

REGULAR GENERAL MEETING, OCTOBER 5, 2017

A Regular General Meeting of the Council of the Town of Stephenville was held in the Council Chambers at 12:02 p.m. on October 5, 2017.

Present: Mayor Tom Rose, Chairperson

Deputy Mayor: Susan Fowlow

Councillors: Don Gibbon
Mike Tobin
Mark Felix

Absent: Councillors: Laura Aylward
Maurice Hynes

Also Present: Town Manager, Acting Town Clerk Mike Campbell

MINUTES

REGULAR GENERAL MEETING, SEPTEMBER 21, 2017

Motion – Gibbon/Tobin

No.17-247 That the Minutes of the Regular General Meeting of September 21, 2017 be adopted as circulated.
Carried Unanimously

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Motion - Fowlow/Tobin

No.17-248 Amend Motion #17-237 to remove the name Colton Gallant and replace with Mary Dennis-Gallant.
Carried Unanimously

PROCLAMATION & DELEGATIONS

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

Mayor Rose signed a proclamation declaring October 8-14, 2017 to be Fire Prevention Week in the Town of Stephenville.

Mayor Rose commented that Fire prevention week is a very important week and is very proud of the service the Fire Department provides to the area.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE COMMITTEE

EXPENSE CHEQUE LISTING

Motion - Felix/Gibbon

No.17-249 That the recommendation of the Finance Committee be accepted and the expense cheque listing totaling \$331,147.80 be approved.

Carried Unanimously

MUNICIPALITIES NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR, 2017 ANNUAL CONVENTION AND TRADE SHOW, CORNER BROOK, NL

Motion - Felix/Gibbon

No.17-250 It was the recommendation of the Finance Committee that the Town of Stephenville send two representatives to the Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador 2017 Annual Convention and Trade Show being held in Corner Brook on November 2 – 4, 2017.

Carried Unanimously

PERMITS AND MUNICIPAL PLAN

URBAN AND RURAL PLANNING ACT RESOLUTION TO ADOPT TOWN OF STEPHENVILLE DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS AMENDMENT NO. 2, 2017

Motion - Fowlow/Felix

No.17-251 It was the recommendation of the Planning and Traffic Committee that the Development Regulations 2014 be amended to include "tiny house" be permitted in a Residential medium density zone.

Carried Unanimously

Mayor Rose stated that the market place is changing and this amendment meets provincial regulations when it comes to safety and security and is cost effective for young families and those families who would like to live in Stephenville on a part time basis.

BY-LAWS AND REGULATIONS

COLD BROOK DEVELOPMENT

Mayor Rose stated that on September 27, 2017 we received correspondence from the Department of Water Resources and Environment (Dr. Khan) which validated that the community of Cold Brook has minimal or nil negative impact on Stephenville's well field and based on the recommendations from management to council Mayor Rose asked that council make a motion forward to make an amendment to allow development for filling on existing main road in Cold Brook.

Motion – Felix/Gibbon

No.17-252 It was the recommendation of the Planning and Traffic Committee that the Development Regulations 2014 be amended to include development for infilling on existing main road in cold brook: Well Head Protection Area 2 zone (WPA 2) for infilling

Carried Unanimously

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

ELECTIONS

Councilor Tobin congratulated Mayor Rose and new councilors and incumbents on successful election and commended all candidates that ran for election.

He also wanted to recognize the contributions of former Mayor Tom O'Brien for his terms in office and the financial stability the Town of Stephenville has been left in. It certainly gives the incoming council more flexibility on a moving forward basis. He also stated that there has been a significant reduction in debt which holds well for the Town. Councilor Tobin also commented that he is proud that we could support a number of facilities over the past number

of years and going forward to be concentrating on green space of the town.

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK/911

Councilor Gibbon commented that with Fire Prevention Week approaching and with 911 being implemented it would be a good idea to put 911/phone number decals for the fire response vehicles to educate the public on how to contact response teams in case of a fire.

Mayor Rose stated that 911 is a recognized international caller code but still needs to be communicated since it's only new in this area.

Mayor Rose suggested we provide a quarterly or bi-annual newsletter to the community advising them what is new and upcoming.

BUDGET 2018

Councilor Felix commented that he will work with management on the Budget for 2018. Councilor Felix stated that they are going to schedule public consultations on the 2018 budget in the upcoming weeks.

MEETING WITH CANDIDATES

Mayor Rose advised that they have sent out communications for October 17 at 12:30 pm to encourage all candidates from the election to meet with council to give an overview of the direction they believe the town should be going. He stated we want to be a town that is open, transparent and engaging with all sectors of our community.

STEPHENVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Councilor Felix indicated he is meeting with the economic development committee to discuss an ongoing structure and strategy to present to council.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion – Tobin/Gibbon

No. 17-253 That the meeting adjourn at this time,
12:22 p.m.

Carried Unanimously

CHAIRPERSON

DATE CONFIRMED