

**SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2022, AT 6:30 P.M.  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, TOWN HALL**

In attendance were Mayor Shawn Mesheau, Deputy Mayor Andrew Black and Councillors Allison Butcher, Sabine Dietz, Matt Estabrooks, Bill Evans, Kenneth Hicks, Bruce Phinney and Michael Tower. Also, in attendance were CAO Jamie Burke, Clerk Donna Beal, Treasurer Michael Beal, Town Engineer Jon Eppell, Fire Chief Craig Bowser, Manager of Parks and Facilities Todd Cole, Manager of Recreation Programs and Events Matt Pryde, Manager of Tourism & Business Development Ron Kelly-Spurles and Climate Change Coordinator Kirsti Mrazek.

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Mayor Shawn Mesheau called the meeting to order.

Mayor Shawn Mesheau acknowledged that we are located within the territory of Mi'kma'ki, the unceded, ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaq people.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL TOWR AND SECONDED BY DEPUTY  
MAYOR ANDREW BLACK THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE AGENDA OF THE  
SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL OF AUGUST 2, 2022, AS CIRCULATED. MOTION  
CARRIED.

1. Sackville Foundries Monument Project Presentation  
Susan Amos of the Tantramar Heritage Trust presented to Council on the Sackville Foundries Monument Project currently being undertaken. During the presentation, Ms. Amos noted that the Tantramar Heritage Trust will apply for federal funding for the monument – a 14-foot-tall steel press from the former Enterprise Foundry. Ms. Amos is requesting the Town to contribute the labour and materials to prep the site for the monument. The monument will be placed at the Mount Allison King Street Parking Lot, the former site of Fawcett's Foundry.
2. NatureNB Presentation – Response to Animal Control By-Law  
Adam Cheeseman of NatureNB presented to Council on Bird Friendly Cities, following a request to Council to amend the Animal Control By-Law to include cats. Mr. Cheeseman reviewed the challenge that outdoor cats face, along with the impact that those cats have on the bird population, as well as other wildlife including butterflies, moths and small mammals. Mr. Cheeseman provided ideas on how owners can protect their cats including keeping them indoors, limiting their time outside and the use of catios, leashes and harnesses. Additionally, information was provided on how the Municipality can do to protect the bird and wildlife population, by providing education to owners of the threats of outdoor cats, introduce mandatory cat licensing, support spaying/neutering efforts and begin looking into becoming a bird friendly community designation.
3. Buskers Fest Street Closure  
Manager of Recreation Programs and Events Matt Pryde provided an overview of his report, noting that the Sackville BIA has recently been approved for a grant from ACOA to host a Busker's Festival in Sackville on Thursday, August 11, 2022 to Sunday, August 14, 2022. The

festival will include various performers on Bridge Street. The Town is excited for the opportunity to bring more visitors to the downtown area and will be supporting the BIA in promoting the planning for the event, as well as providing some minor deliveries of extra tables, garbage cans, etc. To accommodate the Festival, the Sackville BIA is requesting a Bridge Street closure from Main Street to Lorne Street Thursday, August 11<sup>th</sup> at noon until 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup>. A motion will be brought forward at the Regular Council Meeting of August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022 for Council to consider approving the street closure.

4. Sackville Pride Parade

Manager of Recreation Programs and Events Matt Pryde provided an overview of his report, noting that the Rainbow Flag is a symbol of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) pride and LGBT social movements. It represents equity for all, regardless of sexual orientation or identification. While June is National Pride month, the Town of Sackville and the Mount Allison Students' Union have celebrated Pride Week in September. This year, Pride Week will take place from September 15-22, 2022, and the Pride Parade is set to take place on Friday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022. The Rainbow Flag will be raised at Mount Allison University with speeches taking place at 5:00 p.m., followed by the parade at 5:30 p.m. down York/Main Street, where a second flag will be raised at Town Hall. The parade will then continue by turning back up Main Street to finish at the Bill Johnstone Park, where a celebration with music and food for residents will take place. A motion will be brought forward at the Regular Council Meeting of August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022 for Council to consider approved the street closure required for the Pride Parade.

5. Yorkshire Projects

Manager of Recreation Programs and Events Matt Pryde provided an overview of his report, noting that 2022 marks 250 years since the Yorkshire Settlers first arrived in Sackville. The Town released a call for proposals in 2023 from local residents and groups who would like to be included in grant requests to the provincial and federal governments that would allow us to properly acknowledge the occasion in the summer of 2022. Submissions included a publication, live music, a play, interpretive panels, several workshops and a public art piece. Staff have successfully raised a total \$51,150 in grants for the various events and capital projects. With the schedule of events finalized, there are two projects from the Trueman Family remaining: Design and installation of interpretive panels and development of a publication of Yorkshire sites on the Chignecto Isthmus. Staff are recommending that Council approve the costs associated with the two projects at a maximum amount of \$12,400 for the panels and a maximum amount of \$12,500 for the publication. A motion will be presented at the August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Regular Council Meeting for Council to consider.

6. Civic Centre Maintenance

Manager of Parks and Facilities Todd Cole provided an overview of his report, regarding upcoming scheduled maintenance and a service contract for the Tantramar Veterans Memorial Civic Centre. Regular maintenance is required on the compressors at the civic centre, and normally, every three (3) years a major overhaul is required. A major overhaul for compressor #2 is required prior to the 2022-23 ice season. The cost of the overhaul is \$11,757.75 plus HST from Toromont/CIMCO.

Additionally, each year the ice plant is serviced throughout the ice season, including start up and shut down and is currently being done on an hourly basis. CIMCO and staff have had a conversation on how to reduce costs associated with the running of the ice plant without jeopardizing the service. CIMCO has proposed a yearly service contract to cover the normal operating and maintenance costs on an annual basis in the amount of \$5,874.21 plus HST,

where the 2021 expenses exceeded \$10,000. Motions will be presented at the August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Regular Council Meeting for Council to consider awarding the work to overhaul compressor #2, and aware the service agreement for the 2022/23 ice season to Toromont/CIMCO.

7. Fire Department Dress Uniforms

Fire Chief Craig Bowser provided an overview of his report, noting that as part of the 2022 budget approval process, \$34,000 plus HST in the operational budget was allocated to the replacement of the firefighters' dress uniforms. The department has decided to move towards the standard dress uniform, which is a single breast navy uniform, as the current double breast black uniforms are now more difficult to source, with additional costs. Members wear their dress uniforms for parades, special events, ceremonies, memorials, and other official functions. Two quotes have been sourced for thirty-five (35) full dress uniform sets. A motion will be brought forward at the August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Regular Council Meeting for Council to consider approving the purchase of thirty-five (35) sets from Unisync Group Limited in the amount of \$19,270.00 plus HST.

**Question Period**

Mayor Shawn Mesheau asked if there were any questions from the Public. There were none.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL TOWER AND SECONDED BY  
COUNCILLOR BRUCE PHINNEY THAT COUNCIL ADJOURN THE SPECIAL MEETING  
OF COUNCIL OF AUGUST 2, 2022. MOTION CARRIED.

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Mayor

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Clerk