

COUNCIL MINUTES
May 16, 2005
7:00 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Council for the Town of Annapolis Royal was held on Monday, May 16, 2005 in the Council Chambers at Town Hall. In attendance were Chair Mayor John Kinsella, Deputy Mayor Jane DeWolfe, Councillors Sherman Hudson, Peter Kramers, Doug Shaffner, and Ron Boulding, Amery Boyer Chief Administrative Officer, Melony Robinson Director of Finance, and Marlene Feener Administrative Assistant as recording secretary. Also present were Leslee Fredericks, Katrina Peddle, Jonathan McClelland of the Western Valley Development Authority, Patricia Lonergan from the Spectator, Roger Sturtevant Director of Planning for the Annapolis District Planning Commission, Gary Slauenwhite of the Western District Health Authority, and Jessie Smith.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Mayor John Kinsella called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL

April 18, 2005

Motion # 1

It was moved by Ron Boulding, seconded by Sherman Hudson, approval of minutes dated April 18, 2005 as amended. Motion carried.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

Under Correspondence

- {g} Annual meeting of the Family and Children's Services, May 25, 2005
- {h} Navy League 62nd Annual Cadet Review, May 29, 2005
- {l} Invitation to Human Resource Centre of Canada for Students Grand Opening, May 30, 2005

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

May 16, 2005

Motion # 2

It was moved by Jane DeWolfe, seconded by Doug Shaffner, that the agenda dated May 16, 2005 be approved as circulated. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- {a} Application for MPS¹ Map Amendment and LUB² Map Amendment, Annapolis District Health Authority 7:00 p.m. - Roger Sturtevant reported that the Annapolis District Health Authority has made an application for MPS Map Amendment and LUB Map Amendment. He stated that a public participation program was held and a recommendation was made to move forward with the request. He reported that ads were placed in the local paper on April 26, 2005 and May 03, 2005 for a public hearing that is being held this date. If approved, the revisions will be forwarded to Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations for approval.

Mayor Kinsella read a letter from adjacent land owners, Barbara and Rollo MacDonald, who are in favor of the application and asked that appropriate landscaping be included.

Gary Slauenwhite stated that the Health Authority has contacted Joy Elliott to work on landscaping issues with the property.

Roger Sturtevant read section 4.25 of the Land Use Bylaw that stated that a setback of 6 meters is required when abutting a multi use heritage area.

Motion # 3

It was moved by Jane DeWolfe, seconded by Sherman Hudson, that the following amendments be adopted and enacted as amendments to the Town of Annapolis Royal Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use Bylaw:

AMENDMENT I: MUNICIPAL PLANNING STRATEGY

Subsequent to the report of the Planner, on recommendation of the Planning Advisory Committee, after holding a public hearing thereon; and following full consideration by Council of Part 8 of the MPS and all related policies, that the Annapolis Valley District Health Authority parcel shown on the attached map be redesignated from Residential to Institutional on the Future Land Use Map.

AMENDMENT II:

Subsequent to the report of the Planner, on recommendation of the Planning Advisory Committee, after holding a public hearing thereon; and following full consideration by Council of Part 8 and 27.7 of the MPS and all related policies, that the Annapolis District

¹Municipal Planning Strategy

²Land use bylaw

***Health Authority parcel shown on the attached map be rezoned from Residential Multiple (R2) Zone to Institutional (IN1) Zone.
Motion carried.***

PRESENTATIONS

- {a} Leslee Fredericks and Jonathon McClelland, Western Valley Development Authority (3) - Leslee Fredericks gave an oral presentation on the WVDA³ (copy included with original minutes). She reported that the Regional Development Authority originated from meetings between the seven Mayors and Wardens for Digby and Annapolis Counties. Leslee Fredericks reported that twenty consultants were hired to interview individuals, businesses, and groups in the area prior to the launching of the WVDA. She said that the WVDA has been in existence for 10 years.

Leslee Fredericks reported that some of the results include the SMART Communities Project which was implemented over the past five years, upgrading of libraries, Fundy Broadband, and the CLICK project which the Annapolis District Planning Commission was involved in. She said that two high schools in the area also received enhanced programming capabilities.

Jonathon McClelland reported that the Learn and Save Program will be in place for the next 18 months. This program provides matching funding for individuals with low income who have saved money to upgrade their skills or start a new business.

Jonathan McClelland reported that three youth internship projects were held. The project provided youth at risk with a skills development program which made them more employable.

Leslee Fredericks reported that the WVDA provides a one stop business counselling for business development. She said that the WVDA provides a referral and connection service and participates in regional strategic initiatives with other agencies. Professional development workshops are held for businesses including e-business and computer workshops.

Leslee Fredericks reported that the WVDA will be holding video conferencing on Bed and Breakfasts in the local area. She stated that the WVDA has portholes on its website which allow businesses to advertise their websites.

Jonathon McClelland reported that the WVDA is looking at a business retention and expansion program. He said that the WVDA will be going out into the community to survey businesses.

