

TOWN OF NACKAWIC
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 20, 2017

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

IN ATTENDANCE: Randy Wilson, CAO
Dallas Cakes
Lonnie Forbes, RSC 11
Dallas Gillis, RSC 11
Cst. Bowes, RCMP
Alan Dockerty

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

17-1 Motion: Councillor Toole
Second: Councillor Farnsworth

“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 FEBRUARY 6, 2017 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING:

17-2 Motion: Councillor Toole
Second: Deputy Mayor MacFarlane

“That the minutes of the February 6, 2017 regular council meeting be approved with the following corrections:

On page 5, 6th paragraph, correct spelling error of distributed.

On page 6, 8th paragraph, change “by-law stating water safety” to “by-law related to potable water safety.”

On page 7, under special reports, remove 12th paragraph “Mayor Kitchen stated that Larry Jewett suggested for the tourism to contact him.”

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Motion carried.

With Council's permission Mayor Kitchen moved to item 8. A) To The Floor.

TO THE FLOOR:

A) Cst. Bowes, RCMP

Cst. Bowes reported on the RCMP January stats.

Councillor Simpson stated that when Sgt. Gallant was at a Council meeting, council asked her to look into what the roles were for a Peace Officer and they haven't heard back from her. He asked Cst. Bowes to remind her of that.

Cst. Bowes stated that he would remind her.

Mayor Kitchen thanked Cst. Bowes for attending the meeting.

Cst. Bowes left the meeting at 7:10 pm.

B) Lonnie Forbes, RSC 11

Lonnie Forbes reported on the Nackawic Municipal Building Final Report.

Councillor Simpson asked about the siding deficiencies.

Lonnie Forbes stated that there were some quality issues that he was not pleased with, some things on backwards and it has been dealt with.

Councillor Farnsworth asked about the kitchen cabinets in the Fire Hall.

Lonnie Forbes stated that the cabinets were packed in boxes before they had time to fully cure and the corners got rubbed, they will be touched up.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane noted that there is a lot of ice build-up around the admin offices which is tearing the eaves trough off and asked if it was because of the insulation in the attic.

Lonnie Forbes stated it was and with more insulation in the attic it should solve the problem.

Mayor Kitchen thanked Lonnie Forbes for all his work as project manager over the past 7 months.

Lonnie Forbes left the meeting at 7:24 pm.

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C) Dallas Gillis, RSC 11

Dallas Gillis distributed and discussed the Draft of the Zoning By-Law and the Open House which was held on January 17 where residents had a chance to obtain a copy of the draft and to voice their concerns and ask questions.

Dallas Gillis stated that there wasn't any strong issues or objectives raised.

Dallas Gillis stated if Council is pleased with the current draft, he would prepare for a public hearing and then 1st and 2nd reading. He would propose to have a public hearing at the March 20th council meeting and then consider a 1st and 2nd reading after.

Dallas Gillis noted the Act states that Council should pass a resolution for the date and time and if a resolution is passed, setting a date for March 20th at 6:00 or 6:30 pm.

Dallas Gillis stated that RSC 11 will prepare the resolution for the newspaper and begin preparing for the public hearing.

Councillor Simpson stated that he would like more clarification on reference to mini homes in rural areas.

Dallas Gillis stated that in the previous plan there was a mini home park which was not considered a typical housing choice which was not allowed. In a rural zone, an area that is not serviced, a mini home on a one acre lot would be permitted now has a housing choice and it wouldn't be considered a mini home park. He stated that the reasoning behind that is as people get older it is easier for them to live all on one level which is permitted in rural areas only.

Councillor Simpson asked if hwy 105 from the intersection by the Pokiok Bridge on the back side of the bypass, could have controlled access and would you be able to build on it without the access.

Dallas Gillis stated no you could not have controlled access.

Councillor Simpson asked if the province controlled it.

Dallas Gillis stated yes they did.

Councillor Simpson asked if an access for a home lot is different than an access to a wood lot because of the frequency of use that would be expected from its natural use.

Dallas Gillis stated that he didn't think so.

17-3 Motion: Councillor Simpson
 Second: Councillor Farnsworth

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“That Council approve to hold a public hearing and 1st and 2nd reading of the Zoning By-Law at 6:00 pm on March 20th.”

Motion carried.

Mayor Kitchen thanked him for coming.

Dallas Gillis left the meeting at 7:38 pm.

Councillor Edwards entered the meeting at 7:38 pm.

BUSINESS ARISING:

Councillor Simpson asked Randy Wilson about the rental of the larger office at the Town Hall.

Randy Wilson stated that he spoke with TJ Harvey’s office, and they said they may want to rent it and they would get back to him. If they don’t rent it, then he will look into other options on renting it.

CORRESPONDENCE:

A) Request from Nackawic Music Festival (New Business)

B) Request from Community Fundraiser (New Business)

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance – No report.

Library –

Councillor Farnsworth reported on the minutes of February 15, 2017.

Mayor Kitchen asked what the date was for Pathway to Reading.

Councillor Farnsworth stated that she wasn’t sure but it usually is in May.

Mayor Kitchen asked her to let Council know when the exact date will be.

Councillor Farnsworth stated she would.

Protective Services –

Fire -

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Mayor Kitchen reported on the January 10 & 17, 2017 minutes.

Recreation – No report.

Public Works – No report.

Special Reports –

Economic Development –

Councillor Simpson reported that he submitted the report regarding the waterfront project to the Department of Tourism and he will be pursuing them with respect to another meeting because since their last discussion he learned that Tourism is going to be much better funded by the Provincial Government.

