

**Town of Kensington**  
**Minutes of Regular Council Meeting**  
**Monday, January 13, 2014**  
**7:00 PM**

**Council Members Present:** Mayor Gordon Coffin; Councillors: Deputy Mayor Caseley, Spencer, Mann, Mill and MacLean

**Staff Members Present:** Chief Administrative Officer, Geoff Baker; Deputy Administrator, Wendy MacKinnon; Administrative Assistant, Kim Caseley; Police Chief, Lewis Sutherland; Jessica Caseley

**Visitors:** ACOA Director of Tourism, Kent MacDonald  
ACOA Director of Infrastructure, Marilyn Murphy

**Regrets:** Councillor Gallant

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**1. Calling of Meeting to Order**

**1.1** Mayor Coffin called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and welcomed Council members, staff & visitors.

**2. Approval of Tentative Agenda**

**2.1** *Moved by Councillor MacLean seconded by Councillor Spencer to approve the tentative agenda for the January 13, 2014 regular meeting of Town Council. Unanimously carried.*

**3. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings**

**3.1** *Moved by Councillor Spencer, seconded by Councillor Mill to approve the minutes for the December 9, 2013 regular Council Meeting. Unanimously carried.*

**3.2** *Moved by Councillor Spencer, seconded by Deputy Mayor Caseley to approve the minutes for the December 11, 2013 Special Council Meeting. Unanimously carried.*

**4. Strategic Tourism Expansion Program (STEP)**

**4.1** Kent MacDonald and Marilyn Murphy made a presentation to Councillors on the Strategic Tourism Expansion Program (STEP).

## **5. Business Arising from Minutes**

### **5.1 Minutes from December 9, 2013 Regular Council Meeting**

- 5.1.1 Councillor Spencer reported positive feedback from residents on the additional street lighting recently installed throughout the Town.

## **6. Committee Reports**

### **6.1 Police Committee Report**

- 6.1.1 *Moved by Councillor MacLean, seconded by Deputy Mayor Caseley to adopt the December 2013 Police Committee Report as presented by Councillor MacLean. Unanimously carried.*

- 6.1.2 Police Committee will review the volume of non-emergency assistance calls that the police department responds to each month.

- 6.1.3 Police Committee will review a new Police Occurrence Reporting System known as OSCID.

### **6.2 Property Committee Report**

- 6.2.1 *Moved by Councillor Mill, seconded by Deputy Mayor Caseley to approve the Annual Building Permit Summary for 2013 as presented by Councillor Mill. Unanimously carried.*

### **6.3 Parks and Recreation Committee Report**

- 6.3.1 *Moved by Councillor Mill, seconded by Councillor MacLean to adopt the December 2013 Parks and Recreation Committee Report as presented by Councillor Mill. Unanimously carried.*

- 6.3.2 The Annual Kensington – Bedford Hockey exchange will take place from January 24-26, 2014.

### **6.4 Public Works Committee Report**

- 6.4.1 *Moved by Councillor Spencer, seconded by Deputy Mayor Caseley to adopt the December 2013 Public Works Report as presented by Councillor Spencer. Unanimously carried.*

- 6.4.2 The Public Works Committee has reviewed the stormwater drainage report prepared by Genivar for the Linwood/Broadway Street area. Staff have been directed by Committee to investigate possible funding sources to complete the project as proposed by Genivar, which includes an options review, topographical survey and detailed design.

**6.5 Fire Committee Report**

- 6.5.1** *Moved by Councillor Mann, seconded by Councillor Spencer to adopt the December 2013 Fire Committee Report as presented by Councillor Mann. Unanimously carried.*

**6.6 Finance and Administration Committee Report**

- 6.6.1** *Moved by Deputy Mayor Caseley, seconded by Councillor Spencer to adopt the Finance and Administration Committee report for the month of December 2013, as presented by Deputy Mayor Caseley. Unanimously carried.*
- 6.6.2** *Moved by Deputy Mayor Caseley, seconded by Councillor MacLean to approve the December 2013 Summary Income Statement as presented by Deputy Mayor Caseley. Unanimously carried.*
- 6.6.3** *Moved by Deputy Mayor Caseley, seconded by Councillor Mill to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$191,877.30 for the month of December 2013. Unanimously carried.*

**6.7 Community Gardens Complex Committee**

- 6.7.1** *Moved by Deputy Mayor Caseley, seconded by Councillor MacLean to approve the Community Gardens Complex Committee Report for December 2013 as presented by Deputy Mayor Caseley. Unanimously carried.*

**6.8 Kensington 2014 Celebrations Committee**

- 6.8.1** *Moved by Deputy Mayor Caseley, seconded by Councillor Spencer to approve the Kensington 2014 Celebrations Committee report for the month of December 2013 as presented by Deputy Mayor Caseley. Unanimously carried.*
- 6.8.2** *Moved by Deputy Mayor Caseley, seconded by Councillor Spencer THAT Town Council approve Buffie Boily Photographic Arts to be the official 2014 photographer and to compile a 50 page album of events for the quoted cost of \$3,600 plus HST . Unanimously carried.*

**6.9 Mayor's Report**

- 6.9.1** *Moved by Deputy Mayor Caseley, seconded by Councillor Mill to approve the Mayor's report for December 2013.*

**7. Welcome PEI Handbook**

**7.1** *Moved by Deputy Mayor Caseley, seconded by Councillor MacLean THAT Town Council approve the procurement of a full page advertisement in the 2014 edition of the Welcome PEI Handbook and to become a featured advertiser on welcomepei.com for 2014 at a total cost of \$3665.00 plus HST. Unanimously carried.*

**8. Correspondence**

**8.1** A letter requesting a donation for the live auction and benefit for June Adams. A *donation of a golf shirt and calendar was approved.*

**8.2** A thank you card from the Knights of Columbus for the use of the town BBQ.

**8.3** A letter from Key-Murray Law notifying their clients of the recent name change from McInnes Cooper.

**8.4** A letter from FPEIM requesting the town's support in their efforts to have the Government of Canada to reverse its decision to close nine Veteran Affairs District offices.

