

TOWN OF NACKAWIC
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 6, 2020

PRESENT: Mayor Kitchen
Deputy Mayor MacFarlane
Councillor Toole
Councillor Simpson
Councillor Farnsworth
Councillor McConaghy

IN ATTENDANCE: Randy Wilson
Dallas Cakes

TO ORDER: Mayor Kitchen called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

20-01 Motion: Councillor McConaghy
Second: Deputy Mayor MacFarlane

“That the agenda be approved as presented.”

Motion carried.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:

There was no declaration of conflicts of interest.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 2ND, 2019 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING:

20-02 Motion: Councillor McConaghy
Second: Councillor Simpson

“That the minutes of the December 2nd, 2019 regular council meeting be approved with the following corrections –

-page 4; under Environment; change first sentence to read “Councillor McConaghy stated the application to environment trust fund for \$80,000 that the UNB students were working on, she had received it back and made a few minor changes, and submitted it.

-page 5; second sentence from top of page; delete the words “going unto Smythe Street” and insert “turning into Smythe Lane.”

Motion carried.

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APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 9th, 2019 SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING:

20-03 Motion: Deputy Mayor MacFarlane
 Second: Councillor Farnsworth

“That the minutes of the December 9th, 2019 special council meeting be approved as presented.”

Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 19TH, 2019 SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING:

20-04 Motion: Councillor Toole
 Second: Councillor Simpson

“That the minutes of the December 19th, 2019 special council meeting be approved as presented.”

Motion carried.

BUSINESS ARISING:

Councillor Toole asked if he could have the email that was sent to the CAO with regards to the EMO Course, also, he asked if the Duty to Consult meeting was scheduled on January 28th at the Lions Club.

Randy Wilson stated he will forward the email to him and the Duty to Consult meeting is scheduled for January 28th at the Lions Club.

Councillor Farnsworth asked if the meeting with the department of health was also on the same day.

Councillor Toole stated yes it was but it was being held at the Town Hall.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane stated with reference to the finance meeting on December 2nd, and with changes to the Budget tonight from the Environment and Local Government, the Town's 2020 Budget turned out better than what was stated.

Councillor Simpson stated with regards to the Learn to Skate program, he asked Councillor Farnsworth if she had heard back from the grant she applied for.

Councillor Farnsworth stated she has received the grant along with other donations which have covered the cost of the fees.

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CORRESPONDENCE:

- A) Tweedie & Associates, Consulting Engineers for Energy Audit and Carbon Footprint Audit for Municipalities

Randy Wilson stated he will do some research regarding this on other municipalities and report back at the next council meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance –

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane thanked staff for their work and councillors who participated on the budget and he is please to say the Town is in good shape. He mentioned that in the budget there was funding allocated for DNEDC and he will report more on it under Special Reports.

Library –

Councillor Farnsworth stated they had their meeting with the School District on December 10 regarding the renovations to the library and there is another one scheduled in February to discuss more of what the renovations will cost. The Town is responsible for the number of citizens who use the library and the school is responsible for the students.

Councillor Simpson stated the Town needs to know how much of the split will be between students and citizens so we can figure out what the cost will be for the Town.

Councillor Farnsworth stated she will let the library manager know and figure out what the split is between students and citizens.

Protective Services –

FIRE

Mayor Kitchen stated there are minutes in the package from December 3, 10 & 17 meetings.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane asked if there was any response back regarding the letter that was sent to Local Government to take over the fire service from the Town.

Randy Wilson stated he hasn't heard anything back from them.

Mayor Kitchen stated he will contact the minister of Environment and Local Government and find out where the letter stands and go from there.

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RCMP

Councillor Simpson asked if the Town could ask to have semi-annually RCMP reports emailed to the Town so that we can have some idea of the crime, if any, that is happening in the area.

Randy Wilson stated he will reach out to them requesting to have monthly reports emailed to the Town.

Mayor Kitchen stated he will inquire about them at the next Regional Policing meeting.

EMO

Councillor Toole mentioned the pre-plan meeting on January 14th to discuss the Emergency Preparedness Exercise – Brunswick Charlie 2020 scheduled to happen June 2nd Province Wide and stated he will check with Carter Stone to see if he will be attending.

