

**TOWN OF HAMPTON
COUNCIL MEETING
December 9, 2008**

A Closed Session of Council was held immediately preceding the regular Council meeting, commencing at 6:00 p.m., then again at 9:00 p.m. A regular meeting of Council was held in the Council Chambers at 27 Centennial Road on December 9, 2008 commencing at 7:00 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Council: Mayor Ken Chorley Deputy Mayor Dwight Bond
Councillor Peter Behr Councillor Robert Doucet
Councillor Clara Ann Lights

Staff: Richard Malone, CAO Gillian Reid, Assistant to the Clerk
Megan O'Brien Harrison, Town Clerk/Development Officer

Delegations: David Keirstead, Main Street
Bob Creamer, Major Gifts, Chair, Imperial Theatre "Keep it Live" Campaign
Peter Smith, General Manager, Imperial Theatre Inc.
Adrienne Malloy, Imperial Theatre "Keep it Live" Campaign
Carol Fortune, Imperial Theatre "Keep it Live" Campaign

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 Chorley called the Closed Session to order at 6:00 p.m. and adjourned the same meeting at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Chorley called a second Closed Session to order at 9:00 p.m. and adjourned the same meeting at 9:50 p.m. During these times, a number of issues were discussed and the confidential information from such discussions was classified as follows:

Subsection of 10.4 (2)	Category	# of Items
(a)	Confidential information protected by law	2
(b)	Personal information	6
(c)	Financial loss or gain (individual or municipal) or could jeopardize negotiations leading to an agreement or contract	1
(d)	Land transactions for a municipal purpose	1
(e)	Violates confidentiality of information obtained from other governments (Federal and/or Provincial)	2
(f)	Legal opinions or advice, and privileged communications	1
(g)	Litigation or potential litigation	1
(h)	Access to/or security of particular buildings, other structures or systems	3
(i)	Information gathered by police	
(j)	Labour/Employment matters	

2. **REGULAR SESSION – PUBLIC COUNCIL MEETING**

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

3. **MOMENT OF SILENCE AND MOMENT OF REFLECTION**

Councillor Doucet led Council in a moment of reflection.

4. **DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Deputy Mayor Bond declared a conflict of interest regarding all issues pertaining to development in the Town of Hampton.

5. **PUBLIC HEARING AND DELEGATIONS**

David Keirstead, Presentation of “Autumn in Hampton” Tartan



Mr. Keirstead provided Council with a brief history of the *Autumn in Hampton* tartan and his efforts to replicate it. He noted that in autumn of 1956, a group of Hampton women formed the “Hampton Weavers Group.” They each received 25 hours of lessons from a woman from Fredericton. In July, 1961, this group became known as the “Hampton Handicraft Group” as several other residents had joined the group who participated in such crafts as knitting and wood-turning. At a meeting of the “Hampton Handicraft Group” on July 10, 1961, they unveiled the *Autumn in*

Hampton tartan, which was designed and woven by the group. It was noted that the mother of former Mayor, Jim Hovey, was president of the group at the time of the unveiling.

Mr. Keirstead stated that he began collecting information about the *Autumn in Hampton* tartan in 1974. He interviewed the original weavers; unfortunately none of them could remember the complete pattern. He was provided with a small piece of the original tartan and made several attempts to work out the pattern. He was able to have the pattern successfully replicated and woven in 2006. He presented the Town with a framed piece of this successful replication to be displayed by the Town.

The Mayor thanked Mr. Keirstead for his gift and for his historical work and research of the Town of Hampton over the years.

Bob Creamer, Imperial Theatre “Keep it Live” Campaign

Bob Creamer, Major Gifts Chairperson, presented to Council on behalf of the Imperial Theatre “Keep it Live” Campaign.

Mr. Creamer provided a historical overview of the Imperial Theatre. The Imperial Theatre was built in 1913 and has had several uses over its lifetime, including a vaudeville venue, a cinema and a church. By 1982, the Imperial Theatre was in a state of neglect and was only able to be restored to its original splendour because Jack McDougall, a taxi owner, put down a one-dollar payment and promised to raise a million dollars and the hard-work of a group of citizens then spear-headed a community-wide fundraising initiative. The Imperial Theatre reopened in 1994.

He stated that Peter Smith, Imperial Theatre’s General Manager, reviewed the records of the Imperial Theatre and found that there were 186 ticket buyers in the Hampton area. There have been over a million patrons attending over 2,000 performances since the re-opening.

Mr. Creamer noted that the Imperial Theatre is a not-for-profit organization. Earned revenue from things like ticket sales and rentals, cover 60 percent of day-to-day operations. The balance is covered by grants and donations.