Mayor Kinsella thanked Leslee Fredericks and Jonathon McClelland for their presentation.

³Western Valley Development Authority

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Item	Decision / Action	Responsibility	Target Date
{a} Other			

MOTION(S) OF RECONSIDERATION: none

MOTION(S) OF RESCISSION: none

OTHER NOTICE(S) OF MOTION

NEW BUSINESS

Item	Decision / Action	Responsibility	Target Date
{a} Water Reports	Reports have been reviewed and found to be satisfactory.	CAO	
{b} Swimming Pool Fencing Bylaw (1)	This is the first reading of the Swimming Pool Fencing Bylaw. This is required due to substantive changes to the Swimming Pool Fencing Bylaw.		
{c} Joy Elliott's Report re Signage Committee Review of Activities for Council 11 Apr 2005 and 02 May 2005 (6) & (10)	Amery Boyer reported that the Signage Committee has been meeting on a regular basis. Mayor Kinsella reported that he would like to see this package sent to the Planning and Heritage Advisory Committee for their input.		
{d} Joy Elliott's Report re Solar Lighting Options of New Town Entry Signs (7)	Amery Boyer stated that lighting is not recommended.		
{e} Joy Elliott's email dated May 11, 2005 re Church Street (8)	Amery Boyer stated that this is not a budget issue. As requested by members of Council, the report outlines priorities.		
{f} JoAnne MacKay's Application for Changes to Heritage Property, 27 Church	<i>Motion # 4</i> <i>It was moved by Ron Boulding, seconded by Jane DeWolfe, approval of JoAnne MacKay's application for changes to heritage property at 27</i>		

Street (12)	<i>Church Street (sign). Motion carried</i>		
{g} Port Royal Branch No. 21 Royal Canadian Legion Lease (15)	<p>Amery Boyer asked if the Town was interested in renewing the Royal Canadian Legion lease for the parking lot. She said that the drainage issues for the property are almost resolved.</p> <p>Mayor Kinsella reported that the Province will be providing a grant in the amount of \$24,000 for the raising of the roof at the Legion.</p> <p><i>Motion # 5</i> <i>It was moved by Jane DeWolfe, seconded by Doug Shaffner that the Town approve the signing of the lease between the Port Royal Branch No. 21, Royal Canadian Legion and the Town of Annapolis Royal for public parking. Motion Carried</i></p>		

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEES, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS

Item	Decision / Action	Responsibility	Target Date
{a} Recommendations from Committee of the Whole	<p>Motion # 6 <i>It was moved by Jane DeWolfe, seconded by Sherman Hudson, acceptance of SGE Acres rating system for the implementation of sidewalk projects within the Town of Annapolis Royal. Motion carried.</i></p> <p>Motion # 7 <i>It was moved by Jane DeWolfe, seconded by Ron Boulding, approval of a maximum of two bursaries in the amount of \$750 each, one for a boy and the second for a girl. The bursaries will be based on an academic standing of at least 75%. The recipient will be an immediate family member of a residential or business taxpayer in good standing in the Town of Annapolis Royal. The bursary will be not given if no one qualifies in any given year. The bursary will be for a Atlantic university or college. Motion carried.</i></p> <p>Motion # 8 <i>It was moved by Doug Shaffner, seconded by Ron Boulding, approval for tax write off on the following properties:</i></p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"> <i>Tax card # 92398 in the amount of \$602.25 Tax card # 4641442 in the amount of \$878.40 Tax card # 4641485 in the amount of \$1,160.53 Tax card # 4997409 in the amount of \$3,063.73. Motion carried.</i> </p> <p>Motion # 9 <i>It was moved by Sherman Hudson, seconded by Ron Boulding, approval of the low income tax exemption policy. Motion carried.</i></p> <p>Motion # 10 <i>It was moved by Ron Boulding, seconded by Sherman Hudson, that the Town of Annapolis Royal accept the Municipality of Annapolis County contract agreement for animal control services. Motion carried.</i></p>		
	<p><i>It was moved by Jane DeWolfe, seconded by Doug Shaffner, that the large aluminum Cultural Capital sign be placed on the north side of the Kings Theatre building. Motion was withdrawn, staff will investigate further.</i></p>		

