

Town of Florenceville-Bristol
Regular Council Meeting
March 8, 2022 @ 7:00pm

Council: Mayor Karl Curtis, Deputy Mayor Nancy Whyte-McCauley, Councillor Ryan Dickinson
Councillor David Trafford, Councillor Dan Guest,

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

REGRETS: Councillor Andy Saunders, Councillor Nancy Giggie

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Karl Curtis called the meeting to order at 6:59pm.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOTION: To approve the March 8, 2022 Town Council Agenda. Moved by Deputy Mayor Nancy Whyte-McCauley, seconded by Councillor David Trafford.

CARRIED. #023-2022

PRESENTATIONS:

a. Fire Chief Update

The department attended 1 gasoline leak, 1 ambulance assist, and 2 motor vehicle accidents since the last Regular Council Meeting. Two firefighters completed Level 4 of Block 1 Firefighter Training. The Training Centre is being introduced to the rest of the Fire Department tonight. A firefighter built a Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) dryer for the department.

b. NB Trail

Resident David Hunter discussed how illegal motorized vehicle usage on the NB trail during the summer months contribute to concerns relating to public safety, noise and overall reduction of enjoyment of his property. He noted that he spoke to the Town of Woodstock as they have put the blocks back on the NB Trail in their municipality since they completed a study on this issue. David recommended that Council get a copy of the Woodstock report and take it under consideration.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION: To ratify approval of the February 15, 2022 Town Council Minutes as distributed. Moved by Councillor Ryan Dickinson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Nancy Whyte-McCauley.

CARRIED. #024-2022

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

Nothing to add to the minutes.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

MOTION: To accept the Utility Operating Fund Financial Reports for March 2022 as presented and ratify paid bills in the amount of \$606.99 and approve unpaid bills in the amount of \$3,554.37 for a total of \$4,161.36. Moved by Deputy Mayor Nancy Whyte-McCauley, seconded by Councillor David Trafford.

CARRIED. #025-2022

MOTION: To accept the General Operating Fund Financial Reports for March 2022 as presented and ratify paid bills in the amount of \$122,204.61 and approve payment of unpaid bills in the amount of \$298,951.04 for a total of \$421,155.65. Moved by Councillor David Trafford and seconded by Councillor Dan Guest.

CARRIED. #026-2022

CORRESPONDENCE:

a. Dog Report

There were no calls for Animal Control in February.

b. Carleton County Spring Show & Sale (CCSSS)

The Board of Directors are asking for the Town's support for their upcoming Spring Show & Sale taking place April 11 to 13 at the Northern Carleton Civic Centre (NCCC). As with past years, the CCSSS are proposing they pay for the rental of one day and the professional cleaning services of the arena floor after the event, and the Town donate the other two days.

MOTION: To donate the second and third day of NCCC rental fees to Carleton County Spring Show & Sale for their April 2022 event. Moved by Deputy Mayor Nancy Whyte-McCauley, seconded by Councillor David Trafford.

CARRIED. #027-2022

c. Federal Electoral Districts

The Federal Electoral Boundaries Commission of New Brunswick is inviting the public to participate in readjusting the province's federal electoral districts. They are gathering feedback on dividing the province into 10 electoral districts, establishing the boundaries of those electoral districts and giving each of them a name. More information can be found at www.redecoupage-redistribution-2022.ca.

COUNCILLOR REPORTS:

Deputy Mayor Nancy Whyte-McCauley:

Attended a Public Art Committee Meeting, a Strategic Plan Meeting for the Andrew & Laura McCain Art Galley (ALMAG), and an ALMAG Board Meeting. Also attended a Carleton Victoria Arts Council (CVArts) Meeting where it was confirmed CVArts can use the Weldon Mathews Theatre at the Carleton North High School for upcoming events. Pretty Archie is playing on April 10 and Laila Biali is playing on May 14.

Councillor Ryan Dickinson:

Nothing to report.

Councillor David Trafford:

Nothing to report.

Councillor Nancy Giggie:

Nothing to report.

Councillor Andy Saunders:

Nothing to report.

Councillor Dan Guest:

Nothing to report

Mayor Karl Curtis:

Attended a Western Valley Regional Service Commission (WVRSC) Meeting on Local Governance Reform, a UMNZ Zone Meeting on Municipal Reform, a WVRSC Board Meeting, a WVRSC Solid Waste Meeting and an RCMP Meeting with Superintendent Andy LeClerc and other members of his team.

NEW BUSINESS:

a. Train Car Restaurant Use

Pam Brennan of Shamrock Train Inn & Suites asked Council to consider allowing her to use the Restaurant Train Car space for three months at no cost. This will allow an alternate location for her to provide meals for her overnight guests.

MOTION: To enter into a 3-month agreement with Pam Brennan of Shamrock Suites to use the Restaurant Train space at no cost to provide meals to her overnight guests. Moved by Councillor Dan Guest, seconded by Councillor Ryan Dickinson.

CARRIED. #028-2022

OLD BUSINESS:

a. Canteen Rent Relief

Council determined at the February meeting that rent would continue to be waived for the month of March, and revisit again to determine if there should be any adjustment for April. Although Covid restrictions are being lifted, the Canteen have been struggling with consistency of user groups and attendees.

MOTION: To waive the April and May rent for The Bread Rack Canteen at the NCCC. Moved by Councillor David Trafford, seconded by Councillor Dan Guest.

CARRIED. #029-2022

b. Designated Highway Plan Amendment

Council approved the 5-Year Plan in June 2021, with the resurfacing of Route 103 Riverview Drive from the Airport Road to the Town limits as their request for 2022. However, over the winter months, Route 105 Main Street has been quickly deteriorating from Village Green to the Town Limits in the Bristol Ward, and requires more urgent attention than Route 103.

MOTION: To approve the revised Designated Highway Plan for 2022 to reflect Route 105 as the priority for 2022 and submit the amendment immediately to the province for consideration. Moved by Councillor David Trafford, seconded by Councillor Ryan Dickinson.

CARRIED. #030-2022

c. NB Trail Blocks

Council reviewed correspondence from Crown Lands confirming the process is unchanged from last year. If the Town wants to place cement blocks on the provincially owned NB Trail, the Town must enter into a License of Occupation and provide liability insurance. Council reviewed this request twice last year and determined the maintenance and enforcement of the NB Trail are the responsibility of the Province, and therefore did not want to install the blocks. After David Hunter’s presentation, Council asked Staff to speak to the Town of Woodstock and see if we can get a copy of their report for review.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: Being no further business the meeting was adjourned to a closed session at 7:50pm. Moved by Councillor Dan Guest, seconded by Councillor Ryan Dickinson.

CARRIED. #031-2022

NEXT MEETING DATE: April 12, 2022

MAYOR

CLERK

CLOSED MEETING:

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.

MAYOR

CLERK