

**TOWN OF HAMPTON
COUNCIL MEETING
September 9, 2014**

A closed session of Council was held immediately preceding the regular Council meeting, commencing at 6:00 p.m. A regular meeting of Council was held in the Council Chambers at 27 Centennial Road on September 9, 2014 commencing at 7:03 p.m.

ATTENDANCE:

Council: Mayor Ken Chorley Councillor Peter Behr
Councillor Dwight Bond Councillor Robert Doucet

Staff: Richard Malone, Town CAO/Assistant Town Clerk
Megan O'Brien Harrison, Clerk/Communications Officer
Carolyn Walker, Building and Development Officer
Bailey Brogan, Partners for Climate Protection Project

Media: Laura McInnis, Kings County Record

Delegations: Cpl. Pat Cole and Sgt. Mark MacKinnon, RCMP
Holly Lightfoot, Bird Studies Canada – Chimney Swifts
Don MacPhail – Saint John Naturalist Club

1. CLOSED SESSION

In accordance with Section 10.2(4) of the *Municipalities Act*, Mayor Chorley called the closed session to order at 6:00 p.m. and adjourned the closed session at 7:00 p.m. During that time, a number of issues were discussed and the confidential information from such discussions was classified as follows:

<u>Subsection of 10.4 (2)</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u># of Items</u>
a)	Confidential information protected by law	
b)	Personal information	
c)	Financial loss or gain (individual or municipal) or could jeopardize negotiations leading to an agreement or contract	4
d)	Land transactions for a municipal purpose	3
e)	Violates confidentiality of information obtained from other governments	
f)	(Federal and/or Provincial)	
g)	Legal opinions or advice, and privileged communications	
h)	Litigation or potential litigation	
i)	Access to/or security of particular buildings, other structures or systems	
j)	Information gathered by police	
k)	Labour/Employment matters	1

2. OPEN REGULAR SESSION

Mayor Chorley called the Open Session to order at 7:03 p.m. It was noted that Deputy Mayor Crossman had a previous engagement and would not be in attendance.

3. MOMENT OF REFLECTION

Councillor Bond led the moment of reflection

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Behr and seconded by Councillor Bond that the agenda of the September 9th, 2014 Council meeting be approved as presented.

Motion Carried

5. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Councillors were asked to disclose any conflicts of interest as they arise.

6. DELEGATIONS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS

6.1 Cpl. Pat Cole and Sgt. MacKinnon – Hampton RCMP Incident Report

Council welcomed Sgt. Mark MacKinnon to Hampton. Council expressed their concerns that there were still concerns about activities in and around the Town Square Pavilion. Council thanked Cpl. Pat Cole for the exemplary work he had done as Acting Sergeant and wished him well on his upcoming retirement.

6.2 Holly Lightfoot, Bird Studies Canada – Chimney Swifts

Holly Lightfoot of Bird Studies Canada provide information on Chimney Swifts, a small grey-brown bird with a pale throat and a wing span of 30 cm. They are commonly mistaken for bats at dusk. She said that they cling to vertical surfaces, in particular, the inside of chimneys and old trees. She informed Council that the Hampton Courthouse is home to Chimney Swifts during the migration season and more importantly during the breeding season. She said that it is likely that they are using this chimney for nesting, which means that only one pair of Chimney Swifts would be using the chimney. She said this is quite different, for example, from the roosting chimney, like the one at Lutz Longstaff Parish building that could see hundreds of swifts roosting in it during the migration season. Chimney Swifts are migratory birds and are in the Hampton area during spring and summer. She stated that Chimney Swift populations have declined by 95% over the past 40 years, and they are currently listed as “Threatened” on both the provincial and national Species at Risk registries. The decline in population is due to changes in climate and weather, human interactions with the Chimney Swifts, declines in insect prey and loss of habitat.

She noted that many members of the Saint John Naturalists club monitor and view the birds in our community. Don MacPhail, of the Saint John Naturalist Club spoke briefly about his organization. Ms. Lightfoot also noted that birders make great tourists.

She is asking Council to be a good Chimney Swift host by either leaving the chimney at the Courthouse uncapped or installing the cap after the fall migration and removing before the Chimney Swifts return in the spring. She also hoped that the Town could act as stewards for the Chimney Swifts and their habitat and raise awareness about them in the community. She felt this fit well with the Town’s motto “*It’s Our Nature.*”

Council thanked her for her presentation.

6.3 Bailey Brogan – Partners for Climate Protection Presentation

Bailey Brogan presented a report on the Partners for Climate Protection: Milestone 3, *Developing a Local Action Plan*. The process included meeting with Committees of Council. These committees provided suggestions for decreasing Greenhouse Gas emissions in Hampton. The most popular suggestions were tree planting and increasing active transportation (walking, biking, etc.) by improving roadways and trails.

Ms. Brogan reviewed the goals of the Local Action Plan. This included things like retrofitting buildings, creating policies regarding idling, promoting compost and recycling programs, tree plantings and increased awareness of public transportation.

She stated that the next steps would be to update corporate greenhouse gas inventory, use corporate progress to motivate the community and implement the plan. The plan will help the Town achieve emission reduction goals and become a leader of environmental stewardship.

Council thanked her for her presentation.