Wellness –

Councillor Farnsworth reported that they had their Lunch and Learn on Friday which was well attended. She stated that the Wellness will be travelling to Plaster Rock for the winter games and they also will be doing their own winter games because a lot of people don't like to travel that distance.

Councillor Farnsworth reported that they have a dietitian and a chef coming on Monday, February 27. The painting class is almost full and snowshoeing was very well attended.

Councillor Farnsworth stated that Wellness is going great.

Chief Administrative Officer's Report

Randy Wilson reported that:

- he sent 2 letters out to the Provincial and Federal Governments regarding Craft Beer Festival.
- he sent a letter to NHS Yearbook Committee.
- he sent a letter to Lion's Club.
- he spoke with Cain Insurance regarding rider for Craft Beer Festival.
- he met with a resident regarding an issue with staff.
- he spoke with Don Fitzgerald via email concerning budget review.
- he met with Stephen Billings concerning cleaning of Town Hall.
- he spoke with DTI concerning crossing lights across the 105 at the top of Landegger.
- he has been working with RSC 11 regarding tender of relines.
- he spoke with Irving about refuelling of boats on the waterfront.
- he met with Bev McKay and Lonnie Forbes on building and insurance file.
- he hired Michel Robichaud on a temporary basis as a janitor for the Town Hall.
- he has had several complaints from residents regarding snow removal.

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-he met with Melanie Sloat, MCCC with regards to office space rental.
-he stated that Larry Jewett will be attending the next Council meeting on March 6.

Randy Wilson stated that concerning the crossing lights, DTI says it adds increased danger and a greater safety concern. Council can pursue it further and DTI will review it.

Mayor Kitchen asked if DTI said why it increases the danger.

Randy Wilson stated that there is an increase due to the truck traffic.

Councillor Farnsworth stated that they need to find out how much pedestrian traffic crosses the 105.

Randy Wilson stated that DTI would do that in their study and submit a report to Council.

Randy Wilson stated that speaking to Kathryn Clark, previous Councils have asked for this to be done but it was always decline.

Councillor Edwards asked if that was a crosswalk or a caution light.

Randy Wilson stated that it is a caution light that you would push to stop traffic.

Councillor Edwards stated that maybe having a caution light there would work best where it is a T shape crossing.

Councillor Simpson stated that Council should continue to follow up because there could be other alternatives and DTI should know what it would be like around the province in similar situations.

Councillor Edwards stated that maybe Council can look into a hanging Caution light across the 105 to warn motorists to slow down because there is increased traffic crossing at that point.

Mayor Kitchen asked the Randy Wilson to look into that option and report back to Council.

Councillor Simpson asked if Councillor Farnsworth can speak on the Invest Nackawic Committee.

Councillor Farnsworth stated that they are a committee of 10 people from the Nackawic and surrounding Area. There are 3 groups that currently raise funds – 1. PRO Kids; where a portion of those funds stay in Nackawic and Randy Wilson is in charge of distributing the funds to different organizations 2. UNIFOR 219; holds a Labour Day Event and they are looking to invest back into the community and 3. Big Axe Craft Beer Festival; and they also want to give back to the community.

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Councillor Farnsworth stated that Invest Nackawic group would like to take submissions from area residents or groups and distribute these funds. It will be funnelling into one large group instead of 3 different groups, that way one group would not be getting multiple donations from the same organization. Councillor Farnsworth stated that it would be a utilization of the funds.

Councillor Simpson asked what the goals for the use of those funds are.

Councillor Farnsworth stated to support community events and perhaps to have more events happening in Nackawic, if people knew that there is funding available.

Councillor Simpson asked if it's the committee's priority to make it a charitable organization with a charity number.

Councillor Farnsworth stated that it is.

Councillor Simpson asked if groups or events outside of Nackawic will also receive funds from this committee.

Councillor Farnsworth stated that would have to be discussed with the committee.

Councillor Simpson asked what would happen to the funds if the committee folded and if there was some kind of clause stating where the money would go.

Councillor Farnsworth stated that she wasn't sure but she was hoping that the committee wouldn't carry money, that when money came in it would go directly out.

Councillor Simpson asked if there will be a board of directors.

Councillor Farnsworth stated that there is.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane asked if anyone was advising them.

Councillor Farnsworth stated that Greg Mercer is their accountant.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Kitchen welcomed Mr. Dockerty to the meeting.

Mayor Kitchen reported that:

-there are notes from RSC 11 board meeting for Council's viewing.

NEW BUSINESS:

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A) Request from Nackawic Music Festival

17-4 Motion: Councillor Farnsworth
Second: Councillor Toole

“That Council donate \$250 to the Nackawic Music Festival.”

Motion carried.

B) Request from Community Fundraiser

17-5 Motion: Deputy Mayor MacFarlane
Second: Councillor Farnsworth

“That Council donate 1 hr of free ice rental for an auction item and also 2 hrs of ice time for the PRO Kids fundraiser event on Saturday, March 11.”

Motion carried.

17-6 Motion: Councillor Simpson
Second: Councillor Farnsworth

“That Council move to closed session.”

Motion carried.

Council moved to closed session at 8:15 pm and Dallas Cakes left the meeting.

CLOSED SESSION:

A) Personnel

17-7 Motion: Councillor Farnsworth
Second: Councillor Edwards

“That Council move back to regular session.”

Motion carried.

Council moved back to regular session at 9:01 pm.

17-8 Motion: Councillor Edwards
Second: Councillor Farnsworth

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

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Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:02 pm.

Ian Kitchen
Mayor

Randy Wilson
CAO