



**TOWN OF SAINT ANDREWS  
SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL**

**Electronic Meeting**

**Monday, June 1, 2020, at 6:00 PM**

**MINUTES**

**RECORD OF ATTENDANCE**

A Special Meeting of the Town of Saint Andrews Council was held on Monday, June 1st, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present Mayor Doug Naish, Deputy Mayor Brad Henderson, Councillors Kate Akagi, Kurt Gumushel, Andrew Harrison, and Guy Groulx. Also, present: Chris Spear, CAO, Paul Nopper Clerk – Senior Administrator.

Late: Councillor Edie Bishop – 6:10 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Motion: 188 - 06/20**

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

**5-0 Carried**

**DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

**NONE**

**PRESENTATIONS**

*Chris Spear, CAO/Treasurer, and Paul Nopper, Clerk-Senior Administrator, presented the Downtown Saint Andrews Water Street Pilot Project.*

**COMMUNICATION**

**NONE**

**INTRODUCTION, CONSIDERATION, AND PASSING OF BY-LAW AND MOTIONS**

**Planning & Economic Development – Councillor Harrison**

**BTHC200503**

Discussions Regarding the Downtown Saint Andrews Water Street Pilot Project

*The Council received questions and comments from the public regarding parking, accessibility, deliveries, enforcement, communications, and flow of traffic in town.*

**QUESTION PERIOD**

- 1. Concerns for the hardware store and the accessibility to the store. I think the plan is going to be a hindrance to the store. We would ask if we can designate 4 spots beside the store as designated for the store?*
- 2. I have issues with parking at the laundromat for accessibility and access from around the communities. This could be a loss of revenue and will hurt my business.*
- 3. What are the three blocks that will be closed for parking on Water Street?*
- 4. Can this project just be a weekend project?*
- 5. How would "No Parking" be enforced.?*

6. *Can we cut down on RV's using Water Street? Can we direct them to use other streets to get to the Point?*
7. *The only parking on one side of the street will cut down on available spots for employee parking. Will there be a parking lot for employees of businesses?*
8. *I like the plan but have concerns about the increased pressure on parking for the Post Office and the Grocery Store. Will there be a way to control parking so only the Grocery Store customers can park at the Grocery Store and perhaps a time limit parking at the Post Office?*
9. *I am a little worried about limited parking, places like the Grocery Store parking lot will be full of business employees parking and tourist parking leaving no room for customers. I am good with the idea of a one-way street on Water Street but going to parking on only one side of the street will leave us short on parking. Are there alternative parking lots?*
10. *There are some construction projects slated for this summer on Water Street, how will you be handling parking for construction projects?*
11. *What is the rough cost of barricades?*

#### **COUNCILLORS' AND DEPUTY MAYOR'S COMMENTS**

*Councillor Bishop – We should give this plan a try and see how it works out.*

*Councillor Gumushel – I would like to echo Councillor Bishop's comments. The Transportation Master Plan ongoing from last year and this is about safety and creating safety patterns.*

*Councillor Harrison – Question for staff, one-way traffic, will one traffic lane be for pick up and one lane of others or will it be two lanes of flowing traffic?*

*CAO Spear – Most come down Water Street in an easterly direction. After Edward Street, cars can pull into the left lane to move around other vehicles. Currently, we do not want to paint lines on the road until we see how the project goes. Traffic moves slowly now through town and with this process, it will slow it a bit more. The lower speeds will help to get around other vehicles.*

*Councillor Groulx – I think the hardware store and other stores with large bulky items need to have this space. Laundromat can have them unload at the store. Some concerns about mobility and impaired individuals and not sure how to address or make it easy for the public. These are valid concerns and we need to find a workaround. We need to emphasize that this is a temporary project to assist businesses.*

*Councillor Akagi – Agreed that there has been a lot of hard work into this project. Hearing the objections from business and the public is important. We should put a 30-minute limit on parking. Perhaps handicapped spaces get extra time. We must allow for a good flow of parking with signs, maybe signs for the laundromat and hardware store on King Street so they have access. 30 minutes seems to be a good limit.*

*Deputy Mayor Henderson – People are looking to do safe activities, and this will inconvenience some but important for all residents to consider the support for local business. We need people to come here and feel safe and buy-in Saint Andrews. This is going to be a great opportunity to help support businesses. Business encroachment and spacing. A lot is at stake for businesses and we need to think big to support Saint Andrews. This year is going to be difficult, so we need to do something. We do not know the results of this, but we can stop this and go back to business as usual. We should alter the motions to drop the plans as needed.*

**MAYOR'S COMMENTS  
CLOSED SESSION  
ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion: 189 - 06/20**

At 7:01 p.m., it was move by Councillor Bishop, seconded Councillor Akagi that the meeting be adjourned.

**Carried 6 - 0**

  
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Doug Naish, Mayor

  
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Paul Nopper, Clerk – Senior  
Administrator

