

TOWN OF NACKAWIC
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 18, 2021

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

ABSENT: Mayor Kitchen

IN ATTENDANCE: Kathryn Clark, Acting CAO
Dallas Cakes

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

21-139 Motion: Councillor Farnsworth
Second: Councillor Meade

“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 OCTOBER 4TH, 2021 REGULAR COUNCIL
MEETING:

21-140 Motion: Councillor Simpson
Second: Councillor Toole

“That the minutes of the October 4th, 2021 regular council meeting be
approved with the one correction;

-page 3; under motion 21-128; delete the word “directed” and insert “direct”.”

Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 12TH, 2021 SPECIAL COUNCIL
MEETING:

21-141 Motion: Councillor Simpson
Second: Councillor Meade

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“That the minutes of the October 12, 2021 special council meeting be approved as presented.”

Motion carried.

BUSINESS ARISING:

Councillor Farnsworth spoke to Wendell Flewelling regarding public areas designated for planting trees as monuments to people and he stated that ashes can be disposed of whatever way the family wishes. A lot depends on finding an area.

Councillor Toole stated every province as different rules.

Kathryn Clark stated Hartland forward a link to a community in Ontario and what they are doing. She stated Mr. McLeod changed his request to placing a bench down on the waterfront with a memorial plaque on it, she told him she would pass it along.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane suggested the town strike an adhoc committee, because there could be others wanting to do the same.

Councillor Simpson stated the Town needs a by-law or policy in place to what would be allowed to do on the Town's waterfront.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane suggested to table it until next meeting when we have more information on it and whether there will be a committee formed.

Council agreed.

Councillor Farnsworth asked if there was any information on the wooded area behind the shopping mall.

Kathryn Clark stated she sent a letter to the new mall owners explaining what goes on there and the Town suggesting to clean it up but she hasn't heard back from them.

Councillor Simpson stated with the Town wanting to clean up that area in question, wanting them to move their driveway on Otis Drive and them wanting to erect a sign and having the Town use it for a monthly fee, could work to both of our advantages.

CORRESPONDENCE:

A) Letter from Julie Stone, Co-Chair, Age Friendly Committee, re: sidewalks

Councillor Farnsworth passed a picture around of a resident who had tripped and fallen on the town's sidewalk and was badly bruised. She felt the Town needs to take a look at the main sidewalks in town and have them repaired.

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Councillor Simpson stated this topic has been brought up many times over the years and he feels it should be forwarded to the public works committee to prepare a proposal for Council's consideration with what sidewalks need to be addressed first.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane asked if Council was in favour of sending it to the public works committee for review.

Council agreed.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane directed Kathryn Clark to write a letter to Julie Stone stating Council's wishes.

B) Letter from Bourque Investment Group, re: LED/Motion Sign

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane suggested the Town invite them to a Council meeting and speaking to them regarding the masterplan and our signage and incorporating it all together.

Kathryn Clark stated she will phone and invite them.

C) Email from Marianne Bell, Mayor, Village of Perth Andover, re: UMN Zone 6

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane stated it was for Council's viewing.

D) Letter from Minister of Health and Local Government

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane stated it was for Council's viewing.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance –

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane reported on the meeting of October 6th and stated there was lots of discussions with Nathan and Carla Priest regarding moving their Yum Yum's business down on the waterfront. They have been meeting regularly, discussing the possibility of creating a new position within the organization called an operations manager along with a reorganization chart. They will be bringing it to Council in two weeks for discussion.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane stated the Town has received the report from Environment and Local Government on taxation that our assessments are up, which means it will be more revenue for the Town. We are looking to balance that with this budget and hope to have a draft budget ready in the next several weeks to go through finance and report back at the next meeting.

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Library –

Councillor Farnsworth stated the library is opened back up to the public and everyone has to show they are double vaccinated in order to enter.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane asked if they have a policy in place.

Councillor Farnsworth stated she didn't know if there is a policy erected, but was told all provincial libraries are doing it.

Protective Services –

FIRE

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane stated the minutes of September 21st meeting was for Council's viewing.

