

**DRAFT MINUTES**  
**TOWN OF ANNAPOLIS ROYAL**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL**  
**September 15, 2008**  
**9:00 a.m.**

The regular meeting of Council was held on Wednesday, September 15, 2008 in Council Chambers at Town Hall. In attendance were Chair Deputy Mayor Phil Roberts, Councillors Sherman Hudson, Doug Shaffner and Ron Boulding, CAO Amery Boyer, Director of Finance Melony Robinson, and Jackie Longmire as recording secretary. Also present were several members of the public including Town Planner Chris Millier

Regrets: Mayor Jane DeWolfe

**APPROVAL OF REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES**

**August 18, 2008**

**Motion # 1**

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

**ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA**

Under New Business add:

- {h} Invitation – Destination South West Nova
- {g} Visitor Information Centre

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**September 15, 2008**

**Motion # 2**

*It was moved by Councillor Boulding, seconded by Councillor Hudson, approval of the agenda dated September 15, 2008, as amended. Motion carried.*



## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

### **Fortier Mills –**

Joy Elliott reviewed the plans for the Fortier Mills development. There have been no changes to the proposal, but the process requires that it be reviewed for public input. A few concerns were expressed by those in attendance.

A question was raised about the foundations and how far down bedrock was on the site. Ms. Elliott said that she had no information on bedrock but the majority of the homes would not have a foundation. Sewage concerns were also addressed; Ms. Elliott said that she has confirmed with the Town engineer that the surplus capacity of the system is now sufficient. It has been indicated that small home-based businesses would be permitted in the new development and there were questions regarding signage. It was noted that the signage issues are addressed through the LUB and all signage would be small and discreet.

Comments regarding traditional building materials were received via e-mail. A resident has expressed concerns about concrete board siding and other “fake” wood products being used as siding for the homes. PHAC approval was discussed and how each dwelling would be approved. It was noted that it is the goal of the developer to put together a package of 8-10 proposed homes to be pre-approved by PHAC. As the agreement is now, each home would have to be considered and approved under its own application. Ian Lawrence said that he has no problem with the new siding that resembles wood. It was agreed that the low maintenance siding may appeal to homeowners. Alternate siding options will be permitted with the exclusion of vinyl and aluminum.

Vacant lots within the development were also discussed. It was the request of PHAC to add a clause that would require any purchaser to build on the property within a 2-year period. Chris Miller said that the Town does not have the right to demand that any vacant property owner develop the property in a certain period of time. He explained that this issue would have to be addressed in agreements between the developer and the purchaser.

Chair Deputy Mayor Roberts asked what the next step was with this proposal. Chris Millier said that the proposal has been given first reading by Council and minor details have been changed. If significant changes had been made, another public hearing would have been warranted; but this is not the case with this proposal.

***Motion #3***

***It was moved by Councillor Boulding, seconded by Councillor Hudson, based on the recommendation of the Annapolis District Planning Commission, and the intent to amend paragraph 6.1 of the proposal, to confirm the review and approval procedure for each dwelling until such time that an alternate process is in place, that the Development Agreement for Fortier Mills be approved. Motion carried.***

**PRESENTATIONS**

1. **ASYPS** – Jonathan Longmire and Reed Power-Grimm updated Council on the progress of the group. They have been working towards their goal of a new skatepark in Annapolis Royal and have raised approximately \$80,000.00 towards the estimated \$200,000.00 expense. Another clean-up of the site, adjacent to the French Basin Trail car park has been scheduled for October 18, 2008. They presented a draft design of the park and said that they will be having meetings with ARCAC to discuss the creative aspects. The group hopes to begin the project build in the spring of 2009.

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Decision / Action</b>	<b>Responsibility</b>	<b>Target Date</b>
{a} School Closures	This item was deferred to the next Committee of the Whole meeting scheduled for October 8, 2008.		
{b} Janson/Melanson Application	The requested information was not received from the developer. Changes were made in the recommendation to Council from the Committee of the Whole meeting to reflect the fact that the requested information was not received.		

**NEW BUSINESS**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Decision / Action</b>	<b>Responsibility</b>	<b>Target Date</b>
{a} Worker's Compensation Board	It was noted that the increase in remittances for the Police Department is the result of an on the job injury.		

