



Public Council Meeting

Town of Truro

Monday, June 5th, 2023 – 1:00 p.m.

Town Hall – Council Chambers

A regular Public Meeting of Truro Town Council took place on Monday, June 5th, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. at Town Hall in Council Chambers.

Present: Mayor W. R. (Bill) Mills, Deputy Mayor W. Talbot, Councillors A. Graham, B. Thomas, J. Flemming, C. Hinton, J. Barnard

In Attendance: CAO M. Dolter, Director of Public Works A. MacKinnon, Director of Planning J. Fox, Director of Corporate Services B. Coulter, Director of Parks, Recreation & Culture A. Simms, Police Chief D. MacNeil, Fire Chief B. Currie, Town Solicitor C. Thompson

Mayor B. Mills called the meeting to order and began with a Land Acknowledgement recognizing that we are in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaw People.

1. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

On motion of Councillors C. Hinton and J. Barnard, the agenda was approved as circulated. Motion carried.

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On motion of Councillors B. Thomas and J. Barnard, the minutes for the Public Council Meeting on May 1st, 2023, were approved as circulated. Motion carried.

3. **MOTIONS AND NOTICE OF MOTIONS** – N/A

4. **PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS**

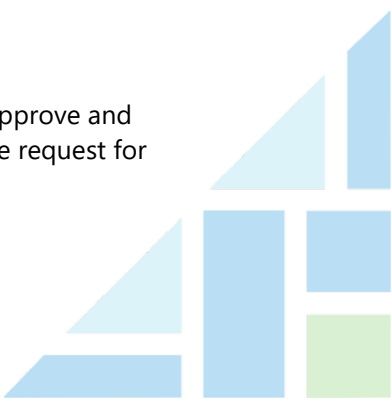
a) **Public Hearing: 55 Queen Street, Development Agreement**

On motion of Councillors C. Hinton and A. Graham, it was moved that Council enter into a Development Agreement with Oyinkansola Obikoya to permit the creation of an additional residential dwelling unit within the existing structure for a total of four (4) residential units on lands at 55 Queen Street, PID No. 20183604. Motion carried.

5. **OLD BUSINESS**

a) **Request for Decision: Taxi Bylaw, Second Reading**

On motion of Councillors C. Hinton and J. Flemming, it was moved that Council approve and adopt the Bylaw to Amend the Taxi Bylaw as set out in Schedule A attached to the request for decision. Motion carried.



b) **Request for Decision: Rath Eastlink Community Centre 2023/2024 Budget**

On motion of Councillor J. Barnard and Deputy Mayor W. Talbot, it was moved that Council approve the Rath Eastlink Community Centre's revised 2023/2024 budget as presented. Motion carried.

6. **IN-CAMERA SUMMARY REPORT**

CAO M. Dolter advised that there have not been any in-camera sessions of Council to report. An in-camera session of Council will take place following today's Public Meeting to discuss one (1) item of a land/legal nature.

7. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

a) **CAO Report**

The CAO report for the month of May was presented to Council.

CAO M. Dolter agreed to provide a staff report to Council in relation to the successful bidder of the TAAC Grounds project.

CAO M. Dolter agreed to provide a staff report to Council in relation to the Honeywell project now that the project has been completed.

b) **Corporate Services Report**

The Corporate Services report for the month of May was presented to Council.

c) **Fire Service Report**

The Fire Service report for the month of May was presented to Council.

d) **Planning and Development Report**

The Planning & Development report for the month of May was presented to Council.

e) **Police Service Report**

The Police Service report for the month of May was presented to Council.

f) **Public Works Report**

The Public Works report for the month of May was presented to Council.

g) **Parks, Recreation & Culture Report**

The Parks, Recreation & Culture report for the month of May was presented to Council.

On motion of Deputy Mayor W. Talbot and Councillor B. Thomas, it was moved that all reports for the month of May 2023, be approved as presented. Motion carried.

8. **QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS**

Deputy Mayor W. Talbot inquired about the status of the bridge connecting Queen Street and East Prince Street which was recently closed by CN due to structural concerns. Communications from CN thus far have not identified a timeline on when this will be addressed. CAO M. Dolter to follow up with CN this week.

Councillor J. Barnard inquired about the next steps following Council's recent approval and adoption of the Active Transportation Plan. CAO M. Dolter advised that consultation and engineering work would need to happen first, in which he and Director of Public Works A. MacKinnon will have some initial discussions. It was further noted that staff will review funding opportunities for engineering work in the Fall as we can't make application without an actual project to tie it to.

Councillor C. Hinton requested an update on Lepper's Brook cleanup. Director of Public Works A. MacKinnon advised of the complexity of addressing this issue as the Town would need to deal with departments within the provincial and federal government such as the Department of Environment and Climate Change and the Department of Fisheries and Oceans. In addition, a contractor would need to be hired to do the work, therefore, the cost to carry out the work would need to be considered as this item was not budgeted for.

There were numerous other questions asked by members of Council and answered accordingly by the appropriate staff, as well, there were numerous comments and announcements made, all of which resulted in no action items.

9. **MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION** – N/A

10. **NEW BUSINESS**

a) **Request for Decision: Capital Requests**

On motion of Councillors J. Flemming and J. Barnard, it was moved that Council approve the additional capital request of \$29,350 for the electric Zamboni and approve that the funding be taken from the capital reserve. Motion carried.

On motion of Deputy Mayor W. Talbot and Councillor A. Graham, it was moved that Council approve the purchase and financing of an additional plow/salt/dump truck in the 2023-2024 capital budget with a total cost of \$250,000. Motion carried.

b) **Request for Decision: 80 Brunswick Street, Set Public Hearing Date**

On motion of Councillors C. Hinton and J. Barnard, it was moved that Council set a Public Hearing date for July 10, 2023, to consider entering into a Development Agreement with Jon Keddy to permit the creation of an additional residential dwelling unit, for a total of three (3) units, within the existing converted dwelling at 80 Brunswick Street, PID No. 20190146. Motion carried.

11. **MUNICIPAL GRANT REQUESTS** – N/A

12. **ACCOUNTS**

On motion of Deputy Mayor W. Talbot and Councillor B. Thomas, approval was granted for payment of the accounts for the month of May 2023. Motion carried.

13. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:05 p.m.

W. R. (Bill) Mills
Mayor

M. Dolter
Chief Administrative Officer