

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

MINUTES

Monday, January 28, 2019

30 Honour House Court - Council Chambers

Members Present: Mayor Ann Seamans

Deputy Mayor Rampersaud

Councillor Lana Hansen
Councillor John Coughlan
Councillor Cecile Cassista
Councillor Andrew LeBlanc

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

D. Pleau, Fire Chief

Regrets: Councillor Wayne Bennett

Councillor Jeremy Thorne

Gerry Cole, Director of Parks, Recreation & Community Relations

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Seamans called the meeting 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 be approved.

Motion Carried

3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Councillor LeBlanc declared a conflict of interest with respect to items pertaining to the Atlantic Wellness Centre and would be vacating the Council Chambers when the request for financial support was being considered by Council.

Mayor Seamans took the opportunity to welcome the residents in the audience. She noted that there was a good representation from the Seniors Roundtable.

4. CORRESPONDENCE

NIL

5. PETITIONS, PRESENTATIONS & DELEGATIONS

a. Presentation by Wade Hamilton, Executive Financial Consultant at Hamilton & Associates Private Wealth Management and Trevor MacDougall, Director, Major Gifts at Friends of the Moncton Hospital Foundation

Extraordinary Care Capital Campaign – The Moncton Hospital

Wade Hamilton indicated that he was the Co-Chair of the Leadership Gifts Capital Campaign. Robert Irving was also named the Honourary Co-Chair for the capital campaign. Wade Hamilton was accompanied by Trevor MacDougall, Director of Major Gifts at the Friends of the Moncton Hospital and Linda Saunders, Executive Director of the Friends of the

Moncton Hospital. Wade Hamilton stated that the goal of the Extraordinary Capital Campaign is to transform patient care at the Moncton Hospital.

He remarked that their Vision is to raise \$8 million of the \$60 million required to build the two state of the art facilities; namely, the Maternity & Newborn and the Cardiac Care units. Wade Hamilton suggested that the present day facilities and equipment do not match the skill level of our professionals. The new growth and changes proposed will improve patient care and services to be the best health care facility for the Greater Moncton Region. The new facilities will have the ability to save lives, and to attract top quality professionals. He commented that 21st century medicine must be able to be performed in a 21st century environment which would provide our patients with 21st century cutting edge care. Wade Hamilton remarked that the vision for the future equals design features for optimal family centered care, state of the art technology, best in class patient safety, privacy, and infection control that would enable staff to deliver services that everyone is proud of. This will be possible with the construction of the two critically important units; namely the Cardiac Care Unit and the Maternity & New Born Unit. Wade Hamilton stated that it is a once in a lifetime project.

Trevor MacDougall noted that the current unit was constructed in the 1950s, and he highlighted a number of issues that will be corrected with the construction of the new buildings. The new building for these units is of paramount importance to allow care for cardiac patients to rise to the 21st century level. The same can be said for the Maternity & Newborn Unit with improvements proposed for the labour and birthing unit, and neo natal intensive care. He noted that the desire is to build a place where families feel safe and comfortable and improve patient confidentially, which is one of the pillars of the medical profession.

Wade Hamilton indicated that the Extraordinary Capital Care Campaign is one of largest health care fund raising campaigns in the history of New Brunswick. The purpose of the presentation was to seek financial support from the Town of Riverview in the amount of \$100,000 over a five year

period. It was indicated that both Moncton and Dieppe are supporting the campaign which will impact the most vulnerable and fragile patients.

Wade Hamilton confirmed with Deputy Mayor Rampersaud that the newly proposed ventilation system will encompass the two new units.

Wade Hamilton confirmed with Councillor Hansen that the ongoing plans for the space occupied by the Cardiac Unit and the Maternity & New Born are not known at this time. There exists the opportunity to repurpose the space for offices.

Wade Hamilton confirmed with Councillor Cassista that Mr. Irving launched the \$8 million dollar campaign on November 8, 2018. The new units will be standalone but there will be a pedway between the main hospital and the Maternity & New Born unit.

