

**TOWN OF HAMPTON
COUNCIL MEETING
April 8, 2008**

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 April 8, 2008 commencing at 7:00 p.m. A second Closed Session of Council was held immediately following the regular Council meeting, commencing at 8:10 p.m.

Attendance

Council: Mayor Jim Hovey
Deputy Mayor Ken Chorley
Councillor Dwight Bond

Staff: Richard Malone, Chief Administrative Officer/Acting Clerk
Richard King, Building Inspector/By-law Enforcement Officer

Delegations: Jamie Gamble, Hampton Alliance for Lifelong Learning
Sgt. Steve Gourdeau, Hampton RCMP
Tanya Warren, District 3 RCMP, Community Programs Officer

Guests: Robyn Baxter, 390 Lakeside Road
Peter Behr, 218 Kennebecasis River Road
Joel Blanchard, 636 Hall Road
Matthew Cole, 28 Gordon Street
Robert Cole, 28 Gordon Street
Jane Cushing, 30 Fenton Drive, Saint John
Georgie Day, 14 Everett Street
Stephen Drost, 360 Hall Road
Anne Fitzgerald, 28 Barbara Street
Mike Hickey, 242 Main Street
Christina Keirstead, 36 Mapleton Crescent
Trudy Kelly Forsythe, 24 Ossekeag Court
Thelma Messer, 79 Bartlett Avenue
John Murphy, Hall Road
Bill Oliver, Kiersteadville
Chris Oliver, Kiersteadville
John Smith, Ossekeag Court
Don Smith, Viola Avenue
Stephen Smith, 390 Lakeside Road

Media: Erin Dwyer, Telegraph Journal
David Kelly, Kings County Record

1. CLOSED SESSION

In accordance with Section 10.2(4) of the *Municipalities Act*, Mayor Hovey called the Closed Session to order at 6:00 p.m. and adjourned the same meeting at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Hovey called the second Closed Session to order at 8:10 p.m. and adjourned the same meeting at 8:30 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 | 11 |
| (d) | Land transactions for a municipal purpose | 1 |
| (e) | Violates confidentiality of information obtained from other governments (Federal and/or Provincial) | |
| (f) | Legal opinions or advice, and privileged communications | 1 |
| (g) | Litigation or potential litigation | |
| (h) | Access to/or security of particular buildings, other structures or systems | 2 |
| (i) | Information gathered by police | |
| (j) | Labour/Employment matters | 4 |

2. REGULAR SESSION – PUBLIC COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Hovey called the Open Session to order at 7:00 p.m.

3. MOMENT OF SILENCE AND MOMENT OF REFLECTION

Deputy Mayor Chorley led Council in a moment of reflection.

4. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Councillor Bond declared a conflict of interest on all issues related to development within the Town of Hampton.

5. PUBLIC HEARING AND DELEGATIONS

Sgt. Steve Gourdeau, Hampton RCMP

Sgt. Gourdeau thanked the Town, in particular the Leisure Services Department, for the success of the high school provincial “AAA” hockey championship that was held at the Community Centre. He noted that attendees spoke very highly of the Town and specifically of the Hampton teams, who were very well behaved and very polite. There were no incidents over the weekend.

Sgt. Gourdeau noted that with the nicer weather there is an increase in the number of teenagers hanging out in areas such as the Hampton Mall and the Tim Horton’s. The RCMP is monitoring the situation and is hoping to come up with solutions through the ongoing liaison program with the school.

He stated that the RCMP is focusing on the issue of bicycle helmet use in the Town of Hampton. They are looking for support from the municipality in this regard. They are in the process of developing an awareness program.

Tanya Warren, District 3 RCMP, Community Programs Officer

Ms. Warren introduced herself as the Community Programs Officer (CPO) for District 3. She is a civilian member of the RCMP and works out of the Sussex Detachment. The CPO is a new position with the RCMP. There are eleven in New Brunswick. The CPO's role is to provide increased preventive and public reassurance programs while supporting core policing operations. Ms. Warren stated that the programming is essentially 80% youth initiatives and 20% senior safety. She is looking for opportunities to work with the municipality and local community groups and has approximately 2500 presentations that she is able to make on a variety of topics that may be relevant to the Town of Hampton.

