

KENTVILLE TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES

January 30th, 2016

PRESENT

Mayor Sandra Snow, Deputy Mayor Eric Bolland, Councillor Cate Savage, Councillor John Andrew, Councillor Craig Gerrard, Councillor Lynn Pulsifer, Councillor Cathy Maxwell, CAO Mark Phillips, and Solicitor Geoff Muttart.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Snow requested a moment of silence for the victims of a mass shooting that had occurred in Quebec on January 29, 2017.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Snow called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., and CAO Phillips reported that all Council members were in attendance along with Town Solicitor Geoff Muttart, Recording Secretary Patricia Gourley and himself, CAO.

Councillor Cate Savage declared at this time that she had a conflict of interest in dealing with 5a. - 2nd Reading of Chapter 96 Special Events Bylaw.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Eric Bolland and seconded by Councillor Craig Gerrard

**that the agenda be approved with an addition to
7.f Correspondence from CMHA**

MOTION CARRIED

*Councillors who voted in favour of this motion:
Andrew, Bolland, Gerrard, Maxwell, Pulsifer & Savage*

PRESENTATIONS

(a) Bruce MacArthur – Kings Volunteer Resource Centre
Sarah Bowen Chair of the KVRC, presented a report on behalf of the Kings Volunteer Resource Centre. Her report included the history of this group and the benefits that they provide for our community. A request for funding application has been completed and received by Council.

Report is attached.

(b) Carol Goodwin - Special Events Bylaw Chapter 96
Carol Goodwin represented her family and noted their concerns regarding the proposed changes to the Special Events Bylaw. Carol stated that her family have a commitment in preserving the environment of the Deer Haven Subdivision to include wildlife and to keep the area as close to nature as possible.

Therefore the family was concerned with the possibility of increased traffic and noise level. On behalf of her family, Carol requested that Council not pass the amendments to the Special Events Bylaw Chapter #96.

(c) Jess Healy –Special Events Bylaw Chapter 96

Jessica Healy presented a slide presentation that showed the entire operation and lands that have been used for her company, Healy Events and Weddings. The presentation included the positive spin offs from her business that has enhanced our community. Jessica noted her company's commitments to a quality venue and a safe environment in which to host events. Security is in place at all times the event is occurring. Jessica does not feel that the proposed event changes will impact the neighbour in a negative way.

Report is attached.

**APPROVAL OF THE
MINUTES**

(a) Kentville Town Council-November 28th , 2016

It was moved by Councillor Lynn Pulsifer and seconded by Councillor Craig Gerrard

that the Council Minutes of November 28th , 2016 be approved

MOTION CARRIED

*Councillors who voted in favour of this motion:
Andrew, Bolland, Gerrard, Maxwell, Pulsifer & Savage*

**(b) Kentville Special Town Council – December 12th ,2016
be approved**

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Eric Bolland and seconded by Councillor Cate Savage

**that the Special Town Council Minutes of December 12th
,2016 be approved**

MOTION CARRIED

*Councillors who voted in favour of this motion:
Andrew, Bolland, Gerrard, Maxwell, Pulsifer & Savage*

**BUSINESS ARISING
FROM THE
MINUTES/UNFINISHED
BUSINESS**

(a) Second Reading Special Events Bylaw Chapter 96

At 7:35 p.m. Councillor Cate Savage left the Council Chambers as earlier she had indicated a conflict of interest with this issue.

CAO Phillips reported that the initial request for the amendments was presented at the November 14th, 2016 meeting of CAC. Those three recommendations were then presented at the November 28th, 2016 meeting of Council for First Reading, to amend the Special Events Bylaw, Chapter #96. The changes requested was to allow for thirty(30) events instead of fifteen (15), a change of

time to coincide with the liquor license and notification to neighbors from each event to one yearly notification.

As both Council and staff had received numerous letters and emails regarding this proposal, CAO Phillips requested that all the correspondence from Section 7 be reviewed by Council prior to Council's discussion on this matter. Staff presented the results in such a way to try and summarize all the correspondence. Letters were not read at council but the authors and address were noted.

Report is attached.

Therefore, it was moved by Deputy Mayor Bolland and seconded by Councillor Cathy Maxwell

that there be a Second Reading of the proposed amendments to the Special Events Bylaw, Chapter 96.

Points from discussion:

- Concerns were noted that the property in question may not be zoned properly and requested that a correction be made.
- Also noted was the concern of imposing a commercial enterprise in a rural neighborhood.
- Council needs to uphold the best interest of homeowners in this area as the subdivision was installed for residential use.
- An increase in the events would not be in the best interest of the home owners in that area.

