



Special Council Meeting - Minutes of the Meeting

June 23, 2020 6:30pm

(Via Videoconference Webex Meetings)

Attendance

In attendance

Don Clarke, Mayor

Chair

Deputy Mayor Ty Walsh

Jane Bustin

Anna Ashford-Morton

Councillors Rod Reeves

Barry Corbin

Mike Payne, CAO

Karen Peckford, Finance Director

Chantal Pineo, Executive Coordinator

Absent with

Regrets: Mike Trinacty

1. Call to Order

The Council Meeting was called to order at 6:37pm.

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:

- Finance Update
- Valley Waste Update
- Fitness Centre Holiday Policy
- Black Lives Matter Walk
- Police Reports

4. In Camera Session: (Contractual)

The regular Council session entered into an In Camera Session at 6:37pm and re-entered into regular Council at 7:59pm with the following motion:

IT WAS MOVED and seconded

THAT

Council support AREA's proposal to develop a town-owned community solar garden, contingent upon receiving appropriate funding from the provincial/ federal governments and the Municipal Finance Corporation.

MOTION CARRIED

5. Departmental Reports:

a. Public Works Report

- Councillor Bustin asked if the sidewalk in front of the Baptist Church be looked at for heaving and a new paving patch be looked at on Autumn Drive.

b. Bylaw Officer Report

No questions from Council.

c. Community Development Report

No questions of same. Councillor Corbin offered kudo's to Brittany for all of her work with the trails committee.
Fitness Centre opening June 29th.

d. CAO Report

No direction from Council.

e. Finance Report

There were no questions of the Finance Report.

f. Valley Waste Update

Councillor Corbin offered an update on Valley Waste highlighting that there has been a study completed with regard to cottage areas/private roads. Valley Waste will be offering a trial run of curbside pickup. There will be more information coming in the next few weeks.

There will be a review of personnel as the Operations Manager is no longer employed with the facility.

g. Police Reports

Council discussed the issue of speeding within the Town. The CAO reiterated that the RCMP is working diligently trying to reduce the number of speeding vehicles.

Councillor Ashford-Morton asked the CAO to look into "Quiet Street" designations, or even the possibility of making the Town a 30km max speed limit.

6. Ongoing Business

a. Draft Municipal Elections Bylaw – 1st Reading

IT WAS MOVED and seconded

THAT

Council accept First Reading of the Draft Municipal Elections Bylaw.

MOTION CARRIED

b. Fitness Centre Holiday Policy

Ms. Peckford reviewed the draft Fitness Centre Holiday Policy with Council dated June 23, 2020. This will be added to the next Council agenda for a motion.

7. Ongoing Business:

a. Black Lives Matter Walk

There will be a Black Lives Matter Walk on July 4, 2020 at 7pm. Residents are asked to gather at the Rainforth Park parking lot and the walk will proceed from there. It will end at the Centennial Park Gazebo where there will be a number of speakers. Social distancing is being encouraged.

8. Next Meeting: July 14, 2020 at 6:30pm.

Councillor Bustin wanted to add that there will be a soft opening of the Berwick Library on July 6th. There will be virtual programming only. Books will not be sanitized.

9. Adjournment – Council adjourned at 9:13pm.