

Town of Kensington
Minutes of Regular Council Meeting
Monday, April 11, 2022
7:00 PM

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

Staff Members Present: Chief Administrative Officer, Geoff Baker; Deputy Chief
Administrative Officer, Wendy MacKinnon; Municipal Clerk,
Kim Caseley; Police Chief, Lewie Sutherland

Visitors: Kyle Reid – Journal Pioneer
Jamie Thomas – Lennox Island Cultural Director
Morgan Campbell – Holland College, Journalism Student

1. Calling of Meeting to Order

1.1 Mayor Caseley called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and welcomed Council members, staff, and visitors to the April meeting of Kensington Town Council. Mayor Caseley acknowledged that the land on which we gather is the traditional and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq First Nation.

2. Approval of Tentative Agenda

2.1 *Moved by Councillor Spencer, seconded by Councillor MacRae to approve the tentative agenda for the April 2022 regular meeting of Town Council. Unanimously carried.*

3. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

3.1 *Nil.*

4. Delegations / Presentations

4.1 Town Council welcomed Jamie Thomas, Cultural Director for Lennox Island who provided Town Council with an informative presentation on Indigenous culture and history.

Jamie Thomas excused themselves from the Council Chamber at 7:47 pm.

5. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

5.1 *Moved by Deputy Mayor Pickering, seconded by Councillor Toombs to approve the minutes from the March 14, 2022, regular meeting of Town Council. Unanimously carried.*

5.2 *Moved by Deputy Mayor Pickering, seconded by Councillor Spencer to approve the minutes from the March 28, 2022, special meeting of Town Council. Unanimously carried.*

6. Business Arising from Minutes

6.1 March 14, 2022 Regular Meeting

6.1.1 *Nil.*

6.2 March 28, 2022 Special Meeting

6.2.1 *Nil.*

7. Reports

7.1 Chief Administrative Officer Report

7.1.1 *Moved by Councillor MacRae, seconded by Councillor Gallant to adopt the March 2022 CAO Report as prepared by CAO, Geoff Baker. Unanimously carried.*

7.2 Fire Department Statistical Report

7.2.1 *Moved by Councillor Spencer, seconded by Councillor Toombs to approve the February 2022 Fire Statistical report as prepared by Fire Chief, Rodney Hickey. Unanimously carried.*

7.3 Police Department Statistical Report

7.3.1 *Moved by Councillor Toombs, seconded by Councillor Spencer to approve the February 2022 Police Statistical Report as prepared by Chief Sutherland. Unanimously carried.*

7.3.2 Chief Sutherland announced that the Kensington Police Service is planning to host the Annual Fishing Derby and Bike Rodeo again this year.

7.4 Development Permit Summary Report

7.4.1 *Moved by Councillor Toombs, seconded by Councillor Spencer to approve the April 2022 Development Permit Summary Report as prepared by Municipal Clerk, Kim Caseley. Unanimously carried.*

7.5 Bills List

7.5.1 *Moved by Councillor Mann, seconded by Deputy Mayor Pickering to approve the February 2022 Bills in the amount of \$202,624.29. Unanimously carried.*

7.5.2 *Moved by Councillor Mann, seconded by Councillor Spencer to approve the February 2022 Capital Expenditures in the amount of \$378,423.61. Unanimously carried.*

7.5.3 *Moved by Councillor MacRae, seconded by Councillor Toombs to approve the February 2022 Water & Sewer Utility Bills in the amount of \$17,641.99. Unanimously carried.*

7.6 Summary Income Statement

7.6.1 *Moved by Councillor Mann, seconded by Councillor Gallant to approve the Summary Income Statement for the month of February 2022. Unanimously carried.*

7.7 Credit Union Centre Report

7.7.1 *Moved by Deputy Mayor Pickering, seconded by Councillor Spencer to approve the Credit Union Centre report for the month of February 2022. Unanimously carried.*

7.8 Mayor's Report

7.8.1 *Moved by Councillor Toombs, seconded by Councillor Spencer to approve the Mayor's report for the month of April 2022 as presented by Mayor Caseley. Unanimously carried.*

7.8.2 Mayor Caseley noted that the Annual Town Clean-up day will be held on Saturday, May 14, 2022.

7.9 Federation of PEI Municipalities (FPEIM) Report

7.9.1 FPEIM adopted their 2022/23 budget at their meeting held on March 17th.

7.9.2 FPEIM will hold its AGM on April 25, 2022 hosted by the Rural Municipality of North Shore.

7.9.3 Discussions were had on Rural Municipal Water Testing. FPEIM will reach out to the Province of PEI for more information on its current programming.

