

**COUNCIL MEETING OF
MONDAY, APRIL 8, 2019 T 7:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, TOWN HALL**

In attendance were Mayor John Higham, Deputy Mayor Ron Aiken, Councillors Bruce Phinney, Allison Butcher, Andrew Black, Joyce O'Neil, Bill Evans, Shawn Mesheau 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 of Recreation Programs & Events Matt Pryde, Town Engineer Dwayne Acton, Manager of Parks & Facilities Todd Cole, Superintendent Public Works Todd Hicks, Fire Chief Craig Bowser, Deputy Fire Chief Mike Green Planner Lori Bickford, and Acting Assistant Clerk Elizabeth Hartling.

Also attending was Press Bruce Wark, Katie Tower and approximately 13 residents.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor John Higham called the meeting to order.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

#19-042 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR SHAWN MESHEAU AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR ANDREW BLACK THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE AGENDA OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF APRIL 8, 2019 AS CIRCULATED. MOTION CARRIED.

3. QUESTION PERIOD

Christina DeHaas spoke of the email she sent to Council on Friday, April 5, 2019 and asked if they had a chance to read it. Christina asked if it was too late to carry over the phrasing on page 14 from the 2006 Recreation Master Plan to the 2019 Recreation Master Plan regarding the Pedway.

Several Councillors provided their respective opinions on the Pedway.

Clarification was provided that if funding for such a project were available, the Town can proceed with the project even though it is not referenced as a priority in the master plan.

Keith Carter then spoke of the trucking on Queens Road and their use of Jake Brakes being used in the late evening hours by the truckers.

Town Engineer Dwayne Acton responded by saying that he received two calls in one night with no complaints before this. He contacted the Contractor and this issue was resolved with the drivers. Dwayne Acton stated that he has not had any further complaints.

Michael Beal mentioned that companies who have a Municipal Contract such as NB Power and NB Tel, are exempt under the noise By-Law.

4. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Mayor John Higham asked if there were any Disclosures of Interest to Declare. There were none.

5. MINUTES

Approval of Minutes – Regular Council Meeting – March 11, 2019

#19-043 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BILL EVANS AND SECONDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR RON AIKEN THAT COUNCIL ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF MARCH 11, 2019 AS CIRCULATED. MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Minutes – Closed In-Camera Meeting – March 11, 2019

#19-044 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ANDREW BLACK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR ALLISON BUTCHER THAT COUNCIL ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE CLOSED IN-CAMERA MEETING OF MARCH 11, 2019 AS CIRCULATED. MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Minutes – Special Meeting of Council – April 1, 2019

#19-045 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JOYCE O’NEIL AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BILL EVANS THAT COUNCIL ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL MEETING OF APRIL 1, 2019 AS CIRCULATED. MOTION CARRIED.

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Mayor John Higham asked if there was any business arising from the minutes. There was none.

7. SOUTHEAST REGIONAL SERVICES

i) Regional Service Commission – John Higham

Mayor John Higham or Deputy Mayor Ron Aiken provided details of the Southeast Regional Service Commission meeting which was held on March 26, 2019.

ii) Planning – Lori Bickford

Planner Lori Bickford gave an overview of the report noting that it could be found on page 14 of the Council Package.

#19-046 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ANDREW BLACK AND SECONDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR RON AIKEN THAT COUNCIL GIVE SECOND READING SECTION BY SECTION TO BY-LAW NO. 266, A BY-LAW RELATING TO BUILDINGS IN THE TOWN OF SACKVILLE. MOTION CARRIED.

Public notice is hereby given that the Town Council of the Town of Sackville proposes to enact the following By-Laws:

By-Law No. 266, A By-Law Relating to Buildings in the Town of Sackville

Section 1 – Definitions	Section 10 - Test
Section 2 – Scope	Section 11 - Records
Section 3 – Adoption of Code	Section 12 – Revocations of a Permit
Section 4 – Prohibition	Section 13 – Responsibilities of the Permit Holder
Section 5 – Exemptions	Section 14 – Open Foundations & Excavations
Section 6 – Electrical Waiver	Section 15 - Enforcement
Section 7 – Permit Application Process	Section 16 - Fees
Section 8 – Special Application Requirements	Section 17 – By-Law Repealed
Section 9 – Issuance of a Permit	Schedule “A”

#19-047 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ANDREW BLACK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL TOWER THAT COUNCIL GIVE THIRD AND FINAL READING TO BY-LAW NO. 266, A BY-LAW RELATING TO BUILDINGS IN THE TOWN OF SACKVILLE. MOTION CARRIED.

