

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

MINUTES

Monday, January 14, 2019 7:00 p.m.

30 Honour House Court - Council Chambers

Members Present: Mayor Ann Seamans

Deputy Mayor Tammy Rampersaud

Councillor Wayne Bennett
Councillor Lana Hansen
Councillor John Coughlan
Councillor Jeremy Thorne
Councillor Cecile Cassista

Staff Present:

C. Smith, CAO

A. Crummey, Town Clerk

D. Richard, Deputy Town Clerk R. Higson, Director of Finance

M. Ouellet, Director of Engineering & Public Works

S. Thomson, Director of Economic Development

T. Finlay, Director of Human Resources

G. Cole, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Relations

D. Pleau, Fire Chief

Regrets: Councillor Andrew LeBlanc

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Seamans called the Regular Council Meeting of January 14, 2019 to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Moved by: Councillor C. Cassista

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor T. Rampersaud

That the agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council of January 14, 2019 be approved.

Motion Carried

3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

NIL

4. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

a. Regular Council Meeting - December 10, 2018

Moved by: Deputy Mayor T. Rampersaud

Seconded by: Councillor J. Thorne

That the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on Monday, December 10, 2018 be approved.

Motion Carried

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

NIL

6. CORRESPONDENCE

NIL

7. PETITIONS, PRESENTATIONS & DELEGATION

NIL

8. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

NIL

9. BY-LAWS

a. By-Law 700-65

A By-Law Relating to the Installation of Signs on Lands, Within, Owned and Administered by the Town of Riverview - 2nd reading, by section only, and third reading, by title only

Moved by: Councillor C. Cassista

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor T. Rampersaud

That second reading, by section only, be given to By-Law 700-65, A By-Law Relating to the Installation of Signs on Lands Within, Owned and Administered by the Town of Riverview.

Sections as follows:

Definitions;

Reference to Other By-Laws;

General Prohibition;

Written Approval & Timeframe;

Sign Announcing a Candidate for Public Office; and

Enforcement & Penalty

Motion Carried

Moved by: Councillor C. Cassista Seconded by: Councillor J. Coughlan

That third reading, by title only, be given to By-Law 700-65, A By-Law Relating to the Installation of Signs on Lands Within, Owned and Administered by the Town of Riverview.

The Town Clerk confirmed with Councillor Thorne that the by-law being enacted is a new by-law and the minimum fine which is being recommended is \$100.

Motion Carried

10. NOTICE OF MOTION

NIL

11. NEW BUSINESS

a. Wellness Steering Committee - Memorandum of Understanding

Moved by: Deputy Mayor T. Rampersaud

Seconded by: Councillor C. Cassista

That the Committee of the Whole recommend to Town Council to approve the Memorandum of Understanding Agreement between the Town of Riverview and the Community Wellness Centre Steering Committee for the creation of a Multi-Use Wellness Centre.

Councillor Cassista suggested that it might be helpful to provide a sense of the individuals appointed to the Wellness Steering Committee.

C. Smith remarked that Lawrence Forbes lives in Riverview and has been involved in the Riverview Arts Centre. He has been very active in the business community in Moncton and has taken on such roles as Chair of the United Way Capital Campaign, and Chair of Downtown Moncton. Shawn Dempsey, also a Riverview resident, is a solicitor. He also serves as one of the Town's citizen representatives on the Planning Advisory Committee. He has been active in the sporting community for a number of years. Owen MacNeil, another Riverview resident, has a company involved with financial lending. He has some background in the "Make a Wish" Campaign. Dennis Ronan has been heavily involved with the football and baseball communities in Riverview. He has been an active member of the community advocating for some of the elements of investment in our community. David Holt, former President of Modern Construction, who has lived in Riverview for a number of years has agreed

to serve in an advisory role on the Committee. He has been involved with the 3Plus organization as well as the Hospital Foundation.

C. Smith noted that the Town will continue to reach out to fill a few more gaps in the committee as the Town would like its composition to be a bit diversified. C. Smith reiterated that it is not a complete committee but wanted to move forward as the committee will be holding its first meeting in January.

Motion Carried

12. COUNCIL STATEMENTS/INQUIRIES

S. Thomson confirmed with Councillor Cassista that he was uncertain as to which business would be taking over the former Pizza Delight building.