7.10 Heart of PEI Initiative Report

7.10.1 Preparations for year-end are in process. Heart of PEI received a 1-month extension to April 30, 2022.

7.10.2 Heart of PEI thanked the Town of Kensington for their support with the Story Board initiative.

7.10.3 A video & song being created by the Caseley-Smith Family is nearing completion.

7.10.4 Art installation unveilings will take place soon.

7.11 Kensington Area Chamber of Commerce (KACC) Report

7.11.1 KACC Presidents Dinner – Casino Night will take place on Thursday, May 12, 2022, in Emerald.

7.11.2 The Annual KACC Golf Tournament is scheduled on Wednesday, September 21, 2022.

7.11.3 The next KACC Board Meeting will be held on April 20, 2022.

7.12 PEI 55 Plus Games

7.12.1 Councillor Gallant reported on the recent meeting of volunteers and confirmed their next meeting on Tuesday, April 12, 2022, at 6:00 at the Town Hall.

7.12.2 The 55+ Games dates have been confirmed for September 12-19, 2022.

7.12.3 The 55+ Games committee are planning to have a Summer Student to assist with preparations.

8. New Business

8.1 Request for Decisions

8.1.1 Development Permit Application - 28 Pleasant Street

8.1.1.1 *Moved by Councillor Toombs, seconded by Councillor Spencer*

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Kensington Town Council approve a development permit application for Sheldon Stewart and Mike James for the construction of a 12-unit row style multi-unit dwelling at 28 Pleasant Street (PID 80119), subject to full compliance with the Town's Development Control Bylaw and all other applicable municipal, provincial, and federal legislation and regulations.

Unanimously carried.

8.1.2 Town of Kensington Procurement Policy - Amended

8.1.2.1 *Moved by Councillor Gallant, seconded by Councillor Toombs*

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Kensington Procurement Policy (Policy #01-103-10) be hereby formally adopted, as amended, effective April 11, 2022.

Unanimously carried.

8.1.3 Appointment of Development Officers

8.1.3.1 *Moved by Councillor Spencer, seconded by Councillor Gallant*

BE IT RESOLVED THAT CAO Geoff Baker, and Municipal Clerk/Assistant to the CAO Kim Caseley be formally appointed as Development Officers for the Town of Kensington to administer the Town of Kensington Zoning and Subdivision Control (Development) Bylaw, effective immediately.

Unanimously carried.

8.2 Other Matters

- 8.2.1** May 1, 2022, a Basic Emergency Management Course is being held in Charlottetown. Members of Council or staff wishing to attend are asked to contact Town staff to be registered.
- 8.2.2** FPEIM are holding their AGM on Monday, April 25 in the Rural Municipality of North Shore. Members of Council or staff wishing to attend are asked to contact Deputy Administrator MacKinnon to be registered.
- 8.2.3** Thursday, May 12 at 1:00 pm is the Family Violence Walk in Silence. Everyone is encouraged to wear purple in support.
- 8.2.4** An update from the Martin/Young family expressing their appreciation to the Town of Kensington and residents who supported their family following the recent house fire they experienced.
- 8.2.5** Mayor Caseley reported that The Honourable Gudie Hutchings, Minister of Rural Economic Development was in Kensington on the morning of April 11, 2022. Together, with MP Heath MacDonald they toured local sites that recently received Federal funding.
- 8.2.6** Curran and Briggs have confirmed that the storm sewer installation and sidewalk construction on Barrett Street will start on Tuesday, April 19, 2022.
- 8.2.7** Councillor Gallant requested that the front lawns of property owners that experienced damage during the winter months be addressed. Mr. Baker confirmed that annual maintenance is being scheduled by the public works department.
- 8.2.8** Deputy Mayor Pickering shared her appreciation to Jamie Thomas for her informative presentation to Town Council.

9. Correspondence

- 9.1** A letter from MP Peter Julian thanking the Town for endorsing Bill C-229 – To Ban Symbols of Hate.
- 9.2** Information regarding the KACC Presidents Dinner. Council was asked to please RSVP with Deputy Administrator, Wendy MacKinnon.
- 9.3** A letter from Craig Walsh, requesting financial support towards the start-up of a Senior Men’s Soccer team.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Pickering, seconded by Councillor MacRae to approve a \$400.00 financial donation in support of the Kensington Senior Men’s Soccer Team. Unanimously carried.

- 9.4** A letter from the KISH Relay for Life Committee requesting a financial donation towards their \$12,000.00 goal.

Moved by Councillor Spencer, seconded by Councillor Toombs to approve a donation to the KISH Relay for Life in the amount of \$1,000.00. Unanimously carried.

10. In-Camera (Closed session)

- 10.1** *Nil.*

11. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Toombs, seconded by Councillor Spencer to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 PM. Unanimously carried.

Geoff Baker,
CAO

Rowan Caseley,
Mayor