

Town of Woodstock

Regular Council Meeting
October 13, 2020 @ 7pm

ATTENDANCE:

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

Staff: CAO / Director of Economic Development, Ken Anthony, DAS Ann Marie Voutour,

Media: Bugle Observer

Public:

This council meeting is being held at the Town Hall, Council Chambers, where personal distancing is being respected. The meeting is being streamed through YouTube.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Slipp

OPENING REMARKS:

Mayor Slipp welcomed those in attendance and commented on the following:

Long Service Awards were presented at the Union of Municipalities of New Brunswick Annual General Meeting on October 4, 2020. For the Town of Woodstock, twelve year certificates were presented to Councillor Leonard, Councillor Sutherland & Councillor Blackburn. At the end of the board meeting Mayor Slipp was given an award for long service on the board, 18 years.

The Western Valley Regional Service Commission is holding the hazardous waste day on October 18 in the AYR Motor Centre parking lot.

Multicultural Association of Carleton County Annual General Meeting will be held on October 21.

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APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

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

Carried. #264-2020

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION: Approval of Minutes of September 28, 2020, as distributed. Councillor Sutherland, Councillor Bradbury .

Carried. #265-2020

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

Off Road Vehicle Strategy Report – a meeting will be scheduled after tonight’s Council meeting.

Sponsorship Criteria – will discuss the addition of an environmental component.

Miss Woodstock MOU – Tobi is still trying to contact this group.

CAO UPDATE:

The well project is proceeding, the drilling company, Nella Drilling Inc, has estimated it will take 4 weeks to drill under the river to the well site in Grafton.

Winter Parking restrictions come into effect November 15, 2020 until April 15, 2021 where no parking on town streets is permitted between 1am and 7am.

A sweep and plow will be purchased for current snow clearing equipment as well as purchasing a loader. This will result in a better and more efficient snow clearing operation.

Fall cleanup is the week of October 26 for leaves and branches. Leaves need to be in paper bags.

There was a tennis meeting a couple of weeks ago with tennis enthusiasts where a committee has been formed. This committee will be meeting again soon to plan for improvements at the outdoor tennis courts.

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AYR Motor Centre Retrofit project is progressing well but will not finish until the spring of 2021 with the installation of the refrigeration unit.

Masks are mandatory in all public spaces including Municipal buildings. Municipal employees will wear at all times unless at their desk or workspace.

Councillors are wearing masks at the Council meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Greater Woodstock Chamber of Commerce – Food Truck & Christmas

A letter was received from the Greater Woodstock Chamber of Commerce requesting permission to have 1 or 2 food trucks on site downtown for the Midnight Madness event.

MOTION: To table the request from the Greater Woodstock Chamber of Commerce for permission to have 1 or 2 food trucks on site downtown for the Midnight Madness until the October 26 Council Meeting so that local restaurants can be consulted. Councillor Leonard, Councillor Sutherland. Carried. #266-2020

2. Greg Gordon – LGBT flags downtown

A letter was received from Greg Gordon expressing his disappointment with the rainbow LGBT flags downtown.

CAO / EDO Anthony and Mayor Slipp had discussions with Mr Gordon. Mayor Slipp gave Mr Gordon the history of why we have the rainbow flags.

All of Council was in agreement that this community is one to be proud of where it is inclusive, accepting and welcoming of everyone.

3. Event Application from NBCC for reverse parade for Halloween

A letter was received from NBCC requesting permission to hold a reverse parade on Carleton Street on Halloween.

CAO / EDO Anthony was directed to work with this group to ensure this location is the best location.

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MOTION: To approve the request from NBCC to hold a reverse parade as per application submitted with any adjustments required. Councillor Sutherland, Councillor Bradbury.

Carried. #267-2020

NEW BUSINESS:

Halloween Update

The recreation director, Kelly Foster Hallett, is working with 2 groups to plan for Halloween activities. We all have heard directive from the province where safety is important. Mayor Slipp wants to remind everyone that there isn't any door-to-door trick-or-treating in Woodstock.

Consideration of the First and Second Reading

Proposed BIA Levy By-law L-1.21

BY-LAW # L-1.21

A BY-LAW TO IMPOSE A LEVY ON NON-RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY WITHIN THE WOODSTOCK BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA

The council of the Town of Woodstock under authority vested in it by Section 3 of the Business Improvement Areas Act, enacts as follows:

1. This By-Law may be cited as a By-Law imposing a levy on non- residential property with in that area of the Town of Woodstock referred to as the "Business Improvement Area".
2. A levy of .20 (twenty cents) for each \$100.00 (one hundred dollars) of assessed value is established for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2021 and ending December 31, 2021.

MOTION: First reading in its entirety, By-Law # L-1.21, a By-Law to impose a levy on non-residential property within the Woodstock Business Improvement area. Councillor Sutherland, Councillor Leonard.

Carried. #268-2020

MOTION: Second reading by title, By-Law # L-1.21, a By-Law to impose a levy on non-residential property within the Woodstock Business Improvement area. Deputy Mayor Anderson, Councillor Bradbury.

Carried. #269-2020

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Report of the Public Works Committee – October 5, 2020

The minutes of the Public Works Committee meeting of October 5, 2020 were reviewed as distributed.

MOTION: To accept the report of the Public Works Committee meeting of October 5, 2020. Councillor Sutherland, Councillor Bradbury. Carried. #270-2020

Report of the Finance Committee – October 6, 2020

The minutes of the Finance Committee meeting of October 6, 2020 were reviewed as distributed.

MOTION: To sponsor the Arena Board Sign for Crime Stoppers. Councillor Sutherland, Councillor Bradbury. Carried. #271-2020

MOTION: To approve the report of the Finance Committee from October 6, 2020. Councillor Sutherland, Councillor Bradbury. Carried. #272-2020

Report of the Protective Services Committee – October 7, 2020

The Minutes from the October 7, 2020, Protective Services Committee meeting were reviewed as distributed.

CAO / EDO Anthony suggests that Mandy Hamilton meet with Council to discuss the Docupet Document.

MOTION: To accept the report of the Protective Services Committee meeting of October 7 2020. Deputy Mayor Anderson, Councillor Bradbury. Carried. #273-2020

NEXT MEETING DATE: October 26, 2020 at 7pm - Town Hall.

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MOTION: Move to Committee of The Whole, Deputy Mayor Anderson, Councillor Bradbury
Carried. #274-2020

MOTION: To appoint Martha McGarrigle to the LP Fisher Library Board until January 16, 2023.
Councillor Leonard, Councillor Leonard. Carried. #275-2020

MOTION: To approve the installation of a water line to 108 First Plymouth Road for Mark Gaddas with the following conditions:

- 1 There will be a written agreement with Mark Gaddas for this project.
- 2 A 6" water line will be installed.
- 3 The water line will be to the specifications of the Town of Woodstock.
- 4 The Town of Woodstock will contribute up to \$23,900.

Councillor Sutherland, Councillor Bradbury. Carried. #276-2020

MOTION: Resume Regular Session. , Councillor Blackburn, Councillor Bradbury.
Carried. #277-2020

MOTION: Adjournment. Deputy Mayor Anderson, Councillor Bradbury. Carried. #278-2020

Arthur Slipp, Mayor

Ann Marie Voutour, Clerk / Treasurer
Director of Administrative Services

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COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

- Legal issue.
- Personnel issues

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