

**Town of Florenceville-Bristol**  
Regular Council Meeting  
February 9, 2021 @ 7:00pm

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Council: Mayor Karl Curtis, Deputy Mayor Nancy Whyte-McCauley, Councillor Dan McCarthy, Councillor Elizabeth Campbell, Councillor Dan Guest, Councillor David Trafford

Staff: Sarah Pacey, CAO/Clerk, Michelle Derrah, Administrative Services Manager/Assistant Clerk

Media: Doug Dickinson, The Bugle-Observer

**REGRETS:** None

As an additional safety measure, the February 9 Council meeting was moved to a virtual meeting.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Karl Curtis called the meeting to order at 7:04pm.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

**MOTION:** Approval of the February 9, 2021 Town Council Agenda. Moved by Deputy Mayor Nancy Whyte-McCauley, seconded by Councillor Dan Guest.

**CARRIED. #010-2021**

**PRESENTATIONS:**

a. Peter Corbyn, Atlantic Garden Homes

Peter Corbyn explained their project for rental housing in Nackawic, and other rural areas in New Brunswick. They conducted a survey through Facebook to determine the need for rental housing in Florenceville-Bristol, and received an overwhelming response. They like to buy locally and hire local contractors, and would consider partnering with landowners, developers and organizations if they can see a need for the rental housing in our area.

b. Public Hearing – 11 Centennial Crescent Proposed Rezoning

Council is considering amending its Municipal Plan By-law No. 12A and the Zoning By-law No. 13B by rezoning the following property:

**PROPERTY:** PID: 10248664, 11 Centennial Crescent

**REZONING:** from “R2” Residential Mixed Zone to “MU-1” Mixed-Use Main Street Zone

**PURPOSE:** the property owner also owns adjoining PIDs on McCain Street and would like to use with 11 Centennial Crescent property to build office spaces which may include a medical clinic and parking.

Two letters were read from neighbouring property owners, who both said they were in favour of the proposed rezoning, but wanted clarification on some items. Additional letters were read from the property owner, the Director of Public Works & Maintenance, and the Building Inspector & Assistant Development Officer. The Planning and Advisory Committee recommended that Council proceed with the proposed rezoning request with no terms or conditions placed on the property, beyond the existing MU-1 requirements.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**MOTION:** Ratify approval of the January 12, 2021 Town Council Minutes as distributed. Moved by Councillor Elizabeth Campbell, seconded by Councillor Dan McCarthy.

CARRIED. #011-2021

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:**

Nothing to add to the minutes.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:**

**MOTION:** To accept the Utility Operating Fund Financial Reports for January 2021 as presented and ratify paid bills in the amount of \$1,800.48 and approve unpaid bills in the amount of \$800.06 for a total of \$2,600.54. Moved by Councillor Dan Guest, seconded by Councillor Elizabeth Campbell.

CARRIED. #012-2021

**MOTION:** To accept the General Operating Fund Financial Reports for January 2021 as presented and ratify paid bills in the amount of \$332,153.59 and approve payment of unpaid bills in the amount of \$55,600.41 for a total of \$387,754.00. Moved by Deputy Mayor Nancy Whyte-McCauley, seconded by Councillor Dan McCarthy.

CARRIED. #013-2021

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

NBSPCA received no calls in January for their Dog Report.

Elections New Brunswick sent a notice to all municipalities advising the Municipal Election is scheduled for Monday, May 10, 2021. Candidates may begin to file their nomination papers with the appropriate returning officer once their offices open on Monday, March 22. The nomination period closes at 2pm on Friday, April 9.

**COUNCILLOR REPORTS:**

Councillor David Trafford:

Nothing to report.

Councillor Dan Guest:

Nothing to report.

Councillor Elizabeth Campbell:

Nothing to report.

Deputy Mayor Nancy Whyte-McCauley:

Deputy Mayor Whyte-McCauley attended a physician recruitment meeting with Horizon Health on February 2. The Andrew & Laura McCain Art Gallery Board Meeting was rescheduled to tonight, so she was not able to attend.

Councillor Dan McCarthy:

Nothing to report.

**Mayor Karl Curtis:**

Fire Chief Andrew Cogle was unable to attend the meeting, so Mayor Curtis read his report. The department attended 2 structure fires, 1 motor vehicle accidents, 1 grease fire, and 2 alarm calls since the January Council Meeting.

Mayor Curtis took part in a meeting with MLA Margaret Johnson and the Minister of Local Government and Local Governance Reform, Danielle Allain on January 13 to discuss municipal reform. He attended a meeting with the Department of Justice and Public Safety, the RCMP and members of the Western Valley Regional Service Commission Board on policing January 20. Additionally, he met with various representatives from Horizon Health on February 2 to discuss primary care recruitment.

