

TOWN OF NACKAWIC
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 15, 2021

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 7:14 pm.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

21-34 Motion: Councillor Farnsworth
Second: Councillor Simpson

“That the agenda be approved with one addition:

-under New Business, add; A) NBSFA Request.”

Motion carried.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:

There was no declaration of conflicts of interest.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF MARCH 1ST, 2021 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING:

21-35 Motion: Councillor Farnsworth
Second: Councillor Toole

“That the minutes of the March 1st, 2021 regular council meeting be approved.”

Motion carried.

BUSINESS ARISING:

Councillor Simpson asked where the welcome building would be placed down on the waterfront.

Randy Wilson stated the building will be placed in the central area, facing the water.

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Councillor Toole stated where the Town spent some of the Arena Capital Fundraising money to do repairs at the Arena, the Town should let residents know where a portion of the money went and thank them for their donations. Maybe put a notice in the Key.

All of Council agreed.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane stated a letter was sent today to Minister of Local Government, Daniel Allain, to request a meeting regarding funding for DNEDC.

CORRESPONDENCE:

A) RSC 11 Norquay Holdings Subdivision

Mayor Kitchen stated it is for Council's viewing.

Councillor Farnsworth asked how large the lots were.

Mayor Kitchen stated approximately 2400 square meters

B) Municipal Elections Schedule

Mayor Kitchen stated it is for Council's viewing.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance – No Report

Library –

Councillor Farnsworth stated they are starting to meet again now that the Province is back in the Yellow Phase.

Protective Services –

Councillor Farnsworth asked how many calls do the fire department go out on.

Randy Wilson stated Chief Hopkins is compiling that information and he will have it soon.

Recreation –

Councillor Farnsworth stated the York United Soccer Program will be going ahead again this year, provided they get any coaches. The WeeHawks program is running for the third time this year and a company is interested in sponsoring them to keep it going next year.

Mayor Kitchen asked if the arena will be staying open longer.

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Randy Wilson stated one week longer, the last day is Sunday, March 28th.

Randy Wilson stated he is in the process of getting a tender ready for the condenser fan. He will go to the public works committee to review and then bring it back to Council.

Councillor Farnsworth asked if the Town has heard anything back on the truck tender.

Randy Wilson stated he has heard from several dealerships and they informed him, with the truck market so strong, they suggest on buying new with no bells or whistles, rather than buying used to fit our specs. He will keep the public works committee informed on what the bids are. The tender closes on March 25th.

Public Works –

Councillor Simpson stated he will be scheduling a committee meeting soon to discuss several issues that have come up.

Special Reports –

DNEDC

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane stated he and Brent Sansom met with Larry Shaw, Executive Director of Ignite, who discussed with them, a regional approach to economic development. Deputy Mayor MacFarlane & Brent Sansom plan on discussing it with the board on what it will look like. They made it clear with Mr. Shaw, that the Corporation is on a solid path, which he agreed, and supports leaving DNEDC in place and to find a way forward that will work within the new model. They are going to ask Mr. Shaw to attend a board meeting after which DNEDC will make a presentation to Council on where they feel it is going.

Councillor Farnsworth asked how big the region was.

Mayor Kitchen stated it would be RSC 11 region.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane stated Mr. Shaw specified that because RSC 11 is a certain size, doesn't mean the Economic Development activities would necessary be in the same geography. The Town is putting \$60,000 into the Corporation, so we are already setting an example of leadership and have everything established. What the Corporation wants from Mr. Shaw is to align our priorities but the Corporation wants him to support our quest for funding and where we will fit within this regional model, but still work on our own. The board continues to push for funding to keep the Corporation running.

WELLNESS

Councillor Farnsworth stated the Physio Therapist will be arriving Tuesday, March 23rd.

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Chief Administrative Officer's Report

Randy Wilson stated:

- lots of work on the waterfront, the point of sale building design, funding application, costing this project.
- the application for funding has been sent to the Bi-Lateral fund and the debenture for both the Trickle Filter and the waste water system on the waterfront.
- he has been working on the point-of-sale building.
- he took part in the Doctor recruitment conversation. See poster in my package.
- he has a meeting with ACOA on Thursday morning. Hoping to have a second meeting.
- he is dealing with concerns from residents on snowmobiles running on town streets.
- he has reached out to Richard Bragdon to discuss funding opportunities.
- he took part in a doctor recruitment zoom call.

Randy Wilson stated there is a letter in your package from Minister Jill Green, the Town has been approved for the paving of Rte. 605 project.

Councillor Farnsworth stated there have been a number of snowmobiles running around town and asked to maybe reach out to the president of the snowmobiler's club to remind their members to not drive around town.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane stated also to put a notice in the Key Newsletter asking people to not drive on the town streets.

Councillor Farnsworth stated they have taken the 811 number off the information sheet to register for a doctor, you now have to register online.

Mayor Kitchen stated at the Dr. Recruitment meeting, someone suggested to have a place they could go and register because some people, including seniors, do not have access to computers.

Councillor Farnsworth stated she has spoken to people who tried to go online to register and said it was difficult to navigate.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane stated Council should get together and discuss about having more options as soon as possible.

All of Council agreed.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane asked Randy Wilson if he heard anything regarding moving the fuel tank at the waterfront.

Randy Wilson stated he has asked, but still waiting on an answer and stated it could be expensive due to change order cost and extra piping.

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Mayor's Report

Mayor Kitchen reported that:

- he attended the RSC Ignite meeting regarding DNEDC going regionalized.
- he attended the RSC 11 Community Policing meeting.
- he attended the Dr. Recruitment Zoom meeting.

Mayor Kitchen stated one doctor is coming and they are working on getting two more.

Councillor Farnsworth asked if the two locums were still coming.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane stated the request has gone in for two more doctors.

Councillor Farnsworth stated she is meeting with Richard Bragdon regarding senior issues and if anyone has any concerns, let her know.

NEW BUSINESS:

A) NBSFA Request

21-36 Motion: Councillor Farnsworth
 Second: Councillor Simpson

“That the Town of Nackawic give NBSFA permission to use the waterfront the weekend of May 22nd & 23rd for their annual Bass Tournament.”

Motion carried.

21-37 Motion: Councillor Farnsworth
 Second: Councillor Toole

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Ian Kitchen
Mayor

Randy Wilson
CAO