



Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting

Place: Council Chambers
Date: Monday, January 20, 2020
Presiding Officer: Mayor Patricia Stewart
Councilors present: Councilors Brenton Colborne, Dave Clark, Dawn Thompson, Rick Draper, Wendy Sweet-Kontuk and Wade Adshade

A quorum was present throughout the meeting.

Staff in attendance: CAO – Rachel Jones and Deputy Clerk – Linda Cloney (recording secretary)
Media Present: Mark Rushton – Six Rivers News, Radio, & TV

1. Call to order

Mayor Patricia Stewart called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

2. Approval of Agenda

It was moved and seconded that the agenda of the Regular Town Council Meeting for January 20, 2020 be approved as circulated.

Motion Carried

3. Approval of Previous Minutes

It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the Regular Town Council for December 16, 2019 be approved as circulated.

Motion Carried

4. New Business

4.1 Strategic Priorities Chart: Update and Approval

Staff have updated the Strategic Priorities Chart and presented to Council for approval. Council had a general discussion on the unsightly premises, tax sale and budget processes.

It was moved and seconded to accept the Strategic Priorities Chart as amended.

Motion Carried

4.2 Committee List Appointments: Cumberland Forestry Advisory Committee Appointment

It was moved and seconded to appoint Councilor Wade Adshade to the Cumberland Forestry Advisory Committee.

Motion Carried

4.3 Financial Variance Report: 1 April – 31 December 2019

Council had a general discussion regarding the Financial Variance Report.

4.4 New Community Members Welcoming Event

There are 9 families moving to Oxford, NS from South Korea and Vietnam within the next two months. A community event to welcome the families to Oxford is being coordinated for mid-March 2020.

5. Reports

CAO Jones presented the reports

Council had a discussion regarding the welcome signage to Oxford. Staff are researching a couple of options to assist with funding of the welcome signage and other beautification projects.

Council suggested ideas for the Annual Easter Egg Hunt. There was a suggestion to host the Easter Egg Hunt on the Bunny Trail also to partner with the Adventure Therapy Project.

There was a discussion on the Main Street Watermain replacement. This project is anticipated to go tender by the end of February and awarded by the end of March. The affected streets are Main, Duke and Waverly Streets.

The Oxford Volunteer Fire Department have requested to meet with Council to discuss financing for a Rescue Truck.

Council had a discussion regarding the use of Town Equipment to assist the Oxford Volunteer Fire Department to install a fence around the perimeters of the training grounds.

Council directed staff to send a thank you card to Eleanor Crowley for her years of volunteer service on the All Saints Health Care Foundation.

It was moved and seconded that Council receive the reports as presented.

Motion Carried

6. Correspondence

6.1 Epilepsy Association of the Maritimes

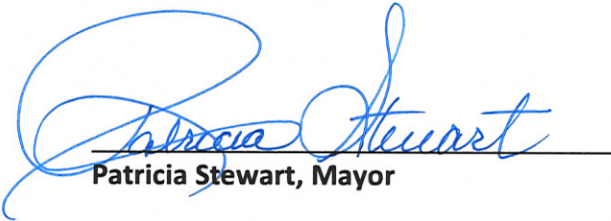
The Epilepsy Association of the Maritimes reached out to all three Maritime Provinces to support Purple Day, March 26. Council had discussion on this and plans to do a proclamation, in support of this, at the March 16, 2020 meeting.

8. Adjournment


Mayor Patricia Stewart advised Council that the next meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 17, 2020 at 6:00 pm in the Council Chambers.

At 6:28 pm, it was moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

Motion Carried



Patricia Stewart, Mayor



Linda Cloney, Recording Secretary