

**Town of Kensington
Committee of Council Meeting
Monday, May 25, 2021
6:30 PM**

Council Members Present: Mayor, Rowan Caseley; Deputy Mayor, Coreen Pickering
Councillors: Gallant, MacRae, Toombs, Spencer, and Mann.

Staff Members Present: Chief Administrative Officer, Geoff Baker; Deputy Administrator, Wendy MacKinnon; Administrative Assistant, Kim Caseley

Visitors: Jason Simmonds – Journal Pioneer

1. Calling of Meeting to Order

1.1 Mayor Caseley called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm and welcomed Council members, staff, and visitors.

2. Adoption of Agenda

2.1 *Moved by Councillor Toombs, seconded by Councillor Spencer to approve the agenda for the May 25, 2021 Committee of Council meeting. Unanimously carried.*

3. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

3.1 Mayor Caseley discussed that Members of Committee of Council or staff who believe they may have a conflict of interest on any matter that will be discussed at this meeting should declare that potential conflict at this time, withdraw at the time of discussion and vacate the Council Chambers during deliberation and decision.

4. Delegations, Special Speakers and Public Input

4.1 *Nil*

5. Adoption of Previous Meeting Minutes

5.1 *Moved by Councillor Gallant, seconded by Councillor Spencer to approve the Committee of Council meeting minutes from April 26, 2021. Unanimously carried.*

6. Business Arising from Minutes

6.1 Councillor Spencer inquired if there was an update on the sign located at 109 Victoria Street, Frosty Treat Dairy Bar. Mr. Baker confirmed that he spoke with the

Department of Transportation and is waiting for further information.

7. Staff Reports

7.1 CAO's Report

7.1.1 *Moved by Councillor Toombs, seconded by Councillor Gallant to receive and recommend approval to Town Council the adoption of the May 2021 CAO's Report as prepared by CAO, Geoff Baker. Unanimously carried.*

7.1.2 Deputy Mayor Pickering discussed the railyard parking area near the Kensington Liquor Store and the Island Stone Pub. The Heart of PEI Initiative offered to send a letter to stakeholders in the area regarding proposed improvements and changes.

7.1.3 *Moved by Councillor Toombs, seconded by Deputy Mayor Pickering to have Mayor Caseley and CAO, Geoff Baker discuss the centralized garbage receptacle area with stakeholders in the railyards area, specifically as it relates to why the Town has taken the initiative, and providing safe access to the area.*

Unanimously carried.

7.1.4 Councillor Gallant inquired if the Town has considered restoring the James Mullally Blacksmith Shop following a recent fire. The Town's insurance company has hired a structural engineer to review the building and provide a report on whether it is salvageable. More information will be brought forward to Town Council once the report is available.

7.2 Fire Department Statistical Report

7.2.1 *Moved by Councillor Gallant, seconded by Councillor Spencer to receive and recommend to Town Council the adoption of the April 2021 Fire Chief's Report as prepared by Fire Chief Hickey. Unanimously carried.*

7.3 Police Department Statistical Report

7.3.1 *Moved by Councillor MacRae, seconded by Councillor Toombs to receive and recommend to Town Council the adoption of the April 2021 Police Statistical Report as prepared by Chief Sutherland. Unanimously carried.*

7.4 Development Permit Summary Report

7.4.1 *Moved by Deputy Mayor Pickering, seconded by Councillor Spencer to receive the May 2021 Development Permit Summary Report as prepared by Administrative Assistant, Kim Caseley. Unanimously carried.*

7.5 Financial Report (Summary Income Statement & Bills List)

7.5.1 *Moved by Councillor Mann, seconded by Councillor MacRae to receive and recommend to Town Council the approval of the General Bills List for April 2021 in the amount of \$145,226.33. Unanimously carried.*

7.5.2 *Moved by Councillor Mann, seconded by Councillor Toombs to receive, and recommend to Town Council the approval of the Water & Pollution Control Corporation Bills List for April 2021 in the amount of \$15,817.41. Unanimously carried.*

7.6 **Summary Income Statement**

7.6.1 *Moved by Councillor Gallant, seconded by Councillor Mann to receive and recommend to Town Council the adoption of the Summary Income Statements for April 2021, as prepared by Deputy Administrator, Wendy MacKinnon. Unanimously carried.*

7.7 **Credit Union Centre Report**

7.7.1 *Moved by Councillor Toombs, seconded by Councillor Spencer to receive and recommend to Town Council the adoption of the Credit Union Centre Report for April 2021, as prepared by CUC Manager, Robert Wood. Unanimously carried.*

8. **New Business**

8.1 **Land Purchase Request – School Street**

8.1.1 *Moved by Councillor Spencer, seconded by Councillor Gallant.*

THAT Committee of Council recommend that Town Council decline the request of Ann and Carl Dawson to dispose of any portion of the 12 School Street property, the former Gill property or the former warehouse properties located behind the Malpeque Bay Credit Union.

Unanimously carried.

8.2 **Covered Benches**

8.1.2 *Moved by Councillor Gallant, seconded by Councillor Spencer to approve the purchase of two seating area structures to be built by the KISH Industrial Arts Class at the approximate cost of \$900.00 each.*

Unanimously carried.

9. **Councillor Issues/Inquiries**

- 9.1 Mayor Caseley recognized May 25 - 28, 2021 as Indigenous Awareness Week, May 23-30, 2021 as National Tourism Week and May 25 as National Impaired Enforcement Day.
- 9.2 June 14, 2021 at 6:45, photographer Buffy Boily will be present to take an updated Councillor group photo.
- 9.3 Mayor Caseley reported he recently attended a meeting with Premier King on the future of the Prince County Hospital. It was discussed that services will not be decreased at the hospital and that the Province's desire is to improve and expand services.
- 9.4 Councillor Spencer requested that the area located on the North side of the Train Station between the parking lot be cleaned up and flower boxes/pots added.
- 9.5 Councillor Spencer noted that the 2 hr parking signs located along Broadway Street between School Street and Victoria Street require re-painting and/or replacement.

10. Correspondence

- 10.1 A thank you card from the family of the late George Caseley.
- 10.2 A thank you letter from the PCH Foundation on the Town's recent long term financial commitment.
- 10.3 A donation request from the IWK Foundation Telethon.

Moved by Councillor Spencer, seconded by Deputy Mayor Pickering

THAT Committee of Council recommend to Town Council the approval of a financial contribution to the IWK Foundation in the amount of \$5,000 payable at \$500 per year for 10 years, starting in 2021 and ending in 2030.

Unanimously carried.

11. In-Camera (Closed Session)

- 11.1 *Nil.*

12. Adjournment

- 12.1 *Moved by Councillor Spencer, seconded by Councillor MacRae to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 pm. Unanimously carried.*

Geoff Baker,
CAO

Rowan Caseley,
Mayor