



TOWN OF SAINT ANDREWS
W. C. O'NEILL ARENA COMPLEX THEATRE
Regular Council Meeting
MINUTES
March 5, 2018 at 7:00PM

RECORDING OF ATTENDANCE

A Regular Meeting of the Town of Saint Andrews Council was held at the W. C. O'Neill Arena Complex Theatre at 7:00 PM with the following members present: Mayor Doug Naish, Deputy Mayor Brad Henderson, Councillors Edie Bishop, Guy Groulx, Kurt Gumushel and Andrew Harrison. Also present were: Angela McLean, Clerk, Chris Spear, Treasurer, Terry Acton, Asset Manager, and Nikki Mott, Administrative Assistant.

Regrets: Councillor Dan Boyd

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion 44 - 03/18

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Henderson, seconded by Councillor Groulx and carried to approve the Agenda as presented.

Carried

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Deputy Mayor Henderson declared a conflict with item FA180201 – Agreement with Kingsbrae Gardens.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Motion 45 - 03/18

It was moved by Councillor Bishop, seconded by Councillor Groulx and carried that the minutes of the February 5, 2018 Regular Meeting of Council be adopted as presented.

Carried

Motion 46 - 03/18

It was moved by Councillor Bishop, seconded by Deputy Mayor Henderson and carried that the Minutes of the February 13, 2018 Special Meeting of Council be adopted as presented.

Carried

Motion 47 - 03/18

It was moved by Councillor Gumushel, seconded by Councillor Bishop and carried that the Minutes of the February 20, 2018 Special Meeting of Council be adopted as presented.

Carried

PRESENTATIONS

NONE

COMMUNICATIONS

NONE

STAFF REPORT**FINANCIAL REPORT****Motion 48 - 03/18**

It was moved by Councillor Groulx, seconded by Deputy Mayor Henderson and carried that Council accept the Staff reports as presented.

Carried

INTRODUCTION, CONSIDERATION AND PASSING OF BY-LAWS AND MOTIONS**Finance & Administration - Councillor Bishop**

Following discussion Council individually moved on the following 2018 Assistance Grant Requests:

Motion 49 - 03/18 - Charlotte County Alternative Transportation

It was moved by Councillor Bishop, seconded by Councillor Groulx and carried to award a \$1,500 Assistance Grant to Charlotte County Alternative Transportation for the 2018 Budget Year.

Carried

Motion 50 - 03/18 - Charlotte County Archives

It was moved by Councillor Bishop, seconded by Councillor Harrison and carried to award a \$500 Assistance Grant to Charlotte County Archives for the 2018 Budget Year.

Carried

Motion 51 - 03/18 - Huntsman Marine Science Centre (World Oceans Day)

It was moved by Councillor Groulx, seconded by Councillor Bishop and carried to table the \$3,000 Assistance Grant request pending further information on the World Oceans Day program.

Tabled

Motion 52 - 03/18 - Saint John Theatre Company

It was moved by Councillor Groulx, seconded by Councillor Bishop and carried to table the \$1,000 Assistance Grant request pending redistribution of the background information.

Tabled

Motion 53 - 03/18 - Anglophone South School District - WE day

Following discussion, Council decided not to include the lapel pins. It was moved by Councillor Bishop, seconded by Deputy Mayor Henderson and carried to award a \$750 Assistance Grant to the Anglophone South School District for their upcoming WE Day conference for the 2018 Budget Year. Councillor Gumushel abstained from the vote.

Carried

Motion 54 - 03/18 – SJDA Environmental Efficiency Committee

It was moved by Councillor Bishop, seconded by Councillor Groulx and carried to award a \$500 Assistance Grant to Sir James Dunn Academy for their Environmental Efficiency Committee for the 2018 Budget Year.

Carried

Following the discussion regarding the Assistance Grant request, Council proceeded to discuss the Albert McQuoid Trust Fund requests for the St. Andrews Arts Council, with the final motion reading as follows:

Motion 55 - 03/18 – St. Andrews Arts Council

It was moved by Councillor Bishop, seconded by Councillor Harrison and carried to approve \$3,500 for "Operations" and \$500 for the "School Music Program" to the St. Andrews Arts Council for the 2018 Budget Year.

