

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE OF
MONDAY, MAY 27, 2024 – 3:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL OFFICE
31C MAIN STREET, SACKVILLE NB**

In attendance were Mayor Andrew Black, Deputy Mayor Greg Martin and Councillors Allison Butcher, Matt Estabrooks, Josh Goguen, Barry Hicks, Bruce Phinney, Michael Tower and Debbie Wiggins-Colwell. Also in attendance were Chief Administrative Officer Jennifer Borne, Director of Legislative Services Donna Beal, Director of Financial Services Michael Beal, Director of Engineering & Public Works Jon Eppell, Director of Active Living & Culture Matt Pryde, Sackville Fire Chief Craig Bowser, Assistant Clerk Becky Goodwin, Manager of Tourism & Business Development Ron Kelly Spurles, Manager of Compliance, Risk and Safety Kathleen Carroll, Assistant Treasurer Elizabeth Hartling and Communications Officer Jeremy McLaughlin.

Also, in attendance were two (2) members of the Public.

1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Andrew Black called the meeting to order.

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

1.1 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JOSH GOGUEN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MATT ESTABROOKS THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE AGENDA OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING OF MAY 27, 2024, AS CIRCULATED. MOTION CARRIED.

1.2 CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

Mayor Andrew Black asked if there were any disclosure of interest. There were none.

2. COUNCIL DIRECTION REQUESTS

2.1 TOWN CRIER – M. PRYDE

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR DEBBIE WIGGINS-COLWELL AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL TOWER THAT COUNCIL DIRECT ITEM 2.1 TOWN CRIER BE SENT TO THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF JUNE 11, 2024, FOR CONSIDERATION. MOTION CARRIED.

2.2 TVMCC GASKET REPLACEMENT – M. PRYDE

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MATT ESTABROOKS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BARRY HICKS THAT COUNCIL DIRECT ITEM 2.2 – TVMCC GASKET REPLACEMENT BE SENT TO THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF MAY 14, 2024, FOR CONSIDERATION. MOTION CARRIED.

2.3 SANDPIPER FESTIVAL STREET CLOSURE – M. PRYDE

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BRUCE PHINNEY AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR DEBBIE WIGGINS-COLWELL THAT COUNCIL DIRECT ITEM 2.3– SANDPIPER FESTIVAL STREET CLOSURE BE SENT TO THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF JUNE 11, 2024, FOR CONSIDERATION. MOTION CARRIED.

2.4 FALL FAIR 2024 – M. PRYDE

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BARRY HICKS AND SECONDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR GREG MARTIN THAT COUNCIL DIRECT ITEM 2.4 – FALL FAIR 2024 BE SENT TO THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF JUNE 11, 2024, FOR CONSIDERATION. MOTION CARRIED.

2.5 SHIRETOWN PARADE ROUTE CHANGE – M. PRYDE

MOVED BY DEPUTY MAYOR GREG MARTIN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL TOWER THAT COUNCIL DIRECT ITEM 2.5 – SHIRETOWN PARADE ROUTE CHANGE BE SENT TO THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF JUNE 11, 2024, FOR CONSIDERATION. MOTION CARRIED.

2.6 LAND RECONVEYANCE LOT 94-5 SACKVILLE INDUSTRIAL PARK SUBDIVISION PLAN – R. KELLY SPURLES

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BARRY HICKS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JOSH GOGUEN THAT COUNCIL DIRECT ITEM 2.6 – LAND RECONVEYANCE LOT 94-5 SACKVILLE INDUSTRIAL PARK SUBDIVISION PLAN BE SENT TO THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF JUNE 11, 2024, FOR CONSIDERATION. MOTION CARRIED.

2.7 2024-25 ENVIRONMENTAL TRUST FUND – R. KELLY SPURLES

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL TOWER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR DEBBIE WIGGINS-COLWELL THAT COUNCIL DIRECT ITEM 2.7 – 2024-25 ENVIRONMENTAL TRUST FUND BE SENT TO THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF JUNE 11, 2024, FOR CONSIDERATION. MOTION CARRIED.

2.8 BY-LAW NO. 2024-13, A BY-LAW RELATING TO THE PROMOTION OF HEALTH AND SAFETY OF THE RESIDENTS OF TANTRAMAR – D. BEAL

Director of Legislative Services Donna Beal provided an overview of her Report found on page 26 of the package. It is recommended that Council consider first and second reading of By-Law No. 2024-13, A By-Law Relating to the Promotion of Health and Safety of the Residents of Tantramar at the Regular Council Meeting of June 11, 2024.

2.9 BY-LAW NO. 2024-14, A BY-LAW RESPECTING THE ADOPTION AND INTERPRETATION OF BY-LAWS – D. BEAL

Director of Legislative Services Donna Beal provided an overview of her Report found on page 31 of the package. It is recommended that Council consider first and second reading of By-Law No.

2024-14, A By-Law Respecting the Adoption and Interpretation of By-Laws at the Regular Council Meeting of June 11, 2024.

2.10 BY-LAW NO. 2024-15, A BY-LAW RELATING TO LOITERING AND BEGGING IN TANTRAMAR – D. BEAL

Director of Legislative Services Donna Beal provided an overview of her Report found on page 36 of the package. It is recommended that Council consider first and second reading of By-Law No. 2024-15, A By-Law Relating to the Loitering and Begging in Tantramar at the Regular Council Meeting of June 11, 2024.