Mayor Hovey welcomed her to her position and to the Town of Hampton.

Jamie Gamble, Hampton Alliance for Lifelong Learning (HALL)

Jamie Gamble, speaking on behalf of HALL, stated that he is a resident of Hampton and a parent. He said parenting is an ongoing challenge, that it is never easy. He said HALL has been an important part of Hampton for the past ten years helping parents, grandparents and caregivers do the best that they can. HALL is focused on early childhood education and develops community programs that support and provide resources to interested parents. HALL has been a leader in not only the province, but the country, on the work of early childhood education. They have established effective relationships with all levels of governments, with educators in Hampton, and with the universities in the province. He stated that if children enter the school system emotionally, intellectually, and physically ready, then they will get the most from their school experience. If they are behind when they start, chances are that gap will continue to grow throughout their education. HALL provides the support required for early learning success.

HALL was selected to deliver a program called "*Understanding the Early Years.*" This was a national research project that allowed HALL to understand the challenges and issues that our young people face in our community and allowed Hampton to be profiled across the country. HALL's executive director, Robyn Baxter, has been invited to speak at conferences across the province and beyond. When the province wanted to pilot a transition to kindergarten program, they looked to Hampton because HALL had the ability to run the programs.

Mr. Gamble believes that HALL has run some very successful programs – such as *Learning Begins, Infant CPR, Feeding Baby Well, Moving & Grooving Together, Infant Massage, Early Learning Canada, Literacy Workshops, Secrets of Discipline, Baby Signs, the Summer Preschool Camp, Neighbourhood Fun and Games, and Canada Day activities* and in addition, the *Understanding the Early Years* program brought a significant amount into the Hampton economy. Unfortunately the *Understanding the Early Years* program has now successfully concluded. HALL is now facing financial constraints as there is a gap in their funding. In order to operate, HALL requires approximately \$50-\$60,000 per year to run a modest but successful level of programs in the community. Mr. Gamble stated that in the past they have received \$25,000 per year commitment from the provincial government. They hope this will be renewed. The board of directors is working diligently in finding additional funding and program grant opportunities. Mr. Gamble says, in particular, they face a short-term funding shortage as they enter the summer months. Historically, they have received the majority of their funding and

revenue in the fall. If they are unable to come up with some interim financing then they will have to close HALL for the summer.

HALL has also been able to commit significant in-kind time of their executive director to aid with exploring the possibility of having a public library in Hampton.

Mr. Gamble stated that HALL appreciates the waiver of rental fees for the HALL library until the end of 2008. He said HALL is now asking the Town of Hampton for a waiver of rental fees for the HALL office space until the end of 2008 and he is also asking for an immediate five thousand dollar donation.

He also hoped in the future there may be possible partnership opportunity with the Town in order to seek additional funding.

Mayor Hovey asked what percentage of the participants in HALL programming would be Hampton residents. Robyn Baxter felt that approximately 90% would be Hampton residents. She stated that they do have some outreach programming but they are offered in partnership with other groups.

Deputy Mayor Chorley asked how many families participated. Ms. Baxter stated that there were approximately 700-800 participants per year.

Councillor Bond asked if HALL was continuing to seek funding from the Federal and Provincial governments. Mr. Gamble confirmed that they were actively seeking additional funding.

Mayor Hovey thanked Mr. Gamble for his presentation. He noted that this was not a budgeted item but Council would consider the request.

6. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

6.1 Regular Council Meeting of March 11th, 2008

Moved by Deputy Mayor Chorley and seconded by Councillor Bond that the Minutes of the March 11th, 2008 Regular Council Meeting be adopted.

