

**COUNCIL MEETING OF  
MONDAY, APRIL 10, 2017 AT 7:00 P.M.  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, TOWN HALL**

In attendance were Mayor John Higham, Deputy Mayor Joyce O’Neil, Councillors Bruce Phinney, Allison Butcher, Ron Aiken, Andrew Black, Bill Evans and Michael Tower. Also in attendance were CAO Phil Handrahan, Treasurer Michael Beal, Senior Manager of Corporate Projects Jamie Burke, Manager of Tourism & Business Development Ron Kelly-Spurles, Manager Recreation Programs & Events Matt Pryde, Manager Parks & Facilities Todd Cole, Superintendent of Public Works Todd Hicks, Fire Chief Craig Bowser, Deputy Chief Mike Green, Clerk Donna Beal, Assistant Clerk Stacey Hicks and Planner Lori Bickford.

Media Bruce Wark & Katie Tower

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor John Higham called the meeting to order.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Regular Council Meeting April 10, 2017

Councillor Bill Evans noted that he would be adding a motion under New Business.

#17-065 MOVED BY DEPUTY MAYOR JOYCE O’NEIL AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR RON AIKEN THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE AGENDA OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF APRIL 10, 2017 AS CIRCULATED. MOTION CARRIED.

3. QUESTION PERIOD

A question period was held where questions arose with regards to the current negotiations that are ongoing between the Town and Local 1188.

4. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Mayor John Higham asked if there were any disclosures of interest to declare. There were none at this time.

5. MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting, March 13, 2017

#17-066 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BILL EVANS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL TOWER THAT COUNCIL ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF MARCH 13, 2017 AS CIRCULATED. MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Minutes – Special Meeting of Council & Closed/In-Camera – April 3, 2017

#17-067 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BILL EVANS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR ANDREW BLACK THAT COUNCIL ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL OF APRIL 3, 2017 AS CIRCULATED. MOTION CARRIED.

#17-068 MOVED BY DEPUTY MAYOR JOYCE O’NEIL AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL TOWER THAT COUNCIL ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL CLOSED IN-CAMERA OF APRIL 3, 2017 AS CIRCULATED. MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Minutes – Closed/In-Camera Special Meeting of Council – April 5, 2017

#17-069 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BILL EVANS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR RON AIKEN THAT COUNCIL ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL CLOSED IN-CAMERA OF APRIL 5, 2017 AS CIRCULATED. MOTION CARRIED.

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES
7. SOUTHEAST REGIONAL SERVICES
  - i) Regional Service Commission – Mayor John Higham

Mayor John Higham noted he was unable to attend this month’s Regional Service Commission meeting and asked Deputy Mayor Joyce O’Neil to comment on this topic. Deputy Mayor O’Neil noted that the Regional Service Commission is currently working on EPRA (Electronic Products Recycling Association) and more information would follow in the upcoming months. It was also noted that the Regional Service Commission is looking at a tourism strategy and needs community involvement to promote our area.

- ii) Planning – Lori Bickford

Tantramar Planner Lori Bickford noted the highlights within the Planning Report found on Page 19 of the Council Package.

Councillor Bill Evans spoke of the New Community Planning Act, noting that he is anticipating that changes will be presented to Council in the near future.

8. PROCLAMATION

Mayor John Higham proclaimed April, 2017 as National Poetry Month in the Town of Sackville, and recited the following proclamation:

#17-070 NATIONAL POETRY MONTH CELEBRATES POETRY, WRITING AND THE CONTRIBUTION OF POETS AND ALL WRITERS TO THE IDENTITY AND QUALITY OF LIFE OF OUR COMMUNITIES. THESE INITIATIVES ALSO CELEBRATE LIBRARIES AND THE WORK OF MUNICIPAL LEADERS TO PROMOTE LITERACY, READING, THE ARTS, AND CULTURE.

WHEREAS: POETRY REAFFIRMS OUR COMMON HUMANITY BY REVEALING TO US THAT INDIVIDUALS EVERYWHERE SHARE THE SAME QUESTIONS AND FEELINGS;

WHEREAS: POETRY IS A MAINSTAY OF ORAL TRADITION AND, OVER THE CENTURIES, CAN COMMUNICATE THE INNERMOST VALUES OF DIVERSE CULTURE;

WHEREAS: THOUSANDS OF ORGANIZATIONS PARTICIPATE THROUGH READINGS, FESTIVALS, BOOK DISPLAYS, WORKSHOPS, AND OTHER EVENTS.

ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN COUNCIL AND CITIZENS OF SACKVILLE, I HEREBY PROCLAIM APRIL, 2017 AS NATIONAL POETRY MONTH IN THE TOWN OF SACKVILLE.

Mayor John Higham welcomed Poet Frances Langstroth who recited a poem in honor of poetry month.

Poet Frances Langstroth recited poems relating to Maritime poets in honor of poetry month.