Wade Hamilton confirmed with Councillor Coughlan that the Friends of the Moncton Hospital have negotiated with the Provincial government. The two buildings will cost \$60 million dollars of which \$8 million will come from the community.

Wade Hamilton confirmed with Mayor Seamans that at the campaign launch on November 8th they had achieved \$5.6 million. As of last Friday, January 25th the campaign had raised just over the \$7 million mark.

Wade Hamilton confirmed with Mayor Seamans that both the Cities of Dieppe and Moncton had committed to supporting the campaign.

6. EXTERNAL REPORTS

a. Building Permit Report - November, 2018

Taken as information.

b. Development Activity Report - November, 2018

Councillor Cassista commented that there seems to be a lot of potential growth coming our way.

C. Smith indicated that recently three proposed projects have gone through the Planning Advisory Committee and will be brought forward for Council's consideration.

S. Thomson confirmed with Councillor Coughlan that there was interest in the vacant property on Coverdale Road beside Bob's Bike shop but that project appears to have stalled. However, he noted that there are other interested parties in that particular lot.

Taken as information.

c. Building Permit Report - December, 2018

Taken as information.

d. Development Activity Report - December, 2018

Taken as information.

e. Codiac RCMP

6.e.1 Activity Snapshot for the month of November, 2018

Supt. Critchlow indicated that the statistics posted on their web site relate to the top 8 occurrences. He noted that last month there were 1,166 incidents and of those only 75 were related to Riverview, representing 6.5%.

He noted that in relation to the question pertaining to accidents at the Pine Glen and Pinewood intersection, he advised that there were 3 accidents. Members are developing a flow chart on how the RCMP interact with traffic accidents. If it is an enforcement issue they will deal with it.

Supt. Critchlow provided a brief update on the new RCMP building. The location of new RCMP building was released to the media. He indicated that the project is on track with the Building Committee and the next step will be working with the design consultants.

M. Ouellet confirmed with Councillor Cassista that the Traffic Committee had recommended to post speed feedback sign at this

location. The Committee is also considering a speed transition zone. He pointed out that for motorists entering the Town from Pine Glen (section above Mill Creek) the speed limit in that zone is 70. The speed limit then goes from 70 to 50. The Committee is considering the creation of a transition zone of 60 km.

Report taken as information.

6.e.2 Occurrence Statistics for the month of November, 2018

Report accepted as presented.

6.e.3 Occurrence Statistics for the month of December, 2018

Report accepted as presented.

7. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

a. Administration Department

7.a.1 Administration Report for the months of December, 2018 & January, 2019

Report accepted as presented.

7.a.2 Strategic Plan Update

Moved by: Deputy Mayor T. Rampersaud **Seconded by:** Councillor J. Coughlan

That the Committee of the Whole recommend to Town Council to accept the 2018/2019 Strategic Plan Status Report for information.

C. Smith indicated that the composition of the Strategic Plan is similar to last year. It is positive reflection of the work that went into 2018.

One note to keep in mind is that last year staff created a report to put on the Town web site. However this year under the Local Governance Act there is a requirement to prepare an annual report. The Annual Report will incorporate the strategic plan into

it, therefore, the Strategic Plan will not be posted independently on the website separately.

Motion Carried

b. Finance Department

7.b.1 Finance Report for the months of December, 2018 & January, 2019

R Higson highlighted the fact that staff was successful in obtaining an additional \$400,000 of funding from the Provincial government. These funds will be put towards construction costs in relations to Local Improvements which would otherwise have been borrowed or taken from the Gas Tax Reserve Funds. The details of this are included in the monthly report.

Report accepted as presented.

7.b.2 Consideration of Resolution to Borrow

Moved by: Deputy Mayor T. Rampersaud **Seconded by:** Councillor J. Coughlan

That the Committee of the Whole recommend to Town Council to accept the staff recommendation to apply to the Municipal Capital Borrowing Board to borrow up to the amount of \$5,300,000.