However, these funds are not sufficient to cover the significant repairs and upgrades required for the Imperial Theatre to continue operating as a state-of-the-art performing arts venue.

The *Keep it Live* Capital Campaign was launched in hopes to raise 2.5 million dollars to cover the following:

- Replacement of the stage house exterior cladding, which is deficient and is causing leaks and interior damage. Peter Smith noted that they would be going with a dry-vent siding. The current siding is no longer acting as an insulator, is in danger of falling off and is allowing water to leak into the facility;
- Purchase of new sound system;
- Purchase of new ticketing system;
- Purchase of new hearing-assist system;
- Repairs and/or replacements of lighting system, seating, stage floor, washroom accessibility, carpeting and air handling system
- Growth of Imperial Theatre Foundation’s endowment fund by an additional \$700,000 in order to make the Theatre less vulnerable to unforeseen circumstances.

Mr. Creamer also noted that the Imperial Theatre offers scholarships for Art Students, reduced cost or complimentary tickets to students and seniors and injects \$3.6 million dollars into the local economy.

Mr. Creamer stated that the Town of Hampton’s support is crucial. The Imperial Theatre is requesting a \$25,000 donation from the Town of Hampton over a five-year period.

Mayor Chorley thanked Mr. Creamer for his presentation. He noted that the Town had recently supported upgrades to our own Community Theatre located in Hampton High School.

Council recognized that the Imperial Theatre was a wonderful facility and an asset to the City of Saint John. They stated they would consider the request during their current budget process.

6. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

6.1 Regular Council Meeting of November 12, 2008

Moved by Deputy Mayor Bond and seconded by Councillor Doucet that the Minutes of the November 12, 2008 Regular Council Meeting be adopted.

Motion Carried

7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Dutch Point Park

The CAO noted that repairs to the park entrance and trail systems would be ongoing work in 2009.

Correspondence 08-208 FCM Re: Guidelines for Railway Noise

Staff is currently reviewing the guidelines.

8. CORRESPONDENCE LIST

08-219 Robert Frenette re: Anti-Bullying "Blue Day"

BullyingCanada.ca is the first youth-created anti-bullying website in Canada. It has called on the Federal Government to declare December 17th as "Blue day". Students, parents, educators, workplaces, and the general public would be encouraged to wear blue in support of anti-bullying initiatives. Received and filed.

08-220 Mary Breen re: Kings County Youth Development Inc.

The Kings County Youth Development Inc. provided the remainder of their bank account balance of \$980.52 to the Town of Hampton to be used for repairs and upgrades to the Hampton Tennis Facility. Received and filed.

08-221 Communities in Bloom re: Invitation to 2009 Edition

Communities in Bloom invited the Town of Hampton to participate in the 2009 National edition of Communities in Bloom in either the International Challenge or the Non-competitive Circle of Excellence category. Referred to staff.

08-222 Hampton Alliance for Lifelong Learning re: Rental request for 2009

The Hampton Alliance for Lifelong Learning requested office space, rent free for 2009.

Moved by Councillor Lights and seconded by Councillor Behr that the Town of Hampton waive the rental costs associated with the Hampton Alliance for Lifelong Learning office and Library for the period of January 1, 2009 – December 31, 2009.

Motion Carried

08-223 Residents of Hawthorne Court re: Proposed mailbox instillation

The residents of Hawthorne Court copied the Town of Hampton on a letter to Canada Post regarding the proposed location for their cluster of mailboxes. Received and filed.

08-224 Fundy Region Solid Waste Commission re: Minutes

Copies of the approved Fundy Region Solid Waste Commission Minutes of October 9th, 2008 and November 13th, 2008. Received and filed.

08-225 Fundy Library Region re: Annual Report

Copy of the 2007-2008 Fundy Library Region Annual Report. Received and filed.

08-226 Canadian Diabetes Association re: Request for Funding

Letter from noting that November is Diabetes month and requesting a donation to their campaign. Received and filed.

08-227 Hampton Area Chamber of Commerce re: Thank you

Thank for from the Hampton Area Chamber of Commerce for the Town's financial support of the annual Santa Claus parade. Received and filed.

08-228 NB Lung Association re: December is Lung Awareness Month

Request to proclaim December as Lung Awareness month. It is noted that the Town of Hampton does not do proclamations. Received and filed.

08-229 Hon. Denis Landry, Minister of Transportation re: Articulated Bus Funding

Minister Landry informed the Town of Hampton that our application under the rural to urban commuter program was approved for funding of one articulated bus up to a maximum cost of \$450,000. Received and filed.