Recreation –

Councillor Farnsworth stated they have a Halloween decorating contest happening with 3 prizes to give out. The *Truck or Treat* will be going ahead in the arena parking lot instead of the Nackawic Elementary School parking lot.

Kathryn Clark stated there have been questions about whether there should be kids going door-to-door, and we stated if you felt you were at risk to put a sign on your door stating you are not participating in Halloween this year.

Councillor Farnsworth stated the arena opened today and they have three people interested in working as a door attendant to check for vaccination status. We never had anyone showing interest in running the canteen, so the canteen won't be open again this year.

Public Works –

Councillor Toole stated they need to meet to discuss budget for next year and asked if the employees need to be involved in the meeting also.

Kathryn Clark stated yes, to get their input on certain things.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane asked where the Town doesn't currently have a supervisor, how does the water testing work.

Kathryn Clark stated there is a schedule set at the beginning of every year by Public Health of what days they do the water testing and they submit them to RPC in Fredericton and then we get the results through email.

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Deputy Mayor MacFarlane asked if there was a bad test results, RPC would be calling the Town.

Kathryn Clark stated yes.

Councillor Toole asked if there is any other daily test that have to be done.

Kathryn Clark stated they do residuals daily and water test twice a week.

Councillor Toole asked if both employees are qualified to do these testing.

Kathryn Clark stated yes, they both have their level one.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane stated Council have asked to move the digital speed sign from the highway to Otis Drive, where we reduced the speed limit to 50 km and he has never seen it there.

Councillor Simpson stated the digital speed sign is on Landegger Drive.

Councillor Toole stated it was discussed to move it to Otis Drive when the school wasn't in but now school is in, we kept it on Landegger Drive and drivers are slowing down.

Special Reports –

WELLNESS

Councillor Farnsworth stated wellness has encouraged residents to decorate one of the flower boxes placed at the shopping mall and to have a different season decorated year-round. Marie Thretiak approached the committee about sponsoring the event for first, second and third prizes.

Councillor Farnsworth stated Christmas on the Bend will be approximately two weeks long this year starting with Doctor Jones' introduction to the community on Wednesday, December 1st, with the planter boxes will be decorated, then later in the week lighting of the Christmas tree, with carolling. The following weekend they are hoping to have breakfast with Santa at the Lions Club.

UMNB ZONE 6 MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 28TH, 2021

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane stated it was for Council's viewing.

DRAFT ATV BY-LAW

Councillor Meade reported on the NB By-Law and explained the changes he made.

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Councillor Farnsworth asked how would you know if an ATV driver is a valid member.

Councillor Toole stated the driver has to have an authorized sticker placed on their ATV.

Councillor Simpson stated in point 5; off road vehicles can drive from the Nackawic Stream Bridge to the Nackawic Irving, but how do they get to the Nackawic stream bridge.

Councillor Meade stated we will have to defined it further with a map in schedule A.

Kathryn Clark asked if Council still wanted the November 2nd for the Public Meeting or change it for a later date because of the increase in COVID cases in our area.

Councillor Toole stated he would like to have it postponed a couple weeks to see if the cases drop.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane stated when they met with Quad NB, he thought they wanted to get the public meeting out of the way and our By-Law started so everything can be ready to go in May because it's a several month process. He asked Councillor Toole if he was ok with going ahead with November 2nd.

Councillor Toole stated November 2nd was ok.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane asked would the Town's insurance go up with the extra liability.

Kathryn Clark stated she didn't think it would because it didn't affect our rate when we approved the Mudrunners request.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane stated he will have Brent Sansom work with Quad NB and their signage along with the Town's signage.

Councillor Toole asked if the By-Law needed to go to RSC 11 for review.

Councillor Meade stated he will make the changes and find out who does off road enforcement and run it by Lonnie Forbes. Depending on how the meeting goes on November 2nd, then vote on it as Council, to see if we want to send it to RSC 11.

Kathryn Clark stated you don't have to make motion to send it to RSC 11 for review.

Councillor Meade stated he will forward it on to Lonnie Forbes as soon as things are finalized after the public meeting.

MACTAQUAC APPROACH CHANNEL BRIDGE REHABILITATION PROJECT

Mayor Kitchen entered the meeting at 8:10 pm.