Motion Carried

6.2 Special Council Meeting of March 19th, 2008

Moved by Councillor Bond and seconded by Deputy Mayor Chorley that the Minutes of the March 19th, 2008 Special Council Meeting be adopted.

Motion Carried

7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Request for Crosswalk Sign on Main Street at Corner of Main Street and Railway Avenue

The Clerk confirmed that a request was sent to the Department of Transportation for a crosswalk and sign to be placed on Main Street at the Corner of Main Street and Railway Avenue. The Town has not received a response to date.

Investigation into cost of Feasibility Study for Public Library

The CAO stated that requests for pricing had been made but quotes for same had not yet been received.

8. CORRESPONDENCE LIST

- 08-051 Heather Hart re: Thank you note for donation in Memory of Don Logie
Received and filed
- 08-052 Barbara Archer re: Extension of Sidewalk on Dutch Point Road
Referred to Public Works Advisory Committee. Staff will send a letter to the resident to inform them of plans for 2008.
- 08-053 Randy Dickinson, Province of New Brunswick re: Proclamation for Disability Awareness Week
Received and filed. It was noted that the Town of Hampton does not make proclamations.
- 08-054 Chris Mew re: Unsightly Premises on DeMille Court
Referred to Town Staff to investigate and reply.
- 08-055 Atlantic Institute for Market Studies re: Report Card on Hampton High School
Received and Filed.
- 08-056 Dr. V. A. Snow Centre Inc. re: Request for Speed Limit Sign on Demille Court
Referred to Public Works Advisory Committee.
- 08-057 Don MacKay re: Proposed Street Link
Referred to Public Works Advisory Committee.
- 08-058 Help the Cops Help the Kids re: Thank you letter
Received and Filed.
- 08-059 Gail Quann re: Sidewalk Extension on Dutch Point Road
Referred to Public Works Advisory Committee. Staff will send a letter to the resident to inform her of plans for 2008.
- 08-060 FCM re: Funding Opportunity for Green Buildings
Received and Filed.
- 08-061 Minister of Local Government re: Protection of Firefighters
Staff to provide a copy to the Hampton Fire Department.
- 08-062 Town of Petawawa re: Support for Canadian Troops

Moved by Councillor Bond and seconded by Deputy Mayor Chorley that the Town of Hampton send a letter of support for Canadian Troops to Prime Minister Harper and a copy to the Town of Petawawa.

Motion Carried

08-063 Fundy Region Solid Waste Commission re: Auditor's Report for 2007
Received and Filed.

08-064 J. P. Humphrey Foundation re: Request for Additional Grant

Moved by Councillor Bond and seconded by Deputy Mayor Chorley that the Town of Hampton donate an additional one thousand and twenty-five dollars (\$1,025.00) to the John Peters Humphrey Foundation - CREDO project in 2008.

Motion Carried

9. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS

9.1 **Moved by Deputy Mayor Chorley and seconded by Councillor Bond that the Town of Hampton approve the General and Utilities Fund Paid Invoices from March 1 to March 31, 2008 for the amount of two hundred and twenty-five thousand three hundred and seventy-seven dollars and thirty-five cents (\$225,377.35).**

Motion Carried

10. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

10.1 Environment

Deputy Mayor Chorley reminded Council that Saturday, April 19th is the Computer Recycling Drop-off Day. There will a trailer at the Community Centre and residents may drop off their off computers to be recycled. The disposal cost is \$5 per computer.

10.2 Communities in Bloom

Deputy Mayor Chorley noted that this is an unbudgeted item. Councillor Bond inquired if there is a cost limit since the price has not yet been determined. The CAO will receive price quotes for same.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Chorley and seconded by Councillor Bond that the Town of Hampton purchase two signs for placement along the Highway to be attached to the existing Town of Hampton signs indicating that the Town of Hampton is the 2007 CIB winner, as recommended by the Communities in Bloom Committee.

Motion Carried

10.3 Leisure Services Advisory Committee

The CAO responded to Council's inquiries regarding "worm casings."