**NEW BUSINESS:****a. Proposed Amendment to Beautification Grant Policy No. 21**

Council reviewed recommendations from staff to remove roofing, doors and windows from eligible projects, and changing the percent reimbursed from 35% to 20%. The maximum of \$500 for Residential zoned properties and \$750 for others would remain the same.

**MOTION:** To amend the Beautification Grant Policy No. 21 as presented. Moved by Councillor Dan McCarthy, seconded by Deputy Mayor Nancy Whyte-McCauley.

**CARRIED. #014-2021**

**b. Tourism Plan**

The Town has engaged the services of a Tourism Consultant to boost the Town's Tourism sector. A comprehensive list of projects has been developed in collaboration with the Consultant. Meetings have been arranged with various provincial and federal departments to align what we are offering with their overall tourism goals. Town Staff asked Council to make a formal declaration of their commitment to the Town's Tourism sector.

**MOTION:** To declare that the Town of Florenceville-Bristol is committed to developing a dynamic tourism economy that is reflective of its unique natural and cultural resources, which benefits its citizens. Moved by Deputy Mayor Nancy Whyte-McCauley, seconded by Councillor Elizabeth Campbell.

**CARRIED. #015-2021**

**c. 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Readings of Municipal Plan By-Law No. 12A, 11 Centennial Crescent**

Council discussed the items presented in the Public Hearing for amendment 12A-1.

**MOTION:** To proceed with the first reading by summary for the proposed amendment 12A-1 to By-law No. 12A, A By-law to Adopt the Town of Florenceville-Bristol Municipal Plan. Moved by Councillor Dan Guest, seconded by Councillor Dan McCarthy.

**CARRIED. #016-2021**

First reading by summary, Amendment No. 12A-1 to By-law No. 12A, A By-law to Adopt the Town of Florenceville-Bristol Municipal Plan, for the purpose of rezoning the property located at PID 10248664 at 11 Centennial Crescent from R-1 Single Family Residential to MU-1 Mixed Use Main Street.

**MOTION:** To proceed with the second reading by title for the proposed amendment 12A-1 to By-law No. 12A, A By-law to Adopt the Town of Florenceville-Bristol Municipal Plan. Moved by Councillor Dan McCarthy, seconded by Councillor Elizabeth Campbell.

CARRIED. #017-2021

Second reading by title, Amendment No. 12A-1 to By-law No. 12A, A By-law to Adopt the Town of Florenceville-Bristol Municipal Plan.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> and final reading by title will be considered at the next scheduled meeting of Council.

d. 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Readings of Zoning By-law No. 13B, 11 Centennial Crescent

**MOTION:** To proceed with the first reading by summary for the proposed amendment to By-law No. 13B, A By-law to Adopt the Town of Florenceville-Bristol Zoning By-law. Moved by Councillor Dan McCarthy, seconded by Deputy Mayor Nancy Whyte-McCauley.

CARRIED. #018-2021

First reading by summary, Amendment No. 13B-1 to By-law No. 13A, A By-law to Adopt the Town of Florenceville-Bristol Zoning By-law, for the purpose of rezoning the property located at PID 10248664 at 11 Centennial Crescent from R-1 Single Family Residential to MU-1 Mixed Use Main Street.

**MOTION:** To proceed with the second reading by title for the proposed amendment to By-law No. 13B, A By-law to adopt the Town of Florenceville-Bristol Zoning By-law. Moved by Councillor Dan McCarthy, seconded by Councillor Elizabeth Campbell.

CARRIED. #019-2021

Second reading by title, Amendment No. 13B-1 to By-law No. 13B, A By-law to Adopt the Town of Florenceville-Bristol Zoning By-law.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> and final reading by title will be considered at the next scheduled meeting of Council.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**MOTION:** Being no further business the meeting was adjourned to a closed session at 7:51pm. Moved by Councillor Dan Guest, seconded by Councillor Dan McCarthy.

CARRIED. #020-2021

NEXT MEETING DATE: March 9, 2021

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MAYOR

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**CLOSED MEETING:**

Reason for the Closed Session:

Section 68 (1) (c) of the Local Governance Act: Information that could cause financial loss or gain to a person or the local government or could jeopardize negotiations leading to an agreement or contract.

Section 68 (1) (d) of the Local Governance Act: The proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land.

Section 68 (1) (e) of the Local Governance Act: Information that could violate the confidentiality of information obtained from the Government of Canada or from the government of a province or territory.

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MAYOR

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CLERK