

NACKAWIC-MILLVILLE RURAL COMMUNITY  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
August 21, 2023

PRESENT: Mayor Fox  
Deputy Mayor MacFarlane  
Councillor Nozzolillo  
Councillor Clark  
Councillor Trail  
Councillor Simpson

BY VIDEO: Councillor Arbuckle

ABSENT: Councillor Graham

IN ATTENDANCE: NoraLynn Carr, CFO/Assistant Clerk

TO ORDER: Mayor Fox called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 PM

Mayor Fox stated he would like to begin by acknowledging that the land on which we gather is the traditional unceded and unsurrendered territory of Wolastoqiyik (Maliseet).

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

23-140 Motion: Councillor Nozzolillo  
Second: Councillor Clark

“That the agenda be approved with the following additions; under Correspondence A) Letter from the Minister of Public Safety and under New Business C) Third Reading in its entirety – By-law S-2023-2 – Collection and Disposal of Garbage D) Lion’s Club E) Meeting with Susan Holt.”

Motion carried.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

There were no conflicts of interest.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF AUGUST 8th, 2023, REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING:

23-141 Motion: Councillor Trail  
Second: Councillor Simpson

“That the minutes of the August 8th, 2023, regular council meeting be approved as distributed.”

Motion carried.

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BUSINESS ARISING:

There was no business arising.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- A) The letter from Hon. Kris Austin, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General, was presented regarding crime, crime reduction and a schedule of meetings. Municipal representatives will attend the meeting scheduled in Woodstock on September 28<sup>th</sup>.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance – no report

Library – no report

Protective Services

Councillor Trail provided an update on his conversation with Cherie Haas, an officer with the Fredericton Region Justice & Public Safety regarding concerns with offroad vehicle use. Councillor Trail communicated the need for enforcement in the area to address excessive speeding, no helmets, and undue care and attention throughout the whole municipality. Cherie Haas reassured Councillor Trail that they will be increasing their presence in the area. Councillor Trail invited Cherie Haas to attend a Council meeting to further discuss the concerns and a meeting will be scheduled in the future.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane commented he would like to see officers in the area on a regular basis.

Recreation

Councillor Clark stated a meeting will be scheduled for next week.

Public Works

Councillor Simpson provided an update on the recent meeting and the recommendation to proceed with tenders for paving the section of the Campbell Settlement Road from Route 105 to the former Town of Nackawic border. He said Kathryn Clark suggested getting an additional quote for a smaller job to use the remainder of the funds that have been allocated and he will discuss that with her when she returns.

Councillor Simpson stated the other topic discussed was the provincial – municipal partnership and he hopes to have an update for the Council meeting in the middle of September.

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Special Reports

DNECD

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane spoke about the continued work on the subdivision. He and Mayor Fox have meetings coming up with Housing Hub New Brunswick. A DNECD Board meeting has been scheduled for next Thursday and he hopes, by next Council meeting, to provide Council with a more formal report and submission from the Housing Hub.

Chief Administrative Officer's Report

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- PW Security System - contacted National Alarm and insurance company. An audible alarm is included in the quote and waiting to hear back from insurance to advise if there are any premium savings. Also requested Brad McClure to obtain a quote for fencing around the Public Works property. Item is under New Business.
- Received traffic calming measures information from my AMANB group and forwarded on to Councillor Nozzolillo. One suggested I reach out to our insurance company and inquire about any liability issues as their insurance company had issues with certain measures. Still waiting to hear back.
- Contacted NB Environmental Network regarding a presentation to Council on Nature-Based Climate Solutions. They requested a virtual meeting since they were based out of Moncton. Proposed dates were sent to Council and waiting to hear back from everyone on preferred date.
- Energy Audits are continuing for Southampton and Bear Island Community Halls. Jim Knight has completed walk throughs of both halls. Should be receiving reports within a few weeks.
- Spoke with Ted Dunphy, SignPost regarding new highway signs and signs entering areas. I've forwarded him our new logo and he is going to start creating some samples. He originally created the highway signs and town signs at the end of Otis Drive.
- Annual Gas Tax Reports for Millville for 2022 have finally been finalized and accepted. First payment for 2023 has been received for both Nackawic and Millville.
- Had a contractor inspect the shelters in Millville and waiting for their quote for the repairs.
- Public Works Committee was scheduled and agenda drafted.
- On August 15<sup>th</sup> I was informed that the August issue of the "Key" was not delivered to Millville residents. Upon investigate with the post office, the copies went to Fredericton in error. A request for refund from Canada Post will be requested.
- Contacted a few roofing companies to provide a quote on the roof repairs needed to the Dumfries Fire Hall/Community Hall. Received one quote so far, hope to have others soon.
- Completed a job description for the vacant position in the municipal office and hope to have an advertisement go out soon.