	<p>Motion # 11 <i>It was moved by Jane DeWolfe, seconded by Doug Shaffner, approval of Arthur Reynolds' application for changes to heritage property at 228 St. George Street. Motion carried.</i></p> <p>Motion #12 <i>It was moved by Sherman Hudson, seconded by Jan DeWolfe, that the Town of Annapolis Royal authorize a 50% reimbursement program for new tree plantings on the street scape within Town, subject to consultation with the Town's arborist, horticulturist, and/or landscape architect, and subject to availability of funds in the tree budget. Motion carried.</i></p> <p>Motion #13 <i>It was moved by Doug Shaffner, seconded by Ron Boulding, approval of Michael and Beatrice Yaciuk's application for changes to heritage property at 214 St Anthony Street, with the strong recommendation for underground wiring. Motion carried.</i></p> <p>Motion #14 <i>It was moved by Sherman Hudson, seconded by Jane DeWolfe, approval of Annapolis Heritage Society's request for the relocation of a building on the property located at 136 St. George Street. Motion carried.</i></p> <p>Motion #15 <i>It was moved by Ron Boulding, seconded by Sherman Hudson first reading of the Swimming Pool Fencing Bylaw.</i></p>		
{b} Board of Police Commissioners	Jane DeWolfe reported that a general meeting was held.	Deputy Mayor Jane DeWolfe	
{c} Port Royal 400 th	Jane DeWolfe reported that everything seems to be in order.	Councillor Sherman Hudson	
{d} Focus 2005	Nothing to report.		
{e} Mayor's Report	<p>Mayor Kinsella gave an oral report which included the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Legion launch of their new 400th pin · Mayors and Warden's meeting · attended the UNSM spring workshop in Baddeck. 	Mayor John Kinsella	

{f} Natal Day	Peter Kramers reported that the Committee will be holding meetings over the next week.		
{g} Fundy Broad Band	Nothing to report.		
{h} Budget	<p>Melony Robinson reported that she has answered questions that were brought up during the budget meeting held May 09, 2005.</p> <p>Amery Boyer reported that an estimate of \$25,000 was put in for soil testing, siting, and excavation for a swimming pool. A survey will be forwarded to members of Council prior to being sent out to the public.</p> <p>Mayor Kinsella reported that the Town has provided funds to help the Historic Gardens to construct a deer proof fence and to King's Theatre to do touch up work.</p> <p>It was moved by Ron Boulding, seconded by Jane DeWolfe, approval of the Capital Budget in the amount 367,000 and Operating Budget in the amount of \$2,154,195. (three naves) Motion is defeated.</p> <p>Staff will provide Council members with information on highway signage and who is responsible to pay for the signs.</p> <p>Amery Boyer reported that support to the business community from the Town would be through the Western Valley Development Authority. She said that this would help leverage more money this way.</p> <p>Amery Boyer stated that Natal Day and Canada Day are not covered by the 50/50 funding at this point. Amery Boyer reported that the Town is looking for \$109,000 in funds in order to get matching funds through Cultural Capitals. She said that if the funding doesn't come through, that events will be scaled back to reflect the level of funding as viable.</p> <p>Doug Shaffner voiced concerns that the Town is spending beyond its means.</p> <p>Peter Kramers voiced concerns about transferring money over from the swimming pool reserves.</p>		

CORRESPONDENCE

Item	Decision / Action	Responsibility	Target Date
{a} Mary MacIntosh Suggestion(2)	<i>Motion # 16</i> <i>It was moved by Jane DeWolfe, seconded by Sherman Hudson that Mary MacIntosh's suggestion on handicap parking be referred to Laurie Emms, Traffic Authority, for advice. Motion carried.</i>		
{b} Federation of Canadian Municipalities letter dated May 06, 2005 re Response to Today's letter from the Leader of the Official Opposition (4)	Information only.		
{c} Annapolis District Planning Commission Development /Building Permit Report (5)	Information only.		
{d} Barbara McDonald's letter dated May 11, 2005 re Redesignating and Rezoning of Property Adjacent of AVDHA (9)	Discussed under Public Hearing above.		
{e} Town of Annapolis Royal letter to Annapolis District Board of Trade dated ay 13, 2005 re Possible Building of Recreational Facility in Annapolis Royal (11)	No response to date		
{f} Town of Annapolis Royal letter to Patty Bent re Queen Annapolis Royal (14)	Information only		
{g} Annual meeting of the Family and Children's Services, May 25, 2005	Council representation requested. Forward information to Marlene Feener		
{h} Navy League	Council representation requested.		

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{I} Youth Employment Strategy	Council representation requested. Forward information to Marlene Feener		

OTHER BUSINESS

{a} Other

Motion # 17

It was moved by Sherman Hudson, seconded by Jane DeWolfe, that the Town of Annapolis Royal approve the adoption of Flag No. 3 as the Town's flag. Motion carried.

QUESTIONS

ADDED ITEMS

IN CAMERA SESSION

To discuss a potential land sale (13)

Motion # 18

It was moved by Sherman Hudson, seconded by Jane DeWolfe that the meeting move to an in camera session to discuss a potential land sale. Motion Carried.

Motion # 19

It was moved by Sherman Hudson, seconded by Jane DeWolfe that the meeting move back into regular session. Motion carried.

NEXT MEETING

June 20, 2005 at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion # 20

It was moved by Doug Shaffner, seconded by Peter Kramers that the meeting adjourn.

Action:	Date	Signature
Reviewed by Mayor John Kinsella		
Changes made by Administrative Assistant Marlene Feener		
Approved for website by Mayor or CAO		
Forwarded to website and WVDA		