

TOWN OF NACKAWIC
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 2, 2022

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

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:

22-63 Motion: Councillor Farnsworth
Second: Councillor Meade

“That the agenda be approved with the one deleted item:

-under Closed Session; delete “C) Personnel Issue”.”

Motion carried.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:

There was no declaration of conflicts of interest.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF APRIL 21st, 2022 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING:

22-64 Motion: Councillor Simpson
Second: Councillor Farnsworth

“That the minutes of the April 21st, 2022 regular council meeting be approved with the following corrections:

-page 2; 3rd paragraph; delete the word “do” and insert the word “does”;
-page 2; last sentence; delete the word “in” and insert “a”;
-page 4; 5th paragraph; add “y” to the word “lobbying”;
-page 7; last paragraph; 3rd sentence from the bottom; delete “ed” from the word “passed”.”

Motion carried.

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BUSINESS ARISING:

A) Memorial Garden

Kathryn Clark stated a request came back again from a resident who asked to have a memorial tree planted down on the waterfront and have the deceased's ashes buried next to the tree. She informed them that Council is looking to have a designated place for a memorial garden and have a committee look after it.

Councillor Farnsworth stated she spoke to other municipalities regarding this and is waiting to hear back from them. She had taken a walk on the nature trail and choose a couple places that might work for a memorial garden.

Mayor Kitchen stated we can discuss having a memorial garden on the waterfront but how will it fit into the waterfront plans.

Councillor Simpson asked if the resident had chosen a place to plant the tree.

Kathryn Clark stated no, but they wanted to plant a tree, bury the ashes beneath the tree and have a bench placed there with a memorial plaque on it.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane stated he wasn't comfortable with the idea of burying someone's ashes on the waterfront but suggested that Council strike an adhoc committee and discuss what should or shouldn't be in memorial gardens.

Councillor Farnsworth stated if Council says yes to one person, then we would have to say yes to the whole entity and that could get into a lot of trees.

Mayor Kitchen stated if every asked was to plant a tree with a bench and plaque, we could run out of space quickly.

Councillor Meade stated we would need an area that we will not want to develop in the future.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane stated Council could speak with Flewelling's Funeral Home and see what their thoughts are on memorial gardens in municipalities.

Mayor Kitchen asked Councillor Farnsworth if she would like to chair the adhoc committee.

Councillor Farnsworth stated yes, she would, and she may know of several people who might like to be on the committee.

Councillor Farnsworth asked if the testing of the water will continue down on the waterfront for swimmers.

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Kathryn Clark stated yes.

Councillor Simpson asked if the Town heard anything back regarding quotes for the Security System.

Kathryn Clark stated she was told we would hear by last Friday, but never. She will reach out to them again.

Councillor Toole stated he will also get in contact with Larsen's.

Kathryn Clark stated we haven't heard back from them either, and informed them that the security system could get very expensive.

CORRESPONDENCE:

A) Letter from Minister of Transportation & Infrastructure, re: Cross Road Bridge

Mayor Kitchen stated it is a response back from a letter the Town wrote in support of the residence of Temperance Vale with regards to several bridges that needed replaced.

Kathryn Clark reported that DTI will replace Clarks Mill Pond Bridge on Route 104, with construction to be completed in the fall of 2023 and the replacement of Lucy Bridge (Nackawic River No. 2) on Route 595 that is currently closed to one lane, with construction expected to be completed in 2025.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance – No report

Library –

Councillor Farnsworth stated they are preparing for their 50th anniversary. They are looking to hire casual staff because they are down to one person.

Protective Services –

RCMP

Mayor Kitchen stated there was an RCMP zoom meeting but he couldn't get into the team's call.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Councillor Meade stated the Neighbourhood Watch signs have been ordered, the invoice will be going to the Town Office, they should be arriving in a couple of weeks and wanted

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to confirm that the public works employees will put them in place.

Kathryn Clark stated yes, they will.

Councillor Farnsworth asked when the public meeting was being held.

Councillor Meade stated Wednesday, May 18 at 7:00 pm.

Recreation –

Councillor Farnsworth stated they had the Canada Day meeting with a lot of great ideas. The Town didn't receive any funding for Canada Day and have sent out letters to businesses requesting help with funding, Festival on the Bend stated they will help fund the fireworks. The celebrations will run from 3:00 – 10:00 pm and she is having difficulty finding evening entertainment. The Lions Club will be helping with the barbeque.

Kathryn Clark stated she received a phone call from Nack-Mact Sail Boat race asking for permission to stay overnight at the old docks and leave in the morning for their boat race in July. She never gave them permission and was looking for direction from Council, especially where there is work still to be done on the marina and didn't know if there was going to be a charge for overnight boaters.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane stated he didn't think it would be an issue because he felt the existing docks would still be there for those types of asks at no cost for this year and look at it again next year regarding overnight fees.

