

DRAFT MINUTES
TOWN OF ANNAPOLIS ROYAL
REGULAR COUNCIL
August 18, 2008
9:00 a.m.

The regular meeting of Council was held on Wednesday, August 18, 2008 in Council Chambers at Town Hall. In attendance were Chair Mayor Jane DeWolfe, Deputy Mayor Phil Roberts, Councillors Sherman Hudson, Doug Shaffner and Ron Boulding, and Acting CAO Melony Robinson and Sandi Millett-Campbell as recording secretary. Also present in the gallery were Carole Littleton, Paul Paquette, Danny McClair, Tom Bartlett, Lila Bartlett, Ivan Charlton, Leona Rafuse, Kathy Fearon, Blaine Schumacher, Heidi Richells, Chris Millier, Dean Guest and Heather (last name not given) representing Loblaw's.

Regrets: CAO Amery Boyer

APPROVAL OF REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES

July 21, 2008

Motion # 1

*It was moved by Deputy Mayor Roberts, seconded by Councillor Hudson, approval of the regular Council minutes dated July 21, 2008.
Motion carried.*

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA

Under Presentations add:

1. Jim McGinis- Board of Police Commission

Under Correspondence add:

{d} Nova Scotia Health Promotion and Protection

Under New Business add:

{f} Application from Gary Dahms for Heritage Approval

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

August 18, 2008

Motion # 2

It was moved by Councillor Shaffner, seconded by Councillor Hudson, approval of the agenda dated August 18, 2008, as amended. Motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS

1. **Jim McGinis- Board of Police Commission** – Mr. McGinnis stated that he wished he had a more positive report to give about the recent break and enters, but the break ins seem to be continuing. The police force is down to two police officers and they are actively looking to hire 1 or 2 new officers by the first of September. The department has received 6 applications to date and will start the interviews by this Friday. The Police Department are currently taking calls during the day, and focusing their time at night. The Police Department has hired 2 members of the Annapolis Royal Fire Department to help as their eyes and ears only. Mayor Jane DeWolfe and Mr. McGinnis had a meeting with the local business owners on Tuesday to discuss their concerns. The current issue is happening outside the Town limits as well and the RCMP and the Town Police are working together to solve this matter. There has been one home invasion, but the Police Department does not think that this is related to the current break and enters. Questions and discussion followed.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Chris Millier – Amendment Application – A request has been received from the owners of Hutchin's Pharmasave to have the Land Use By-law amended to allow additional signs on each side of their building. The LUB restricts facial signs to one and Hutchin's Pharmasave currently has two signs on the front of its newly renovated building. Mr. Millier said that if the Land Use By-law is changed, the provisions will apply to everyone. No special exceptions can be made specifically for Hutchin's Pharmasave. The total of 100 square feet of signage does not change. The amendment will allow additional signs up to a total of 100 square feet.

Motion #3

It was moved by Councillor Boulding, seconded by Councillor Shaffner, based on the recommendation of the Annapolis District Planning Commission, that the Part 7.3.2 (d) of the Annapolis Royal Land Use By-law be amended to read: "not more than two (2) facial wall signs per wall shall be permitted for each business premises" and that Part 7.8 (d) be amended to read: "exceed 10 m2 (107.6 sq. ft) in total combined sign area". Motion carried.

- 2. Chris Millier – Public Consultation Meeting - Proposed Office Building** – Mr. Millier presented the development report for the proposed office building on St. Anthony Street. The application is to have the property re-zoned from residential to commercial. There is no additional information on the building at this point, only that it is proposed as a single story, 2400 square foot office complex. Mr. Millier said that there are two options for the zoning. The land adjacent to the affected lot is zoned commercial and there is a flexibility clause that would allow this lot to be zoned to that of adjacent property. Through the adjacency provision the rezoning can proceed. If there is intent or desire for other commercial properties in this area, it was recommended that the lot be rezoned as a way to indicate that commercial development is welcome in the area. There were no objections to the rezoning to commercial development. It was suggested that a gateway concept be put into place to control the landscape and green space in this area. Mr. Millier said that the next step is to take the information to PHAC on September 3, 2008 and set a formal public hearing date.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Item	Decision / Action	Responsibility	Target Date
{a}			

NEW BUSINESS

Item	Decision / Action	Responsibility	Target Date
{a} Group Picture	Amery needs a group picture of Council for the Annual Report.	Sally	
{b} Uranium Mining	<p>Clean Annapolis River Project suggests that the Town council should send a letter of support to the Municipality of West Hants.</p> <p><i>Motion #4</i> <i>It was moved by Councillor Boulding, seconded by Councillor Hudson, to send a letter of support to the Municipality of West Hants to keep a moratorium on uranium mining. Motion Carried.</i></p>		

{c} Democracy 250 Legacy Project	Waiting for reply from the MLA Office of Stephen MacNeil.		
{d} Annapolis Digby Economic Development Agency (7)	<i>Motion #5</i> <i>It was moved by Councillor Boulding, seconded by Councillor Shaffner, to support the fall workshops with the Annapolis Digby Economic Development Agency for \$175.00. Motioned Carried.</i>		
{e} Final Voters' List (8)	<i>Motion #6</i> <i>It was moved by Councillor Hudson, seconded by Councillor Boulding to approve the Voters' List as amended. Motioned Carried.</i>		

