



## **REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL**

### **MINUTES**

**Monday, September 11, 2017**

**7:00 p.m.**

**30 Honour House Court - Council Chambers**

**Members Present:**

- Mayor Ann Seamans**
- Deputy Mayor Wayne Bennett**
- Councillor Andrew LeBlanc**
- Councillor Jeremy Thorne**
- Councillor Cecile Cassista**
- Councillor John Coughlan**
- Councillor Tammy Rampersaud**
- Councillor Lana Hansen**

**Staff:**

- Colin Smith, CAO**
- Annette Crummey, Town Clerk**
- Robert Higson, Director of Finance**
- Gerry Cole, Director of Parks, Recreation & Community Relations**
- Michel Ouellet, Director of Engineering & Public Works**
- Shane Thomson, Director of Economic Development**
- Tyla Finlay, Director of Human Resources**
- Denyse Richard, Deputy Clerk**

**Regrets:**

- Denis Pleau, Fire Chief**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Seamans called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

**Moved by:** Councillor Tammy Rampersaud

**Seconded by:** Councillor Cecile Cassista

An addition was proposed to the agenda: Item 6c - Letter from Brandon Scott LeBlanc - Comments re proposed By-Law 700-10-3.

*That the agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council of September 11, 2107 be approved as amended.*

**Motion Carried**

**3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

NIL

**4. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

**a. Regular Council Meeting - August 14, 2017**

**Moved by:** Councillor Jeremy Thorne

**Seconded by:** Councillor John Coughlan

*That the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on August 14, 2107 be approved.*

**Motion Carried**

**5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

NIL

**6. CORRESPONDENCE**

**a. Dave Thomas, President of Coach/Entraîneur NB**

Request to recognize National Coaches Week - September 23rd to 30th

Taken as information.

**b. Hon. Stephen Horsman, Minister of Families & Children**

Encourage participation in Wellness Week - October 1st - 7th

Taken as information.

**c. Brandon Scott LeBlanc -**

Comments on proposed By-law 700-10-11, A By-Law Relating to the Regulation of Traffic, Parking and the Use of Streets in the Town of Riverview

Town Clerk read the letter received from Mr. LeBlanc into the official record.

C. Smith remarked that the amendment to the by-law was not driven by the article written in the newspaper but rather by absentee owners. Council needed the tools to address this issue and therefore the proposed amendment was brought forward Council for consideration to Council.

**7. PETITIONS, PRESENTATIONS & DELEGATION**

NIL

**8. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

NIL

**9. BY-LAWS**

**a. By-Law 700-10-11**

A By-Law to Amend By-Law R700-10-3, A By-Law Relating to the Regulation of Traffic, Parking and the Use of Streets in the Town of Riverview - Second Reading, in full, and third reading, by title only

**Moved by:** Councillor Cecile Cassista

**Seconded by:** Councillor Tammy Rampersaud

*That leave be given to introduce second reading, in full, and third reading, by title only, to By-Law 700-10-11, A By-Law to Amend By-Law R700-10-3, A by-Law Relating to the Regulation of Traffic, Parking and the Use of Streets in the Town of Riverview.*

**Motion Carried**

**Moved by:** Councillor Cecile Cassista

**Seconded by:** Councillor Tammy Rampersaud

*That second reading, in full, be given to By-Law 700-10-11, A By-Law to Amend By-Law R700-10-3, A By-Law Relating to the Regulation of Traffic, Parking and the Use of Streets in the Town of Riverview.*

**Motion Carried**

**Moved by:** Councillor Cecile Cassista

**Seconded by:** Councillor Tammy Rampersaud

*That third reading, by title only, be given to By-Law 700-10-11, A By-Law to Amend By-Law R700-10-3, A by-Law Relating to the Regulation of Traffic, Parking and the Use of Streets in the Town of Riverview.*

**Motion Carried**

C. Smith confirmed with Councillor Cassista that the by-law is modeled after Dieppe's by-law. He pointed out that vacant lots are not addressed in the by-law as the Town does not want to get into the habit of going on private property to mow grass.

Councillor Cassista noted that the issue has been raised at Buckingham Place in connection with the vacant lot abutting their property. She remarked that since she has been in office since 2012 there have been issues with tall grass, and she and is happy to see that the by-law amendment is coming forward.

Councillor Rampersaud indicated that she has received positive comments on the proposed by-law.

Councillor Thorne noted that his main concern is the enforcement.

C. Smith confirmed that it would be a complaint driven process. Once a complaint was received and verified, a letter would be issued to the owner of the property. The property owner would then be provided with the opportunity to take care of the issue within a certain time frame. If not, the matter would proceed onto the next step and go through the court system wherein a fine could be levied by the judge. The matter would not come back to Council, it would proceed in the same manner as all other by-laws.

Councillor Bennett wondered whether such a fine could be applied to their water and sewer account.

C. Smith remarked that the Court would decide the final outcome and determine if a fine was to be levied.

Councillor Bennett indicated that he is concerned about property owners who live out of province who fail to make the payments on their water and sewer let alone collect a fine for being in contravention of a by-law.

