

Town of Woodstock

Regular Council Meeting
February 26, 2018 @ 7pm

ATTENDANCE:

Council: Mayor Arthur Slipp, Deputy Mayor Amy Anderson, Councillor Jeff Bradbury, Councillor Catherine Sutherland, Councillor Theresa Blackburn, Councillor Hogan.

Staff: CAO John Pinsent, DAS Ann Marie Voutour

Media: Bugle/Observer

Others: Kim Wetmore, Garth McCrea, Sam Arnold, John Slipp, Ellen Helmuth, Brendan Helmuth, Tim Cook, Dwight and Sandra Greene.

REGRETS: Councillor George Leonard.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Slipp

OPENING REMARKS:

Mayor Slipp welcomed those in attendance and commented on community events.

Boys and girls WHS Basketball teams competed at Harbour Station on February 23.

The window installation has been completed at the Thompson Centre & LP Fisher Library on the Chapel Street side.

The official opening of the computer bank at the Thompson Centre took place on Jan 27 2018.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOTION: Approval of agenda. Councillor Sutherland, Councillor Bradbury.

Carried. #045-2018

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION: Approval of Minutes, February 12, 2018. Councillor Sutherland, Councillor Bradbury.

Carried. #046-2018

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BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

Cannabis Outlet

Discussions are ongoing with the Province with respect to the cannabis outlet.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Councillor Sutherland presented Departmental Reports for the month of January 2018.

MOTION: Accept Departmental Reports for January 2018 as presented, excluding Financial Report and payment of bills. Councillor Sutherland, Councillor Bradbury.

Carried #047-2018

FINANCE:

Councillor Sutherland reviewed the Budget Analysis for January 2018.

MOTION: To accept Financial Reports for January 2018 as presented and ratify paid bills in amount of \$635,714.41 and approval of payment of unpaid bills in amount of \$295,168.09 to be paid when funds are available for a total of \$930,882.50. Councillor Sutherland, Councillor Bradbury.

Carried #048-2018

CORRESPONDENCE:

Amanda Hamilton – Animal Control By-Law Amendment

A letter was received from Amanda Hamilton concerning the cat overpopulation in the Town of Woodstock.

MOTION: To refer the letter from Amanda Hamilton concerning the cat overpopulation in the Town of Woodstock to the Protective Services Committee. Deputy Mayor Anderson, Councillor Bradbury.

Carried #049-2018

Sandra and Dwight Greene – Nuisance Cats

A letter was received from Sandra and Dwight Greene concerning some problems with neighborhood cats.

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MOTION: To refer the letter from Sandra and Dwight Greene concerning nuisance cats to the Protective Services Committee. Councillor Hogan, Councillor Bradbury.

Carried #050-2018

Timothy Cook Construction Ltd – Rezoning of PID# 10249308

A letter was received from Tim Cook of Timothy Cook Construction Ltd concerning the proposed rezoning of PID #10249308 indicating his commitment to work with Council and staff to develop a suitable sidewalk / biking path in the area of this proposed rezoning.

The Epilepsy Association of Nova Scotia – Purple Day – March 26

A letter was received from The Epilepsy Association of Nova Scotia requesting council's support Purple Day on March 26th.

Purple Day for Epilepsy Proclamation

Whereas Purple Day is a global effort dedicated to promoting epilepsy awareness in countries around the world, and

Whereas Purple Day was founded in 2008 by Cassidy Megan, a nine-year-old girl from Nova Scotia, who wanted people to know that if you have epilepsy, you are not alone, and

Whereas epilepsy is one of the most common neurological conditions, estimated to affect more than 50 million people worldwide, and more than 300,000 people in Canada, and

Whereas the public is often unable recognize the common seizure types, or how to respond with appropriate first aid, and

Whereas Purple Day will be celebrated on March 26 annually to increase understanding, reduce stigma and improve the quality of life for people with epilepsy throughout the country and globally,

I therefore proclaim March 26, 2018 Purple Day in New Brunswick, in an effort to raise epilepsy awareness everywhere.

MOTION: To adopt the proclamation of the Epilepsy Association and proclaim March 26, 2018 Purple Day in an effort to raise epilepsy awareness everywhere. DMA, Councillor Bradbury.

Carried #051-2018

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NEW BUSINESS:

Public Presentation – Green Space on Green Street

Members of the Green Street Community Interest Group, Kim Wetmore, Brenden Helmuth, Garth McCrea, John Slipp & Sam Arnold made a presentation concerning the property located at the former Middle School on Green Street. They are looking for the Town to acquire the property.

CAO Pinsent and Mayor Slipp updated the meeting on the status of the former Middle School following discussions with the Province.

Consideration of Third Reading and Enactment

Proposed By-Law #Z-300-33 and #Z-301-32

A Portion of PID# 10249308 – Deakin Drive

CAO Pinsent updated the meeting on the status of this rezoning. The Carleton Manor no longer has concerns. The meeting referred to the letter previously read in Correspondence from Tim Cook.

MOTION: Third reading by title, By-Law No. Z-300-33, a By-Law to amend By-Law Z-300, A Municipal Plan By-Law for the purpose of rezoning a portion of PID 10249308 Deakin Drive from “RM” Residential Mixed to “HC” Highway Commercial. Deputy Mayor Anderson, Councillor Bradbury. Carried. #052-2018

MOTION: Third reading by title, By-Law No. Z-301-32, a By-Law to amend By-Law Z-301, A Zoning By-Law for the purpose of rezoning a portion of PID 10249308 Deakin Drive from “RM” Residential Mixed to “HC” Highway Commercial. Councillor Hogan, Councillor Bradbury. Carried. #053-2018

Planning Advisory Committee – February 26, 2018

DAS Voutour presented the report of the Planning Advisory Committee.

CAO Pinsent and Deputy Mayor Anderson reviewed the items with PAC.

MOTION: To accept Planning Advisory Committee report, with date corrected, for February 26, 2018. Deputy Mayor Anderson, Councillor Bradbury. Carried. #054-2018

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Ratification of the Procurement Policy

CAO Pinsent presented the final Procurement Policy of the Town of Woodstock.

MOTION: To ratify the Procurement Policy. Councillor Hogan, Councillor Bradbury.

Carried. #055-2018

Northern Region Committee MOU

CAO Pinsent presented the Northern Region Committee Memorandum of Understanding.

MOTION: To ratify the Northern Region Committee Memorandum of Understanding. Councillor Sutherland, Councillor Bradbury.

Carried. #056-2018

NEXT MEETING DATE: March 12, 2018 at 7pm - Town Hall.

MOTION: Move to Committee Of The Whole, Councillor Sutherland, Councillor Bradbury.

Carried. #057-2018

MOTION: Resume Regular Session, Councillor Sutherland, Councillor Bradbury.

Carried. #058-2018

MOTION: To appoint Eugene Craig to the LP Fisher Library Board for a term of one year. Deputy Mayor Anderson, Councillor Blackburn.

Carried.

#059-2018

MOTION: Adjournment. Councillor Blackburn, Deputy Mayor Anderson.

Carried. #060-2018

Arthur Slipp, Mayor

Ann Marie Voutour, Clerk / Treasurer

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Director of Administrative Services

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

The following matters were discussed:

- Legal Issues.
- Personnel.

Ann Marie Voutour, Clerk / Treasurer
Director of Administrative Services