PROCLAMATION – POETRY MONTH

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 2019 AS NATIONAL POETRY MONTH IN THE TOWN OF SACKVILLE.

Following the Proclamation by Mayor John Higham, Poet Laureate Shoshanna Wingate read a Poem intitled Radio Weather.

8. REPORTS

A) MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor John Higham provided details of the activities during the last month. The Mayor spoke of the recent student strike in March and presentations on the need for greater attention to climate change. He called on Councillor Bill Evans to present a motion for Council consideration.

#19-048 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BILL EVANS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR SHAWN MESHEAU WHEREAS RECENT REPORTS FROM THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL PANEL ON CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE CANADA MAKE IT ABUNDANTLY CLEAR THAT THE WORLD FACES A CLIMATE CRISIS AND,

WHEREAS HUNDREDS OF YOUNG CITIZENS MADE IT CLEAR ON MARCH 15, 2019, AS PART OF THE GLOBAL CLIMATE STRIKE, THAT OUR COLLECTIVE ACTIONS TO DEAL WITH THIS CRISIS HAVE BEEN FRIGHTENINGLY INADEQUATE AND HAVE DEMANDED ACTION AND,

WHEREAS ANY HOPE OF ADEQUATELY DEALING WITH THE CRISIS WILL REQUIRE COORDINATED ACTION ON A GLOBAL LEVEL AND,

WHEREAS APPROPRIATE ACTION WILL NOT HAPPEN WITHOUT SIGNIFICANT PUBLIC PRESSURE AND,

WHEREAS PUBLIC PRESSURE WILL ONLY HAPPEN IF THE PUBLIC IS AWARE OF THE FACTS AND ENGAGED IN COMBATING THIS CRISIS,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN OF SACKVILLE:

- ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THE WORLD FACES A CLIMATE CRISIS;
- WILL HELP AMPLIFY AWARENESS OF THE CRISIS AND HELP TO EDUCATE AND ENGAGE THE COMMUNITY;
- WILL ACTIVELY LOBBY OTHER LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT TO ACT IN RESPONSE TO THIS CRISIS;
- WILL CONTINUE WITH ONGOING TOWN EFFORTS AND CONTINUE TO EXPLORE FURTHER ACTIONS TO MITIGATE AND ADAPT TO CLIMATE CHANGE WITHIN AVAILABLE RESOURCES;
- WILL CONSIDER CLIMATE CHANGE DURING THE TOWN'S OPERATIONAL DECISION-MAKING PROCESS;

- WILL ESTABLISH A ROUNDTABLE ON CLIMATE CHANGE, COMPRISED OF VARIOUS COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDERS, WITH A MANDATE TO PROVIDE ADVICE AND GUIDANCE ON CLIMATE CHANGE INITIATIVES AS PART OF THE TOWN'S ANNUAL PRIORITY PLANNING AND BUDGET PROCESS; AND
- WILL ENCOURAGE THE COMMUNITY TO CONTINUE TO COME TOGETHER TO RAISE FURTHER AWARENESS ON THE IMPLICATIONS OF CLIMATE CHANGE AND SUGGEST RELATED ACTIONS AT THE COMMUNITY AND MUNICIPAL LEVEL. MOTION CARRIED.

B) CAO'S REPORT

CAO Phil Handrahan noted that his report could be found on page 25 of the Council Package and gave a brief summary noting that full details could be found in Department Reports.

- C) Finance & Administration
Liaison Councillors Michael Tower and Ron Aiken

i) BILLS AND PAYROLL – MARCH

19-049 MOVED BY DEPUTY MAYOR RON AIKEN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL TOWER THAT COUNCIL ACCEPT THE BILLS AND PAYROLL FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2019 AS FOLLOWS: GENERAL GOVERNMENT \$299,787.22; GENERAL CAPITAL \$417,313.62; UTILITY GOVERNMENT \$66,888.37; UTILITY CAPITAL \$1,144.14; AND SALARIES \$189,113.61. MOTION CARRIED.

ii) Report from Finance and Administration

Councillor Michael Tower noted that the Finance Report could be found on page 28 of the Council Package and gave details of the report and noted that the By-Law and Animal Control Reports were also included.

- D) Tourism & Business Development
Liaison Councillors Michael Tower and Shawn Mesheau
a. Report from Tourism & Business Development

Councillor Shawn Mesheau noted some key points of the Tourism & Business Development Report found on page 36 of the Council Package and Michael Tower gave an overview of the schedule for the Bordertown festival

- E) Public Property & Facilities
Liaison Councillors Bruce Phinney and Bill Evans
a. Report Public Property & Facilities

Councillor Bill Evans provided a brief overview of the Public Property and Facilities Report found on page 40 of the Council Package.

#19-050 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BILL EVANS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JOYCE O'NEIL THAT COUNCIL AWARD TENDER NO. 2019-05, ASPHALT RESURFACING OF VARIOUS STREETS TO THE LOWEST BIDDER COST IN PAVING & CONTRACTING LTD., AMHERST, NS BASED ON THEIR UNIT PRICES INCLUDED IN THE TENDER IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$405,000.00 HST INCLUDED. MOTION CARRIED.

#19-051 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BILL EVANS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL TOWER THAT COUNCIL AWARD RFP NO. 2019-06 FOR THE SUPPLY OF ONE (1) SINGLE DRUM VIBRATORY ROLLER TO THE LOWEST BIDDER UNITED RENTALS OF CANADA INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$54,714.70 HST INCLUDED. MOTION CARRIED.

#19-052 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BILL EVANS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL TOWER THAT COUNCIL AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL EXPENSES FOR THE CLEANUP OF THE LORNE STREET PHASE 2 PROJECT DUE TO A POCKET OF CONTAMINATED SOIL BEING FOUND ON THE FORMER CN PROPERTY WITH 75% OF THE BELOW COSTS COMING FROM THE CWWF INFRASTRUCTURE FUND IN THE FOLLOWING MAXIMUM AMOUNTS:

<u>ENVIREM ORGANICS INC FOR SOIL DISPOSAL</u>	<u>\$260,000 HST INCLUDED</u>
<u>ADDITIONAL TRUCKING FEES TO BIRCH HILL CONSTRUCTION</u>	<u>\$ 80,000 HST INCLUDED</u>
<u>ENGLOBE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE & MONITORING</u>	<u>\$ 60,000 HST INCLUDED</u>

MOTION CARRIED.

F) Recreation Programs & Events

Liaison Councillors Joyce O'Neil and Bruce Phinney

a. Report Recreation Programs & Events

Councillor Joyce O'Neil provided details of the Recreation Programs & Events Report found on page 43 of the Council Package.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JOYCE O'NEIL AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR ANDREW BLACK THAT COUNCIL ADOPT THE TOWN OF SACKVILLE RECREATION MASTER PLAN 2019-2024.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR SHAWN MESHEAU AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BRUCE PHINNEY TO POSTPONE THE DELIBERATION ON THE ADOPTION OF THE RECREATION MASTER PLAN 2019-2024 UNTIL JULY 8, 2019 TO ALLOW FOR A PUBLIC PRESENTATION. AYE VOTES WERE RECORDED BY COUNCILLORS SHAWN MESHEAU AND BRUCE PHINNEY. NAY VOTES WERE RECORDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR RON AIKEN, COUNCILLORS ALLISON BUTCHER, ANDREW BLACK, JOYCE O'NEIL, BILL EVANS AND MICHAEL TOWER. MOTION DEFEATED.

19-053 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JOYCE O’NEIL AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR ANDREW BLACK THAT COUNCIL ADOPT THE TOWN OF SACKVILLE RECREATION MASTER PLAN 2019-2024. AYE VOTES WERE RECORDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR RON AIKEN, COUNCILLORS ALLISON BUTCHER, ANDREW BLACK, JOYCE O’NEIL, BILL EVANS AND MICHAEL TOWER. NAY VOTES WERE RECORDED BY COUNCILLORS SHAWN MESHEAU AND BRUCE PHINNEY. MOTION CARRIED.

G) Public Safety

Liaison Councillors Joyce O’Neil and Allison Butcher

- a. Report Public Safety
 - Fire/EMO, RCMP/CPO

Councillor Allison Butcher provided an overview of the Fire/EMO, and Councillor Joyce O’Neil provided details of the RCMP/CPO report found on page 46 of the Council Package.

H) Policy/By-Law

Liaison Councillors Andrew Black and Allison Butcher

- a. Report Policy/By-Law

Councillor Allison Butcher noted that the Policy/By-Law Report could be found on page 50 of the Council Package and gave a brief summary of the report.

19-054 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ALLISON BUTCHER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR ANDREW BLACK THAT COUNCIL GIVE SECOND READING SECTION BY SECTION TO BY-LAW NO. 265, A BY-LAW RELATING TO THE SACKVILLE WATERFOWL PARK. MOTION CARRIED.

