

**Town of Kensington  
Minutes of Regular January Council Meeting  
Monday, January 14, 2008  
7:00 PM**

**Council Members Present:** Deputy Mayor Rodney Mann; Councillors: Cole, Kiff, MacLean, Mill, Gallant

**Staff Members Present:** Town Manager/Administrator: Geoff Baker; Deputy Administrator: Wendy MacKinnon; Administrative Assistant: Kimberley Verhulp, Chief Lewis Sutherland.

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**1. Calling of Meeting to Order**

1.1 Deputy Mayor Mann 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 Cole, seconded by Councillor MacLean to approve the Tentative Agenda for the January 14, 2008 Council Meeting with the addition of one item to be discussed during the in-camera session. Unanimously carried.*

**3. Minutes of Previous Regular Meeting**

3.1 *Approval of minutes for December 10, 2007 regular meeting. Moved by Councillor Mill, seconded by Councillor MacLean. Unanimously carried.*

**4. Business Arising from the Minutes**

4.1 Councillor MacLean discussed the need for an energy audit on Town facilities with the increasing oil & fuel costs that we are being faced with. He proposed that the town should be looking into the replacement of the furnaces in the Town Hall building with something that is more energy efficient. Town Manager commented that once the details of funding for such projects have been released they will be brought forward to Council.

4.2 Councillor Kiff explained his understanding of how the Active Living Animator, Colleen MacDougall is working on what is considered Phase 1 of the Active Living process. The town should be looking forward to Phase 2 as to how the activities will be continued once Ms. MacDougall is gone.

4.3 Councillor Kiff requested that the Town Manager look further into the reasoning why the School Board is no longer responsible for monitoring the crosswalk between the KISH & QEES schools. Town Manager will report back to Council on

this matter.

- 4.4** Councillor MacLean recognized that the Town Manager's 6 month probationary period has come to an end and proposed that the hiring committee sit down with Mr. Baker and complete a performance evaluation. Town Council was then advised that an evaluation had already been completed by Mayor Campbell. They expressed their disappointment regarding not being involved in the evaluation, as they had not been informed or asked for comment prior to completion of the evaluation.

## **5. Approval of Accounts**

- 5.1** *Moved by Councillor Gallant, seconded by Councillor Kiff to approve expenditures December 10, 2007 – January 11, 2008 for \$88,475.35. Unanimously carried.*
- 5.2** Bill # 1161 for Ramsay & Clark \$424.80 will be allocated to the Water & Pollution Control Corporation.

## **6. Committee Reports**

### **6.1 Property Committee Report**

- 6.1.1** *Moved by Councillor MacLean, seconded by Councillor Mill to approve a building permit for the Kensington Co-op to re-construct an existing building on Lot No. 76869 on 48 Victoria Street, Kensington. Unanimously Carried.*

### **6.2 Recreation, Parks and Special Events Committee Report**

- 6.2.1** Councillor Cole discussed plans and activities for the upcoming Winter Carnival from February 19 – 24, 2008. The theme this year is "Winter Wishes"
- 6.2.2** *Moved by Councillor Cole, seconded by Councillor MacLean to provide \$500.00 for expenses related to the 2008 Winter Carnival Dance. Unanimously Carried.*
- 6.2.3** Councillor Cole is inquiring into the purchase of an Alcohol Roadside Screening Device (Dragger) which was fifty percent funded by the Malpeque Bay Credit Union. It was agreed prior that MADD would contribute fifty percent of the funding for the dragger. The device will then be donated to the Town of Kensington's Police Department.
- 6.2.4** Bowl for Kids Sake will be held March 8 & 9, 2008 – Council is encouraged to participate.

### **6.3 Police Committee Report**

**6.3.1** *Moved by Councillor Mill, seconded by Councillor Cole to approve the Police Report for December as prepared by Chief Lewis Sutherland. Unanimously carried.*

**6.3.2** Councillor Mill spoke on behalf of Council to send best wishes to Const. Alyssa Blanchard as she is departing from the Town of Kensington Police Department and transferring to the RCMP. Councillor Mill thanked Const. Blanchard for her years of dedicated service to the residents of the Town of Kensington.

### **6.4 Public Works**

**6.4.1** Councillor Kiff expressed the desire for a larger, faster; diesel powered zero turning radius lawn tractor for the Public Works department. With the properties recently annexed into the town and the extra maintenance required on those properties a new lawn tractor is required.

### **6.5 Fire Report**

**6.5.1** *Moved by Councillor Gallant, seconded by Councillor Cole to approve the Fire Report for December as prepared by Fire Chief Folland. Unanimously carried.*

**6.5.2** Councillor Gallant informed Council that the upcoming Valentine's dance will be held on February 16, 2008 at the Kensington Club. All proceeds will be donated to the Kensington Firefighters Association.

