

Town of Woodstock

Regular Council Meeting
February 24th, 2020 @ 7pm

ATTENDANCE:

Council: Mayor Arthur Slipp, Deputy Mayor Amy Anderson, Councillor George Leonard, Councillor Bill Hogan, Councillor Theresa Blackburn, Councillor Jeff Bradbury, Councillor Catherine Sutherland

Staff: CAO Ken Anthony, DAS Ann Marie Voutour, Fire Chief Harold McLellan, Director of Public Works Andrew Garnett, Director of Recreation and Community Services Kelly Foster-Hallett, Police Chief Gary Forward, Tourism and Special Events Co-Ordinator Tobi Pirie

Media: Bugle Observer & River Valley Sun

Public: Bob Wilson, Shirley Wilson, Hannah Cantafio, Julie Calhoun Williams, Sam Arnold, Jim Scott & John Heseltine

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Slipp

OPENING REMARKS:

Mayor Slipp welcomed those in attendance and commented on community events.

Moment of silence for former Mayor Clara Moffatt.

Congratulate WHS Thunder on NBIAA Basketball Championship.

NBCC Scholarship and Awards Breakfast was held on February 12.

Woodstock Skating Club Dinner and Auction was held on February 22.

Atlantic Cinemas showing of TREKKIT ATV Exploring New Brunswick was on February 22. All proceeds from the screening will go to local ATV projects.

St Luke's Church will be hosting their Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper on February 25.

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APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOTION: Approval of agenda. Councillor Leonard , Councillor Bradbury .

Carried. #044-2020

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION: Approval of Minutes of February 10th, 2020, as distributed. Councillor Sutherland ,
Councillor Bradbury .

Carried. #045-2020

PUBLIC PRESENTATION:

Housing Needs Assessment: John Heseltine and Jim Scott

John Heseltine with Stantec and Jim Scott with Trace presented the Housing Needs Assessment and recommendations to Mayor and Council.

MOTION: To accept the Housing Needs Assessment Report. Deputy Mayor Anderson,
Councillor Bradbury .

Carried. #046-2020

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

There is no business arising from the minutes.

CAO UPDATE:

A presentation of the River Valley Strategy will be held on February 27.

A meeting of the Emergency Measures Organization will be held on March 5.

CORRESPONDENCE:

There was no correspondence received.

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DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

- Harold
- Election of Officers was held for the WFD where officers stayed the same.
 - Deputy Chief – Ryan Gould
 - Safety Officer – Richard Doucette
 - Captain – Greg Grant
 - Captain – Kyle Hemphill
 - Lieutenant – Stephen Chisholm
 - Training Officer – Tracy Campbell
 - WFD helped with the sliding party at the Golf Course.
 - Improvements to equipment are being installed.
- Gary
- WPD has conducted 2 drug and weapon related warrants.
 - Crime Reduction Unit position has been implemented with the selection of Martin Gallant on February 17.
 - Co-ordinator's positions were filled including Intimate Partner Violence, Crime Stoppers, Quality Reader, Fleet and Source Control Officer.
 - Community Resource Officer, Shawn Kimball is making presentations to the community.
 - Implemented 29 routine and 3 standing offers.
- Andrew
- Snow and freezing rain hasn't been as bad in January.
 - A few water breaks.
 - Lift station maintenance program is being implemented.
 - Working on Building Inspector and Compliance Officer job descriptions.
 - Building permit applications are starting to come in.
- Kelly
- Continuing to work on the Energy Audit at AMC.
 - Request for proposals will be going out for the operation of the Café.
 - Last day of ice April 1 – scheduled to go back in on August 24.
 - Looking for summer students.
 - Senior social coming up on Wednesday.
 - March Break events are being scheduled.
 - The High School Hockey Provincials are March 20 – 22.

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- Tobi
- Events committee is meeting monthly.
 - Meeting with accommodations and event organizers in March.
 - Music in the park submissions close this Friday – 15 submissions so far.
 - Canada Day meeting – looking at doing some music downtown, music on the bridge, looking for more interest in sitting on the committee.
 - Adding walking tour signs around town.
 - New town brochure is almost complete.

FINANCE:

Councillor Sutherland reviewed the Financial Reports for January 2020.

MOTION: To accept the Departmental and Financial Reports for January 2020 as presented.
Councillor Sutherland, Councillor Bradbury. Carried #047-2020

NEW BUSINESS:

Consideration of Third Reading
of By-law 160 A By-law Regulating the Use of the
Water and Sewer System of the Town of Woodstock and the
Rates to be Charged Therefore

MOTION: Third Reading by title. By-law 160 A By-law Regulating the Use of the Water and Sewer System of the Town of Woodstock and the Rates to be Charged Therefore. Councillor Sutherland , Councillor Bradbury. Carried. #048-2020

Planning Advisory Committee – February 18th, 2020

CAO Anthony presented the minutes of the Planning Advisory Committee meeting of February 18th, 2020.

MOTION: To accept the report of the Planning Advisory Committee of February 18th, 2020, as presented. Councillor Sutherland, Councillor Bradbury. Carried. #049-2020

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Recreation and Community Services Committee – February 18th, 2020

CAO Anthony presented the minutes of the Recreation and Community Services Committee meeting of February 18th, 2020.

MOTION: To accept the report of the Recreation and Community Services Committee of February 18th, 2020, as presented. Councillor Blackburn, Councillor Bradbury.

Carried. #050-2020

Public Works and Water and Sewer Committee – February 19th, 2020

CAO Anthony presented the minutes of the Public Works and Water and Sewer Committee meeting of February 19th, 2020.

MOTION: To accept the report of the Public Works and Water and Sewer Committee of February 19th, 2020, as presented. Councillor Sutherland, Councillor Bradbury.

Carried. #051-2020

Tourism Committee – February 20th, 2020

CAO Anthony presented the minutes of the Tourism Committee meeting of February 20th, 2020.

MOTION: To accept the recommendation from the Tourism Committee for sponsorship to:

Meduxnekeag River Association \$2,500

RiVa \$7,500

NBSFA \$3,000

Creek Village Café \$450

Deputy Mayor Anderson, Councillor Blackburn.

Carried. #052-2020

MOTION: To accept the report of the Tourism Committee of February 20th, 2020, as presented. Councillor Sutherland, Councillor Bradbury.

Carried. #053-2020

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Finance Committee – February 21st, 2020

CAO Anthony presented the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting of February 21st, 2020.

Mayor Slipp received confirmation from Minister Wilson that Service New Brunswick will remain in it's current location. Thanks were extended to Minister Wilson and MLA, Stewart Fairgrieve for their work on this matter.

MOTION: To accept the report of the Finance Committee of February 21st, 2020, as presented,,
Councillor Sutherland, Councillor Bradbury. Carried. #054-2020

NEXT MEETING DATE: March 9th, 2020 at 7pm - Town Hall.

MOTION: Move to Committee of The Whole, Councillor Leonard, Councillor Bradbury.
Carried. #055-2020

MOTION: Resume Regular Session. Councillor Hogan, Councillor Bradbury.
Carried. #056-2020

MOTION: Adjournment. Councillor Sutherland, Councillor Bradbury.
Carried. #057-2020

Arthur Slipp, Mayor

Ann Marie Voutour, Clerk / Treasurer
Director of Administrative Services

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COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

- Legal
- Personnel

Ann Marie Voutour, Clerk / Treasurer
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