

TOWN OF NACKAWIC  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
AUGUST 17, 2020

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

ABSENT: Councillor Toole

IN ATTENDANCE: Randy Wilson  
Dallas Cakes  
Mario Dupere

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

20-80 Motion: Councillor Farnsworth  
Second: Councillor McConaghy

“That the agenda be approved with the following amendment:

-Under Correspondence; delete G) Letter from the Glenn Group concerning the Tender on the Waterfront/Marina Project and add Upper River Valley Hospital Foundation Email.”

Motion carried.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:

There was no declaration of conflicts of interest.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF JULY 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2020 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING:

20-81 Motion: Councillor Simpson  
Second: Councillor Farnsworth

“That the minutes of the July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020 regular council meeting be approved as presented.”

Motion carried.

BUSINESS ARISING:

Councillor Simpson asked Randy Wilson if he found out anything on the pool filling policy.

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Randy Wilson stated he has had conversations with Kathryn Clark and stated that it was the Town's policy and there was a \$250 fee which went to the Town. There isn't any pool filling done outside of Town anymore and very few done inside.

Councillor Farnsworth stated the date for the Babysitting Course is changed to September and the date for the First Aid Course is changed to October.

With Council's permission, Mayor Kitchen moved to item 8. To the Floor

TO THE FLOOR:

A) Mario Dupere, FM Radio Request in Nackawic

Mr. Dupere stated he was before Council to get Council's approval to have a FM radio station in Nackawic. The station would be incorporated, a non-profit organization and would be governed with a board of directors. It would also have to be funded by the federal and provincial government.

Mr. Dupere stated if the project is approved by the Town of Nackawic, they will work in forming a committee of volunteers to work on the project. The station would need a range of approximately 25 km radius to reach the homes in Nackawic and surrounding areas. The transmitter antenna would have to be installed in a tower close to Nackawic and have a communication link from the studio to the tower.

Mr. Dupere stated this could also create co-op placements for High School students to do on-air time at the radio station.

Councillor Farnsworth asked why the interest in a radio station.

Mr. Dupere stated he went to Saint Quentin and suggested they have a radio station, he thought it was a good idea. He would set up a committee and look for funding from the government and go from there. If it gets up and running, would be great, but if we feel it cannot continue because lack of funding then they will no longer have it.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane stated it is a very interesting idea and asked who would be government departments funding it.

Mr. Dupere stated he wasn't sure; he would have to find out. First, we would have to obtain a license.

Councillor Simpson asked if the program would operate in both French and English.

Mr. Dupere stated yes it could.

Mayor Kitchen stated it would be great for the High School games.

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Deputy Mayor MacFarlane asked who would be working with him.

Mr. Dupere stated he doesn't have a committee formed yet.

Mayor Kitchen asked if he was looking for the town's support to form a committee to start the radio station.

Mr. Dupere stated yes.

Mayor Kitchen asked Council what their thoughts were, and everyone was in agreement of support for him to form a committee and start the process of the FM Radio Station.

Councillor Simpson stated the Town should write a letter for Mr. Dupere saying that Council is in agreement with him forming a committee to try and start up a FM Radio Station in Nackawic.

Mr. Dupere thanked Council.

Mayor Kitchen thanked Mr. Dupere for coming and wished him all the best on his endeavour.

Mr. Dupere left the meeting at 7:30 pm.

CORRESPONDENCE:

A) FM Radio Request Letter form Mario Dupere – To the Floor

B) Thank you letter form Nathaniel Morehouse

Mayor Kitchen stated the letter was for Council's viewing.

C) Thank you letter from Nackawic Public/School Library Board

Mayor Kitchen stated the letter was for Council's viewing.

D) Information Bulletin concerning Property Assessments

Mayor Kitchen stated it is for Council's information.

E) Memo Concerning Budget Process Timelines

Mayor Kitchen stated it is for Council's information. The budget process timeline will depend on the election as well.

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F) Letter to Council Concerning the Rezoning Application put forth by NB Garden Home Corporation.

Mayor Kitchen stated it is for Councils information.

Randy Wilson stated it should go to RSC 11.

G) Upper River Valley Hospital Email.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane stated they are looking to attend the next Council meeting.

Mayor Kitchen instructed the CAO to contact them of the date of the next Council meeting and ask if they would like to be put on the agenda.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance –

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane reported on the meeting of July 29<sup>th</sup> and stated there are General Operating and Utility Statements for the period ending June 30<sup>th</sup> in the package. Items under review at the meeting was investment today on the waterfront; they had a general discussion on waterfront, ACOA and RDC funding request. They did a review of the Gas Tax money; discussed the impacts of Arena and COVID 19 and he asked the CAO to do some research on it and have it available for them at the next Finance meeting; FERRO – Garbage Contract and the impact on increases to garbage pickup and they had a review of the budget timelines published by the government.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane stated the Town is starting to have good news around the waterfront project and the Town has been budgeting for the garbage contract increase. The committee accepted the recommendation from the staff with regards to the garbage contract with Fero.

