

Town of Kensington
Minutes of Regular Council Meeting
Monday, January 12, 2009
7:07 PM

Council Members Present: Mayor Barry Campbell; Councillors: Gallant, Kiff, Mill, Mann, MacLean and Spencer

Staff Members Present: Town Manager/Administrator: Geoff Baker; Deputy Administrator: Wendy MacKinnon; Administrative Assistant: Kimberley Verhulp; Police Chief: Lewis Sutherland and Constable Daniel Quinn

Visitors: Holland College Journalism Students: Kerri Thompson and Tyler Dunham

1. Calling of Meeting to Order

1.1 Mayor Campbell called the meeting to order at 7:07 PM and welcomed Council members, staff and visitors.

2. Approval of Tentative Agenda

2.1 *Moved by Councillor MacLean, seconded by Councillor Spencer to approve the Tentative Agenda for the January 12, 2009 regular Council Meeting. Unanimously Carried.*

3. Minutes of Previous Regular Meetings

3.1 *Approval of minutes for December 8, 2008 regular meeting. Moved by Councillor Kiff, seconded by Councillor Mann. Unanimously carried.*

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

4.1 Corporate gas cards for each Town of Kensington vehicle will be ordered from Esso and Petro Canada.

4.2 Councillor MacLean noted that there has been a vast improvement in the quality of snow clearing service being provided through the Winter Services Agreement. The Town Manager has met with the contractor regularly for quality control purposes and passed along the Town's appreciation of the improvement in service.

4.3 The new Town of Kensington website is nearing completion. The website should be launched in mid- February. Staff are currently sending web content to the developer.

4.4 The oil tank replacement at the Town Hall has been completed.

5. Approval of Accounts

5.1 *Moved by Councillor Mann, seconded by Councillor Mill to approve expenditures from December 5, 2008 – January 8, 2009 for \$156,307.44. Unanimously carried.*

6. Committee Reports

6.1 Property Committee Report

6.1.1 Town Council has requested an unsightly premises letter be sent to the current owners of the building referred to as “Tickles”, at 47 Broadway Street N regarding its current condition.

6.2 Recreation, Parks and Special Events Committee Report

6.2.1 Councillor Spencer reported that the Winter Carnival planning will soon begin and encouraged all Councillors and staff to participate. If anyone is interested in volunteering for the events they are to contact Councillor Spencer.

6.3 Police Report

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

6.3.2 Police Chief Lewis Sutherland introduced and welcomed the Town’s new Police Constable Daniel Quinn, who filled the vacant position left by Corporal Griffin’s secondment to CISPEI, as of January 1, 2009.

6.3.3 After attending a Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) event, Councillor MacLean wanted to express his appreciation for the hard work and dedication of the volunteers with this important and vital organization.

6.4 Public Works

6.4.1 Councillor Kiff has compiled upgrade requirements for various sections of sidewalk within the Town. He would like to have repairing some priority

sections considered in the 2009 budget deliberations. Sunset Drive was noted as one of the major problem areas in Town.

6.4.2 Councillor Kiff brought forward issues related to parking in the core area of the Town. The Public Works Committee will look at the issue in more detail and bring recommendations back to Council.

6.4.3 Councillor Kiff acknowledged the great work of Public Works staff and thanked them for their hard work in keeping the Town cleared of snow, in particular the sidewalks and fire hydrants.

6.5 Fire Report

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

6.5.2 It was recently announced that Paul Brown, a Kensington Volunteer Firefighter for the past fourteen years has resigned. In appreciation of his years of service, Council has requested a small presentation take place at the next regular meeting of Council, to be held on February 10, 2009.