At the conclusion of this discussion, Deputy Mayor Eric Bolland moved that an amendment be made to the proposed language. He requested that twenty (20) events be considered versus the proposed thirty (30).

No seconder for Deputy Mayor's motion.

Mayor Snow called for the vote on the above motion.

that there be a Second Reading of the proposed amendments to the Special Events Bylaw, Chapter 96.

MOTION DEFEATED

*Councillors who voted against this motion:
Andrew, Bolland, Gerrard, Maxwell & Pulsifer*

At 7:55 p.m. Councillor Cate Savage rejoined Council in Chambers.

(b) Hot Wash – Update

Mayor Snow reported on the information that come forth from the survey.

Survey results are attached.

**RECOMMENDATIONS
AND REPORTS**

(a) Council Advisory Committee

1) TBR- F.W. Robinson Building

Councillor Lynn Pulsifer reported that at the December 12th, 2016 meeting of Council Advisory Committee, the Town of Kentville had purchased the F.W. Robinson building for \$170,000, with the intent to place the property up for sale once structural and environmental assessments were completed at the cost of \$30,000. The building's purchase had been paid for from the Town's capital bank account. This money needs to be replaced as it presently sits as an unauthorized loan.

Therefore, it was moved by Councillor Lynn Pulsifer and seconded by Deputy Mayor Eric Bolland

that the Kentville Town Council authorize the Temporary Borrowing Resolution 16/17-03 Robinson Building for \$200,000 and once approved it must be forwarded to the Minister of the Department of Municipal Affairs for Provincial endorsement

MOTION CARRIED

*Councillors who voted in favour of this motion:
Andrew, Bolland, Gerrard, Maxwell, Pulsifer & Savage*

(2) Council and CAC 2017 Meeting Dates

Councillor Lynn Pulsifer reported that at the December 12th, 2016 meeting of Council Advisory Committee, CAO Mark Phillips presented the proposed meeting dates for both Council and CAC for 2017. Also a time change will occur for the upcoming CAC Meetings from 1:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Therefore, it was moved by Councillor Lynn Pulsifer and seconded by Councillor Cathy Maxwell

that the Kentville Town Council approve the proposed 2017 Council and CAC meeting schedule

MOTION CARRIED

*Councillors who voted in favour of this motion:
Andrew, Bolland, Gerrard, Maxwell, Pulsifer & Savage*

(b) (i) Fire

CAO Phillips stated from the attached report that for:

November 2016:

- Kentville fire alarm total was 11 with 408 KM used.
- County fire alarm total was 18 with 5307 KM used.
- Mutual aid alarm total was 0 with 0 KM used

December 2016:

- Kentville fire alarm total was 8 with 254 KM used.
- County fire alarm total was 27 with 1258 KM used.
- Mutual aid alarm total was 5 with 238 KM used

(ii) Joint Fire Services Report

Councillor Craig Gerrard noted that at the last meeting held in January, Councillor John Andrew was elected as committee chair. The JFS will be presenting its Operation Budget to CAC on February 13th, 2017 for approval.

**(c) Valley Waste Resources Management –
Representative’s Report and 2017/18 Draft Operating
and Capital Budgets**

Deputy Mayor Eric Bolland presented the report for Valley Waste. Some highlights from the attached report were:

- Orientation Plan was introduced to new elected officials.
- In the process of developing a 2017/18 Draft Operating and Capital Budget and when completed will be brought to CAC in February 2017.

(d) Kings Transit Authority

Councillor John Andrew noted that he was not present at the previous meeting but remarked that ridership is always a concern. The KTA Newsletter had been forwarded from the Authority and it noted that:

- Ridership was down in December.
- Freezing rain had disrupted service for the day of Jan 24/17.

(e) Councillors Reports (Highlights)

Deputy Mayor Eric Bolland:

- Attended all meetings as required
- Valley Waste is currently working on their budget which will be brought to Council in February.
- Attended the 2016 Fall UNSM Session in Halifax and noted some highlights from the session on Gas Tax Fund Projects, Wind Turbines development in Yarmouth County, Skatepark and Sportpad Projects, and Active Transportation CMTEE.

Councillor John Andrew:

- Attended all meetings informed about.
- Also attended the 2016 Fall UNSM Session in Halifax.
- EMO training in Wolfville.
- Attended the AVCC Holiday Reception.

Councillor Craig Gerrard:

- Attended all meetings as required.
- The Police Commission is discussing the return of School Community Policing Program on a part time basis and also discussing the downtown parking issues.
- Attended the orientation sessions for newly elected officials at the Fall 2016 UNSM Session.