Public notice is hereby given that the Town Council of the Town of Sackville proposes to enact the following By-Laws:

By-Law No. 265, A By-Law Relating to the Sackville Waterfowl Park

- Section 1 – Aims and Purposes
- Section 2 – Rules & Conditions
- Section 3 – Penalty
- Section 4 – Repeal
- Section 5 – Effect Date
- Schedule “A”
- Schedule “B”

#19-055 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ALLISON BUTCHER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL TOWER THAT COUNCIL GIVE THIRD AND FINAL READING TO BY-LAW NO. 265, A BY-LAW RELATING TO THE SACKVILLE WATERFOWL PARK. MOTION CARRIED.

#19-056 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ALLISON BUTCHER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JOYCE O'NEIL THAT COUNCIL GIVE FIRST READING IN NAME ONLY TO BY-LAW NO. 258, TOWN OF SACKVILLE BY-LAW DESIGNATING ROADS ACCESSIBLE TO OFF-ROAD VEHICLES. AYE VOTES WERE RECORDED BY COUNCILLORS BRUCE PHINNEY, ALLISON BUTCHER, ANDREW BLACK, JOYCE O'NEIL, BILL EVANS, SHAWN MESHEAU AND MICHAEL TOWER. A NAY VOTE WAS RECORDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR RON AIKEN. MOTION CARRIED.

#19-057 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ALLISON BUTCHER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JOYCE O'NEIL THAT COUNCIL GIVE FIRST READING IN NAME ONLY TO BY-LAW NO. 267, TOWN OF SACKVILLE MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY PLANNING BY-LAW. MOTION CARRIED

I) Personnel

Liaison Councillors Bill Evans and Andrew Black

a. Report Personnel

Councillor Bill Evans noted that the Personnel Report could be found on page 72 of the Council Package. Councillor Evans read the highlights found within the report.

#19-058 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BILL EVANS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL TOWER THAT COUNCIL APPOINT ELIZABETH HARTLING AS ACTING ASSISTANT CLERK FOR AN INTERIM PERIOD ENDING WHEN AN ASSISTANT CLERK IS CONFIRMED BY COUNCIL AND COMMENCES EMPLOYMENT WITH THE TOWN OF SACKVILLE. AYE VOTES WERE RECORDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR RON AIKEN, COUNCILLORS ALLISON BUTCHER, ANDREW BLACK, JOYCE O'NEIL, BILL EVANS, SHAWN MESHEAU AND MICHAEL TOWER. A NAY VOTE WAS RECORDED BY COUNCILLOR BRUCE PHINNEY. MOTION CARRIED.

#19-059 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BILL EVANS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BRUCE PHINNEY THAT COUNCIL ENDORSES THE JOINT RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE AD-HOC COMMITTEE REPORT AS OUTLINED TO COUNCIL ON APRIL 8, 2019. MOTION CARRIED.

J) Corporate Affairs & Strategic Development

Liaison Councillors Ron Aiken and Shawn Mesheau

b. Report

Deputy Mayor Ron Aiken provided a summary of key points within the Corporate Affairs and Strategic Development Report found on page 73 of the package.

9. NEW BUSINESS

10. QUESTION PERIOD

Bruce Wark asked several questions on the contaminated soil found regarding Phase two of the Lorne Street Project.

Town Engineer, Dwayne Acton responded to provide the additional information requested.

Bruck Wark asked why there was no declaration of climate emergency declared tonight.

Councillor Bill Evans stated as the mover of the motion, it was his opinion that a “crisis” was a better description rather than “emergency” which has additional implications in terms of municipal legislation.

Laura Reinsborough asked if the Town of Sackville is joining the over 400 local Governments around the world that have declared this a climate emergency.

Mayor John Higham reiterated the comments of Councilor Bill Evans and noted Council will have time to follow up to determine the next steps.

Catherine Premier, a student from Sackville thanked the Council for their willingness to work with them and take action to address the climate crisis and then asked what a round table would look like, how that would be different from a committee and if it would meet only once or more often.

Mayor John Higham responded by saying there are various structures however the primary purpose is to obtain more direct feedback from the community, so the Town is wide open to hearing from the community.

Quinn McAskill, a grade 8 student from Marshview Middle School thanked everyone for having this discussion and efforts to take action. She asked, separate from this strike, would you be able to potentially create a plan specific to just the environment addressing what you are going to do.

Mayor John Higham responded by saying that Council has not yet determined our next steps on this however that is something that will be considered.

Barb Clayton, a resident of Sackville asked if there could be youth from the Sackville Youth Climate Change Coalition that can be a part of the round table as well as an adult version.

Mayor John Higham responded by saying absolutely.

11. ADJOURN

#19-060 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL TOWER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BRUCE PHINNEY THAT COUNCIL ADJOURN THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF APRIL 8, 2019. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor

Acting Assistant Clerk