

Town of Kensington
Minutes of Regular Council Meeting
Monday, August 12, 2019
7:00 PM

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

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

Visitors: Kim Knight Picketts – PEI 55 Plus Games
Rodney Hickey – Fire Chief
Brae Shea – Journal Pioneer
Adrien Wedge – Resident
Jed & Marlene Burt – Retired Firefighter

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.

2. Approval of Tentative Agenda

2.1 *Moved by Councillor Bernard, seconded by Councillor Spencer to approve the tentative agenda for the August 12, 2019 regular meeting of Town Council. Unanimously carried.*

3. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

3.1 Mayor Caseley discussed that members of Town 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.

3.2 Councillor Spencer declared a conflict with a portion of Item 8.1.2.

4. Delegations / Presentations

4.1 Kim Knight Picketts made a presentation to Town Council on the Prince Edward Island 55 Plus Games and requested the Town to consider hosting the event in 2020. Council will further discuss the request during item 8.2.

Kim Knight Picketts excused herself from the Council Chamber at 7:16 pm.

4.2 Mayor Caseley made a presentation to retired firefighter Gerard (Jed) Burt, in

appreciation of his years of dedicated service as a member of the Kensington Volunteer Fire Department.

Jed & Marlene Burt and Rodney Hickey excused themselves from the Council Chamber at 7:22 pm.

5. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

5.1 *Moved by Councillor Bernard, seconded by Councillor Spencer to approve the minutes from the July 8, 2019 regular meeting of Town. Unanimously carried.*

6. Business Arising from Minutes

6.1 **July 8, 2019 Regular Meeting – Nil**

7. Reports

7.1 CAO's Report

7.1.1 *Moved by Deputy Mayor Pickering, seconded by Councillor Toombs to adopt the August 2019 CAO's Report as prepared by CAO, Geoff Baker. Unanimously carried.*

7.2 Fire Department Statistical Report

7.2.1 *Moved by Councillor Gallant, seconded by Councillor Spencer to approve the June 2019 Fire Statistical report as prepared by Fire Chief, Rodney Hickey. Unanimously carried.*

7.3 Police Department Statistical Report

7.3.1 *Moved by Councillor Spencer, seconded by Councillor Bernard to approve the June 2019 Police Statistical Report as prepared by Chief Sutherland. Unanimously carried.*

7.3.2 Chief Sutherland made a brief presentation to Council on the recent production of counterfeit funds.

Chief Sutherland excused himself from the Council Chamber at 7:40pm.

7.4 Development Permit Summary Report

7.4.1 *Moved by Councillor Toombs, seconded by Councillor Gallant to approve the August 2019 Development Permit Summary Report. Unanimously carried.*

7.5 Bills List

7.5.1 *Moved by Councillor Toombs, seconded by Councillor Bernard to approve the June 2019 Bills in the amount of \$146,336.34. Unanimously carried.*

7.6 Summary Income Statement

7.6.1 *Moved by Councillor Mann, seconded by Councillor Bernard to approve the Summary Income Statement for the month of June 2019. Unanimously carried.*

7.7 Credit Union Centre Report

7.7.1 *Moved by Councillor Toombs, seconded by Councillor Spencer to approve the Credit Union Centre report for the month of June 2019. Unanimously carried.*

7.8 Mayor's Report

7.8.1 *Moved by Councillor Toombs, seconded by Deputy Mayor Pickering to approve the Mayors report for the month of August 2019 as presented by Mayor Caseley. Unanimously carried.*

7.8.1.1 *Moved by Councillor Toombs, seconded by Deputy Mayor Pickering to dedicate and name the small park area and playground, located off Lion's Drive/behind 28 Garden Drive as "Roy Paynter Park" in recognition of Roy's accomplishments at the 2019 Special Olympics in Abu Dhabi. Unanimously carried.*

7.8.1.2 *Moved by Councillor Bernard, seconded by Deputy Mayor Pickering*

WHEREAS, *the Town of Kensington is concerned with the shortage of family medical doctors on Prince Edward Island;*

AND WHEREAS, *a recent survey by the Medical Society of Prince Edward Island has indicated that 56% of practicing Island Physicians are planning to reduce or leave their practice over the next 5 years (Medical Society of Prince Edward Island Survey, 2019);*

AND WHEREAS, *we are aware of one family of seniors who moved from Newfoundland and Labrador to Kensington, Prince Edward Island to retire and subsequently decided to sell their property and return to Newfoundland and Labrador because they were not able to obtain a family doctor for needed medical services;*

AND WHEREAS, *38% of Islanders place health care as the number one priority (The Guardian poll April 18, 2019) and wait times lead to pain and suffering, delayed diagnosis and treatment as well as leads to loss of income and productivity which affects our economy;*