Library –

Councillor Farnsworth stated the Library is still working under reduced hours. Very thankful for the new heat/air cooling system. They are still looking to hire part time staff and stated the library manager, Paulette, does not have any part in the hiring of staff, it is all done by the province.

Protective Services – No report

Recreation –

Councillor Farnsworth stated the babysitting and First Aid courses have been changed to a later date.

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Councillor McConaghy stated she has seen some activity at the basketball and tennis courts lately.

Randy Wilson stated he has spoken to users of the arena – minor hockey – and they are unsure if they will be there on start date in October. He would like to have Neil Jacobson, who sits on the board of directors with Hockey NB and also Matt Fox to attend Council meeting and have a conversation to see what situation the arenas might be in and if they will operate fully or not over the winter.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane stated the important thing with the arena is how they can run on a balance budget.

Randy Wilson stated there is revenue like the user fees and also advertising and if we don't open the first term, do we lose the risk of advertising.

Councillor Farnsworth asked about the upgrade to the arena.

Randy Wilson asked to wait and see if the arena will be operating and if things change after December, we can add a fundraiser with it.

Public Works –

Councillor Simpson reported on the meeting of July 29<sup>th</sup> and stated the committee has three recommendations for Council:

1. The Trickle Filter Project not including the ultraviolet purification
2. Second Hand Trailer
3. To advertise the 2001 Loader as excess equipment

20-82 Motion: Councillor Simpson  
Second: Councillor Farnsworth

“That Council advertise the 2001 caterpillar loader as excess equipment on as-is-where-is basis with a \$15,000 reserved bid.”

Motion carried.

Special Reports –

WELLNESS

Councillor Farnsworth stated the Town received its Age Friendly distinction and are waiting to have Minister Sheppard come and present the award. She stated they have

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12 -15 potential names for the Garden Homes and Peter Corbyn would like to meet with them on a one-on-one basis and answer any questions they may have. The committee received a \$10,000 grant from United Way for Meals 4 U which is very much appreciated.

Chief Administrative Officer's Report

Randy Wilson reported that:

- he worked on the EIA extensively and with funding partners ACOA and RDC on the Marina Project.
- he is waiting for the EIA to conclude.
- he has been involved with the Colt Group regarding Garden Homes Complex and the rezoning process.
- the Tender has closed for the waterfront project; we are waiting for the Glenn Group to respond to the Town with a summary.
- he has had a meeting with Signature Sound about transforming the Council chambers and the Culliton Room to meet the needs for electronic sessions and get newer technology. A report will be sent to finance for review.
- the water testing on the Nackawic Beach have been excellent.
- he attended both Public Works and finance meetings.
- the deadline for the bridge is still at October 31<sup>st</sup>.
- the closing of the land deal is August 27<sup>th</sup>.
- there is a BBQ on waterfront for staff and Council tomorrow at 12 noon.

Councillor Simpson asked if the upcoming Election will affect the Environment Impact Assessment.

Randy Wilson stated no; it will not.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Kitchen reported that:

- he spoke with Frances McGuire, president of ACOA and he stated the Duty to Consult was completed and the Town was good to go but wasn't sure when the Town will receive the official letter.
- he spoke with Ivan Corbett, still waiting to hear from them regarding taking over the Fire Department services.
- he accompanied the new doctor and showed her new housing in Upper Kings Clear.

Randy Wilson stated with regards to Ivan Corbett, he asked Kathryn Clark to put together a one page spread sheet on finance to see what it will cost to run the building, like taxes; heat & lights and insurance.

Mayor Kitchen stated and if they charge the Town then we will have to charge them rent.

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20-83            Motion: Councillor McConaghy  
                    Second: Councillor Farnsworth

“That Council move to Closed Session.”

Motion carried.

Council moved to Closed Session at 8:02 pm and Dallas Cakes left the meeting.

CLOSED SESSION:

A)     Future Development

20-84            Motion: Councillor Simpson  
                    Second: Councillor Farnsworth

“That Council move back to regular session.”

Motion carried.

Council moved back to regular session at 8:30 pm.

NEW BUSINESS:

A) Motion to Approve Waterfront Tender as recommended by the Glenn Group

20-85            Motion: Deputy Mayor MacFarlane  
                    Second: Councillor Farnsworth

“That Town Council move to accept the recommendation from the Glenn Group to award the tender for work to construct the Nackawic Marina/Waterfront Project (at or near the physical address at 152 Otis Drive, Nackawic Arena).

1. Award to the low bidder E. Cummings Contracting at \$617,400 HST included for Phase 1 – Post Tender Addendum.
2. Approve additional expenditures as necessary but within the overall budget, to return some of the deleted items to the scope of work in the form of negotiated change orders with the awarded contractor E. Cummings Contracting.
3. Award the negotiated low bidder Phoenix Petroleum Ltd. the contract for the fuel station in the amount of \$128,800 HST included.”

Motion carried.

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20-86            Motion: Councillor McConaghy  
                    Second: Councillor Simpson

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:33 pm.

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Ian Kitchen  
Mayor

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Randy Wilson  
CAO