10.4 Canada Day Committee

Council noted that this committee has been very active.

10.5 Planning Advisory Committee

Council did not comment on the PAC minutes.

10.6 Fire-Rescue

Council did not comment on the Fire-Rescue report.

10.7 RCMP

Council did not comment on the RCMP report.

10.8 Public Works Advisory Committee

Staff will confirm that a letter was sent to the new member of the Public Works Advisory Committee.

10.9 Utilities Commission

Council did not comment on the Utilities Commission minutes.

Moved by Councillor Bond and seconded by Deputy Mayor Chorley that the Town of Hampton accept the reports from the Environment, Communities in Bloom, Leisure Services Advisory, Canada Day, Planning Advisory, Fire-Rescue, RCMP, Public Works Advisory, and Utilities Commission as submitted.

Motion Carried

11. APPROVAL OF REPORTS

11.1 Dog Constable Report

Staff is directed to follow-up with the RCMP regarding the dog bite incident.

11.2 Building Inspector Report

Council noted that it looks like another good year for development to date.

11.3 Financial Report

Council did not comment on the Financial Report

Moved by Deputy Mayor Chorley and seconded by Councillor Bond that the Town of Hampton approve the Building Inspector, Dog Constable and Financial Reports as presented.

Motion Carried

12. PETITIONS

Not Applicable.

13. READING OF BY-LAWS

Not applicable.

14. NEW BUSINESS

14.1 Special Meeting

Moved by Deputy Mayor Chorley and seconded by Councillor Bond that the Town of Hampton hold a special meeting on Wednesday, April 30th, 2008 at 8:30 a.m. for the purpose of appointing the new Leisure Services Assistant Director, awarding four Tenders for Insurance, Sidewalk on Dutch Point Road, Works Truck and Plow Equipment, the establishment of a Finance Committee, the discussion of the HALL request, and for the tentative approval of Bonney Park Subdivision and associated easement.

Motion Carried

14.2 Brush Clean-up

The Town's annual Brush Clean-up will be the week of May 12th.

14.4 Swearing In

Mayor Hovey announced that the swearing in ceremony for the new Council will take place on Tuesday, May 27th at 7 p.m. at the Lighthouse Park River Centre.

14.5 River Centre Outfitters

Moved by Councillor Bond and seconded by Deputy Mayor Chorley that the Town of Hampton enter into the agreement as presented with Rafe Hooper for the operation of a canoe/kayak and outfitter business at the Lighthouse Park River Centre as recommended by the Town CAO and the River Centre manager.

Motion Carried

Moved by Councillor Bond and seconded by Deputy Mayor Chorley that the Town of Hampton enter into the agreement as presented with Zelda Scott of Zelda's River Adventures Limited for the purpose of offering river tours with a pontoon boat from the Lighthouse Park River Centre as recommended by the Town CAO and the River Centre manager.

Motion Carried

Moved by Councillor Bond and seconded by Deputy Mayor Chorley that the Town of Hampton approve the Town of Hampton Lighthouse Park River Centre Facility User Policies as presented.

Motion Carried

14.6 Computer Upgrades

Moved by Deputy Mayor Chorley and seconded by Councillor Bond that the Town of Hampton hire Terra Consultants Limited to upgrade the Town's computer systems as outlined in the quote from Terra Consultants Ltd., dated April 3rd, 2008 in the approximate amount of \$9,009.00. It is noted that the amount of technical services at a rate of \$95.00 per hour is estimated.

Motion Carried

14.6 CBDC Lease

Moved by Councillor Bond and seconded by Deputy Mayor Chorley that the Town of Hampton enter into the commercial lease agreement as presented with the Charlotte County Development Corporation Inc. for the period of April 1 2008 – March 31 2011, with an option to extend for an additional year.

Motion Carried

14.7 Lighthouse Park Light Pole

Moved by Councillor Bond and seconded by Deputy Mayor Chorley that the Town of Hampton install an additional decorative light pole at the front of the Lighthouse Park River Centre at an estimated cost of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) from the Capital Reserve Fund.

Motion Carried

14.8 Access to Documents

Moved by Deputy Mayor Chorley and seconded by Councillor Bond that the Town of Hampton adopt the Access to Documents policy as presented, effective immediately.

Motion Carried

There were several items of development for Council to discuss and review. Councillor Bond declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting.

The Clerk once again stated the Town of Hampton requested ministerial approval for Mayor Hovey and Deputy Mayor Chorley to consider, discuss and vote on matters with respect to development in the Town of Hampton, due to the fact that Councillor Bond has declared a conflict of interest as he is a developer with an application before the Town. The Town has received the following order from Carmel Robichaud, Minister of Local Government for the Province of New Brunswick:

By virtue of the authority vested in me under subsection 90.7(3) of the Municipalities Act, I do order that the remaining two council members of the Town of Hampton may consider, discuss and vote on matters with respect to development within the Town. This order and declaration will remain in effect until the expiry of the term of office of the present council.

14.9 Sanford Subdivision

Deputy Mayor Chorley noted that PAC granted a variance for the minimum lot depth from 37.0 metres to 36.6 metres. It was also noted that Land for Public Purpose (LPP) for the entire subdivision was settled in 2005. The Town agreed to take cash in lieu, with payment for same to be made to the Town as lots are sold with the first phase.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Chorley and seconded by Mayor Hovey that the Town of Hampton approve the tentative subdivision plan, Sanford Subdivision, dated March 13, 2008, conditional on the corner lots at street intersections be angled as recommended by the Utilities Commission, Planning Advisory and Works Advisory Committees. Final approval of the next phase, including the creation of ten residential lots (indicated as Lots 1-4, and 26-31) and the extension of Kelti Avenue is conditional on the developer providing engineered drawings and entering into a

development agreement with the Town of Hampton which includes the submission of a satisfactory water supply assessment report from a qualified engineering firm.

Motion Carried

14.10 Dineen Subdivision, Phase 4

Moved by Deputy Mayor Chorley and seconded by Mayor Hovey that the Town of Hampton approve the tentative plan, entitled Dineen Subdivision, Phase 4, as prepared by Alan Hicks, surveyor, dated September 13, 2007. Final approval of same is subject to the developer entering into a development agreement with the Town of Hampton and the developer submitting a water supply assessment report to the Town of Hampton that is satisfactory to the Town of Hampton.

Motion Carried

Moved by Deputy Mayor Chorley and seconded by Mayor Hovey that the Town of Hampton approve the amending subdivision plan, entitled Dineen Subdivision Phase 4A as prepared by Alan Hicks, surveyor, dated December 15, 2007 which creates four residential lots (Lots 721, 722, 723 and 724) for the construction of four semi-detached dwellings units (2 buildings).

Motion Carried

Moved by Mayor Hovey and seconded by Deputy Mayor Chorley that the Town of Hampton enter into the interim Developer's Agreement with numbered company 607152 N.B. Ltd. as presented.

Motion Carried

Councillor Bond returned to the regular meeting of Council

15. OUTSTANDING ISSUES

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Deputy Mayor Chorley reported that he had attended a recent meeting of Saint John Transit Commission and he is pleased to report that the weekly ridership for the Town of Hampton is at approximately 600. The Saint John Transit Commission continues to "tweak" the route times as per user requests.

16. ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting of Council was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Chorley and seconded by Councillor Bond that the meeting be adjourned.

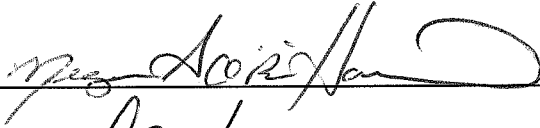
Motion Carried

17 CLOSED SESSION – COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Hovey called a second Closed Session to order at 8:10 p.m. and adjourned the same meeting at 8:30 p.m.

APPROVAL:

TOWN CLERK



MAYOR



Acting Clerk

