

TOWN OF NACKAWIC
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 1, 2021

VIA ZOOM MEETING (COVID-19)

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

ABSENT: 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:

21-11 Motion: Councillor Farnsworth
Second: Councillor Toole

“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 JANUARY 18TH, 2021 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING:

21-12 Motion: Councillor Farnsworth
Second: Councillor Simpson

“That the minutes of the January 18th, 2021 regular council meeting be approved as presented.”

Motion carried.

BUSINESS ARISING:

Councillor Toole asked where was the land that Mr. Alward want to use to rent to campers.

Randy Wilson stated it is on the waterfront next to Tom & Carolyn Munroe’s property.

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Councillor Simpson asked if that portion of land could be serviced with water.

Randy Wilson stated he didn't think so.

Councillor Toole stated that Mr. & Mrs. Munroe are on municipal water.

Councillor Simpson stated maybe Mr. Alward chose to drill a well.

Councillor Farnsworth asked if he was looking to just rent it for summer rental only.

Randy Wilson stated yes, it has gone to RSC 11 and they will report back to the town at the appropriate time.

Councillor Toole stated he may have some conflict with his neighbour.

Randy Wilson stated if there is any, RSC 11 will inform us.

Councillor Simpson asked if the meal was delivered to the essential workers.

Councillor Farnsworth stated yes, the high school, medical clinic and ANB has been done. They have the Middle, Elementary and Christian Schools and Town staff on Wednesday. What is left are the essential workers outside of Town. It will be ongoing until everyone has received it.

CORRESPONDENCE:

A) Letter from Election's NB

Mayor Kitchen stated the Municipal Election is scheduled to occur on Monday, May 10, 2021 and candidates may begin to file their nomination papers starting Monday, March 22 until it closes Thursday, April 8, 2021 at 2:00 pm.

B) Board Notes from RSC 11

Mayor Kitchen stated the board notes are in the package for Council's viewing.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance – No report

Library –

Councillor Farnsworth stated they are back to regular hours, but with no programs. They are looking to do book clubs on zoom.

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Protective Services –

RMOH

Councillor Toole stated he attended the RMOH Zoom meeting on January 27th, it was a very good meeting, the only question brought up was “How do we stop multiple family members from going shopping together” and they didn’t have an answer.

FIRE

Mayor Kitchen asked Randy Wilson to update Council on his conversation with the Office of the Fire Marshall.

Randy Wilson stated he spoke to Michael Louis, Head Fire Marshall for NB and Mark Nolan, Regional Fire Marshall for this Zone and they stated there is a program developed by the Office of the Fire Marshall. Basically, it’s a guide for regionalizing fire services and it has been in the works for some time. All the discussions Council has been having has a group is in this 19-page report. He spoke with Chief Hopkins today and he has agreed to meet with the Fire Marshalls Office and start the process of engagement. They do not need anything from the Town but they may reach out for some comments or financial stats at some point. Randy Wilson is highly optimistic that this is going to be a good process for the Town’s department and it won’t be just them involved but several other departments to be a part of the regionalization plan that the Province has put forth.

Mayor Kitchen thanked him and stated whatever recommendations they provide will be appreciated.

Randy Wilson stated he has a copy of the report if anyone would like to read it.

Recreation –

Randy Wilson stated there has been an operational issue with one of the compressors. He had Black and MacDonald look at it and they stated it will cost \$7750 plus HST. It is a necessary repair that needs to be addressed and he would like to have a motion from Council to have this repair done. He stated he would like to take the money from the Arena Fundraising Campaign account which has approximately \$55,000 in it to cover the cost of the repair.

Mayor Kitchen stated they will make the motion under New Business.

Public Works –

Councillor Simpson stated there is a meeting scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 4th at 9:30 am.

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Special Reports – No report

Chief Administrative Officer's Report

Randy Wilson stated:

- he attended a Zoom meeting with the Glenn Group to discuss the waterfront project.
- he attended a meeting with Surtek to discuss the sub-division plan up by Middle School.
- he attended a Zoom meeting with the Office of the Fire Marshall regarding fire service review.
- a reminder to Council, the municipal elections are scheduled for May 10th.
- he attended a DNEDC meeting on January 28th.
- he has been dealing with an operational issue at the Arena.
- he stated he has a meeting with Cummings Group later this week.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Kitchen reported that:

- he attended the DNEDC meeting on Thursday, January 28th.
- he will be attending the RSC 11 Zoom meeting on February 2nd.

NEW BUSINESS:

A) Arena Compressor Repair

21-13 Motion: Deputy Mayor MacFarlane
 Second: Councillor Farnsworth

“That Council direct CAO to engage Black and MacDonald to repair the compressor and the cost not to exceed \$8000.”

-On the Question:

Mayor Kitchen asked where this is a repair, would we have to tender it out.

Randy Wilson stated he is concerned about the amount because it should be a motion from Council, they are a professional corporation and we don't have to get three quotes, also, the Town has a contract with them. He is concerned about the cost, and if Council is fine with that then he will.

Mayor Kitchen stated he is wondering about the process because of the price if we had to get three quotes.

Randy Wilson stated they are treated as an engineering firm.

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Mayor Kitchen stated so the Town can negotiate with them on the price.

Randy Wilson stated yes.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane asked if the Arena Fundraising Campaign donations was for the compressor.

Randy Wilson stated yes, the campaign was for three items 1) a compressor and rebuild, so this repair will be a part of the compressor rebuild, 2) the condenser fan, and 3) the Zamboni.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane asked if Black and MacDonald can take a look at the compressor and maybe do more repairs if needed so this doesn't happen again next year.

Randy Wilson stated he will speak to them about it.

Motion carried.

21-14 Motion: Councillor Simpson
Second: Deputy Mayor MacFarlane

"That Council move to Closed Session."

Motion carried.

Mayor Kitchen informed Councillors, before they moved to Closed Session, make sure there wasn't anyone else in the room with them during the session.

Council moved to Closed Session at 7:25 pm and Dallas Cakes left the meeting.

CLOSED SESSION:

A) Municipal Reform Discussion

B) Waterfront Project

21-15 Motion: Councillor Farnsworth
Second: Councillor Toole

"That Council move back to regular session."

Motion carried.

Council moved back to regular session at 8:00 pm.

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21-16 Motion: Councillor Farnsworth
 Second: Councillor Toole

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:01 pm.

Ian Kitchen
Mayor

Randy Wilson
CAO