AND WHEREAS, *we understand there are more than 13,000 Islanders registered (Physician Registry) on the wait list for a family*

physician and this may not include all Islanders who are looking for a family doctor;

AND WHEREAS, the University of Prince Edward Island has proven its ability to provide working professionals through the Atlantic Veterinary College, Faculties of Engineering, Nursing and Education;

AND WHEREAS, studies have shown Physicians have a preference to practice in the area where they have been educated;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT *the Town of Kensington calls upon the Government of Prince Edward Island to adopt a facilitated physician recruitment and retention plan, increase physician residency positions and consider the establishment of a Medical Faculty at the University of Prince Edward Island.*

Unanimously carried.

7.8.1.3 *Moved by Councillor Mann, seconded by Councillor Gallant*

WHEREAS, the Town of Kensington is aware of the most common cancer in Canada among men being Prostate Cancer;

AND WHEREAS, one in seven Canadian men will be diagnosed with the disease;

AND WHEREAS, an estimated average of 11 Canadian men die from prostate cancer every day;

AND WHEREAS, the survival rate for prostate cancer is nearly 100 % when detected early, but 75 % of men die when diagnosed late;

AND WHEREAS, we understand that black men and those with a family history of the disease are at a greater risk;

AND WHEREAS, since Prostate Cancer of Canada was formed in 1994, the death rate has been cut in half;

AND WHEREAS, awareness and conversations about prostate cancer can lead to screening and early detection that saves lives;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT *the Town of Kensington supports Prostate Cancer of Canada and everyone committed to raising awareness about Cancer by declaring the month of September, 2019 Prostate Cancer Awareness Month.*

Unanimously carried.

7.9 Federation of PEI Municipalities (FPEIM) Report

7.9.1 *Nil.*

7.10 Kensington Area Chamber of Commerce (KACC) Report

7.10.1 September 19, 2019 is the KACC Annual Golf Tournament.

7.11 Heart of the Island Initiative (STEP) Report

7.11.1 *Nil.*

8. New Business

8.1 Request for Decisions

8.1.1 Public Works Storage Building Upgrades – Floor and Insulation

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

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Kensington Town Council award a contract to Sharpe Construction to complete the Public Works Maintenance Shop Upgrade project as per their quote dated July 17, 2019 in the amount of \$16,962.11 plus HST. Unanimously carried.

Councillor Spencer declared a conflict and excused himself from the Council Chamber at 8:03 pm.

8.1.2 Credit Union Centre – Rural Growth Initiative Community Revitalization Program

8.1.2.1 *Moved by Councillor Bernard, seconded by Deputy Mayor Pickering*

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Kensington Town Council authorize staff to proceed with submitting a Community Revitalization Program Funding application to the Province of PEI to facilitate the Kensington Credit Union Centre Upgrades project. Town Council understands that they will be responsible for any future operations and maintenance costs associated with and resulting from the project.

Unanimously carried.

8.1.2.2 *Moved by Deputy Mayor Pickering, seconded by Councillor Bernard*

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Kensington Town Council award a contract to Town and Country Carpet One for the replacement of the Fitplex flooring as per their quote dated July 8, 2019 in the amount of \$17,100.00 plus HST.

Unanimously carried.

Councillor Spencer returned to the Council Chamber at 8:08 pm.

8.1.2.3 Moved by Councillor Toombs, seconded by Councillor Bernard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Kensington Town Council award a contract to Black and McDonald Ltd. To rebuild the Credit Union Centre ice plant compressor as per their quote dated July 8, 2019 in the amount of \$7,180.00 plus HST.

Unanimously carried.

8.1.2.4 Moved by Councillor Spencer, seconded by Councillor Toombs

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Kensington Town Council award a contract to Mid- Isle Electric for the supply and installation of a heat pump for the Kensington Senior's Centre as per their quote dated July 12, 2019 in the amount of \$6,270.00 plus HST.

Unanimously carried.

8.1.2.5 Moved by Councillor Spencer, seconded by Councillor Gallant

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Kensington Town Council award a contract to Mid-Isle Electric to Upgrade the Credit Union Centre Electrical Panel as per their quote dated July 12, 2019 in the amount of \$3,645.00 plus HST.

Unanimously carried.

8.1.2.6 Moved by Councillor Toombs, seconded by Councillor Bernard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Kensington Town Council authorize the CAO to award a contract for the supply of a new score clock for the Credit Union Centre to the appropriate supplier based on provided quotes and the perceived best value to the Town.

Unanimously carried.

