

TOWN OF NACKAWIC
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 7, 2022

PRESENT: Mayor Kitchen
Councillor Farnsworth
Councillor Simpson
Councillor Meade
Councillor Toole

ABSENT: Deputy Mayor MacFarlane

IN ATTENDANCE: Kathryn Clark, Acting CAO
Dallas Cakes
Jim Dumville, River Valley Sun

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

22-16 Motion: Councillor Farnsworth
Second: Councillor Meade

“That the agenda be approved with one addition:

-add under Closed Session, D) Council Composition for Entity 71

Motion carried.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:

There was no declaration of conflicts of interest.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 24, 2022 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING:

22-17 Motion: Councillor Simpson
Second: Councillor Farnsworth

“That the minutes of the January 24, 2022 regular council meeting be approved as presented.”

Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 27, 2022 SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING:

22-18 Motion: Councillor Simpson
Second: Councillor Meade

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“That the minutes of the January 27, 2022 special council meeting be approved as presented.”

Motion carried.

BUSINESS ARISING:

Councillor Farnsworth asked if there was any progress on an alarm system company.

Kathryn Clark stated she is working on it. She had a discussion with National Alarm and they stated it shouldn't be a long process, they will give us recommendations and once we decide what we want, then they will give us a quote.

Councillor Farnsworth asked if Council decided whether the Town was partnering with QUAD NB or the Town was going alone with the Trail Head in Nackawic.

Mayor Kitchen stated QUAD NB is leading the charge, and the Town is leasing the land.

Councillor Farnsworth asked if she heard anything more on the Collective Agreement.

Kathryn Clark stated she made the changes and sent it to Ralph McBride and he stated it should be ready soon.

Councillor Simpson asked what the progress was with Saigon's Garden.

Kathryn Clark stated she gave them until the middle of February to have things looked at and she hasn't heard any response from them. If she doesn't hear from them by the deadline, she will follow up with them.

CORRESPONDENCE:

A) Letter of Request from Nackawic Music Festival (New Business)

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance –

Kathryn Clark stated she booked tentative dates for the audit for March 15,16 & 17.

Library –

Councillor Farnsworth stated there is a meeting scheduled for Thursday, February 10th.

Protective Services –

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NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Councillor Meade stated their first meeting on February 5th was very successful. They had their first round of interested people who were assigned block captains, and area leaders. They still are planning to have a public meeting in the spring once COVID numbers permit, to recruit more members and block captains. Once the reform takes place, they will have to adjust the numbers for each area.

Recreation –

Councillor Farnsworth stated hockey is back up playing and Wee Hawks has started their second registration on February 5th with 24 registrations. Family Day is on Monday, February 21st, not sure if there will be any events happening because of COVID.

Mayor Kitchen asked what events did we do in the past for Family Day.

Councillor Farnsworth stated activities at the Lions Centre, public skating at the arena, public works cleared a hill for sliding, fire dept. helped people up the hill after sliding.

Kathryn Clark suggested to mail out a flyer to encourage residents to make snow art on their property.

Councillor Simpson suggested sliding on the hill next to the ball field, but you would have to have traffic down to one lane for safety purposes.

Councillor Farnsworth stated they have done that in the past along with other outdoor events and indoor activities as well, which probably won't be happening this year.

Kathryn Clark suggested to only have outside activities and public skating at the arena.

Councillor Farnsworth stated she will revisit it and see what she can come up with.

Public Works –

Councillor Toole stated the employees are doing a great job clearing snow, fire hydrants have been cleaned out and snowbanks being removed.

Kathryn Clark stated some residents have cleared out hydrants in front of their homes and we have put a thank you in the Key.

Councillor Simpson stated he appreciates their hard work.

Councillor Toole asked if the vibrator arrived for the sander.

Kathryn Clark stated she doesn't think so.

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Special Reports –

WELLNESS

Councillor Farnsworth stated there is a wellness meeting tomorrow, February 8th. She was requested to apply for a grant to offer food security to some citizens in the community. She is waiting to hear back to see how much the grant will be.

