



## Public Council Meeting

Town of Truro

Monday, July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023 – 1:00 p.m.

Town Hall – Council Chambers

A regular Public Meeting of Truro Town Council took place on Monday, July 10<sup>th</sup>, 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, Deputy Police Chief D. Smith, Fire Chief B. Currie, Town Solicitor C. Thompson

Regrets: Police Chief D. MacNeil

---

*Mayor B. Mills began by acknowledging and congratulating Dr. Lynn Jones for recently receiving the Order of Canada for her leadership in the Canadian labour movement, as well as advancing equity, justice, and human rights in Nova Scotia and abroad. Congratulations Dr. Jones on receiving one of the country's highest honours.*

*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 J. Barnard and C. Hinton, the agenda was approved as circulated. Motion carried.

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On motion of Councillors J. Flemming and C. Hinton, minutes for the Public Council Meeting on June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023, and the minutes for the Public Hearing on June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023, were approved as circulated. Motion carried.

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

4. **PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS**

a) **Public Hearing: 80 Brunswick Street, Development Agreement**

On motion of Councillors C. Hinton and A. Graham, it was moved that the Town enter into a Development Agreement with Jon Keddy to permit the creation of an additional residential dwelling unit within the existing converted dwelling for a total of three (3) residential units on lands at 80 Brunswick Street, PID No. 20190146. Motion carried.

5. **OLD BUSINESS** – N/A

6. **IN-CAMERA SUMMARY REPORT**

CAO M. Dolter advised that an in-camera session of Council took place on Monday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023, where one (1) item of a land nature was discussed. There are no items to discuss in-camera following today's meeting.

7. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

a) **CAO Report**

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

b) **Corporate Services Report**

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

c) **Fire Service Report**

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

d) **Planning and Development Report**

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

e) **Police Service Report**

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

f) **Public Works Report**

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

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

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

On motion of Councillors A. Graham and J. Flemming, it was moved that all reports for the month of June 2023, be approved as presented. Motion carried.

8. **QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS**

There were a few questions asked by members of Council and answered accordingly by the appropriate staff, as well, there were a few comments and announcements made, all resulting in no action items.

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

10. **NEW BUSINESS**

a) **Request for Decision: Municipal Planning Strategy & Land Use Bylaw – First Reading**

On motion of Councillors A. Graham and J. Flemming, and following much discussion, the original motion of Council giving first reading and setting a Public Hearing for the proposed Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use Bylaw, was not moved. Alternatively, on motion of Councillors J. Barnard and B. Thomas, it was moved that Council defer consideration of the original motion thus allowing time for more public engagement. The Plan is therefore to be reassigned to the Plan Review Working Group. The motion to defer was ratified by way of a vote of 4 to 2 in favor. Motion carried.

b) **Request for Decision: Truro Farmer's Market Loan Proposal**

On motion of Councillors J. Barnard and A. Graham, it was moved that Council support the Truro Farmer's Market and permit the Market's loan payment request in the amount of \$5,000 for this year, at \$714.28 per month, starting this month with the understanding that in 2024, the Market will revert to its regular annual loan payment of \$10,000. Motion carried.

c) **Request for Decision: Joint Regional Transportation Agency – Working Group Appointments**

On motion of Councillors J. Flemming and B. Thomas, it was moved that Director of Planning and Development J. Fox be appointed as the Town of Truro's representative for the Joint Regional Transportation Agency (JRTA) Municipal Working Group, with CAO M. Dolter as the alternate. Motion carried.

d) **Request for Decision: Capital Request**

On motion of Councillors B. Thomas and J. Barnard, it was moved that Council approve additional capital for two (2) vehicles to a maximum of \$40,000 for both and that funding is to be taken from the capital reserve. Motion carried.

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

12. **ACCOUNTS**

On motion of Councillors B. Thomas and A. Graham, approval was granted for payment of the accounts for the month of June 2023. Motion carried.

13. **ADJOURNMENT**

On motion of Councillor C. Hinton, it was moved that the meeting be adjourned at approximately 4:10 p.m. Motion carried.

---

W. R. (Bill) Mills  
Mayor

---

M. Dolter  
Chief Administrative Officer