** Councillor Olsen  
**Seconded By** Councillor Rioux

Meeting adjourn.

**Motion Carried**

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G. Murray Discoli Susan Deuville  
Mayor Acting Clerk

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