8.1.3 Kensington Fire Department – Rescue Fire Vehicle Purchase

8.1.3.1 Moved by Councillor Toombs, seconded by Deputy Mayor Pickering

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Kensington Town Council award a contract to METALFAB Ltd. for the provision on one (1) Custom Built Rescue/Equipment Style Fire Truck as per their proposal dated July 11, 2019 in the amount of \$365,665.29 plus HST.

Unanimously carried.

8.1.3.2 Moved by Councillor Bernard, seconded by Councillor Gallant

WHEREAS Section 164 of the Municipal Government Act R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. M-12.1. authorizes a Town Council to borrow money for the completion of a capital project;

AND WHEREAS Town Council has authorized the purchase of a new custom-built rescue vehicle for the Kensington Fire Department;

AND WHEREAS the amount to be borrowed will not cause the Town to exceed its legislated debt capacity;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Kensington be empowered to borrow \$286,959.02 from the Scotiabank, under the following terms:

- i. repayable in full by Town Council over an amortization period not to exceed 15 years.*
- ii. at an interest rate of Prime, less 0.3% per annum with interest payable monthly.*
- iii. Advances repayable on demand.*

Unanimously carried.

8.1.4 Asset Management Plan – Public Sector Partnership Funding Application

8.1.4.1 Moved by Councillor Spencer, seconded by Councillor Toombs,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Kensington Town Council direct staff to submit a funding application through the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Municipal Asset Management Program for the Asset Management Planning Implementation Project;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town of Kensington commits to conducting the following activities in its proposed Asset Management Planning Implementation Project:

- Study of current data structures;*
- Derivation of performance measures and trends; and*
- Integration of asset management processes.*

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town of Kensington confirm their financial contribution towards the project in the amount of \$1,600.00.

Unanimously carried.

8.2 Prince Edward Island 55 Plus Games

8.2.1 Council discussed the possibility of hosting the PEI 55 Plus Games in 2020. Council members showed support in hosting the games and discussed concerns in finding sufficient volunteers and hiring an appropriate staff person. Deputy Mayor

Pickering will consider assuming the role as Chair of the Host Committee and will attempt to gather additional information and report back to Council at the September regular meeting.

8.3 Other Matters

- 8.3.1** Councillor Mann noted that some Island Fire Departments charge out their costs and services to insurance companies when they respond to motor vehicle accidents. Mr. Baker will speak with Chief Hickey and report back to Council.
- 8.3.2** Councillor Spencer noted that the music is very loud during the Zumba class that uses the Kensington Railyards Gazebo. To date, the Town has not received any complaints regarding the volume of the music.

Councillor Bernard excused herself from the Chamber at 8:32 and returned at 8:33 pm.

- 8.3.3** Councillor Bernard brought forward concerns regarding the curb located at the corner of Garden Drive and Victoria Street. Mr. Baker noted the issue and will have it looked at.
- 8.4.4** Deputy Mayor Pickering noted a request to install Crosswalk flags at the Confederation Trail crossing on Highway 2. Staff will review the request.
- 8.4.5** Mayor Caseley discussed a letter received from resident Paul Chessman. Mr. Chessman expressed how impressed he was with the EVK Memorial Pool and staff this summer. His letter also addressed concerns of speeding in Town and requested that the Town/Kensington Police Service attempt to slow traffic down on Broadway Street.

9. Correspondence

- 9.1** An invitation to the 2019 Harvest Festival Golf Tournament.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Pickering, seconded by Councillor Bernard to enter a 4-person team in the 2019 Harvest Festival Golf Tournament for \$350.00. Unanimously carried.

- 9.2** An invitation to the 2019 Kensington & Area Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Pickering, seconded by Councillor Bernard to enter a 4-person team in the 2019 Kensington & Area Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament for \$500.00. Unanimously carried.

- 9.3** A letter from MP Robert Morrissey regarding the Towns resolution concerning the Confederation Bridge Toll.
- 9.4** A Save the Date notice for the 2019 PEI Health Promotion Conference.

- 9.5** A letter from Jamie MacKay providing updates to Council on the recent updates of the Red Cross and equipment donations. Mr. MacKay also updated the Town on the community Garden Ross' Place.

Adrien Wedge and Brae Shea excused themselves from the Council Chamber at 8:53 pm.

10. In-Camera

10.1 *Moved by Deputy Mayor Pickering, seconded by Councillor Spencer to commence into a Committee of the Whole meeting, according to Section 119(1)(e) of the Municipal Government Act. at 8:53 pm. Unanimously carried.*

10.2 *Moved by Councillor Spencer, seconded by Councillor Bernard to come out of the Committee of the Whole meeting at 9:20 pm. Unanimously carried.*

11. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Toombs, seconded by Councillor Spencer to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 PM. Unanimously carried.

Geoffrey Baker,
CAO

Rowan Caseley,
Mayor