9. REPORTS

A) MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor John Higham noted in the past month he has attended various meetings including a meeting regarding the Canada 150 celebrations and commemorating George Stanley, Prowind Canada which also presented to Council at the Special Meeting of Council on April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017 and a Schools 2020 presentation held at the Vogue Cinema. Mayor Higham also noted that he continues discussions with Moloney contacts on this ongoing matter and has recently had discussions with the group that purchased the CBC land. Mayor Higham also noted in the past month he gave opening remarks at the Youth Summit held at Mount Allison University, participated in the Town/Moneris hockey game held on March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017 and attended a workshop on innovation and education. Mayor Higham also sent his regrets as he was unable to attend the invitation he received to the Bagtown Brewery official launch that was held at Ducky's but wished them well in their venture. Mayor Higham noted that during the month he has had interactions with the media regarding Mountie Day and negotiations, has sent through

resolutions to UMN and with regards to the Ellen's Law correspondence we had sent, we have received a reply noting that they appreciate the support and are working on the details.

Mayor Higham noted that he was unable to attend the Biotech Competition but asked Councillor Evans to speak on this item. Councillor Evans noted that this is an annual science competition but not always held in our area. The event involves high school students doing University level science and he was pleased to extend greetings and welcome the participants.

B) CAO REPORT – Phil Handrahan

CAO Phil Handrahan noted the report could be found on page 21 of the Council Package and that he had recently attended an information session regarding the New Local Governance Act and noted that the topic will be placed on the Special Meeting of Council agenda in the upcoming months.

C) Finance & Administration

Liaison Councillor Michael Tower and Councillor Aiken

i) Report from Finance and Administration

Councillor Michael Tower noted that the bills and payroll for the month of March could be found on pages 22 & 23 of the Council Package.

BILLS AND PAYROLL – MARCH 2017

#17-071 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL TOWER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BRUCE PHINNEY THAT COUNCIL ACCEPT THE BILLS AND PAYROLL FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2017 AS FOLLOWS: GENERAL GOVERNMENT \$697,780.26; GENERAL CAPITAL \$74,845.70; UTILITY GOVERNMENT \$11,002.17; UTILITY CAPITAL \$77,977.13; AND SALARIES \$193,135.06. MOTION CARRIED.

Councillor Ron Aiken noted that the Finance Report could be found on pages 24 through 31 of the Council Package, including the By-Law and Animal Control Reports.

#17-072 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR RON AIKEN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR ANDREW BLACK THAT COUNCIL AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF \$25,000 TO RENAISSANCE SACKVILLE, THEIR GRANT FOR THE YEAR 2017 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE 2017 OPERATIONAL BUDGET WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT \$12,500 OF THE GRANT WILL BE USED TO SUPPORT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS AND THE REMAINING \$12,500 WILL BE ALLOCATED TO SUPPORT ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS, AND FURTHERMORE, THAT RENAISSANCE SACKVILLE WILL PROVIDE REGULAR REPORTING TO SACKVILLE TOWN COUNCIL. MOTION CARRIED.

#17-073 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR RON AIKEN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL TOWER THAT COUNCIL AWARD RFP 2017-08 – FUEL PROVISIONS TO WILSONS GAS STOPS (SACKVILLE ESSO) IN ACCORDANCE WITH THEIR SUBMISSION. MOTION CARRIED.

Treasurer Michael Beal gave a brief explanation of the RFP process details and the 5 areas of evaluation that were factors which included; price discount, 24 hour service, payment options, tracking systems, as well as, any additional value added services offered by the companies.

- D) Tourism & Business Development  
Liaison Councillor Megan Mitton and Councillor Ron Aiken
  - i) Report from Tourism & Business Development

Councillor Ron Aiken gave a brief overview of the highlights found within the Tourism & Business Development Report on page 32 of the Council Package.

- E) Public Property & Facilities  
Liaison Councillor Bruce Phinney and Councillor Michael tower
  - i) Report Public Property & Facilities

Councillor Michael Tower gave an overview of the highlights found within the Public Property & Facilities Report on page 35 of the Council Package.

#17-074 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL TOWER AND SECONDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR JOYCE O'NEIL THAT COUNCIL AUTHORIZE THE REPAIRS BY BLACK AND MACDONALD TO THE COMPRESSOR ON HEAT PUMP UNIT NO. 1 LOCATED AT TOWN HALL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,450 PLUS H.S.T. MOTION CARRIED.

- F) Recreation Programs & Events  
Liaison Councillor Allison Butcher and Councillor Bruce Phinney
  - i) Report Recreation Programs & Events

Councillor Allison Butcher gave a brief overview of the highlights found within the Recreation Programs & Events Report on page 38 of the Council Package.

