

Town of Berwick

Regular Council Meeting- Minutes of the Meeting

March 12, 2019 6:30pm

Attendance

In attendance Deputy Mayor Jane Bustin Chair

Councillors
Anna Ashford-Morton
Mike Trinacty
Rod Reeves
Ty Walsh
Barry Corbin

Mike Payne, Assistant CAO
Jerry Wood, Finance Director
Debbie Elliott, Director of Community
Development & Recreation

Absent with
Regrets: Don Clarke, Mayor

Present: Hartley MacArthur
Jeff Woodworth
Jodi Woodworth
Pat Jodri
Frank Peters

1. Call to Order

The Council Meeting was called to order at 6:32 pm.

2. Approval of Previous Minutes

The previous Council Minutes were approved by motion of Council.

3. Approval of the Agenda

The Agenda was approved as circulated with the following additions:

- REMO Evacuation Plan
- Meeting Dates

4. Epilepsy Month

Deputy Mayor Bustin read the Proclamation for Purple Day which is March 26, 2019. Purple Day is a global effort dedicated to promoting epilepsy awareness in countries around the world.

5. First Readings

a. Scott Baxter Rezoning

IT WAS MOVED and seconded

THAT the lands of Scott Baxter on the north side of Main Street (PID 55527832) be rezoned from Residential Single Unit (R1) to Residential Two Unit (R2)

MOTION CARRIED

b. J. & C. Reimer Rezoning 129 Front Street

IT WAS MOVED and seconded

THAT the lands of Joel M. and Cynthia J. Reimer on the south side of Front Street west of Foster / Brown Street (PID 55237093) be rezoned from Residential Single Unit (R1) to Residential Three Unit (R3).

MOTION CARRIED

c. M. MacArthur Rezoning / Development Agreement 173 Cottage Street

Hart MacArthur reviewed the site plan to show exactly where the pins have been located and where the driveways would be placed.

Discussion ensued with regard to the development itself, the concern with regard to dwelling sizes and whether or not staff should ask for a survey be done for DA files. As well as the concern that two neighbours are not satisfied with survey measurements or the development of three units.

Councillor Ashford Morton suggested that the survey be complete and filed before Council considered the motion.

Councillor Trinacty noted that this area was much busier before with the amount of traffic for two doctors at this very busy practice. We want to encourage residential activity in a residential zone. Council has no control over sizes of dwellings and highlighted that this recommendation comes from the PAC and our Town Planner, Chris Millier, so does not feel the DA should be denied.

IT WAS MOVED and seconded

THAT

Council enter into a Development Agreement with Michael MacArthur for development of 3 residential dwelling units within the existing structure, at 173 Cottage Street, Berwick, NS (PID 55245856) pursuant to Policy R12 of the MPS.

MOTION CARRIED
5 in favor/1 opposed

6. Presentation: Berwick Library, Barb Lipp

The Berwick Library Group will be holding their annual Harry Potter Party in October and requested the following:

1. An official endorsement of the Harry Potter Party to Berwick businesses and a rousing invitation for them to support this community building worthwhile project.
2. If council hosts any local, collaborative business presentations, the group would be extremely grateful to be included.
3. The group has budgeted 2k for project signage and décor and would be grateful for any financial support.

7. Ongoing Business

- a. Multi-Use Building Debenture TBR 18/18-02*

IT WAS MOVED and seconded

THAT

Council approve participation in the MFC 2019 Spring Debenture Issue based on the attached Resolution of Pre-Approval of Debenture Issuance and Commitment Letter. Total debenture requirement is \$363,000.00.

MOTION CARRIED

8. New Business:

- a. Expenditures after March 31, 2019*

IT WAS MOVED and seconded

THAT

Council approves staff to continue expenditures at the current service level after April 1, 2019 until such time the 2019/20 operating and capital budgets are approved.

MOTION CARRIED

b. REMO Regional Emergency Evacuation Plan

IT WAS MOVED and seconded

THAT

Council approve the Kings REMO Draft Regional Emergency Evacuation Plan, dated December, 2018.

MOTION CARRIED

c. Important Dates

Deputy Mayor Bustin relayed the following dates to Council:

- a. John Prall's 80th Birthday Celebrations: March 16th at 2pm at the Berwick Lions Club.
- b. Town of Berwick's preferred date is April 10th for Joint Council Meeting, will confirm with County
- c. REN Meeting – March 20th Orchards Room, County of Kings 6-8pm
- d. Human Trafficking Session – April 13th at 7pm
- e. Berwick Baseball Association Meeting – April 14th at 6:30pm.

d. Bill No. 92

Mr. Wood asked Council to review the Bill No. 92 document and may discuss further at another time.

9. In Camera (Legal)

The regular Council meeting entered into an In Camera Session at 8:12pm and returned to regular Council at 8:19pm.

10. Adjournment

The Council Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.