

July 7, 2008

The regular meeting of Town Council was held in the Council Chambers beginning at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present: Mayor John Craig, Deputy Mayor John Castell, Councillors Kate Akagi, Michael Craig, Edie Bishop, Roger McNabb and Mary Myers. Also present were staff members Tim Henderson, Town Manager, Chris Spear, Treasurer and Joyce Thompson, Administrative Office Coordinator.

PRESENTATIONS

Dr. David Wildish of the St. Andrews Community Tennis Association made a presentation to Council regarding the association's two-year plan to improve the tennis court facilities. He informed Council that the improvements will be made in the following three stages:

- 1) temporary repairs to the two existing courts to be made in 2008
- 2) prepare the ground for the 2 new courts next to the present courts and apply drainage and 12 inch depth of crushed rock in 2008
- 3) prepare the surface for all 4 new courts, including removing the surface of present courts and installing crushed rock, applying asphalt and finish to all 4 courts and erecting net posts and new chain link fences in 2009

Irene Scaratt gave Council a brief summary of the association's fundraising efforts to date and Keith Wobma briefed Council on the new Youth Tennis program. Dr. Wildish stated that the Tennis Association will need the Town's support in order to raise enough money to cover the costs of these proposed improvements and the members urged Council to help come up with ideas to raise money for the project and to keep them informed of any federal or provincial grants that they may be eligible for.

MINUTES

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Castell, seconded by Councillor Myers and carried that Council adopt the minutes of the June 2, 2008 regular meeting as presented.

STAFF REPORTS

It was moved by Councillor Myers, seconded by Councillor Bishop and carried that Council accept the Staff Reports as presented.

Town Manager's Report

It was moved by Councillor Myers, seconded by Councillor Castell and carried to submit the names of the following properties as historically significant to the Town of St. Andrews and request that they be included in the New Brunswick and Canadian Registries of Historic Places:

Milton Hall – 93 Frederick Street
Augherton Residence – 99 Prince of Wales Street
Linden Grange – 144 Carleton Street
Derry Bay – 165 Joe's Point Road
Bell residence – 335 Water Street

St. Andrews Market Wharf Report

The Huntsman Marine Science Centre and the International Fund for Animal Welfare have requested that they be able to place signs on the wharf that will highlight the marine life that is visible from Market Wharf as well as the plight of Right Wales in the Bay of Fundy. The wharf has a policy of not allowing signs, but since these are educational tools that will enhance a visitor's experience, they feel they should be allowed on the wharf. The only advertising that will be allowed are the logos on the organizations.

It was moved by Councillor Myers, seconded by Councillor Craig and carried that the International Fund for Animal Welfare be allowed to set up and display the sign on the wharf as per the design shown on their application. The positioning of the sign will be at the discretion of the wharfinger and the wharf board.

It was moved by Councillor Myers, seconded by Councillor Craig and carried that the Huntsman Marine Science Centre be allowed to set up and display the sign on the wharf as per the design shown on their application. The positioning of the sign will be at the discretion of the wharfinger and the wharf board.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Craig read a letter from the New Brunswick Lung Association regarding the New Brunswick Climate Change Public Education and Outreach Hub.

COMMITTEES, REPORTS AND RESOLUTIONS

Business, Recreation and Special Events Committee

It was moved by Councillor Akagi, seconded by Councillor Myers and carried that Council grant permission to the Spindrifters to hold their summer picnic in Centennial Park with live music from 4-8 pm on Sunday, July 13, 2008, with the conditions that garbage removal must be done by the group on that day and that the park will remain open for visitors as well.

It was moved by Councillor Akagi, seconded by Councillor Myers and carried that Council allow Kingsbrae Horticultural gardens to place 5 signs at the following locations:

1. Bayview Drive, shortly before the turn onto Reed Avenue
2. On Reed Avenue, approximately 100 feet after the Bayview Drive/Mowatt Drive intersection
3. On Parr Street, shortly after the Hariett/Reed Avenue intersection
4. On Parr and King St., NW corner
5. At the corner of Prince of Wales and King Streets

The signs are to be placed on the existing posts and Kingsbrae must first consult with the Town on the colour scheme and follow the template for Provincial Botanical/Horticultural signs. Also, the Town will erect the signs, but Kingsbrae must arrange for and provide the signs at their own cost. After discussing the matter, it was moved by Councillor Myers and seconded by Councillor Castell that due to safety concerns, the above motion be amended to not allow for the signs to be placed at location #1) Bayview Drive, shortly before the turn onto Reed Avenue or location #3) on Parr Street, shortly after the Hariett/Reed intersection. The amendment was carried and the original motion as amended was carried. Councillor Craig registered a nay vote to the amendment as well as a nay vote the original motion as amended.

Finance and Administration Committee Report

It was moved by Councillor McNabb, seconded by Councillor Myers and carried that Council deny the request from the Charlotte County SPCA to hold a road toll in St. Andrews as a fundraiser for the construction of their new animal shelter, but that the town send a letter suggesting to the SPCA that funding for the new shelter be requested from the Town of St. Andrew in lieu of the road toll.

It was moved by Councillor McNabb, seconded by Councillor Craig and carried that Council deny the request from Dave and Carol Bennett of the Garden Gate Bed and Breakfast to reimburse them for the loss of revenue due to the construction on Augustus St.

Public Works Committee Report

It was moved by Councillor Castell, seconded by Councillor Akagi and carried that Council grant a \$250 reduction to Mrs. Pauline Boyd on the \$5000 water and sewer bill for her property at 83 Montague St. based on the possibility that up to 10% of the water may not have exited through the Town's sewer system. Councillor Craig and Councillor Myers registered nay votes.

Adjournment

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Castell that the meeting adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Mayor

Clerk