{b} BBC News – Living in a World Without Waste	For Information only.		
{c} Seasonal Residence Bylaw	<b><i>Motion #3</i></b> <b><i>It was moved by Councillor Shaffner, seconded by Councillor Hudson, first reading of the Seasonal Residence By-law. Motion carried.</i></b>		
{d} Annapolis Valley Regional Library	<b><i>Motion #4</i></b> <b><i>It was moved by Councillor Hudson, seconded by Councillor Boulding, to approve the request for \$100.00 in financial support of the Annapolis Valley Regional Libraries annual conference. Motion carried.</i></b>		
{e} Invitation to attend – Dedication of the Dr. Paul LaFleche Hall in Cornwallis Park	For information only.		
{f} Development/Building Permit Report & Fire Inspection Report	For information only.		
{g} Orientation for soon to be elected Councillors	All newly elected members of council will be present at the next Council meeting scheduled for October 20, 2008		
{h} Invitation – Destination South West Nova	Destination South West Nova will be holding an open house on September 18 at the Hillsdale House. All members of Council are invited to attend.		
{i} Visitor Information Centre	Councillor Boulding said that the Visitor Information Centre is now closed for the season. He said that the Town, as a major funder, should place a condition on the funding that would require the centre to stay open until the end of September. It was agreed that it is too late to do anything this year but this issue will be discussed during budget deliberations for 2009-2010.		

# **RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEES, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS**

Item	Decision / Action	Responsibility	Target Date
{a} Recommendations from Committee of the Whole	<p><i><b>Motion #7</b></i>  <i>It was moved by Councillor Boulding, seconded by Councillor Hudson, to support the recommendation of the Municipality of West Hants, requesting that the Province enact legislation that the moratorium on uranium mining not be lifted and that uranium exploration no longer be permitted in Nova Scotia. Motion carried.</i></p> <p><i><b>Motion #8</b></i>  <i>It was moved by Councillor Hudson, seconded by Councillor Shaffner, approval of the Town decal for all Town-owned vehicles. Motion Carried.</i></p> <p><i><b>Motion #9</b></i>  <i>It was moved by Councillor Shaffner, seconded by Councillor Boulding, to accept and approve an amendment of the future general land use map and redesignating land parcels from residential to commercial and to amend the MPS to require new commercial development in this district be done by development agreement. Motion carried.</i></p> <p><i><b>Motion #10</b></i>  <i>It was moved by Councillor Boulding, seconded by Councillor Hudson, to accept and approve the application for changes to heritage property located at 178 St. Anthony Street. Motion Carried.</i></p> <p><i><b>Motion #11</b></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 833 St. George Street. Motion Carried.</i></p> <p><i><b>Motion #12</b></i></p>		

	<i>It was moved by Councillor Boulding, seconded by Councillor Shaffner, to grant approval of the work listed in the King's Theatre application at the estimated expense and any sprinkler repair expenses to also be covered by the budgeted amount for 2008-2009 with any overages being brought back to Council for approval. Motion carried.</i>		
{b} Board of Police Commissioners	This update was received during the in-camera session.	Mayor Jane DeWolfe	
{c} Mayor's Report	The Mayor's Report will be given during the next meeting of Council on October 20, 2008.	Mayor Jane DeWolfe	
{d} ADEDA	The ADEDA report will be given during the next meeting of Council on October 20, 2008.	Mayor Jane DeWolfe	
{d} King's Theatre	The King's Theatre report will be given during the next meeting of Council on October 20, 2008.	Deputy Mayor Phil Roberts	
{e} REMO	The REMO report will be given during the next meeting of Council on October 20, 2008.	Mayor Jane DeWolfe	
{f} Hanse Society	The Hanse Society report will be given during the next meeting of Council on October 20, 2008.	Councillor Ron Boulding	
{g} Historic Gardens	The Historic Gardens report will be given during the next meeting of Council on October 20, 2008.	Councillor Doug Shaffner	
{h} FAPS	The FAPS report will be given during the next meeting of Council on October 20, 2008.	Deputy Mayor Phil Roberts	
{g} Twinning Committee	The Twinning Committee report will be given during the next meeting of Council on October 20, 2008.	Deputy Mayor Phil Roberts	

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Decision / Action</b>	<b>Responsibility</b>	<b>Target Date</b>
{a} None			

**NEXT MEETING**                      October 20, 2008 at 9:00 a.m.

## **IN CAMERA**

*It was moved by Councillor Boulding, seconded by Councillor Hudson to move in camera to discuss staffing issues.*

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

The following motion is a result of the in-camera session:

### ***Motion #13***

***It was moved by Councillor Shaffner, seconded by Councillor Hudson, to accept the recommendation from the Board of Police Commission and approve the hiring of Keith McCuaig and Ashley Campbell as Constables with the Annapolis Royal Police Department with salaries and probation periods to be outlined in the employment agreement. Motion carried.***

## **ADJOURNMENT**

*It was moved by Councillor Boulding to adjourn the meeting.*



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