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- Contracted a firm regarding a strategic planning session and have a meeting scheduled for August 30<sup>th</sup> to discuss the particulars.
- Contacted DTI regarding no calcium being distributed on Howland Ridge Road after we were informed it would be spread the week of Aug. 14<sup>th</sup>. They only have rock calcium this year, no liquid due to cost and was informed they haven't spread any calcium anywhere this year due to the wet summer. I explained the heavier truck traffic on that dirt road and the complaints being received. He included his supervisor in the conversation asking for direction. I requested the municipality be advised of the direction.
- Worked closely with the CRSC regarding the Housing Accelerator Fund application and it was submitted on August 17, 2023.
- On August 11<sup>th</sup> I met with Barry Stevens, Dumfries Fire Hall and discussed many topics with regard to the fire department and fire hall.
- Contacted Rory Pickard, Dillon Consultants and had a long discussion with him and Mark Guest regarding the future of the Dumfries Fire Hall/Community Hall. Forwarded them the building report, energy audit report, the standard provincial fire hall building plans and drawing submitted from the fire department.
- Inquired on the Provincial-Municipal Highway Partnership program and what areas of DTI roads can be included on the municipality's submission through this program. Public Works Committee is identifying proposed projects for the upcoming two years. Deadline for submission is Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>.
- On August 16<sup>th</sup> I had a meeting with Justin Christie, Glenn Group and Lonnie Forbes, CRSC at marina on remaining deficiencies for the marina project.
- Mike and myself are investigating online booking software with other municipalities through AMANB group for ice rentals, hall rentals, etc. Looking to have something implement prior to this upcoming ice season.
- Still trying to find time to take the Escribe training. May need to close the office for a couple of afternoons to be able to complete the training.
- On August 18<sup>th</sup> I attended a HR Committee meeting.
- Another reminder to complete your UMNBC Conference registration forms as deadline is August 31<sup>st</sup>.
- Lastly, I'm on vacation this week and will return to the office on August 28<sup>th</sup>.

Councillor Nozzolillo elaborated on the traffic calming measures stating that St. Andrews and Sussex had forwarded some information. She will be meeting with an engineer from Fredericton on Friday, August 25<sup>th</sup>.

Mayor Fox inquired about the "No Overnight Camping" signs.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane suggest the By-law Committee should discuss campers within the community.

Mayor Fox noted the need for discussion on the Dumfries Fire Hall at the next Council meeting. With the cost of some of the repairs, he questions the sensibility of spending

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tens of thousands of dollars on repairs on a building that could be torn down and a new one built.

Councillor Simpson commented on the reports regarding the evaluation of the fire hall and his thoughts are to go ahead and build a new one.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane mentioned a previous discussion regarding the fact that the Department of Environment & Local Government turned over a derelict building to the new municipality. He inquired on the CAO's discussion with Local Government regarding the issue.

Mayor Fox suggested requesting a meeting with the Minister of Environment & Local Government regarding the issue.

Councillor Arbuckle agrees that it is not a good idea to spend good money on bad infrastructure. The report was a lot worse than anyone expected and there are so many inefficiencies with regards to standards and he is disappointed the Provincial counterparts and the Department did not address the issues earlier.

Councillor Simpson inquired on the availability of land for the firehall.

Councillor Arbuckle stated that there is the parking lot to the right of the current fire hall as well as the wooded area, which was donated by the landowner.

Mayor Fox will follow up with Minister Ames regarding organizing a meeting with the Minister of Environment & Local Government and the state of the current building.