C. Smith confirmed with Councillor Bennett that such an instance would be managed by the court.

**10. NOTICE OF MOTION**

NIL

**11. NEW BUSINESS**

**a. Award of Tender 17-08**

Snow & Ice Control

**Moved by:** Councillor Tammy Rampersaud

**Seconded by:** Councillor Jeremy Thorne

*That the contract for Snow & Ice Control 2017-2020, Contract 17-08, be awarded to Birch Hill Construction Ltd. in the amount of \$68,850.00 plus HST and that the Mayor and Town Clerk be authorized to sign all related documentation.*

**Motion Carried**

**b. Resolution to Borrow - Balance of Operations Centre**

**Moved by:** Councillor Tammy Rampersaud

**Seconded by:** Councillor Lana Hansen

***BE IT RESOLVED*** that the Clerk and/or Treasurer and/or Mayor be authorized to issue and sell to the New Brunswick Municipal Finance Corporation a Municipality of Riverview debenture in the principal amount of \$4,100,000 on such terms and conditions as are recommended by the New Brunswick Municipal Finance Corporation, and be it resolved that the Municipality of Riverview agree to issue post-dated cheques payable to the New Brunswick Municipal Finance Corporation as and when they are requested in payment of principal and interest charges on the above debenture.

**Motion Carried**

The resolution will allow the Town to borrow an amount sufficient to finance the balance of the cost of the Operations Centre capital construction project.

R. Higson pointed out that last year the Town borrowed \$10 million. Because the project came in under budget the Town does not require the full borrowing. The \$4.1 is the remaining cost to be financed for this project. R. Higson confirmed with Councillor Thorne that the debt ratio is 15.63%.

**c. Approval of Service Level Agreement - 3Plus**

**Moved by:** Councillor John Coughlan

**Seconded by:** Deputy Mayor Wayne Bennett

*That Riverview Town Council approve the Service Level Agreement with 3+ Corporation, our regional economic development agency, and give the Mayor and Town Clerk authorization to sign all appropriate documentation on behalf of the Town.*

**Motion Carried**

**d. Appointment of Auditors**

For fiscal year ending December 31, 2017

**Moved by:** Councillor Cecile Cassista

**Seconded by:** Councillor Jeremy Thorne

*That the Riverview Town Council appoint the firm of AC Stevenson & Partners CPA LLP as auditors for the Town of Riverview for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017.*

**Motion Carried**

**e. Resolution - Request for Comprehensive Study - Water Fluoridation**

**Moved by:** Deputy Mayor Wayne Bennett

**Seconded by:** Councillor Cecile Cassista

**WHEREAS** water fluoridation is a technical and complex issue;

**WHEREAS** municipalities do not have the expertise required to assess the impacts of adding or not adding fluoride to the drinking water they provide;

**WHEREAS** it is imperative to be aware of all the issues related to water fluoridation in order to make an informed decision;

***BE IT RESOLVED*** that the Town of Riverview urges the other New Brunswick municipalities to ask the municipal associations of NB and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) that a comprehensive study be conducted by the Federal Government with regards to water fluoridation, including both positive and negative aspects of fluoridation; and

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED*** that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Federal Government with a copy to our members of Parliament representing the 10 New Brunswick constituencies.

**Motion Carried**

C. Smith provided a little back ground on this topic. He remarked that the issue had come to light when the City of Moncton began dealing with this issue. Riverview Town Council was given an opportunity to listen to presentations as a courtesy because the Town of Riverview is a customer. The Town purchases its water from the City of Moncton. Dieppe passed the resolution in March 2017. Subsequently, Mr. Smith brought forward the resolution for discussion and direction by Riverview Town Council.

Councillor Cassista stated that she was pleased to see the resolution. She inquired whether the resolution had come forward to Moncton. C. Smith was uncertain as to how they will proceed.

Mayor Seamans indicated that the resolution is intended as support for the City which will allow them to gain more information to make their final decision.

**f. Consideration of New Policy - Art Procurement**

**Moved by:** Councillor Tammy Rampersaud

**Seconded by:** Deputy Mayor Wayne Bennett

*That the Riverview Town Council accept the recommendation of staff to adopt the Art Procurement Program Policy.*

**Motion Carried**

The Town Clerk advised that the new policy was being introduced. Council could pass a motion to approve if they saw fit to do so.

Councillor Thorne inquired whether the figure was locked in the budget as \$3000. C. Smith remarked that Council can discuss the issue during budget deliberations and

the figure could be adjusted up or down based on Council's direction. Currently three thousand dollars is the amount set for 2017.

C. Smith applauded the great research done by The Town Clerk and Paulette Tingley of the Parks & Recreation Department.

**g. Grant Report - September 2017**

**Moved by:** Councillor Tammy Rampersaud

**Seconded by:** Deputy Mayor Wayne Bennett

*That Riverview Town Council support the Law Enforcement Torch Run in the amount of \$500 which is being held on November 5, 2017.*

**Motion Carried**

Councillor Coughlan noted that it will be the first year for the Law Enforcement Torch Run to be held in Riverview.

Councillor Cassista remarked that it is a great cause with funds going to the Special Olympics.

**12. COUNCIL STATEMENTS/INQUIRIES**

Mayor Seamans thanked the audience for attending the meeting.

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

**Moved by:** Councillor Cecile Cassista

**Seconded by:** Deputy Mayor Wayne Bennett

*That the meeting be adjourned at 7:40 p.m.*

**Motion Carried**

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Ann Seamans, Mayor

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Annette Crummey, Town Clerk