6.6 Finance Report

6.6.1 As presented by Councillor Mann.

6.7 Mayor's Report

- Funding Approvals have been received from the Infrastructure Secretariat for the following projects and funding levels:
 1. Wind Turbine Installation – 50% funding to a maximum of \$280,813.00
 2. Zoning Bylaw and Official Plan Review – 75% funding to a maximum of \$11,250.00
 3. Integrated Community Sustainability Plan – 66.67% funding to a maximum of \$40,000.00
- The Annual FCM (Federation of Canadian Municipalities) meeting will be held in Whistler, BC from June 5th – June 8th, 2009. Should any Councillors be interested in attending they are to contact the Town Manager as soon as possible.
- *Motion by Councillor Mill, seconded by Councillor MacLean to approve the same amount of funding in support of the 41st Annual Bedford Hockey Exchange as was given in 2008. Unanimously carried.*

- The artifacts and memorabilia of the PEI Railway Association and the Kensington Historical Society which was located at the Kensington Train Station have been removed.
- *Motion by Councillor Spencer, seconded by Councillor Gallant to approve the Town Manager to complete an application to the Provincial Government to reallocate the remaining \$21,000.00 of the Train Station Infrastructure monies to the renovations required for the Freight Shed. Unanimously carried.*
- *Motion by Councillor Kiff, seconded by Councillor Maclean to approve the Town Manager to complete an application to the Provincial Government to reallocate the remaining \$33,000.00 of the Sunset Drive Water and Sewer Upgrades Infrastructure monies to a new sidewalk upgrade project for Sunset Drive in 2009. Unanimously carried.*
- There is currently \$11,000.00 of the Water Meter Infrastructure project remaining.
- The second Monday of February (February 9, 2009) has been declared “Islander Day” by the Province of Prince Edward Island. The Regular Meeting of Council for February 2009 will be rescheduled to February 10, 2009.
- In an attempt to improve communication with the residents of Kensington the Town has secured a ¼ page column which will be used each month to inform residents of the happenings in the Town. The column will be included in every second issue.

7. Integrated Community Sustainability Plan (ICSP)

- 7.1** *Motion by Councillor Spencer, seconded by Councillor Gallant to award the contract for the development of an Integrated Community Sustainability Plan for the Town of Kensington to Phil Woods and Associates for the quoted amount of \$25,600.00 plus applicable taxes. Unanimously carried.*

8. Wind Turbine Zoning Bylaw Amendment

- 8.1** *Motion by Councillor MacLean, seconded by Councillor Mill to approve in principal the amendment of the Official Plan and the Town of Kensington Zoning and Subdivision Control Bylaw to allow the integration of a wind turbine into a municipal sewage treatment system and to allow staff to move forward with a Public Meeting scheduled for Thursday, January 22, 2009. Unanimously carried.*

9. Town Hall Boiler Replacement

9.1 *Motion by Councillor Gallant, seconded by Councillor Kiff to award the boiler replacement contract for the Town Hall to Irving Oil as per the agreed quote for supplies and installation of two new boilers for \$14,991.21 plus applicable taxes. Unanimously carried.*

10. Committee of the Whole (In Camera)

10.1 *Moved by Councillor Mann, seconded by Councillor Kiff to commence Committee of the Whole meeting at 8:30 pm. Unanimously carried.*

10.2 *Moved by Councillor Gallant, seconded by Councillor Maill to return to the regular meeting of Council at 9:00 pm. Unanimously carried.*

11. Correspondence

- January Council of the Disabled Newsletter.
- A letter from Francois Caron with the Sport & Recreation Division of Communities, Cultural Affairs regarding Winter Active National Campaign from January 15 – February 27, 2009.
- An e-mail from the Kensington & Area Chamber of Commerce regarding the Annual Dinner & Silent Auction on February 19, 2009.
- A Thank You letter from Honourable Gail Shea in response to the Congratulation letter sent by Mayor Campbell.
- An information package from Communities in Bloom including an invitation to participate in 2009. ***Request Denied.***
- A letter from the Heart & Stoke Foundation regarding the “Heart Month Kick-off Events” on Sunday, February 1, 2009.
- January KISH Newsletter.
- Kensington & Area Chamber of Commerce email regarding the Annual Luncheon AGM on Friday, January 23, 2009, with guest speaker Hon. Wes Sheridan, Minister of Finance.
- A letter & brochure from Nestle Waters Canada regarding the use of their products within the Towns municipal establishments.

10. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Gallant, seconded by Councillor Spencer to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 PM. Unanimously carried.

Wendy MacKinnon,
Deputy Administrator

Barry Campbell,
Mayor