

MINUTES - REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

A Regular Meeting of Valley Waters Council was held on June 4, 2024, 7:00 P.M. in Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. Those present were Mayor Randy McKnight, Deputy Mayor Ann Marie Snyder, Councillors Harold Keith, Carey Beth Gillis, Lindsey Ganong, Charity McDonald, and Stephen Muir.

Staff: Angela McLean and Jackie Clement

Motion: To approve the June 4th, 2024, meeting agenda.

Moved by: Councillor Keith

Seconded by: Councillor Gillis

MOTION CARRIED

No recording of Conflicts of Interest

Motion: To approve the minutes of the May 7, 2024, Regular Meeting

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Snyder

Seconded by: Councillor Ganong

MOTION CARRIED

Motion: To approve the minutes of the May 7, 2024, Committee of the Whole Meeting

Moved by: Councillor Keith

Seconded by: Councillor McDonald

MOTION CARRIED

Public Presentation: Jacques Ouellette – Quad NB. They hope to develop the trails to allow access to our area. Currently there is a gap which stops the flow of ATV from continuing from the south side of the highway to the Belleisle area. They would like to identify potential trails, then give a public presentation (not before fall) and work with Mayor and Council to amend by-laws. Council will discuss whether to proceed further.

The CAO's Report was presented.

INTRODUCTION, CONSIDERATION, AND PASSING OF BY-LAWS:

A. Motion: To proceed to 3rd and Final Reading, by summary – Fire Protection By-Law 24-14-01

Moved by: Councillor McDonald Seconded by: Councillor Gillis

MOTION CARRIED

By-Law 24-14-01, Fire Protection By-Law, was read a 3rd time by summary and enacted.

B. Motion: To proceed to 3rd and Final Reading, by summary – Noise By-Law 24-15-01

Moved by: Councillor Gillis

Seconded by: Councillor Ganong

MOTION CARRIED

By-Law 24-15-01, Noise By-Law, was read 3rd time, by summary and enacted.

C. Motion: To approve the Valley Waters Purchasing Policy 24-01

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Snyder

Seconded by: Councillor McDonald

MOTION CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE:

A. KRSC Building Permit Report, April 2024

NEW BUSINESS & CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS:

A. Motion: To rescind the motion of May 7th, 2024, and award the June 2024 - Dec 2026 Residential Solid Waste Hauling Contract for the former village of Norton to FERO for the contact price of \$262,969.

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Snyder

Seconded by: Councillor Muir

MOTION CARRIED

B. Motion: To transfer \$8,659.87 from the General Capital Reserve Fund to the General Capital Fund for

the purchase of a used Trackless machine for the Norton Works Dept.

Moved by: Councillor Gillis

Seconded by: Councillor Keith

MOTION CARRIED

C. Motion: to appoint Adam McDonald as Wickham Fire Chief, effective immediately. Moved by: Councillor McDonald

Seconded by: Councillor Ganong

MOTION CARRIED

D. Motion: to postpone the July Council meeting by one week to July 9th.

Moved by: Councillor Keith

Seconded by: Councillor Ganong

MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS, MAYOR'S AND COUNCILLORS' REMARKS:

A. UMNB Zone Reps - Councillor Ganong and Keith attended the Zone 3 UMNB meeting May 16 in Grand Bay. The AGM is going to be October 4 – 6 in Fredericton and if Valley Waters wishes to submit Resolutions they need to be submitted before the August 28 meeting, therefore discussions need to begin to ensure they are submitted in time. There was a discussion on Forest Fire - Wildfire Management and there will be an event Oct 28-Nov 1. Councillor Gillis suggested one member from each Fire Station attend, Angela will follow up with Troy Adams and Fire Chiefs.

B. RSC Committees. Due to recent staff change, the CAO will be taking over responsibilities of the former Executive Director in the short term. Councillor Gillis presented an overview of the presentation to the Board regarding options for improvements at the Transfer Station. The June RSC Board meeting has been cancelled as the CEO didn't feel she would have anything to pass along at that time.

- **C.** Deputy Mayor Snyder gave very positive feedback on the Civic Center Management. She feels things are taking a turn in the right direction.
- **D.** Mayor McKnight met with the Belleisle Pool Committee and suggested someone from the Committee arrange to meet with Council to discuss what Valley Waters could do to assist with its much-needed upgrades. The CAO will follow-up.
- **E.** Roxanne McKnight indicated that since the RSC's Community Development Committee recently lost their leadership for this committee, she is asking for Council's support at the upcoming meeting that is being held here on June 17 at 7pm.
- **F.** Councillor McDonald updated on the RSC's Economic Development indicating they have a few new members as they were missing the Business sector coverage, and they are looking for one in the agriculture department. They are still building this committee.
- **G.** Councillor McDonald mentioned that the Regional Destination Marketing Committee is having a Branding Project meeting on June 10 at 6pm and 7 pm here at our location if Council wishes to attend.
- **H. Valley Waters Advisory Committees –** The Recreation and Culture meeting was postponed. Other committees are waiting for results of the Public Survey before determining next steps.
- I. Reminder that Saturday is the 80th Anniversary for our Norton Fire Department. The Mayor will be presenting years of service certificates and a plaque. The CAO will meet with Chief Palmer for a schedule and advise Council. Councillor Muir requested that the CAO also ask Chief Palmer if Norton Fire Department would be interested in putting in a team for a Tug of War event at Belleisle Canada Day celebration along with Belleisle and Wickham Fire Departments.

MOTION: To adjourn at 8:20 P.M. Moved by: Councillor Muir

MAYOR

LERK/TREASURER