

**COUNCIL MEETING OF
MONDAY, AUGUST 10, 2020, 2020 7:00 P.M.
VIRTURAL MEETING THROUGH MICROSOFT TEAMS**

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 Jamie Burke, Clerk Donna Beal, Town Engineer Dwayne Acton, Superintendent of Public Works Robert McLean, Assistant Clerk Becky Goodwin, Assistant Treasurer Elizabeth Hartling, Manager of Recreation Programs and Events Matt Pryde, Manager of Parks & Facilities Todd Cole, Deputy Fire Chief Mike Green and Planner Lori Bickford.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor John Higham called the meeting to order.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

#20-120 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR SHAWN MESHEAU AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL TOWER THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE AGENDA OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF AUGUST 10, 2020, AS AMENDED. MOTION CARRIED.

3. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Mayor John Higham asked if there were any Disclosures of Interest to Declare. Councillor Shawn Mesheau noted that he has submitted his Disclosure of Interest form relating to the discussion about the BIA.

4. MINUTES

Approval of Minutes – Regular Council Meeting – July 13, 2020

#20-121 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BILL EVANS AND SECONDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR RON AIKEN THAT COUNCIL ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF JULY 13, 2020 AS CIRCULATED. MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Minutes – Special Meeting of Council – August 4, 2020

#20-122 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BILL EVANS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JOYCE O'NEIL THAT COUNCIL ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL OF AUGUST 4, 2020 AS CIRCULATED. MOTION CARRIED.

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

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

6. SOUTHEAST REGIONAL SERVICES

i) Regional Service Commission

Mayor John Higham noted that there was no meeting this month.

ii) Planning – Lori Bickford

Planner Lori Bickford provided highlights of the Report noting that it could be found on page 15 of the Council Package.

7. REPORTS

A) MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor John Higham provided highlights of his Report noting that over a dozen media requests had been dealt with in the past month including most recently with the Globe & Mail. Mayor Higham was interviewed regarding the NS/NB border concerns, the Towns response to the Province wide phone outage and the return of MtA students.

Mayor Higham attended several meetings with the MASU President, MtA President, Mayor Kogon of Amherst and weekly updates with the Tantramar Covid Task Force. He provided welcome videos of MtA students and alumni and met with SappyFest organizers.

Deputy Mayor Ron Aiken provided an update on the Rural Mayor's call with the Deputy Minister of Health, Associate Deputy Minister of Health and Director of Planning Performance and Alignment. The Rural Mayor's goals for health care reform included information on the consultation process, have data provided that led to the concerns, ongoing communication and sharing of data moving forward, allowing healthcare workers to comment on the system freely and to include First Nations in all consultations. All reforms that were proposed in February are currently off the table. Significant data was provided to all Rural Mayor's attending the call. When the consultation process resumes, the Premier will meet with all six (6) communities individually, followed by a wider summit. The Rural Mayor's insisted to not only be apart of the summit, but to also be a part of the planning.

B) CAO'S REPORT

CAO Jamie Burke noted that the CAO Report could be found on page 16 of the Council Package and provided a 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 – JULY**

#20-123 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL TOWER AND SECONDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR RON AIKEN THAT COUNCIL ACCEPT THE BILLS AND PAYROLL FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 2020 AS FOLLOWS: GENERAL GOVERNMENT \$495,061.09; GENERAL CAPITAL \$47,375.32; UTILITY GOVERNMENT \$119,154.58; UTILITY CAPITAL \$38,914.68; AND SALARIES \$239,891.76. MOTION CARRIED.

- ii) Report from Finance and Administration

Councillor Michael Tower noted that the Finance Report could be found on page 20 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 Michael Tower gave a summary of the Tourism & Business Development Report found on page 29 of the Council Package.

#20-124 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL TOWER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BILL EVANS THAT COUNCIL ADOPT THE TOWN OF SACKVILLE MARKETING PLAN AS PRESENTED AT THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL ON AUGUST 4, 2020. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor John Higham asked those interested in being appointed to the Mainstreet Redevelopment Board to each take a few moments to speak on why they should be appointed.

Round 1 of voting:

Votes for Councillor Michael Tower – Councillors Michael Tower and Shawn Mesheau

Votes for Councillor Bruce Phinney – Councillor Bruce Phinney

Votes for Councillor Andrew Black - Deputy Mayor Ron Aiken and Councillors Andrew Black, Allison Butcher, Bill Evans and Joyce O’Neil.

Round 2 of voting:

Votes for Councillor Michael Tower – Councillors Michael Tower, Shawn Mesheau and Bruce Phinney

Votes for Councillor Andrew Black – Deputy Mayor Ron Aiken and Councillors Andrew Black, Allison Butcher, Bill Evans and Joyce O’Neil.

#20-125 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL TOWER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BILL EVANS THAT COUNCIL APPOINT ANDREW BLACK AS A REPRESENTATIVE TO THE MAINSTREET REDEVELOPMENT BOARD. MOTION CARRIED.