Recreation –

Councillor Farnsworth stated the Learn to Skate program was a great turn out, there was approximately 25 kids registered. She also mentioned a meeting on Monday, January 13 at 6:30 pm to discuss Family Fun Day events which will be held on Monday, February 17.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane suggested the committee can use the skis from Skis in Schools initiatives for the Family fun Day.

Councillor Farnsworth stated she felt the snowshoes would work better because you don't have to groom any trails and maybe use the skis for another event.

Public Works –

Councillor Simpson reported on the minutes from the December 10th meeting and stated the committee passed a motion that the Town plough all sidewalks in town.

20-05 Motion: Councillor Simpson
 Second: Deputy Mayor MacFarlane

“On the recommendation from the public works committee, that the Town's public works department plough all sidewalks in town without exception.”

Motion carried.

Randy Wilson asked to set up another public works meeting as soon as possible before the next Council meeting. He will have staff set it up.

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Mayor Kitchen asked if there was an update on the plough truck.

Randy Wilson stated no, January 24th is still the date to receive it.

Councillor Simpson asked if the wing came for the loader.

Randy Wilson stated yes, it came before the holidays.

Special Reports –

DNEDC

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane stated their budget is complete and is partially funded by the Town of Nackawic. He also mentioned they have received a letter from government stating they will receive some funding but have not received the funding yet but will continue to work on several projects. He has asked Brent Sansom to attend the next Council meeting and report on the objectives for 2020, for example the Digital Strategy that is being funded through ACOA; the consulting group, The Ginger Agency, is doing a complete branding which will be launched in April or May.

WATERFRONT

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane stated the Waterfront continues to move forward. The Duty to Consult meeting will be held on January 28th and the Environment Assessment is ongoing by Roy Consultants. With these two pieces complete, we will be able to purchase the waterfront property that will allow us to obtain the final funding to put the fuelling station in place. He stated there is a meeting scheduled on January 8th with regards to senior housing or potentially a seniors' home or special care home in Nackawic. He thanked Brent Sansom for doing a great job and stated he will be attending the next council meeting to give a report.

TOURISM

Councillor Farnsworth asked if Council would like to continue purchasing a banner in the River Valley Sun newsletter and advertise Nackawic in the Day Trippin' tourism guide at a total cost of \$1400.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane stated when the new branding comes into effect, it does all the tourism on the mobile phones and the Town won't need the printed tourism guides.

Mayor Kitchen stated if it is budgeted for this year then go ahead and continue with it for this year and we will move forward when the new branding starts.

Council agreed.

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WELLNESS

Councillor Farnsworth stated they haven't received anything official saying the Town is an Age Friendly community but they have accomplished many of the items on the list that puts us under that category. She also mentioned they are having a Fix It Day at the Lions Centre on Wednesday, January 22.

Chief Administrative Officer's Report

Randy Wilson reported that:

- he attended a Public Works committee meeting on December 10th.
- he attended Finance meetings.
- he worked on the budget.
- he worked on the budget review with Environment and Local Government.
- he attended Council meetings on December 2nd, 9th & 19th.
- he has been working on the Arena ice schedule.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Kitchen reported that:

- he attended 2 Special Council meetings on December 9th & 19th.
- he attended the School Board/Library meeting on December 10th.

NEW BUSINESS:

A) Motion to rescind General Operating Motion from December 19th, 2019 meeting.

20-06 Motion: Deputy Mayor MacFarlane
 Second: Councillor McConaghy

“That Council rescind the motion #19-154 from December 19th, 2019 Special Council meeting.”

Motion carried.

B) Motion to Approve General Operating Budget for 2020

20-07 Motion: Deputy Mayor MacFarlane
 Second: Councillor Toole

“That the sum of \$1,606,092 be the Town of Nackawic's total General Operating Budget, that the sum of \$1,376,477 be the Town's Warrant for 2020, that the tax rates for Nackawic be \$1.5050 and \$1.3250 and that

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Council order and direct the levying by the Minister of Local Government of said amount on real property liable to taxation under the Assessment Act within the Municipality of Nackawic.”

Motion carried.

20-08 Motion: Councillor McConaghy
Second: Councillor Toole

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Ian Kitchen
Mayor

Randy Wilson
CAO