Deputy Mayor Rampersaud wanted to pass along the appreciation of multiple residents to staff for an excellent job conducting the snow clearing operations. She also pointed out that previously she had updated Council on the Tri-Community Volunteer Policing group which will become part of the RCMP Auxiliary. Deputy Mayor Rampersaud had previously reported that the group would be donating its funds to local groups. She pointed out that at a recent meeting the group voted to donate their funds as follows: Mobile Mental Health - \$10,000; House Nazareth - \$10,000; Salvus Clinic and YMCA Connection received \$5,000 each; SPCA received their van. She stated that the group was extremely grateful for the support received by the Town over the years.

The Town Clerk confirmed with Councillor Thorne that DocuPet would be conducting a door to door campaign in the spring.

G. Cole confirmed with Councillor Thorne that at this point he could not provide a definite date when the Request for Proposal for the Lions Pool would be called. However, the anticipated start date, providing the submissions are within budget, will be mid-August. He confirmed that the Town would post the call for the Request for Proposal on the NBON web site which is the recognized method of seeking submissions in the industry.

Councillor Coughlan remarked that the Town had received many, many positive comments on the Light Up Riverview lights!

M. Ouellet confirmed with Councillor Coughlan that the recent Traffic Committee minutes referred to the installation of a larger stop sign on Pinewood. M. Ouellet remarked that the signage has been ordered and once it arrives will be installed at the same location.

M. Ouellet confirmed with Councillor Coughlan that with respect to the location of the stop sign the site lines were not an issue. Councillor Coughlan noted that the snow clearing operations may have an impact on the site lines.

Chief Pleau indicated that a source indicated to him that the former Pizza Delight building is going to be occupied by the West Side Pub and Bar and that the owner is from Halifax.

Deputy Mayor Rampersaud provided positive comments on the DocuPet on-line registration. She noted that she personally found it be it very user friendly and had heard the same comments from other residents who went on-line and registered.

The Town Clerk commented that for the November/December period 589 licenses had been sold under the new program. This is an 820% increase from the same time period in 2017.

Councillor Bennett commented on the recent article in newspaper about the proposed roundabout. He pointed out that the site lines for the stop sign is questionable. He has also received comments questioning the expense. It had been suggested that the Town could investigate other options such as putting up a light at the stop sign.

M. Ouellet commented that the intersection functions fairly well until someone is involved in an accident. He suggested that the accidents which are taking place are not just minor fender benders but tend to be more serious in nature such as T-bone accidents. He further stated that because of the location and the anticipated development in that area it is anticipated that there will be an increase in the amount of traffic at that location. M. Ouellet commented that he has not received the data from RCMP regarding the details of the accidents which have taken place. Once the Traffic Committee has this information it will be able to evaluate this location further. He is confident that a roundabout will greatly

increase safety. It is anticipated that the cost to construct the roundabout will be in the vicinity of \$450,000-\$500,000.

C. Smith remarked that Superintend Critchlow had made a commitment to provide information on the traffic accidents at the last Committee of the Whole meeting. Council can simply remind him of this commitment.

M. Ouellet confirmed with C. Smith that a four-way intersection with signalized lights would cost approximately \$250,000. However, this is not the ideal traffic solution which would cause delays whereas a roundabout would keep the traffic flowing.

Councillor Cassista noted that she had recently located to this area and can attest that it is a very busy intersection, and not just in the morning. She also suggested that there is a blind spot due to the snow clearing operations. She agreed that the area is very busy and with further development will only increase traffic which needs a solution.

The Town Clerk pointed out that soon the Town Council meetings will be live streamed. She indicated that she is scheduled to be trained next week and is planning to test out the system on January 28th. If all goes well, the meetings should be live for the Regular Council meeting to be held in February.

Councillor Hansen suggested that it might be wise to review the tested live streaming to check on site lines and mannerism which should be corrected.

Councillor Hanson also commented on the desire of the Carriage Hill residents for a playground in that particular area. The parents are not satisfied that the Mill Creek Park meets their expectation of a playground. She pointed out that there are number of small children in this area and the parents are starting to organize themselves to seek some form of tot lot/playground in their immediate area. She just wanted G. Cole to be aware of the request that may be in the works.

Mayor Seamans welcomed everyone back in the New Year. She indicated that she looked forwarded to achieving many more positive advancements for the Town this year.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Councillor J. Thorne

Seconded by: Councillor C. Cassista

That the meeting be adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Motion Carried