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

Councillor Bruce Phinney provided a brief overview of the Public Property and Facilities Report found on page 31 of the Council Package.

#20-126 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BRUCE PHINNEY AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JOYCE O’NEIL THAT COUNCIL AWARD TENDER NO. 2020-10 CATTAIL RIDGE ROAD IMPROVEMENTS TO THE LOWEST BIDDER BEING BOWSERS’ CONSTRUCTION LTD., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$390,798.75 HST INCLUDED. MOTION CARRIED.

#20-127 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BRUCE PHINNEY AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL TOWER THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE MUNICIPAL OPERATING AGREEMENT WITH LIBERTY UTILITIES (FORMERLY ENBRIDGE GAS) AS PRESENTED AT THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL ON AUGUST 4, 2020 AND AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND CLERK TO SIGN AND SEAL THE AGREEMENT. MOTION CARRIED.

#20-128 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BRUCE PHINNEY AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BILL EVANS THAT COUNCIL ACCEPT THE 5-YEAR CAPITAL PLAN FOR DESIGNATED HIGHWAYS AS PRESENTED AT THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL OF AUGUST 4, 2020 AND AUTHORIZE THAT IT BE SUBMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE. MOTION CARRIED.

- F) Recreation Programs & Events
 - Liaison Councillors Joyce O’Neil and Bruce Phinney
 - a. Report Recreation Programs & Events

Councillor Bruce Phinney provided an overview of the Recreation Programs & Events Report found on page 34 of the Council Package.

#20-129 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BRUCE PHINNEY AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL TOWER THAT COUNCIL APPOINT JOHN PETERS AND REAPPOINT GREGOR MACASKILL TO THE SACKVILLE SPORTS WALL OF FAME BOARD FOR A 3-YEAR TERM WHICH TERMS WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2023. MOTION CARRIED.

G) Public Safety

Liaison Councillors Joyce O'Neil and Allison Butcher

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

Councillor Joyce O'Neil provided an overview of the Fire/EMO Report and Councillor Allison Butcher provided an overview of the RCMP/CPO Report found on page 36 of the Council Package.

#20-130 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JOYCE O'NEIL AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR ALLISON BUTCHER THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF ONE COMPLETE SET OF HOLMATRO EXTRICATION TOOLS, WHICH INCLUDES UPGRADING THE COMBI TOOL TO THE BATTERY-OPERATED PLATFORM FROM MICMAC FIRE & SAFETY SOURCE LTD., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$56,292.50 HST INCLUDED. MOTION CARRIED.

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 38 of the Council Package and gave an overview of the Report.

#20-131 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ALLISON BUTCHER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR ANDREW BLACK THAT COUNCIL GIVE SECOND READING SECTION BY SECTION TO BY-LAW NO. 274, A BY-LAW TO REGULATE AND LICENSE THE OWNERS AND OPERATORS OF TAXI CABS WITHIN THE TOWN OF SACKVILLE.

By-Law No. 274, A By-Law To Regulate and License the Owners and Operators of Taxi Cabs Within the Town of Sackville

Definitions

Section 1– Definitions

Section 2 – Duties of the By-Law Enforcement Officer

Section 3 – Owners and Operator's License

Section 4 – Application For A Taxicab Owners License

Section 5 – Application For A Taxicab Operator's License

Section 6 – Duties and Responsibilities of Licensees
Section 7 – Suspension or Termination of License
Section 8 – License Fees
Section 9 – Except as authorized in Section 8
Section 10 – Penalty
Section 11 – Transitional Provisions
Section 12 – Repeal
MOTION CARRIED.

#20-132 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ALLISON BUTCHER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR ANDREW BLACK THAT COUNCIL GIVE THIRD AND FINAL READING TO BY-LAW NO. 274, A BY-LAW TO REGULATE AND LICENSE THE OWNERS AND OPERATORS OF TAXI CABS WITHIN THE TOWN OF SACKVILLE. MOTION CARRIED.

#20-133 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ALLISON BUTCHER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR ANDREW BLACK THAT COUNCIL GIVE SECOND READING SECTION BY SECTION TO BY-LAW NO. 275 FIRE PREVENTION BY-LAW.

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

By-Law No. 275, Fire Prevention By-Law

Section 1– Definitions
Section 2 – Fire Prevention Officers
Section 3 – Outside Fires
Section 4 – Fireworks
Section 5 – Demolition of Buildings
Section 6 – Petroleum Products
Section 7 – Terms and Conditions
Section 8 – Enforcement and Penalties
Section 9 – Repeal
MOTION CARRIED.

#20-134 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ALLISON BUTCHER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL TOWER THAT COUNCIL GIVE THIRD AND FINAL READING TO BY-LAW NO. 275 FIRE PREVENTION BY-LAW. MOTION CARRIED.

#20-135 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ALLISON BUTCHER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BILL EVANS THAT COUNCIL GIVE SECOND READING SECTION BY SECTION TO BY-LAW NO. 276, A BY-LAW RESPECTING CULVERTS AND WATER DRAINAGE STRUCTURES.