### **6.6 Finance Report**

**6.6.1** *Moved by Councillor Gallant, seconded by Councillor Mill to approve the December Finance Report as presented by Councillor Mann. Unanimously carried.*

### **6.7 Mayor's Report**

**6.7.1** Nil

## **7. Presentation from David Gallant**

**7.1** Postponed to February's regularly scheduled meeting of Town Council.

**8. Central Development Corporation - Board Member Nomination**

**8.1** *Moved by Councillor MacLean, seconded by Councillor Kiff to appoint Mayor Campbell to sit on the Board of Directors for the Central Development Corporation. Unanimously carried.*

**8.2** Councillor MacLean was selected unanimously to serve as an alternate board member in Mayor Campbell's absence. Councillor MacLean has accepted the position.

**9. Integrated Community Sustainability Plan**

*Moved by Councillor MacLean, seconded by Councillor Kiff to approve the following:*

**WHEREAS** the Town of Kensington is becoming aware that we cannot continue to make decisions solely on the basis of economics. We must also assess the social, environmental and cultural impacts of our decisions to ensure that our society is sustainable so that our children and their children can enjoy the lifestyle to which we have become accustomed; and

**WHEREAS** the Town of Kensington is committed to a sustainable future whereby decisions and actions are based on the four dimensions of sustainability; economic, environmental, social and cultural.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town of Kensington develop a sustainability plan which includes;

- A set of actions that the Town can take to move towards a sustainable future based on the economic, environmental, social and cultural dimensions of sustainability.
- A decision making framework to guide the decisions and actions of the Town towards a sustainable future by considering the economic, environmental, social and cultural impact of our decisions and actions.
- A mechanism to report annually our progress towards sustainability to residents.
- A mechanism to promote and educate Town residents, businesses and organizations on how they can contribute to a more sustainable future;
- A broad consultation with residents, businesses and organizations in the development of the Sustainability Plan.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the development of the Sustainability Plan be guided by a Steering Committee consisting of the following:

- Town Council Representative
- Resident
- Town business person
- Senior representative
- Youth representative
- Service organization representative
- Emergency services representative
- Staff representative (advisory capacity only)
- Provincial representative (advisory capacity only)
- Federal representative (advisory capacity only)

The sustainability Steering Committee will deliver a final report to Council on or before February 28, 2009 and shall provide periodic progress reports to Council.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that an application be made and approved to the New Deal Capacity Building Fund for a \$60,000 project to engage a coordinator for a one year contract position from March 1, 2008 to February 28, 2009 to coordinate the development of the sustainability plan.

*Unanimously carried.*

## **10. Kensington Bedford Hockey Exchange**

**10.1** *Moved by Councillor Mill, seconded by Councillor Kiff to provide a maximum of \$500.00 to the Kensington-Bedford Hockey Exchange for the provision of beverages and sweets at a welcoming event for the Bedford team and a meal at the rink on Saturday evening. Unanimously Carried.*

## **11. Correspondence**

- A letter from the Bedford Hockey Exchange Committee Member Rudy Croken inviting Mayor Campbell to participate in the opening ceremonies on January 26, 2008.
- The Bedford Hockey Exchange schedule of events from the Chair of the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Exchange Committee.
- A letter and gift to Mayor Campbell from the Mayor of the County Borough of Rhondda Cynon Taf.
- Fax from FCM with the request for proposals to host 2010, 2013 & 2014 Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors.
- A letter from Senator Archie Johnston regarding the Community Centre

development.

- A letter from Kensington Metal Products requesting more signage at the end of Park Road.
- Information package for Bowl for Kids Sake
- KISH December Newsletter
- Council of the Disabled Newsletter
- A letter from Karin Meltzer requesting financial support for the 2008 KISH art program. Included with the letter were thank you cards for previous years support from the children participating in the program.

## **12. Committee of the Whole (In Camera)**

- *Moved by Councillor Mill, seconded by Councillor Cole to commence a Committee of the Whole at 9:00 PM. Unanimously Carried.*
- *Motion to end the Committee of the Whole meeting at 9:35 PM moved by Councillor MacLean, seconded by Councillor Mill. Unanimously Carried.*
- *Moved by Councillor Mill, seconded by Councillor Gallant to offer Paul Durdle full time Police Constable status. Salary & benefits to be determined by Town Manager & Police Chief. Unanimously Carried.*

## **13. Other Matters**

- A Public Meeting will be held on January 17, 2008 at 6:00 PM to solicit public comments on the zoning designations to be applied to the Gorman Property portion being sold to Dr. Steven MacNeill. The public meeting will be followed by a special meeting of Council to give first reading to the zoning bylaw amendment.
- Town Manager advised Council of his intention to advertise in the Island Living Magazine.
- Town Manager will investigate regulations as they relate to propane tanks being located on residential property within the town boundary.
- Councillor Mill brought forward the possibility of solar panels and wind turbines forming part of the town's Official Plan.

**14. Adjournment**

*Moved by Councillor Cole, seconded by Councillor Gallant to adjourn the meeting at 9:55 pm. Unanimously carried.*

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Wendy MacKinnon,  
Deputy Administrator

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Rodney Mann,  
Deputy Mayor