



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

Electronic Meeting

Monday, August 10, 2020, at 6:00 PM

MINUTES

RECORD OF ATTENDANCE

A Special Meeting of the Town of Saint Andrews Council was held on Monday, August 10, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present Deputy Mayor Brad Henderson, Councillors Kate Akagi, Guy Groulx, Edie Bishop, Andrew Harrison, and Kurt Gumushel. Also, present: Chris Spear, CAO/Treasurer, Paul Nopper Clerk – Senior Administrator, Alexander Gopen, Planner, Southwest New Brunswick Service Commission.

Absent – Mayor Doug Naish

Facebook Attendance - 19
Zoom - 0

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: 293 - 08/20 *It was moved by Councillor Bishop, seconded by Councillor Harrison, and carried that the Agenda be approved as presented.*

Motion: 294 - 08/20 *It was moved by Councillor Akagi, seconded by Councillor Bishop, and carried that the Amended Agenda be approved as presented.*

Carried 5 - 0

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

NONE

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

PED200501a Council Workshop on the Draft Zoning By-Law

Alexander Gopen, Planner, provided a presentation overview of the draft Zoning By-Law changes. Discussion by Council involved:

- Short-term rentals and the need for a new By-Law to create a permit process with terms and conditions;
- Additional feedback from architects on height of buildings in the Town of Saint Andrews. Council reached consensus on the peak height of buildings to measure maximum height;
- Zoning Map changes to Central Commercial residential properties to Mixed Use and the need for consultation with property owners;
- The clause at the beginning of the draft Zoning By-Law to remain unchanged from the Community Planning Act preamble;
- Small changes to wording and definitions;
- Change in definition for long-term rental to reinforce permitting process for Short-Term Rental By-Law;

- Additional discussion on fencing, heights, styles, and need for further deer protection measures. Council will continue to review during the draft Zoning By-Law process;
- How the Short-Term Rental By-Law will associate with the Tourism Accommodation Levy. Direction to staff to create By-Law during Zoning By-Law process.

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Motion: 295 - 08/20

Wellness Centre Name

It was moved by Councillor Bishop, seconded by Councillor Akagi, and carried that Council approve the name Saint Andrews Wellness Centre for the new Wellness Centre at the W.C. O'Neill Arena.

Prior to the ordering of the sign, Council directed staff to consult with the Sir James Dunn Foundation on the name of the Wellness Centre. If Saint Andrews Wellness Centre is supported, then staff can proceed to order the sign.

NEW BUSINESS

NONE

QUESTION PERIOD

1. *Can current STR registered with the current Levy program be grandfathered in? Investments have already been made in properties, etc.*
2. *What does enforcement look like for those that rent as short-term rental but do not pay fees or meet permit requirements?*
3. *I think we need to remove the ask the neighbours in the permitting process. If it is permitted in a certain area, then it is permitted. If there are no noise complaints etc. after the initial permit is issued, then the STR should be allowed to proceed.*
4. *Once the permit recommendations and requirements are established, I think a letter should be sent out to all current Levy registers.*
5. *Thank you to Alexander Gopen for his studious work and recommendations on the STR.*
6. *Can we make sure that side yard requirements in the Zoning By-Law for the tourism rezoning does not get added to the new permitting process? Perhaps that should only apply to new builds.*
7. *Do not change the vacant lots to mixed use. Secondly, they are too small to be built on anyways.*
8. *I am so tired of having to tell clients I do not know what could happen next to them as the guidelines are clear as mud.*

COUNCILLORS' AND DEPUTY MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Councillor Bishop – regarding fencing and height. Citizens spend lots of money on plants and deer eat them. People are trying to protect their investments. Until the deer problem goes away, I cannot blame people for going against the By-Law. Think they are trying to protect their property.

Deputy Mayor Henderson – Council will be meeting with Minister Holland of the Department of Energy and Natural Resources on Wednesday, August 12th to discuss the nuisance deer issue and potential options to reduce the deer population.

Councillor Akagi – I would like to thank Alexander Gopen for his hard work and being thorough in his processes to completing the Municipal Plans.

Councillor Groulx – The meeting with Minister Holland is a face to face with Council and staff.

Deputy Mayor Henderson – Can we have some of the other service providers for the Wellness Centre give their feedback on the name of the Wellness Centre?

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

CLOSED SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: 296 - 08/20

At 7:36 p.m., it was move by Councillor Akagi, seconded Councillor Gumushel that the meeting be adjourned.

5-0 Carried



Doug Naish, Mayor



Paul Nopper, Clerk – Senior Administrator