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEES, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS

Item	Decision / Action	Responsibility	Target Date
{a} Recommendations from Committee of the Whole	<i>Motion #7</i> <i>It was moved by Deputy Mayor Roberts, seconded by Councillor Hudson, to accept and approve the Policy for Energy Management for Town Owned Buildings, with the exception of item #6 which will be re-worded to reflect LED lighting. Motion Carried.</i> <i>Motion #8</i> <i>It was moved by Councillor Hudson, seconded by Councillor Shaffner, to proceed with the purchase of Higgs Landing property from the Province of Nova Scotia. Motion Carried.</i> <i>Motion #9</i> <i>It was moved by Councillor Shaffner, seconded by Councillor Boulding, to support the Auxiliary Role Project and in particular the renewal of the framework for cooperation between public authorities and the Canadian Red Cross to better address humanitarian challenges of the 21st century by: a) working to reinforce the status and roles of the Canadian Red</i>		

	<p><i>Cross as auxiliary to public authorities in the humanitarian field; b) and reviewing existing measures, arrangements and instruments supporting the relationship. Motion Carried.</i></p> <p><i>Motion #10</i> <i>It was moved by Deputy Mayor Roberts, seconded by Councillor Hudson, to accept and approve the application for changes to heritage property located at 221 St. Anthony Street. Motion Carried.</i></p> <p><i>Motion #11</i> <i>It was moved by Councillor Hudson, seconded by Councillor Shaffner to accept and approve the application for changes to heritage property located at 643 St. George Street. Motion Carried.</i></p> <p><i>Motion #12</i> <i>It was moved by Councillor Boulding, seconded by Councillor Shaffner, to accept and approve adoption of the Public Participation Policy.</i></p>		
{b} Board of Police Commissioners	<p>Mayor DeWolfe said that Jim McGinnis brought everyone up to date with his report. Mayor DeWolfe agrees with getting the information out to the public. The Police Department is under staffed but they are working hard and they understand the business community is concerned. Mayor DeWolfe agrees that Council should be brought up to date on the communication earlier, and apologises for the lack of information to this point. There have been 9 break ins in the town limits, and more outside in the surrounding areas. Mayor DeWolfe suggests that a mail drop of public information should go out to the residents full of information and explanation that the RCMP and the Town Police are working together on this issue.</p>	Mayor Jane DeWolfe	
{c} Mayor's Report	<p>Mayor DeWolfe attended several events and meetings over the past month, some of which included the public meeting at the Legion, Natal Day ceremonies, HMCS Acadia, and the Community Spirit Awards.</p>	Mayor Jane DeWolfe	
{d} ADEDA	<p>Meeting is scheduled for this week.</p>	Mayor Jane DeWolfe	

{d} King's Theatre	Deputy Mayor Roberts reported that King's Theatre is well within budget. Lots of good things are coming to King's Theatre. King's would like to replace the windows upstairs, and the outside railing, and the sprinkler system in the basement with the Town's portion of contribution.	Deputy Mayor Phil Roberts	
{e} REMO	The next meeting is scheduled for September, 2008.	Mayor Jane DeWolfe	
{f} Hanse Society	Councillor Boulding said this business is weather dependant and the weather was not working with them. Councillor Boulding also had concerns regarding the Haunted House that he will address with the Hanse Society board.	Councillor Ron Boulding	
{g} Historic Gardens	Councillor Shaffner was not able to attend the last meeting but did report that attendance at the Gardens was down in the month of July. The Gardens is still reviewing the water supply system, but the ponds have excessive amounts of salt, and are losing water in the lower pond.	Councillor Doug Shaffner	
{h} FAPS	Deputy Mayor Roberts said that the lessons are going well, and they have added more public swim time in the evenings. FAPS has also received their charitable donation number. Everything seems to be going well.	Deputy Mayor Phil Roberts	
{g} Twinning Committee	Deputy Mayor Roberts said that a member from Annapolis, Maryland was not happy that no one was at the end of the race.	Deputy Mayor Phil Roberts	

CORRESPONDENCE

Item	Decision / Action	Responsibility	Target Date
{a} Friends of the Annapolis Royal Library – Draft Minutes	For information only.		
{b} Communities in Bloom	For information only.		

{c} ADPC Report- confidential	Please note that this report is provided to members of Council only and in confidence. The report includes confidential property owner information.		
{d} Nova Scotia Health Promotion and Protection	For information only.		

NEXT MEETING September 15, 2008 at 9:00 a.m.

IN CAMERA

It was moved by Councillor Boulding, seconded by Councillor Shaffner to move in camera to discuss legal matters.

It was moved by Councillor Hudson, seconded by Councillor Boulding to move out of camera.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Councillor Boulding to adjourn the meeting.

<i>Action:</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Signature</i>
Reviewed by Mayor Jane DeWolfe		
Changes made by Administrative Assistant, Jackie Longmire		
Approved for website by Mayor or CAO		
Forwarded to the Website		