Motion Carried

c. Engineering & Works

7.c.1 Engineering & Works Report for the months November - December, 2018 up to January 15, 2019

M. Ouellet drew attention to one item in the monthly report relating to the watermain break table. It provides a summary of breaks in 2018 which equals 27. He suggested that these numbers are fairly consistent and the main cause continues to be the old cast iron pipes. However, since the replacement of the cast iron pipe

there have not been any breaks in those areas. M. Ouellet commented that it shows that our efforts are actually helping to reduce the number of breaks. While it will be a slow process which will take another 12 more years of replacing the cast iron pipe at the rate we are currently replacing them.

Report accepted as presented.

d. Fire Department

7.d.1 Fire Department Report for the month of November, 2018

Report accepted as presented.

7.d.2 Fire Department Report for the month of December, 2018

Report accepted as presented.

e. Parks, Recreation and Community Relations

7.e.1 Parks, Recreation & Community Relations Report for the months of December, 2018 & January, 2019

Deputy Mayor Rampersaud highlighted the Winter Carnival activities taking place beginning on Friday, February 1st with Ignite Riverview. She noted that there are many activities taking place in the coming week and encouraged everyone to get out and participate!

Report accepted as presented.

f. Business/Economic Development

7.f.1 Business/Economic Development Report for the month of January, 2019

Report accepted as presented.

7.f.2 Report on Web Summit

Report accepted as presented.

7.f.3 Business Visitation Report

Report accepted as presented.

g. Human Resources

7.g.1 Human Resources Report for the months of December, 2018 & January, 2019

T. Finlay pointed out that summer student applications have been open and the deadline for submission is February 11, 2019.

R. Higson confirmed with Councillor Coughlan that staff had budgeted for a 50% increase in WorkSafe NB rates; however the figures came in at \$3.89 per \$100 worth of salary or a 45% increase. He confirmed that the budgeted figure is adequate to cover the actual charge.

Report accepted as presented.

h. Corporate Services

7.h.1 Corporate Services Report for the months of November & December, 2018

Report accepted as presented.

8. OTHER BUSINESS

a. Consideration of 2019 Annual Community Investment Applications

Moved by: Deputy Mayor T. Rampersaud

Seconded by: Councillor J. Coughlan

That the Committee of the Whole recommend to Riverview Town Council to approve the following 2019 Annual Community Investment submissions:

Crime Stoppers Greater Moncton	1,000
ENSEMBLE Services Greater Moncton (formerly AIDS Moncton)	500

Greater Moncton SPCA	3,000
Mosaiq Multicultural Festival	2,000
Girl Guides of Canada - Riverview District	500
Tri-County Ground Search & Rescue Group	1,000
Greater Moncton Music Festival	1,000
Harmonie Codiac Concert Band	500
Riverview Branch Navy League (Coverdale Sea Cadets)	3,000
Town of Riverview Seniors Roundtable	800
Frye Festival	2,000
Albert County Action Committee	6,000
United Way SENB - Youth First Committee	1,500
La Bikery Co-operative	2,000
Greater Moncton Chorale	600
Salvus Clinic Incorporated (new request)	2,000
Atlantic Ballet Theatre of Canada	4,000
Greater Moncton Girls+ Rock Inc. (new request)	500
Moncton Headstart Inc.	2,000
Atlantic Wellness Community Center	10,000
Hubcap Comedy Festival	2,500
Riverview Scouts / Scouts Canada	1,500
Capitol Theatre Academy	1,500
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Greater Moncton Scottish Association	1,000
New Brunswick Refugee Clinic	1,500
Greater Moncton Santa Claus Parade	1,000

It should be noted that that Councillor LeBlanc declared a conflict of interest and left chambers at 8:04 p.m. when the Atlantic Wellness Centre request was brought forward. He resumed his seat at the end of the discussion at 8:07 p.m.

C Smith confirmed with Council that the change from discussing the Annual Grants at a Regular Council meeting to a Committee of the Whole meeting is more effective. It was noted that Council supports this approach.

Submissions were also received from the Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation Learning Centre, Junior Achievement New Brunswick, Harvest House, Rebecca Schofield All World Super Play Park, West Riverview School, Parklane Bowling Centre, all of which were denied.