Carried

Motion 56 - 03/18

It was moved by Councillor Bishop and seconded by Councillor Harrison to approve the request for installation of a fence on the Town right-of-way at 68 William Street. After reviewing information provided by Town staff and addressing concerns regarding a fence encroaching on the town-right-of way the question was asked by Mayor Naish and the motion was defeated by a vote of 4 to 1 against the installation.

Defeated

Motion 57 - 03/18

It was moved by Councillor Bishop, seconded by Councillor Harrison and carried to proclaim the Month of April 2018 as Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention month.

Following the motion, Mayor Naish proceeded to read the proclamation as follows:

Proclamation:

Whereas: *Child Abuse Prevention Month began in 1983 to raise awareness of the alarming rates at which children were being abused and neglected; and*

Whereas: *Every child deserves to grow up in a healthy, safe and nurturing environment; and*

Whereas: *Child abuse continues to be one of our nation's most serious health problems (studies have shown child abuse and neglect causes psychological, emotional and physical harm which can create lifelong problems for victims of abuse); and*

Whereas: *Child abuse and neglect impacts our entire society and our society's future; and*

Whereas: *Child abuse prevention is a community responsibility and finding solutions depends on the involvement of all people; and*

Whereas: *This month, we emphasize the importance of understanding the devastating problem of child abuse and neglect and commit to learn more about the behavioral and physical signs of possible abuse.*

Therefore: *I, Mayor Doug Naish, do hereby proclaim the month of April 2018 to be Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Month in the Town of Saint Andrews, and urge all citizens to work together to help reduce child abuse and neglect significantly in years to come.*

Carried

Due to a Conflict of Interest on this item as previously indicated, Deputy Mayor Henderson left the room at 7:58 PM.

Motion 58 - 03/18

It was moved by Councillor Bishop and seconded by Councillor Harrison for the Town of Saint Andrews to provide a \$10,000 grant to Kingsbrae Gardens for the 2018 operating year toward their operating expenses. Mayor Naish brought the question to vote, resulting in a tie of 2/2, and requiring the Mayor to cast the deciding vote as being in favour of the agreement, for one year only. The motion was noted as approved and carried.

Following the approval of the motion, Deputy Mayor Henderson returned to the table at 8:06 PM.

Carried

Motion 59 - 03/18

It was moved by Councillor Bishop and seconded by Councillor Groulx that Council for the Town of Saint Andrews approve the 2018 wharf fee schedule, as incorporated in the 2018 General Operating Budget that was approved on January 22, 2018.

Following discussion, a new motion was brought to the table:

Motion 60 - 03/18

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Henderson and seconded by Councillor Gumushel to table the request until the next Council meeting to allow the tour boat operators a chance to provide feedback on the proposed rates. Following further discussion, Mayor Naish asked for a vote which resulted in a 3/2 to table the item until the next Council meeting.

Tabled

Motion 61 - 03/18

It was moved by Councillor Bishop, seconded by Councillor Harrison and carried that the Town waive the fees of approximately \$1,000 to the Community Players for their 2018 theatre productions, as our contribution toward the fundraising campaign for new lights at the theatre of the W. C. O'Neill Arena.

Carried

Motion 62 - 03/18

It was moved by Councillor Bishop, seconded by Councillor Groulx and carried that the Town of Saint Andrews support the Purple Day initiative by wearing purple ribbons throughout the month of March as a way of increasing awareness, promoting inclusion, and demonstrating support for persons living with epilepsy in our community.

Carried

Public Works - Councillor Boyd**Motion 63 - 03/18**

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Henderson, seconded by Councillor Groulx and carried that the Council of the Town of Saint Andrews resolves to direct staff to apply for a grant in the amount of \$50,000 from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Municipal Asset Management Program for development of the Asset Management System; and

Be it therefore resolved that the Town of Saint Andrews commits to conducting activities in its proposed project submitted to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Municipal Asset Management Program to advance our asset management program; and

Be it further resolved that the Town of Saint Andrews commits \$50,000 from its budget toward the costs of this initiative.