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Councillor Meade reported on the meeting and stated the 2023 bridge closure and possible detour route over the Hawkshaw Bridge, there will be increased traffic in 2023, especially tourists on their way to Mactaquac. Phase 2 of the project in 2023 they are going to closed the whole bridge, the only two bridges that will be used to cross the river will be Westmorland Street Bridge and Hawkshaw Bridge. They did state the route would be route 104 and 610 and he did let them know that route 610 is in really bad shape and maybe they could fix it up before all the traffic. The Town could consider increased signage to encourage people to stop in to Nackawic, which could promote local businesses. This could be an opportunity to really show off our Town and marina as well.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane stated that with the Canada Games being held at Crabbe Mountain, route 610 should definitely be looked at.

Councillor Meade stated there was representatives from several Fire Stations and Ambulance NB at the meeting and stated it shouldn't affect emergency services.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane stated he would like to find money in the budget for a couple signs this year and couple more next year, that when the traffic is re-routed with the bridge closures, it will work to our advantage.

Acting Chief Administrative Officer's Report

Kathryn Clark stated that:

- she spoke with Bill McLeod regarding his request to have a cross erected down at waterfront.
- she sent a letter to Mr. & Mrs. Englehart regarding their request.
- she sent a letter to the mall owners regarding the wooded area behind the shopping mall.
- the water & sewer by-law, the changes were sent to RSC 11.
- she attended a finance meeting on October 6 regarding the marina and Yum Yum's.
- she met with Ryan Smith, AV Group on October 8 regarding forestry management plans.
- she finalized the details of the unveiling of 'Nicholas Lane'.
- she has been emailing back & forth with ACOA – extension of completion date is approved – now August 31, 2022.
- Ads for door attendant, Term- Public Works Skilled Labourer and Casual Arena Labourer went out in the Bugle this week – closing October 27, 2021.
- she met with 2 individuals for Door Attendant.
- she worked on ice schedule and updated COVID Operational Plan, still no showers open but the warm room will be open, which was sent it out to ice users. Still no interest to open canteen.
- the arena opens today – Zamboni is fixed.
- the unveiling of the Nicholas Lane sign was held on October 14th with special guests, Graydon Nicholas & his wife in attendance.
- she received an email regarding Blue/Green Algae.

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Councillor Simpson asked if the fix to the Zamboni will extend its life.

Kathryn Clark stated yes, by approximately 10 years.

Mayor's Report –

Mayor Kitchen stated that:

-he attended the RSC 11 finance meeting.

-he spoke to the mall manager and they asked about the signage, he told her that it is begin discussed. He mentioned to them about the wooded area behind the mall and they stated they would take care of it.

NEW BUSINESS:

A) 1st & 2nd Reading of By-Law No. 85-2021, A By-Law to Amend the Town of Nackawic Zoning By-Law No. 51-17

21-142 Motion: Councillor Farnsworth
 Second: Councillor Simpson

“The 1st reading of By-Law No. 85-2021, A By-Law to amend the Town of Nackawic Zoning By-Law No. 51-17 was read by title only.”

Motion carried.

Councillor Farnsworth read the 1st reading of By-Law No. 85-2021 by title only.

21-143 Motion: Councillor Simpson
 Second: Councillor Farnsworth

“The 2nd reading of By-Law No. 85-2021, A By-Law to amend the Town of Nackawic Zoning By-Law No. 51-17 was read by title only.”

Motion carried.

Councillor Simpson read the 2nd reading of By-Law No. 85-2021 by title only.

21-144 Motion: Councillor Farnsworth
 Second: Councillor Meade

Motion carried.

Council moved to closed session at 8:30 pm and Dallas Cakes left the meeting.

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CLOSED SESSION:

A) Personnel Issue

21-145 Motion: Councillor Toole
 Second: Councillor Meade

“That Council move back to regular session.”

Motion carried.

Council moved back to regular session at 9:30 pm.

21-146 Motion: Councillor Toole
 Second: Councillor Meade

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Ian Kitchen
Mayor

Kathryn Clark
Acting CAO