Moved by Councillor Doucet and seconded by Councillor Bond that the Town of Hampton submit the Partners for Climate Protection: Milestone 3 Local Action Plan to Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions in the Town of Hampton as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

7 ADOPTION OF MINUTES

7.1 Minutes of July 8, 2014

Moved by Councillor Behr and seconded by Councillor Bond that the minutes of the August 12, 2014 Regular Council Meeting be adopted.

MOTION CARRIED

7.2 Minutes of August 21, 2014

Moved by Councillor Behr and seconded by Councillor Doucet that the minutes of the August 21, 2014 Special Council Meeting be adopted.

MOTION CARRIED

8 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

9 CORRESPONDENCE LIST

#	NAME	DESCRIPTON	Recommended Action
14-099	Jan Riddell, President, Saint John Naturalists Club and Holly Lightfoot, Bird Studies Canada	Concerns about Chimney Swifts nesting in Hampton Courthouse	Moved by Councillor Bond and seconded by Councillor Doucet that correspondence #14-099 be referred to staff. MOTION CARRIED

14-100	Mothers Against Drunk Driving	Invitation to a candlelight service and memorial remembrance ceremony being held on September 14 th in Moncton and thank you for supporting their MADD message yearbook.	Moved by Councillor Behr and seconded by Councillor Bond that correspondence #14-100 be received and filed. MOTION CARRIED
14-101	John L. Allen, 104 Villa Drive	Requesting storm sewer be installed along his property.	Moved by Councillor Doucet and seconded by Councillor Behr that correspondence #14-101 be referred to the Public Works Advisory and Utilities Commission. MOTION CARRIED
14-102	Vaughn Barnett	Concerned about bow hunting	Moved by Councillor Behr and seconded by Councillor Bond that correspondence #14-102 be received and filed. MOTION CARRIED
14-103	Deborah Oconnor	Concerned about bow hunting	Moved by Councillor Bond and seconded by Councillor Behr that correspondence #14-103 be received and filed. MOTION CARRIED
14-104	Afiena Kamminga	Concerned about bow hunting	Moved by Councillor Behr and seconded by Councillor Doucet that correspondence #14-104 be received and filed. MOTION CARRIED
14-105	Carol A Ring	Concerned about bow hunting	Moved by Councillor Doucet and seconded by Councillor Behr that correspondence #14-105 be received and filed. MOTION CARRIED
14-106	Kara Barter	Concerned about bow hunting	Moved by Councillor Bond and seconded by Councillor Doucet that correspondence #14-106 be received and filed. MOTION CARRIED

10 APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS

Moved by Councillor Bond and seconded by Councillor Behr that the Town of Hampton approve the General and Utilities Fund Paid Invoices from August 1 to August 31, 2014 for the amount of four hundred and seventy-four thousand and ninety-seven dollars and seventy-one cents. (\$474,097.71).

Motion Carried

11 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

11.1 Economic Development and Tourism

Council reviewed the Economic Development and Tourism minutes making special notes of the fact that the summer staff had presented reports to the committee, that the Town was participating in Sculpture SJ and that the Electronic Sign was now installed at the rink.

11.2 Fire-Rescue

Councillor Bond provided an overview of the Fire-Rescue report.

11.3 Leisure Services Advisory

Council noted that Alex Locke was recruiting members for a Town team on the Big Bike Ride for Heart. Several members of Staff and Council would be participating. It was also noted that the ice is in at the arena and that the students from Parks, Trails and the pool are done for the season.

11.4 Environment Minutes

It was noted that NB Power would soon be installing LED Streetlights within the Town.

11.5 Planning Advisory Committee

Moved by Councillor Bond and seconded by Councillor Doucet that Council direct staff to review and make recommendation regarding a possible amendment to the Zoning By-law to allow for “the keeping of chickens”, as recommended by the Planning Advisory Committee.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Doucet and seconded by Councillor Behr that the Town of Hampton appoint Andy Lodge to the Planning Advisory Committee for a three year term beginning immediately and expiring on December 31, 2016 as recommended by the Planning Advisory Committee.

MOTION CARRIED

11.6 Health Care

The Town CAO noted that the committee had a presentation on holding a Diabetic Clinic in Hampton. They continue to investigate that option.

Moved by Councillor Behr and seconded by Councillor Bond that the Town of Hampton accept the reports from the Economic Development and Tourism Committee, RCMP, Fire-Rescue, Leisure Services Advisory Committee, Health Care, Planning Advisory and Joint Health and Safety as submitted.

MOTION CARRIED

5. Approval of Reports

12.1 Tourism Manager

Council reviewed the Tourism Manager report.

12.2 Financial Report

Council did not comment on the financial report.

12.3 Dog Constable Report

Council recommended that the Dog Constable walk Hampton`s portion of the Trans Canada Trail on occasion.

12.4 Building Inspector Report

Council reviewed the Building Inspector Report.

Moved by Councillor Doucet and seconded by Councillor Bonds that the Town of Hampton approve the Tourism Manager, Financial, Building Inspector and Dog Constable reports as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

13 READING OF BY-LAWS

There were none.

14 NEW BUSINESS

There were none.

15 OUTSTANDING ISSUES

16 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting of Council was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Doucet that the Town of Hampton adjourn the council meeting of September 9th, 2014.

MOTION CARRIED