2.11 POLICY NO. 2024-11 – TANTRAMAR CONFIDENTIALITY POLICY – B. GOODWIN

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JOSH GOGUEN AND SECONDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR GREG MARTIN THAT COUNCIL DIRECT ITEM 2.11 POLICY NO. 2024-11 TANTRAMAR CONFIDENTIALITY POLICY BE SENT TO THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF JUNE 11, 2024, FOR CONSIDERATION. MOTION CARRIED.

2.12 POLICY NO. 2024-12 – TANTRAMAR CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY – B. GOODWIN

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ALLISON BUTCHER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BARRY HICKS THAT COUNCIL DIRECT ITEM 2.12 POLICY NO. 2024-12 TANTRAMAR CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY BE SENT TO THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF JUNE 11, 2024, FOR CONSIDERATION. MOTION CARRIED.

2.13 POLICY NO. 2024-13 – TANTRAMAR SUBSTANCE USE POLICY – B. GOODWIN

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MATT ESTABROOKS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JOSH GOGUEN THAT COUNCIL DIRECT ITEM 2.13 TANTRAMAR SUBSTANCE USE POLICY BE SENT TO THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF JUNE 11, 2024, FOR CONSIDERATION. MOTION CARRIED.

2.14 STATION ROAD DORCHESTER RECONSTRUCTION – J. EPELL

Director of Engineering & Public Works Jon Epell provided an overview of his report found on page 56 of the package. The tender for the Station Road Dorchester Reconstruction project closes on Thursday, June 6, 2024. An update and potential motion will be brought to Council at the Regular Council Meeting of June 11, 2024.

3. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

The following reports were presented to Council as information items only:

- 3.1 Active Living and Culture – M. Pryde
- 3.2 Community and Corporate Services – R. Kelly Spurles
- 3.3 Engineering and Public Works – J. Epell
- 3.4 Protective Services – SFD Chief Bowser and Sgt. Hanson
- 3.5 Financial Services – M. Beal

- 3.6 Administration

- 3.6.1 Legislative Services – D. Beal
- 3.6.2 Chief Administrative Officer – J. Borne
- 3.6.3 Mayor’s Report – A. Black

WHEREAS THE TANTRAMAR HAS A LONG AND PROUD TRADITION OF EMBRACING DIVERSITY IN ALL ITS FORMS – CULTURAL, SOCIAL, AND ETHNIC; AND

WHEREAS THE TANTRAMAR IS IMMEASURABLY ENRICHED BY THE DIVERSITY OF OUR PEOPLE, INCLUDING THOSE MEMBERS OF THE TWO-SPIRIT, LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, TRANSGENDERED, QUEER + (2SLGBTQ+) COMMUNITIES; AND

WHEREAS PRIDE EVENTS ACROSS CANADA AND AROUND THE WORLD ARE NECESSARY TO SHOW COMMUNITY SUPPORT AND BELONGING FOR 2SLGBTQ+ INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES, AND 2SLGBTQ+-IDENTIFYING YOUTH IN PARTICULAR; AND

WHEREAS ACKNOWLEDGING AND PARTICIPATING IN PRIDE UNDERSCORES AND AFFIRMS OUR RESPECT FOR THE DIGNITY, EQUALITY, AND VISIBILITY OF 2SLGBTQ+ PEOPLE AND FAMILIES; AND

WHEREAS THE GLOBAL PANDEMIC HAS INCREASED THE ISOLATION, ANXIETY, AND INSECURITY OF SOME OF SOCIETY’S MOST VULNERABLE CITIZENS, INCLUDING 2SLGBTQ+ PEOPLE AND YOUTH;

THEREFORE I, ANDREW BLACK, MAYOR OF TANTRAMAR, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM JUNE AS PRIDE MONTH AND ENCOURAGE ALL RESIDENTS REGARDLESS OF SEXUAL ORIENTATION, TO CELEBRATE TOGETHER IN RECOGNITION OF THE RAINBOW OF DIVERSITY WITH WHICH OUR 2SLGBTQ+ COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTES TO TANTRAMAR.

4. QUESTION PERIOD

Erica Butler asked if there were any further information on what the replacement work at the Route 106 closure would look like. Director of Engineering & Public Works Jon Eppell responded that he has not discussed a final solution with the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure and that they would have additional details in the coming months.

Erica Butler asked if Council had decided to discontinue the Climate Change Coordinator position that had been previously funded by the Environmental Trust Fund. Manager of Tourism & Business Development Ron Kelly Spurles responded that the initial application for funding for the Climate Change Coordinator position was for two years and the Environmental Trust Fund was never meant to be an on-going source of funding.

Erica Butler asked if policies only get one reading before it is passed, unlike by-laws which require three readings and asked if there were confidentiality policies with the former governments. Mayor Andrew Black responded that policies only require one motion to be passed and Assistant Clerk Becky Goodwin responded that yes, there were confidentiality policies with the former governments.

Bruce Wark asked if By-Law No. 2024-15, A By-Law Relating to Loitering and Begging in Tantramar includes those on streets within the Municipality. Director of Legislative Services Donna Beal responded that public places owned by the Municipality include streets.

5. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL TOWER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BRUCE PHINNEY THAT COUNCIL ADJOURN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING OF MAY 27, 2024. MOTION CARRIED.

MAYOR

DIRECTOR OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

ASSISTANT CLERK