Motion Carried

b. Grant Report for the month of January, 2019

NB Country Hall of Fame

Moved by: Councillor C. Cassista

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor T. Rampersaud

That the Committee of the Whole recommend to Riverview Town Council to award a grant in the amount of \$3,000 to the NB Country Music Hall of Fame to be held on October 14-19, 2019 at the Coverdale Centre.

Motion Carried

Greater Moncton Chinese Cultural Association

Moved by: Councillor C. Cassista Seconded by: Councillor A. LeBlanc

That the Committee of the Whole recommend to Riverview Town Council to award a grant in the amount of \$250 in support of the Greater Moncton Chinese Cultural Association event (Chinese New Year) being held on February 2, 2019.

Motion Carried

Greater Moncton Asian Heritage Society

Moved by: Councillor C. Cassista Seconded by: Councillor A. LeBlanc

That the Committee of the Whole recommend to Riverview Town Council to award a grant in the amount of \$250 to the Greater Moncton Asian Heritage Society in support of their events being held on May 4th and May 26th, 2019.

Motion Carried

Canadian Mental Health Association

Moved by: Deputy Mayor T. Rampersaud

Seconded by: Councillor C. Cassista

That the Committee of the Whole recommend to Riverview Town Council to award a grant in the amount of \$500 to the Canadian Mental Association in support of their event, "Faces of Recovery" being held on February 23, 2019 at the Cocoa Room.

Motion Carried

Pickleball Club

Moved by: Councillor C. Cassista

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor T. Rampersaud

That the Committee of the Whole recommend to Riverview Town Council to award a grant in the amount of \$300 to the Riverview Pickleball Club in support of their purchase of an AED for the Riverview East School.

The members of Council discussed the issue and a number of concerns were raised including the fact that it was a second hand model. Reference was made to the need for a new battery as well as the possible purchase of new pads for the device. There were also concerns expressed regarding the overseeing of the device, its maintenance, and training.

Councillor Hansen noted that there is a group petitioning to have AEDS installed in all the schools which would be at a significant cost.

Chief Pleau also noted that the Town had replaced 11 AEDs and did not distribute to other communities because of the age of the units and the issue of liability.

C. Smith remarked that in our Town buildings where the units are installed there is a Safety Committee who performs monthly safety checks including a review of the AED device. Also Deputy Chief True oversees the installation, training and maintenance of these devices.

Councillor Coughlan remarked that the Pickleball Club has played at different locations including the Coverdale Centre, the Riverview Middle School and the Riverview East School. He was not certain how old the unit was that the Club purchased.

Motion Defeated

Atlantic Nationals

Moved by: Councillor C. Cassista Seconded by: Councillor A. LeBlanc

That the Committee of the Whole recommend to Riverview Town Council to award a grant in the amount of \$3,500 in support of the Atlantic

National breakfast event being held at the Riverview Lions Club on July, 4, 2019.

Mayor Seamans inquired whether there could be a discussion on placing a dollar cap on this item.

Councillor Cassista commented that she would like all of Council present to discuss a cap. She noted that the Lions Club already charges a reduced rate of \$5 per head for breakfast.

Motion Carried

Riverview Skate Club

Moved by: Deputy Mayor T. Rampersaud

Seconded by: Councillor J. Coughlan

That the Committee of the Whole recommend to Riverview Town Council to support the Riverview Skate Club in the amount of \$2,500 in connection with hosting the 2019 Provincial Star Skate Championships & Invitation Syncro Competition from February 15-17th, 2019 being held at the Byron Dobson Arena.

Amendment:

Moved by: Councillor C. Cassista

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor T. Rampersaud

A proposed amendment to the motion to recommend was made to reduce the amount to \$1500.

Nay Vote: Councillor J. Coughlan

Motion Carried

Council voted on the original motion as amended.

Motion Carried

Lady Boss Collective

Does not meet the Community Investment criteria.

c. 2019 Proposed Local Improvements

Taken as information.

9. COUNCIL STATEMENTS/INQUIRIES

Mayor Seamans welcomed former Councillor Bob Hyslop to the Council Chambers.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Councillor C. Cassista

Seconded by: Councillor J. Coughlan

That the meeting be adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

Motion Carried