

TOWN OF NACKAWIC
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 19, 2016

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

IN ATTENDANCE: Kathryn Clark, Acting CAO
Dallas Cakes

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

16-105 Motion: Councillor Farnsworth
Second: Councillor Edwards

“That the agenda be approved.”

Motion carried.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:

There was no declaration of conflicts of interest.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 7, 2016 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING:

16-106 Motion: Councillor Farnsworth
Second: Councillor Edwards

“That the minutes of the September 7, 2016 regular council meeting be approved with a clarification that the wrong date was mention for Christmas on the Bend craft sale.”

Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

A) Email from Jonathan Stone, Festival on the Bend, re: 2017 proposed dates.

Council discussed the week long dates and never had any issued with it.

B) For Council’s information a letter from Dianne Schriver, regarding Nackawic’s Waterfront.

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BUSINESS ARISING:

There was no business arising.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance –

Kathryn Clark reported on the income statements for the period ending August 31, 2016. She noted that general operating has a surplus of \$61,142.53 and utility has a surplus of \$60,462.57.

Library –

Councillor Farnsworth stated that they haven't had a meeting yet. Paulette Tonner is working on the budget. She also noted that on Thursday evening at 6:30, author Riel Nason, will be launching her new book *All the Things We Leave Behind* for those interested in attending.

Protective Services –

Policing –

Mayor Kitchen stated that the meeting wasn't well attended, the RCMP are the ones who organized the meeting and is trying to get the committee up and running again.

Councillor Simpson stated that he would like to invite the RCMP to a council meeting.

Mayor Kitchen stated that the Town will ask Sgt. Andrea Gallant to attend a council meeting to address Council's concerns.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane asked if the Town receives any money for RCMP similar to what is received for the Fire Department.

Mayor Kitchen stated that the Town does not because the outlining areas pay into policing already. Nackawic provides the fire services and the RCMP provide the policing. The Town doesn't own the RCMP.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane asked what level of service does the Town get for the \$139,000 and can the Town pay more.

Mayor Kitchen stated no they cannot and believes it is based on the number of officers that work in our area.

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Councillor Edwards stated that more clarification is needed on what services the Town receives from the RCMP.

Mayor Kitchen stated that we will find out more and report back to Council.

Recreation –

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane met with Randy Wilson and stated that things are moving ahead at the Arena. They have had clean-up of the blowdowns in the area across from the Catholic Church.

Mayor Kitchen asked if they have had a recreation committee meeting yet.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane stated that they have not but there have been a couple requests from previous members to stay on the committee.

Councillor Toole asked if Council is going with the past committee members or starting fresh with all new members.

Mayor Kitchen stated that in past practices you were on the committee until you resigned. If you want to have terms of reference you would be on the committee for a two year term and have the option to stay on for two years and then give someone else a turn.

Councillor Simpson stated that the area that was cleared of the blowdowns looks barren and he wanted to know where the initiative came from to do that.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane stated he agreed with him. He stated that he spoke to Randy regarding this about 6 weeks ago and didn't know it was going to take place. It will look barren until a year from now when new growth comes in the spring and also until what the Town would like to see there.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane stated that he spoke to Brian Kenny, Minister of Tourism, and asked him to meet with Council this fall about what the Town would like to see in the community.

Mayor Kitchen stated that the Town needs an overview of what they would like to see down at the waterfront before any action is taken.

Mayor Kitchen stated that there also needs to be more signage down at the waterfront giving tourists information as to where everything is located.

Mayor Kitchen asked Deputy Mayor MacFarlane to invite Brian Kinney to a Council meeting to inform members on what can be done.

Public Works –

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Councillor Toole stated that he spoke to Randy Wilson and he said they are still experiencing some problems at the well house but he has found a supplier who is very knowledgeable about these kinds of problems and he has agreed to help.

Councillor Simpson reported on the meeting of September 19 and stated that the report in council's package will be forwarded to DTI with Kathryn's help to get the application ready for September 30 deadline. He also stated that on Tuesday, September 20, he along with Randy Wilson or Kathryn Clark will be presenting the report at a meeting with DTI in Fredericton.

16-107 Motion: Deputy Mayor MacFarlane
 Second: Councillor Toole

“That Council approve the report of the town of Nackawic's 5 year Capital Plan to be submitted to DTI as presented.”

Motion carried.

Special Reports –

Wellness -

Councillor Farnsworth reported that Bulk Buying is very successful.

Councillor Farnsworth reported that Nackawic came in 1st place in the Western Valley Senior's Games in Hartland. She also stated that October is Wellness Month; Nackawic - Move More!

Councillor Farnsworth noted that the Town's Appreciation Dinner is being held on Saturday, December 3rd at the Nackawic Curling Club with music by John and Jean Maunder.

Councillor Farnsworth noted that Christmas on the Bend and craft sale will be on November 19th at the Nackawic Shopping Mall. She stated that she will have more information on this as the time draws nearer.

Councillor Farnsworth stated that the GED is up and running and a part of the grant that they received will help cover the winter snow plowing at the Kirk United Church.

Councillor Farnsworth also stated that the Community Garden will be setting up on Friday morning behind the Nackawic Middle School and if anyone would like to help out they are more than welcome.

Economic Development -

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Councillor Simpson stated that he spoke with Jeff McTavish with the Economic Development in Miramichi and he is willing to answer any questions the Town might have.

Councillor Simpson passed out information regarding the Bass Fishing Tournament to Council. He also stated that he is going to meet with Jeff Wilson in October to discuss how things would work best for Nackawic's waterfront.

Councillor Edwards noted that he also mentioned Provincial and Federal grants for boat launch upgrades as well.

Councillor Farnsworth suggested that it would be something to look into even if the Town didn't do the upgrade to the waterfront, the Town could use a second boat launch.

Chief Administrative Officer's Report –

Kathryn Clark reported that:

- she sent a letter to Fredericton Playhouse advising that their request for financial support will be considered during budget deliberations.
- she sent a letter to Sebastien Roy, DTI, requesting more information on responsibilities under the Kilometrage Agreement.
- she researched the jake brake by-law on list serve and received a number of responses.
- she sent a letter of welcome to Maya Clearwater as new student rep on the library board.
- the backhoe was floated down to Jardine Auctioneers last week.
- on September 14 she met with Bev McKay, regarding the extra expenses claim.
- paint colours were selected for Town Hall & Fire Hall – we are going with the same colour scheme as before.
- she completed financial statements to August 31, 2016.
- Ralph McBride, Union Rep. is requesting dates to be set for negotiations in October 11, 24, 25 & 28.

Mayor Kitchen stated that he and Councillor Edwards will represent the town in the Union negotiations.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Kitchen reported that:

- he attended a Policing committee meeting along with RSC 11 on September 8, 2016.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was no new business.

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16-108 Motion: Councillor Farnsworth
Second: Councillor Simpson

“That Council move to closed session.”

Motion carried.

Kathryn Clark and Dallas Cakes left the meeting at 8:10 pm.

Council moved to closed session at 8:11 pm.

CLOSED SESSION:

A) Staffing

16-109 Motion: Councillor Farnsworth
Second: Councillor Edwards

“That Council move back to regular session.”

Motion carried.

Council moved back to regular session at 8:40 pm.

16-110 Motion: Councillor Farnsworth
Second: Councillor Edwards

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:41 pm.

Ian Kitchen
Mayor

Kathryn Clark
Acting CAO