Councillor Cathy Maxwell:

- Attended all meetings as required
- On Dec 21 attended the Brette Pettie presentation
- Led a hike at Miner's Marsh on January 22, at the request of the Recreation Dept., in conjunction with Hike NS and Town of Kentville.
- "We Chose Now" – This presentation was formed around the ONE NS Coalition action plan and was one of the best presentation of the UNSM Conference.
- Attended the government announcement at the Valley Regional Hospital regarding the new dialysis unit being built.

Councilor Lynn Pulsifer:

- Attended all meetings as required
- Attended the UNSM Fall Conference and noted some highlights from a session on "Shared Secrets" and "Let's Face Tomorrow Together"
- The Valley Regional Library is moving from their current office in Bridgetown to the new Town of Berwick office building.
- Attended a session held at the Kentville Fire Hall – "Let Them Eat Cake" that promoted awareness on poverty in the Annapolis Valley.

Councillor Cate Savage:

- Attended all meetings as required
- Attended the UNSM Fall Conference and reported some highlights from Ken Simpson Municipal Lecture Series, "So You Think You Dance: Footwork for Elected Officials" and "The Challenge of a Stagnant Economy" by Don Mills.
- Attended the taping and viewing of the movie "Four Feet Under" which highlighted the poverty in our region.

(f) Mayors Report:

Mayor Snow presented her report to Council and some of the highlights from her attached report are:

- Attended meetings in Dec/16 and Jan/17 with Mayors and CAOs of Kings County
- Attended a Financial Management for Elected Officials in Halifax on Jan 12 & 13
- Attended the Union of NS Municipalities Annual Fall Conference in Halifax.
- “Rules of Order-“Who Needs Them!” was one session attended at the UNSM Conference in Halifax.
- Mayor’s expenses was reported and explained.

Full reports are attached as well as each councillor and Mayor’s financial statements.

Therefore, it was moved by Councillor Cathy Maxwell and seconded by Councillor Craig Gerrard

that the reports from Council and Mayor be accepted as presented

MOTION CARRIED

*Councillors who voted in favour of this motion:
Andrew, Bolland, Gerrard, Maxwell, Pulsifer & Savage*

CORRESPONDENCE

(a) Correspondence regarding the proposed amendments to the Special Events Bylaw Chapter 96

CAO Mark Phillis reported that the correspondence regarding this proposed bylaw had been discussed earlier in the evening when dealing with *5a. Second Reading of Chapter 96 Special Events Bylaw.*

(b) Correspondence regarding the CMHA proposal for Allen’s Motel

CAO Mark Phillips reported on the difference between dealing with correspondence and debate. Since CMHA has not requested a zoning change, as of yet, there will be no debate until this request is brought forward. CAO Phillips presented an information table on the correspondence received. Also the letter received (*correspondence 7.f*) from CMHA Chair Anne Pettigrew, which was received on January 30, was read in Council by CAO Mark Phillips.

(c) Annapolis Valley Trails Coalition – Request for Funding

CAO Phillips reported on the funding request received from Beth Pattillo, Chair of the AVTC. A completed funding application was included with their presentation. The Coalition requested an answer to their request of by the end of February 2017.

Therefore, it was moved by Deputy Mayor Bolland and seconded by Councillor Cathy Maxwell

that AVTC's request for funding in the amount of \$3,165 be forwarded to the February 13th meeting of CAC

MOTION CARRIED

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Andrew, Bolland, Gerrard, Maxwell, Pulsifer & Savage*

(d) Epilepsy Association of Nova Scotia

CAO Mark Phillips read the letter received from the Epilepsy Association of N.S. requesting that Council support and endorse their Purple Day in March 26, 2017.

(e) Rotary Club of Kings County Charitable Foundation

CAO Phillips read the letter received from Greg Trefry, Chairperson of the Kings County Rotary Club and noted that a further donation of \$ 30,000 to support the new Library facility located in Kentville has been given.

(f) CMHA Letter

CAO Phillips noted that this letter had been read earlier in the discussion on the correspondence received regarding CMHA proposal for Allen's Motel.

NEW BUSINESS

(a) Twinning Highway 101 Input Session (Nova Scotia DOT IR) Are tolls a good option?

Mayor Snow reported that an information session will be held on January 31 in the Recreation Center by Province of Nova Scotia representatives. The Province will be looking for input from the public regarding tolls and twinning of our highways.

Report is attached.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

IN CAMERA

None

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Eric Bolland and seconded by Councillor Cate Savage

that the Council meeting adjourns at 8:55 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

*Councillors who voted in favour of this motion:
Andrew, Bolland, Gerrard, Maxwell, Pulsifer & Savage*

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