Councillor Nozzolillo inquired about the strategic planning session and Councils involvement.

Mayor Fox confirmed the meeting on Aug 30<sup>th</sup> is a preliminary meeting and follow-up will be done with Council and a consultant has been contacted.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane commented on signage, he would like to have a sign strategy created and would like Council and DNEDC to work together.

### Mayor's Report

August 21st, 2023 report

#### Recent Activities

1. August 8, 2023 – Council Meeting
2. August 11, 2023 – Meeting with Mylene Vincent HHNB – Deputy Mayor MacFarlane and I toured Ms. Vincent around the community to familiarize her with our project and the community.

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3. August 17, 2023 – Bylaw review committee
4. August 18, 2023 – Miss Nackawic Pageant
5. August 19, 2023 – Festival on the Bend

Upcoming Activities

6. August 21, 2023 – Council Meeting
7. August 31, 2023 – Ignite Networking Event – Immigrant Community
8. August 31, 2023 – DNEDC Meeting
9. September 5, 2023 – Council Meeting
10. September 7, 2023 – Bylaw review Committee
11. September 18, 2023 – Council Meeting

Mayor Fox added, he will be attending a meeting Wednesday, Aug. 23<sup>rd</sup> with regards to the Health Centre as well as a meeting with the Housing Hub on Thursday, Aug 24<sup>th</sup>.

23-142        Motion: Councillor Nozzolillo  
                  Second: Councillor Trail

“That Council accept all reports as presented.”

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

A) Public Works Building Security System

Mayor Fox confirmed the system quoted does include an auditable alarm but no estimate on fencing has been provided.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane would like for Council to have a fencing quote to compare before moving forward.

B) Third Reading of the By-law S-2023-1 –Control of Litter

23-143        Motion: Councillor Nozzolillo  
                  Second: Councillor Simpson

“That Council approve the third reading by title and enact By-law S-2023-1 – A By-law Respecting the Control of Litter in Nackawic-Millville Rural Community.”

Motion carried.

Councillor Nozzolillo read the by-law by title.

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C) Third Reading of the By-law S-2023-2 – Disposal of Garbage

23-144        Motion: Councillor Nozzolillo  
                  Second: Councillor Arbuckle

“That Council approve the third reading, in its entirety, and enact By-law S-2023-2–A By-law S-2023-2 – A By-law Respecting the Disposal of Garbage in Nackawic-Millville Rural Community.”

Motion carried.

Councillor Nozzolillo read the by-law in its entirety.

D) Lion’s Club

Mayor Fox updated Council about the break-in at the Lion’s Club at 4 AM Sunday, August 20<sup>th</sup>. He has been contacted by Big Axe Brewery to express their interest in hosting a benefit and inquired about the use of the arena or the Big Axe area.

23-145        Motion: Deputy Mayor MacFarlane  
                  Second: Councillor Simpson

“That Council agree that the Big Axe Brewery move forward with the benefit pending more details and consultation with the Lion’s Club.”

Motion carried.

E) Meeting with Susan Holt

Mayor Fox informed Council of the request from Susan Holt’s office to arrange a meeting with Mayor & Councillors Thursday, Aug 24<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 PM if possible.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane suggested rescheduling for a later time.

Mayor Fox will contact Susan Holt’s office to express Council’s interest in meeting with her and reschedule for another time.

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane spoke on the importance of having all Councillors available to attend the meeting with updates from their wards and a bit about DNEDC.

Mayor Fox suggested creating a presentation.

Councillor Simpson agrees with creating a presentation. Most of the meetings she attends are informal so having something like a presentation she can take with her will be more impactful.

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Council moved to closed session at 8:23 PM.

CLOSED SESSION

A) Staffing

23-146      Motion: Councillor Simpson  
              Second: Councillor Trail

“That Council move to closed session.”

Motion carried.

23-147      Motion: Councillor Trail  
              Second: Councillor Clark

“That Council move back to regular session.”

Motion carried.

Council moved back to regular session at 9:07 PM

23-148      Motion: Councillor Nozzolillo

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:07 PM.

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Tim Fox  
Mayor

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NoraLynn Carr  
Assistant Clerk