Carried

Motion 64 - 03/18

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Henderson, seconded by Councillor Bishop and carried to approve Policy #18-01, a Policy on Memorial Benches, as presented to Council on March 5, 2018.

Carried

Public Safety - Councillor Groulx

No motions

Business, Tourism, Heritage and Culture - Deputy Mayor Henderson

Prior to the meeting the Town was made aware by the seller that the Robert Percival art piece had already been sold.

Motion 65 - 03/18

In light of this new information, it was moved by Deputy Mayor Henderson, seconded by Councillor Groulx and carried to withdraw the original motion for the Town to make an

offer of \$600 for the purchase of the original watercolour by Robert Percival titled "Beached Skiff St. Andrews".

Carried

Recreation and Community Services - Councillor Gumushel

No motions

Planning & Economic Development - Councillor Harrison

Prior to opening the discussions regarding the purchase of 182 Water Street, the CAO advised Council that the Province has extended the deadline to the end of March. The CAO also clarified to Council that this motion opens up the opportunity to negotiate and to determine possible uses for the property, prior to finalizing any agreements.

Motion 66 - 03/18

It was moved by Councillor Harrison, seconded by Deputy Mayor Henderson and carried that Council directs the CAO to negotiate the best possible purchase price for the property at 182 Water Street, and subsequently provide a recommendation to Council for the potential purchase, as well as recommended uses.

Carried

Motion 67a - 03/18

It was moved by Councillor Harrison and seconded by Councillor Bishop that the Town of Saint Andrews continue to operate the Visitor Information Centre for the 2018 Season with the same level of support, staffing, hours, and location as the 2017 Operating Season.

Motion 67b - 03/18

Following further dialogue, it was moved by Councillor Groulx and seconded by Councillor Bishop to amend the end of the motion to read "... within the existing Budget envelope". Leaving the final motion to read:

It was moved by Councillor Harrison, seconded by Councillor Groulx and carried that the Town of Saint Andrews continue to operate the Visitor Information Centre for the 2018 Season with the same level of support, staffing, hours, and location as the 2017 Operating Season within the existing Budget envelope, as amended.

Carried

Motion 68 - 03/18

It was moved by Councillor Harrison, seconded by Councillor Bishop and carried that the Town agrees, in principle, to enter into a Development Agreement with Cecelia Smith for the subdivision of a lot from PID #15083348, and that Staff be directed to recommend terms and conditions for approval by Council at a subsequent meeting.

Carried

NEW BUSINESS

None

QUESTION PERIOD

A citizen congratulated Council on re-arrange the agenda to provide more information but stated that there needs to be a better way to provide notices to residents, especially residents who are not on social media or internet savvy. The resident mentioned that the current location of the Town Hall notice board, located next to the entrance door to Town Hall, is in a bad place and should be relocated closer to the sidewalk where more people would be able to notice it.

There were also concerns expressed regarding the Wharf Rate increases as many of the business operators plan their trip fees a year in advance.

Another resident expressed urgency in the Town acquiring the property at 182 Water Street from the Province. The resident stated that the Town should purchase the property so that there is control on what is done with it.

COUNCILLORS' AND DEPUTY MAYOR'S COMMENTS

None

MAYOR'S COMMENTS


Mayor Naish wished to commend Mr. W. Dale Dauphinee, Ms. M. Barbara Smith, and Ms. Caroline Davies, the Editors for the Saint Andrews Heritage Handbook on Building Conservation (Second Edition/Revised – 2018). Mayor Naish expressed the importance of preserving the heritage of our community and thanked the editors on all the hard work they have done to make this important and marvelous piece of work a reality.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion 69 - 03/18

At 9:01 PM, it was moved by Councillor Gumushel, seconded by Councillor Groulx and carried that the meeting be adjourned.

Carried



-
Doug Naish, Mayor



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Angela McLean, Clerk