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

By-Law No. 276, A By-Law Respecting Culverts and Water Drainage Structures

Definitions

Section 1– Definitions

Section 2 – Installation

Section 3 – Penalties

Section 4 – Repeal

MOTION CARRIED.

#20-136 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ALLISON BUTCHER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JOYCE O’NEIL THAT COUNCIL GIVE THIRD AND FINAL READING TO BY-LAW NO. 276, A BY-LAW RESPECTING CULVERTS AND WATER DRAINAGE STRUCTURES. MOTION CARRIED.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ALLISON BUTCHER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BILL EVANS THAT COUNCIL APPROVE POLICY NO. 2020-12, PURCHASE AND USE OF BOTTLED WATER POLICY.

#20-137 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BILL EVANS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL TOWER THAT COUNCIL AMEND POLICY NO. 2020-12 PURCHASE AND USE OF BOTTLED WATER POLICY TO ADD UNDER POLICY STATEMENT “THE PROBLEM OF PLASTIC POLLUTION OF WATERWAYS AND OCEANS AND THE DELETERIOUS EFFECTS ON THE ENVIRONMENT, SPECIFICALLY, ON WILDLIFE, ON THE FOOD CHAIN AND ON OUR HEALTH”.
MOTION CARRIED.

#20-138 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ALLISON BUTCHER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BILL EVANS THAT COUNCIL APPROVE POLICY NO. 2020-12, PURCHASE AND USE OF BOTTLED WATER POLICY, AS AMENDED. MOTION CARRIED.

D) Human Resources

Liaison Councillors Bill Evans and Andrew Black

a. Report Personnel

Councillor Andrew Black noted that the Human Resources Report could be found on page 42 of the Council Package.

#20-139 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ANDREW BLACK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JOYCE O’NEIL THAT COUNCIL AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND CLERK TO SIGN AND SEAL THE SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT FOR THE CPO POSITION WITH THE RCMP AS PRESENTED AT THE IN-CAMERA SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL OF AUGUST 4, 2020 EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2020. MOTION CARRIED.

- J) Corporate Affairs & Strategic Development
 - Liaison Councillors Ron Aiken and Shawn Mesheau
 - a. Report Corporate Affairs & Strategic Development

Councillor Shawn Mesheau provided a brief overview of key points within the Corporate Affairs and Strategic Development Report found on page 43 of the package.

#20-140 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BILL EVANS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR ALLISON BUTCHER THAT COUNCIL AWARD RFP NO. 2020-11 PUBLIC ART TO SLIPPER LIU STUDIO IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,000.00 PLUS HST. AYE VOTES RECORDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR RON AIKEN AND COUNCILLORS ALLISON BUTCHER, ANDREW BLACK, JOYCE O'NEIL, BILL EVANS, SHAWN MESHEAU AND MICHAEL TOWER. NAY VOTE RECORDED BY COUNCILLOR BRUCE PHINNEY. MOTION CARRIED.

- 9. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. UMN B Resolution

#20-141 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL TOWER AND SECONDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR RON AIKEN THAT WHEREAS THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HAS RECENTLY PROVIDED THE PROVINCE WITH FUNDING UNDER THE SAFE RESTART AGREEMENT;

AND WHEREAS THIS AGREEMENT DESIGNATES A PORTION OF THE FUNDING TO BE USED TO HELP LOCAL GOVERNMENTS;

AND WHEREAS THERE MAY BE MORE FUNDING OVER TIME COMING FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT THROUGH THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT AND ON TO MUNICIPALITIES WHETHER FOR COVID RELATED ITEMS, INFRASTRUCTURE RELATED OR ANY OTHER REASON;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN OF SACKVILLE CALLS ON THE UMN B TO PETITION THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT THAT UMN B BE A PARTICIPANT IN HOW THE MONEY IS ALLOCATED AND WHAT IT IS DESIGNATED FOR WITH ANY FEDERAL MONEY EARMARKED FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS WITH THESE FUNDS AND ANY FUTURE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FUNDING. MOTION CARRIED.

- b. Return to Council Chambers

After a lengthy discussion by Council, it was the consensus of Council to continue Virtual Council Meetings.

- c. Mandatory Masks

The discussion of mandatory masks was held. Although Council understands the concerns of many residents, the State of Emergency currently in place clearly states protocols when social distancing cannot be met. As the decision for mandatory mask is made by the Chief Medical Officer, Mayor and Council will forward a letter directly to Dr. Russell with a formal request on behalf of the Town of Sackville to consider making masks mandatory across the Province of New Brunswick. The Town of Sackville will look to make provisions within the Town owned building for the requirement of masks in public areas.

10. ADJOURN

#20-142 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JOYCE O'NEIL AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR SHAWN MESHEAU THAT COUNCIL ADJOURN THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF AUGUST 10, 2020. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor

Clerk

Assistant Clerk