

APPROVED MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting

February 21, 2024 @ 6:30 pm

North Shore Community Centre

PRESENT:

Chair Mayor Watts, Deputy Mayor MacKinnon, Councillor Doyle, Councillor MacDonald, Councillor Cook, Councillor McLaine, CAO Sarah Wheatley
Members of the public: 3 Members

1 Call to Order

6:30 pm by Mayor Watts.

2 Approval of the agenda

It was duly moved and second to approve an addition 6.4 Street Light at end of Winter River to the agenda as presented.

Moved by Deputy Mayor MacKinnon, seconded by Councillor Doyle.

All in Favor

MOTION CARRIED

2024-02-13

2.1 Disclosure of Pecuniary or other Conflicts of Interest

None.

3 Approval of the minutes from

3.1 Regular council meeting on January 10, 2024

It was duly moved and second to approve the minutes from January 10,2024 Regular Council Meeting as presented.

Moved by Councillor McLaine, seconded by Councillor Cook.

All in Favor

MOTION CARRIED

2024-02-14

3.2 Special closed council meeting January 31, 2024.

It was duly moved and second to approve the minutes from January 31,2024 Special Closed Meeting as presented.

Moved by Councillor MacDonald, seconded by Councillor Cook.

All in Favor

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2024-02-15

3.3 Business Arising from the Minutes

- Letter to Bloyce Thompson.
- Update on Gas Tax.

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- Update on Grand Tracadie Rink.
 - Discussion staff to flood the rink.
 - Dart Group moved to Stanhope Place.
 - Contact Eagle Construction to clear snow around Community Fridge door at Stanhope Place.

4 Delegations, Speakers, and Public Input

No Speakers

5 Reports

5.1 CAO Report

- Received a grant from Dept. Agriculture for Community Fridge for the value of \$5,000.
- Concert on March 1, 2024 by donation at door. Proceeds will be used for the Community Fridge and other areas of need.
- New Recreation/Events Coordinator - Don Roper hired.
- Maintenance projects being completed by Johnathan, Sandra & Charles.

5.2 Finance and Infrastructure Report

- Upcoming meeting.

5.3 Planning Board and Development Permit Report

- Working on some of the bigger projects.
- Restructuring files and hired a planner to consult regarding our processes.
- Rearranging internal workflow for pre- screening with administration.
- Revamping the application process for transparency for the public and ease of use.
- Forming informational guides on the process for the public.

5.4 Emergency Measures Organization Report

- Upcoming meeting.

5.5 Recreation and Community Engagement Report

- Meeting TBD because of new Recreation / Events Coordinator
- Derek reported that the rink in Grand Tracadie is up and running.

5.6 Water, Bays & Environment Report

- Thomas Landry giving a proposal on data collection on Bays etc. Hopeful for funding.

5.7 Stanhope Potable updates

- Discussed the plebiscite needs further research.

It was duly moved and seconded to approve all reports.

*Moved by Councillor Cook, seconded by Councillor Doyle
All in Favor
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2024-02-16*

6 New Business

6.1 First Reading of Code of Conduct Bylaw (2024-01)

Document was read, but not all required motions were made. First reading will be deferred to next month.

6.2 Spending for Planner

- CAO would like approval to spend up to \$15,000.00 on a planner to consult for 2 months.

It was duly moved and seconded to approve to spend up to \$15,000 for a planner in the next 2 months.

Moved by Deputy Mayor MacKinnon, seconded by Councillor Doyle

All in Favor

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2024-02-17

6.3 Unsightly property complaint

- Hit many walls on this property complaint and while evaluating possible solutions to the situation.
- CAO to review unsightly bylaw implementation.

6.4 Streetlight at Winter River

- Councillor Cook requested for a streetlight at the end of the Winter River Road.

7. In Camera Session: MGA -119. Closed meetings

Despite subsection 118(1), a council or council committee may, by resolution, close all or part of a meeting to the public, either in advance or at the meeting, where the matter to be discussed is, in relation to any of the following, confidential:

(b) information received in confidence which, if disclosed, would likely be prejudicial to the municipality or parties involved.

(d) human resource matters, including labour relations or employee negotiations.

(e) a matter still under consideration, on which the council has not yet publicly announced a decision, and about which discussion in public would likely prejudice a municipality's ability to carry out its negotiations.

(f) the review of legal advice.

It was duly moved and seconded to close the meeting to the public at 7:44 pm.

Moved by Councillor Cook, seconded by Councillor McLaine

All in favor

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2024-02-18

It was duly moved and seconded to reopen the meeting to the public at 8:39 pm

Moved by Councillor McLaine, seconded by Councillor Doyle

All in favor

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2024-02-19

8 Next Meeting March 13, 2024, 6:30pm North shore Community Center

9 Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:39pm.

Moved by Deputy Mayor MacKinnon, seconded by Councillor MacDonald

All in favor

MOTION CARRIED

2024-02-20

SIGNED: Gerard Watts, Mayor

DATE:

SIGNED: Sarah Wheatley, CAO

DATE: