



**TOWN OF SAINT ANDREWS
W. C. O'NEILL ARENA COMPLEX DINING ROOM
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
June 25, 2018**

MINUTES

RECORDING OF ATTENDANCE

A Special Meeting of the Town of Saint Andrews Council was held at the W. C. O'Neill Arena Complex in the Dining Room beginning at 6:05 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.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion 149 - 06/18

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Henderson, seconded by Councillor Bishop and carried that the Agenda be approved as presented.

Carried

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None

PRESENTATIONS

Age-Friendly Community Steering Committee - Survey Results

Caroline Davies, Spokeswoman for the Age-Friendly Community Steering Committee, delivered a PowerPoint presentation summarizing the process for acquiring the Age-Friendly Community designation. Approximately 12 members of the Committee were present.

Some highlights from her presentation are listed below:

4 Required Steps for Designation:

- Resolution passed by Council
- Establish age-friendly committee
- Conduct age-friendly assessment of community
- Develop and implement an action plan

The 4 steps have now been completed, excluding the *"Implementing an action plan"* which is now up to Council to implement. Ms. Davies noted that the Committee is well on the way to submitting the application, which is due before the end of March, 2019. The action plan also needs to be maintained yearly to *"keep"* the designation. Initiatives need to be taken to show that the Town is maintaining its age-friendly community status.

Highlights from the Survey:

- We are an aging community
- We are an active volunteer community
- People want to stay here
- Residents are seeking more connections between/across the generations
- Residents are looking for better recreational facilities and opportunities for all ages

Primary issues identified in the Survey:

- A Wellness Centre is needed
- More housing options are needed - affordable and suitable to different needs
- Better access to buildings is required
- More public washrooms and benches throughout the town
- Better transportation options
- Better communication: Information should be easy to find, easy to read, and easy to understand
- Establish an age-friendly advisory committee

COMMUNICATIONS

None

INTRODUCTION, CONSIDERATION AND PASSING OF BY-LAWS AND MOTIONS

None

QUESTION PERIOD

None

COUNCILLORS' AND DEPUTY MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Deputy Mayor Henderson and all of Town Council wished to acknowledge the hard work and dedication that the Age-Friendly Community Steering Committee has done to prepare for this designation. There have been countless meetings, public forums, and endless data to compile. The Committee has done a wonderful job and a huge thank you to all the volunteers who have helped make it happen.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Naish also congratulated the Committee, and acknowledged all the volunteer hours that the members have dedicated with this project. He noted that the designation may help us secure additional funding for the Town, especially the proposed Wellness Centre.

The Mayor agreed that it is very important to implement an Age-Friendly Advisory Committee to assist Council in planning an Age-Friendly future and to maintain the designation once it has been acquired.

The Clerk, through the Mayor, inquired if the Committee would be able to provide more details regarding the statistics from the survey responses, and asked if the concept of a Wellness Centre had been defined. This information would be helpful for identifying the community's desires for the services they would like to have.

ADJOURNMENT**Motion 150 - 06/18**

At 6:30 PM, it was moved by Councillor Groulx, seconded by Deputy Mayor Henderson and carried that the meeting be adjourned.

Carried


Doug Naish, Mayor



Angela McLean, Clerk