#17-075 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ALLISON BUTCHER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL TOWER THAT COUNCIL AUTHORIZE STAFF TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO HOST THE 2019 NB SPORTS HALL OF FAME AND THAT COUNCIL AUTHORIZE AN EXPENDITURE OF UP TO \$10,000 FROM THE 2019 OPERATIONAL BUDGET IF THE SAID APPLICATION IS ACCEPTED. MOTION CARRIED.

- G) Public Safety  
Liaison Councillor Joyce O'Neil and Andrew Black
  - i) Fire/EMO, RCMP/CPO Report

Deputy Mayor Joyce O'Neil spoke to the highlights of the Fire/EMO Report on page 41 of the Council Package and Councillor Andrew Black spoke to the highlights of the RCMP/CPO report beginning on page 42 of the Council Package.

#17-076 MOVED BY DEPUTY MAYOR JOYCE O'NEIL AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BRUCE PHINNEY THAT COUNCIL AUTHORIZE THE SALE OF FOUR (4) 4500 PSI AIR CYLINDERS @ \$950.00 EACH FOR A TOTAL OF \$3,800.00 PLUS HST, TO MICMAC FIRE & SAFETY SOURCE LTD. MOTION CARRIED.

- H) Policy/By-Law  
Liaison Councillor Andrew Black and Councillor Bill Evans
  - i) Report Policy/By-Law

Councillor Bill Evans noted the highlights of the Policy/By-Law Report found on page 45 of the Council Package.

#17-077 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BILL EVANS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL TOWER THAT COUNCIL AUTHORIZE THE AMENDMENT OF BY-LAW NO. 231, A BY-LAW TO REGULATE STREET TRAFFIC "SCHEDULE "A" (TOWN OF SACKVILLE SIDEWALK CAFÉ OPERATING PROCEDURES) AS ATTACHED TO THE COUNCIL PACKAGE OF APRIL 10, 2017. AYE VOTES WERE RECORDED FROM DEPUTY MAYOR JOYCE O'NEIL AND COUNCILLORS ALLISON BUTCHER, RON AIKEN, ANDREW BLACK, BILL EVANS AND MICHAEL TOWER. ONE NAY VOTE WAS RECORDED FROM COUNCILLOR BRUCE PHINNEY. MOTION CARRIED.

- I) Personnel  
Liaison Councillor Bill Evans and Deputy Mayor Joyce O'Neil

Deputy Mayor Joyce O'Neil noted some of the highlights of the Personnel Report found on page 52 of the package.

- J) Corporate Affairs and Strategic Development  
Liaison Councillor Megan Mitton and Councillor Allison Butcher
  - (i) Report

Councillor Allison Butcher spoke to the highlights of the report found on page 53 of the package.

Councillor Bill Evans noted the Community Partnerships survey that can be found online for residents.

Senior Manager Jamie Burke gave a brief outline of the details pertaining to the Public Information Session that was being held at Town Hall in Council Chambers tomorrow evening, April 11<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. regarding Lorne Street Stormwater Mitigation Project.

10. NEW BUSINESS

Councillor Bill Evans brought forward the following motion in response to a presentation made by the Sackville Inclusion Network at the Special Meeting of Council of March 6, 2017:

#17-078 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BILL EVANS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR ANDREW BLACK THAT THE TOWN OF SACKVILLE PUBLICLY DECLARES THAT WE ARE A TOWN OF WELCOME, SAFETY, AND SOLIDARITY FOR THOSE LOCALLY AND AROUND THE WORLD, THAT WE VALUE AND CELEBRATE DIVERSITY AND DEPLORE EXPRESSIONS OF RACISM, PREJUDICE, AND HATE AS WE ARE DEDICATED TO ENSURING THAT THIS IS A SAFE SPACE NOW AND INTO THE FUTURE.

THIS DECLARATION IS AN EXPLICIT STATEMENT OF WELCOME TO PEOPLE OF ALL PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THOSE PROTECTED BY THE NEW BRUNSWICK HUMAN RIGHTS ACT. WE OFFER OUR WELCOME AND SUPPORT TO ALL PEOPLE, REGARDLESS OF AGE, SOCIO-ECONOMIC STATUS, SOCIAL CONDITION, POLITICAL BELIEF OR ACTIVITY, IMMIGRATION STATUS, MARITAL STATUS, SEXUALITY, SEX, GENDER IDENTITY, PHYSICAL ABILITY, INTELLECTUAL ABILITY, MENTAL HEALTH STATUS, RELIGION, RACE, ANCESTRY, PLACE OF ORIGIN, CULTURAL OR ETHNIC IDENTITY. MOTION CARRIED.

11. QUESTION PERIOD

A question period was held where questions were asked regarding the current negotiations and property assessments.

12. ADJOURN

#17-079 MOVED BY RON AIKEN AND SECONDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR JOYCE O'NEIL THAT THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF APRIL 10, 2017 BE ADJOURNED. MOTION CARRIED.

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Mayor

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Clerk

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Assistant Clerk