*Moved by Deputy Mayor Caseley, seconded by Councillor Mill.*

**WHEREAS, the Government of Canada has announced that it intends to close eight Veterans Affairs District Offices, including the office in Charlottetown;**

**WHEREAS, Veterans Affairs District Offices provide direct, in-person, services to Veterans;**

**WHEREAS, Veterans have made tremendous personal sacrifices in their dedicated service to Canada; and**

**WHEREAS, Veterans need and deserve easy access to the services provided by Veterans Affairs District Offices;**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Kensington calls upon the Government of Canada to reverse its decision to close Veterans Affairs District Offices.**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Veterans Affairs, the Members of Parliament and Senators representing Prince Edward Island, the Premier of Prince Edward Island, and the Royal Canadian Legion.**

*Unanimously carried.*

- 8.5** A letter and resolution from FPEIM to the Honourable Jason Kenney, Minister of Employment and Social Development regarding the development of a new long-term Federal plan to fix Canada's housing crunch.

*Moved by Deputy Mayor Caseley, seconded by Councillor Mann,*

**WHEREAS** *a stable and secure housing system that creates and maintains jobs and allows for a range of living options is essential to attracting new workers, meeting the needs of young families and supporting seniors and our most vulnerable citizens;*

**WHEREAS** *the high cost of housing is the most urgent financial issue facing Canadians with one in four people paying more than they can afford for housing, and mortgage debt held by Canadians now standing at just over \$1.1 trillion;*

**WHEREAS** *housing costs and, as the Bank of Canada notes, household debt, are undermining Canadians' personal financial security, while putting our national economy at risk;*

**WHEREAS** *those who cannot afford to purchase a home rely on the short supply of rental units, which is driving up rental costs and making it hard to house workers in regions experiencing strong economic activity;*

**WHEREAS** *an inadequate supply of subsidized housing for those in need is pushing some of the most vulnerable Canadians on to the street, while \$1.7 billion annually in federal investments in social housing have begun to expire;*

**WHEREAS** *coordinated action is required to prevent housing issues from being off loaded onto local governments and align the steps local governments have already taken with regard to federal/provincial/territorial programs and policies;*

**WHEREAS** *the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) has launched a housing campaign, "Fixing Canada's Housing Crunch," calling on the federal government to increase housing options for Canadians and to work with all orders of government to develop a long-term plan for Canada's housing future;*

**WHEREAS** *FCM has asked its member municipalities to pass a council resolution supporting the campaign; and*

**WHEREAS** *cities, towns and communities in Prince Edward Island have continuing housing needs that can only be met through the kind of long-term planning and investment made possible by federal leadership;*

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** *that the Town of Kensington endorses the FCM housing campaign and urges the Minister of Employment and Social Development to develop a long-term plan for housing that puts core investments on solid ground, increases predictability, protects Canadians from the planned expiry of \$1.7 billion in social housing agreements and ensures a healthy stock of affordable rental housing for Canadians.*

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** *that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Minister noted above, Members of Parliament representing Prince Edward Island, the Minister of Community Services and Seniors, the Minister of Finance, Energy and Municipal Affairs, and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities.*

*Unanimously carried.*

- 8.6** A letter from the Bedford Peewee Hockey Exchange committee requesting the towns support for the 46<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2014.

*Moved by Councillor MacLean, seconded by Councillor Mann to approve a \$500.00 donation to the Kensington/Bedford Peewee Hockey Exchange. Unanimously carried.*

- 8.7** A request on behalf of Cycling PEI for the town to sponsor a BBQ lunch for an event on June 8, 2014 at the Railyard Gazebo.

*Moved by Councillor Mill, seconded by Councillor MacLean to host a BBQ lunch for a Cycling PEI on June 8, 2014. Unanimously carried.*

- 8.8** KISH Newsletter

- 8.9** *Moved by Deputy Mayor Caseley, seconded by Councillor Mill to donate the ice rental for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Kensington Initiation Hockey Jamboree on February 17, 2014. Unanimously carried.*

*Moved by Deputy Mayor Caseley, seconded by Councillor Spencer to recess for 10 minutes at 9:10 PM. Unanimously carried.*

Mayor Coffin called the meeting back to order at 9:20 PM

## **9. Committee of the Whole – In-Camera**

- 9.1** *Moved by Deputy Mayor Caseley, seconded by Councillor MacLean to commence into a Committee of the Whole meeting at 9:20 PM. Unanimously carried.*

- 9.2** *Moved by Councillor MacLean, seconded by Councillor Spencer to come out of the Committee of the Whole meeting at 9:43 PM. Unanimously carried.*

- 9.3** *Moved by Councillor Mann, seconded by Councillor Spencer to approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Town of Kensington and the Canadian Union of Public Employees - CUPE Local 4893. Unanimously carried.*

## **10. Other Matters**

**10.1** Councillor Spencer expressed his concern regarding the proposed changes in regulation for deep water – high capacity wells on PEI. Staff will request a representative from the Kensington North Watershed Association to make a presentation to the directors of the Water and Pollution Control Corporation at their regular February meeting.

**11. Adjournment**

*Moved by Deputy Mayor Caseley, seconded by Councillor MacLean to adjourn the meeting at 9:58 PM. Unanimously carried.*

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Wendy MacKinnon,  
Deputy Administrator

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Gordon Coffin,  
Mayor