Mayor Kitchen stated Council will support them and let them use the old docks for their overnight stay and morning race at no cost.

Public Works –

Councillor Toole reported they have started sweeping the streets and will continue into this week, after that they will be doing the spring flushing and then pothole patching.

Special Reports –

DNEDC

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane stated he went to Millville last week and spoke to Deputy Mayor Colin Trail and one of their Councillors on how to bring Millville into Nackawic's economic development plans, they were excited about getting involved to help grow their economy. Also, the board is drafting a letter to Minister Allain regarding the rejection letter of funding for the corporation, we also reached out to our MLA and expressed our disappointment to them as well. The next board meeting is scheduled for May.

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WELLNESS

Councillor Farnsworth stated they have a community garden meeting on Tuesday, May 3rd at the Town Hall. Next week the recreation committee will be meeting and discussing T-Ball to see if there will be enough volunteers to continue the program again this year.

Acting Chief Administrative Officer's Report

Kathryn Clark stated that:

- she attended a meeting on April 19th with Vance Johnson and Jacques Ouellette, QUAD NB, Colin Trail and Deputy Mayor MacFarlane regarding the ATV by-law and trail head development. The next day Jacques Ouellette and Jason Stairs drove the route and sign locations were decided.
- the T-3 By-Law was signed, sealed and sent to QUAD NB. The Highway Usage Permit for Hawkshaw Bridge was approved and they forwarded a copy for our records.
- a letter was sent to Minister of Local Government in support of UMNB's resolution to delay RSC reform.
- she attended the bi-weekly AMANB Teams meeting, re: municipal reform on April 21st.
- she sent out letters to businesses in Nackawic and surrounding area asking for donations to assist with fireworks for Canada Day.
- she attended a meeting on April 26th with Lonnie Forbes, RSC11 and the Recreation staff. We walked the marina area and discussed the docks, gangway installations, etc. The Recreation staff have most of the new docks built, floats were delivered today. They began building the two gangways needed.
- the hydro bikes are to be delivered sometime next week.
- she attended a meeting on April 26th with Pam Fogarty and Peter Cole, re: Big Axe Craft Beer Festival.
- the summer student applications were reviewed and interviews have been scheduled for May 2 and May 4.
- the 2021 Canada Community-Building Fund (gas tax) Annual Reports were completed and submitted to Province.
- she began working on budget spreadsheet for municipal reform.
- all staff will be taking the First Aid/CPR 6-hour refresher on Sunday, May 1st.
- the Public Hearing for the Baptist Church rezoning requests will be held at the Town Hall on May 5, 2022 at 6:30 pm. Notice and by-laws are posted on the Town's website.

Councillor Toole asked when the tenders were going out for the Trickle Filter.

Kathryn Clark stated not for a while, due to the focus on getting the marina up and running.

Councillor Simpson asked how many employees attended the first aid course.

Kathryn Clark stated five.

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Mayor's Report –

Mayor Kitchen stated that:

-he wasn't at the last Council meeting and stated Councillor Simpson updated everyone on the discussions from the last advisory committee meeting, where we came up with the new entity name and what type of community we will be. They have another meeting on Wednesday, May 4 to discuss budgeting.

Kathryn Clark stated the transition leaders are supposed to have meetings in a couple days with regards to how the budget is going.

-he will be attending an UMNb meeting on Wednesday, May 4th and a UMNb board meeting on May 17th. He stated the UMNb conference are back on for this fall over the Thanks Giving long weekend and we will need to book rooms.

Kathryn Clark stated the rooms are already booked and it's being held at the Delta.

NEW BUSINESS:

A) Access extension of Route 105 to trail head (Schedule "A")

22-65 Motion: Deputy Mayor MacFarlane
 Second: Councillor Meade

"That the ATV access on Rte. 105 be extended from the Nackawic Irving to the QUAD NB trail head as per schedule "A" of the T-3 ATV by-law."

Motion carried.

22-66 Motion: Deputy Mayor MacFarlane
 Second: Councillor Farnsworth

"That Council move to closed session."

Motion carried.

Council moved to closed session at 7:50 pm and Dallas Cakes and Jim Dumville left the meeting.

CLOSED SESSION:

A) Development Proposal

B) Utility Capital Project

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22-67 Motion: Councillor Farnsworth
 Second: Councillor Meade

“That Council move back to regular session.”

Motion carried.

Council moved back to regular session at 8:33 pm.

22-68 Motion: Councillor Farnsworth
 Second: Councillor Toole

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:33 pm.

Ian Kitchen
Mayor

Kathryn Clark
Acting CAO