Acting Chief Administrative Officer's Report

Kathryn Clark stated that:

- a new vibrator was purchased for the Trackless sander to prevent the sand from getting clogged up.
- the Arena has opened back up with restrictions going back to level 2. Some adjustments were made and youth under 12 are allowed to practice with their teams. All groups aged 12 and over are allowed to play games again so that has allowed all groups to return to play. Everyone is re-scheduling games and looking for ice time. The special of \$60/hr. for family bubble rentals will be on hold for the moment as there is not a lot of available ice time. Perhaps revisit it for March break.
- she participated in a zoom meeting on January 25th with NB ATV Federation, members of Council and Brent Sansom regarding the development of a trail head in Nackawic.
- participated in an AMANB Zone 2 meeting on January 28th to discuss the transition of new entities and any questions/concerns to bring forward to the AMANB meeting.
- she participated in the AMANB zoom meeting on January 31st with all zones around the province. Ryan Donaghy was present to answer questions.
- she participated in the Entity kick off zoom meeting on February 1st with Greg Lutes, Council and representatives from the LSD's and Village of Millville.
- she participated in a meeting with Councillor Farnsworth, Peter Cole and Pam Fogarty regarding the Bix Axe Craft Beer Festival being held in July, 2022. Discussed Town staff roles in the festival and sorted out other concerns. Will be meeting again in April.
- she submitted a grant application to Kent Kuhn, Sport & Recreation for financial support with purchasing marina water rental equipment.
- she spoke with RDC regarding extra Phase 1 costs. Also working on a new Regional Development Corporation funding application for the sewer lift system at the marina/arena.
- she spoke with Luc Theriault and now working on a Canada Community-Building Fund (CCBF) Unincorporated Area Project application for the Marina project in an effort to obtain funding to complete Phase 2 of the waterfront project and the additional ask for Phase 1 is going to be added with the Phase 2 application for consideration.
- the advertisement went out for the new Director of Facilities & Operations position and competition closes February 25th.
- she arranged a meeting with Lonnie Forbes along with rec. employees and Councillor Simpson to discuss what we will need for the docks and Lonnie will be sending the final drawing of how many docks and what they will look like.

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Councillor Simpson stated the Town needs another 16 docks at 6'X16' and they should accommodate 28-30 boats to start and adding more in spring of 2023.

Mayor Kitchen asked if she heard back from ACOA.

Kathryn Clark stated no, she has not.

Councillor Simpson stated he is pleased to see the plaque that was damaged during the fire of 2014 is now repaired and back hanging on the wall. He stated there will be a small write up of how the damaged happen to place on the plaque as well.

Mayor's Report –

Mayor Kitchen stated that:

- he attended an RSC 11 meeting followed by the Entity 71 meeting on February 1st.
- he will be attending another Entity 71 meeting on February 9th.

NEW BUSINESS:

A) Request from Nackawic Music Festival

22-19 Motion: Councillor Toole
 Second: Councillor Meade

“That Council sponsor the silver level of \$150 to the 2022 Nackawic Virtual Music Festival.”

Motion carried.

B) Appointment of 2 Members of Council for Advisory Committee

Mayor Kitchen stated the advisory committee for Entity 71 would like to have the mayor and one councillor on the committee from each area. He appointed himself along with Councillor Simpson to represent the Town of Nackawic.

22-20 Motion: Councillor Farnsworth
 Second: Councillor Meade

“That Council move to closed session.”

Motion carried.

Council moved to closed session at 7:37 pm and Dallas Cakes and Jim Dumville left the meeting.

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CLOSED SESSION:

- A) Marina
- B) Big Axe Craft Beer Festival
- C) Personnel Issue

22-21 Motion: Councillor Farnsworth
 Second: Councillor Meade

“That Council move back to regular session.”

Motion carried.

Council moved back to regular session at 9:45 pm.

22-22 Motion: Councillor Farnsworth
 Second: Councillor Meade

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:46 pm.

Ian Kitchen
Mayor

Kathryn Clark
Acting CAO