



**COUNCIL MEETING OF
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2024 6:00 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 and Assistant Clerk Becky Goodwin.

1. CALL 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.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

#24-207 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JOSH GOGUEN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BARRY HICKS THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE AGENDA OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF NOVEMBER 12, 2024 AS CIRCULATED AND MOVE INTO IN-CAMERA IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 68(1)(G) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNANCE ACT. MOTION CARRIED.

3. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

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

4. CLOSED SESSION

- a. L-2024-06
- b. L-2024-08(a)
- c. L-2024-08(b)
- d. L-2024-08(c)
- e. P-2024-03

Director of Active Living & Culture Matt Pryde, Director of Engineering & Public Works Jon Eppell, Sackville Fire Chief Craig Bowser, Manager of Tourism & Business Development Ron Kelly Spurles, Communications Officer Jeremy McLaughlin, Dorchester Fire Chief Greg Partridge and Dorchester Deputy Fire Chief Dan Dupuis joined the meeting.

Also, in attendance were ten (10) members of the public.

#24-208 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MATT ESTABROOKS AND SECONDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR GREG MARTIN THAT COUNCIL AUTHORIZE THE TREASURER TO SPEND UP TO \$30,000 PLUS HST PER FILE, OCCURANCE OR MATTER FOR ANY AND ALL FUTURE DANGEROUS OR

UNSIGHTLY PROPERTY MATTERS INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE ONES DISCUSSED IN-CAMERA ON NOVEMBER 12, 2024 FILE NUMBERS L-2024-06; L-2024-08(A) and L-2024-08(C) AND STAFF WILL COMMIT TO INFORM COUNCIL IN ADVANCE OF ANY DEMOLITION. AYE VOTES RECORDED BY MAYOR ANDREW BLACK, DEPUTY MAYOR GREG MARTIN AND COUNCILLORS ALLISON BUTCHER, MATT ESTABROOKS, JOSH GOGUEN, BARRY HICKS, MICHAEL TOWER AND DEBBIE WIGGINS-COLWELL. NAY VOTE RECORDED BY COUNCILLOR BRUCE PHINNEY. MOTION CARRIED.

5. PUBLIC AND ADMINISTRATIVE PRESENTATIONS

- a. FUNDY BIOSPHERE – JENNIFER DINGMAN
- b. INNER BAY OF FUNDY CONSERVATION PLANNING – CANADIAN WILDLIFE SERVICE ATLANTIC REGION – BRIAN KOVAL
- c. NATURE CONSERVATION WORK IN THE CHIGNECTO ISTHMUS – CANADIAN PARKS & WILDERNESS SOCIETY OF NB – MELANIE JELLETT

All presentations to Council can be viewed [here](#).

6. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

#24-209 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MATT ESTABROOKS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BARRY HICKS THAT COUNCIL ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF OCTOBER 8, 2024, AS CIRCULATED. MOTION CARRIED.

#24-210 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BRUCE PHINNEY AND SECONDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR GREG MARTIN THAT COUNCIL ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING OF OCTOBER 28, 2024 AS CIRCULATED. MOTION CARRIED.

#24-211 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BARRY HICKS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MATT ESTABROOKS THAT COUNCIL ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL OF OCTOBER 30, 2024 AS CIRCULATED. MOTION CARRIED.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

#24-212 MOVED BY DEPUTY MAYOR GREG MARTIN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR ALLISON BUTCHER THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA OF NOVEMBER 12, 2024. MOTION CARRIED.

- i. RFD-2024-105 – Surplus 1992 GMC Top Kick
- ii. RFD-2024-106 – Disposal of surplus equipment from Sackville Fire & Rescue
- iii. RFD-2024-107 – Full dress uniforms for Point De Bute and Sackville Fire Departments
- iv. RFD-2024-108 – Purchase of thermal imaging cameras
- v. RFD-2024-109 – Sackville Fire & Rescue side by side with enclosed trailer
- vi. RFD-2024-110 – Agreement with Robert Lyon Graphics
- vii. RFD-2024-111 – Agreement with Café Tintamarre
- viii. RFD-2024-114 – Winterfest 2025

8. REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

- a) TEXT AMENDMENT TO TOWN OF SACKVILLE ZONING BY-LAW – MINIMUM SIZE OF DWELLINGS

#24-213 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MATT ESTABROOKS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BARRY HICKS THAT WHEREAS COUNCIL HAS CONSIDERED AN APPLICATION FROM NATALIE DONAHER TO AMEND BY-LAW NO 244, THE TOWN OF SACKVILLE ZONING BY-LAW TO CHANGE THE MINIMUM DWELLING SIZE FROM THE DIMENSIONS OF 20FT BY 20FT TO AN AREA OF 400SQFT;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF TANTRAMAR DIRECTS THAT THE APPROPRIATE BY-LAW BE PREPARED TO AMEND THE ZONING BY-LAW AS PER THE PROPOSED CHANGES; THAT THE PROPOSED BY-LAW BE REFERRED TO THE SOUTHEAST PLANNING REVIEW AND ADJUSTMENT COMMITTEE FOR THEIR VIEWS; THAT THE NOTICE OF INTENTION REQUIREMENTS OF THE *COMMUNITY PLANNING ACT* BE FULFILLED WITH RESPECT TO THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT, AND SETS THE REGULAR COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING ON JANUARY 27TH, 2025 AT 3PM, IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE, 31 MAIN STREET, 2ND FLOOR, SACKVILLE NB AS THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE FOR THE **PUBLIC HEARING** OF CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTIONS TO THE PROPOSED BY-LAW. AYE VOTES RECORDED BY MAYOR ANDREW BLACK, DEPUTY MAYOR GREG MARTIN AND COUNCILLORS ALLISON BUTCHER, MATT ESTABROOKS, JOSH GOGUEN, BARRY HICKS, MICHAEL TOWER AND DEBBIE WIGGINS-COLWELL. NAY VOTE RECORDED BY COUNCILLOR BRUCE PHINNEY. MOTION CARRIED.

- b) 2025 FCM SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES CONFERENCE – B. GOODWIN

#24-214 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ALLISON BUTCHER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BARRY HICKS THAT COUNCIL AUTHORIZE THE INCREASE OF THE 2025 FCM CONFERENCE BUDGET LINE ITEM IN THE 2025 BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2000.00 PER MEMBER FOR A TOTAL OF \$12,000.00 AND APPROVE THE MAYOR AND FIVE COUNCILLORS TO ATTEND THE FCM SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES CONFERENCE BEING HELD IN FREDERICTON, NB FEBRUARY 11TH THROUGH 13TH, 2025. MOTION CARRIED.

- c) BIA BUDGET 2025 – D. BEAL

The 2025 Business Improvement Area budget was presented to Council. A motion will be brought forward during the Budget 2025 motions to approve the BIA budget as presented.

- d) DORCHESTER ATV PARADE OF LIGHTS – M.PRYDE

#24-215 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR DEBBIE WIGGINS-COLWELL AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BRUCE PHINNEY THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE ROUTE OF THE DORCHESTER ATV PARADE OF LIGHTS ON WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 4, 2024 AS PRESENTED AT THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF NOVEMBER 12, 2024 WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT DORCHESTER FIRE DEPARTMENT WILL ESCORT THE PARADE. MOTION CARRIED.



e) SACKVILLE HIGHWAY SIGN IMAGE REPLACEMENT – R. KELLY SPURLES

With a life expectancy of five (5) years, it is time for the Sackville billboard highway sign to be replaced. The new sign will feature the Sackville Waterfowl Park and will include the Tantramar logo, and will still have references to being the home of Mount Allison University. Although the sign is specific to Sackville only, additional Tantramar signs on the highway and community signs will be looked at with the roll out of the Strategic Plan.

Two draft sign options were presented. A public engagement will go out and members of the public will be able to vote on which sign they prefer.

9. MAYOR & COUNCILLOR STATEMENTS & INQUIRIES

Councillor Michael Tower congratulated the Tantramar Titan football team on an undefeated season, winning the NBIAA AAA Football Championship.

Mayor Andrew Black thanked the community for the overwhelming support and great turnout for the Veterans during the annual Remembrance Day celebration held in Sackville. Mayor Black thanked Councillor Wiggins-Colwell for representing Tantramar at the Dorchester ceremony.

Councillor Debbie Wiggins-Colwell also noted the large turnout at the Dorchester Remembrance Day celebration and thanked all those who assisted with the organizing and set up.

10. NOTICE OF MOTION

There was no notice of motion brought forward.

11. ADJOURNMENT

#24-216 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL TOWER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BRUCE PHINNEY THAT COUNCIL ADJOURN THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF NOVEMBER 12, 2024. MOTION CARRIED.

MAYOR

DIRECTOR OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

ASSISTANT CLERK