08-230 Canadian Cancer Society re: Hampton Curl for Cancer Sponsorship

Request for the Town of Hampton to once again be an event sponsor for the Hampton Curl for Cancer taking place on Saturday, February 7th, 2009.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Bond and seconded by Councillor Lights that the Town of Hampton donate two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.0) to the Hampton Curl for Cancer Fundraising Event being held on Saturday, February 7, 2009 These funds are to be disbursed in 2009.

Motion Carried

08-231 Heart and Stroke Foundation of NB re: Notice of Canvassing in Hampton

The Heart and Stroke Foundation of New Brunswick notified the Town that they will be going door-to-door in the Town of Hampton throughout the month of February canvassing for donations. February is Heart month in New Brunswick. Received and filed.

08-232 Hon. Mary Schryer re: "Bringing the Pieces Together" – Dialogue Session

Minister Schryer stated that dialogue sessions would be taking place across New Brunswick regarding the *Bringing the Pieces Together* initiative. The initiative hopes to develop a plan to reduce and prevent poverty in New Brunswick. It is noted that there will be a session on Monday, January 19th, 2009 from 1-4 p.m. at the Carleton Community Centre in Saint John. Received and filed.

08-233 Province of NB re: Winter Active Initiative

WinterActive is an annual national initiative aimed to increased awareness around the importance of healthy living. Events may be registered at www.winteractive.org between January 15th and February 27, 2009. Referred to Director of Leisure Services.

08-234 Building Canada Fund re: Receipt of Application

Acknowledgement of receipt of the Town's application under the Canada – New Brunswick Building Canada Fund – Communities Component. Received and filed.

08-235 Institute for Governance and Leadership NB re: Governance Workshop

Information regarding the services of the Institute for Governance and Leadership. Received and filed.

08-236 Brandon Gesner re: Encounters with Canada Program

Request for support to attend the *Encounters with Canada* program at the Terry Fox Canadian Youth Centre in Ottawa.

Moved by Councillor Behr and seconded by Councillor Doucet that the Town of Hampton donate one hundred dollars (\$100.00) to Brendan Gesner to represent Hampton High School at the Encounters with Canada Program at the Terry Fox Canadian Youth Centre in Ottawa.

Motion Carried

08-237 UMN B re: Bulletin

Copy of the current Bulletin from UMN B. Received and filed.

08-238 Imperial Theatre re: "Keep it Live" Campaign

Information regarding the Imperial Theatre's *Keep it Live* Campaign. Referred to Staff.

08-239 Hampton Curling Club re: Invitation to "TGIF" League

An invitation from the Hampton Curling Club for the Town to join its TGIF (Thank Goodness It's Friday) League. Referred to Staff.

9. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS

- 9.1 **Moved by Deputy Mayor Bond and seconded by Councillor Doucet that the Town of Hampton approve the General and Utilities Fund Paid Invoices from November 1 to November 30, 2008 for the amount of five hundred and sixty-four thousand, one hundred and twenty one dollars and seventeen cents (\$564,121.17).**

Motion Carried

10. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

10.1 Environment

Councillor Behr noted that the Environment Committee had a presentation from the *Quality of Life* Initiative regarding Corridor Resources proposed underground storage of natural gas in the Salt Springs and surrounding areas. The committee is recommending that the Town of Hampton support the *Quality of Life* Initiative.

Moved by Councillor Behr and seconded by Councillor Lights that the Town of Hampton support the efforts of the Quality of Life Initiative Group to halt the creation of underground storage facilities as proposed by Corridor Resources, as recommended by the Hampton Environment Committee.

Motion Carried.

10.2 Leisure Services

No comments were made by Council on the Leisure Services report.

10.3 Fire and Rescue

Council noted a total of 148 Fire Calls in the area for the year.

10.4 EMO

Council did not comment on the report.

10.5 RCMP

Council did not comment on the report.

10.6 Public Works Advisory

Alexander Court Light Request

Moved by Councillor Doucet and seconded by Deputy Mayor Bond that the Town of Hampton deny the request for an additional street lights on Alexander Court, as recommended by the Public Works Advisory Committee, as it does not follow current Town Policy to the installation of the street lights.

Motion Carried

Staff is directed to inform resident of this decision.

Request for Hidden Driveway Sign

Moved by Councillor Doucet and seconded by Councillor Behr that the request to install a hidden driveway sign on St. Paul Street, as recommended by the Public Works Advisory Committee, as there are already 40 km signs on this street.

Motion Carried

Staff is directed to inform resident of this decision.

Villa Drive Speeding Concerns

Moved by Councillor Doucet and seconded by Councillor Lights that the Town of Hampton refer the concerns regarding speeding vehicles on Villa Drive to the RCMP, as recommended by the Public Works Advisory Committee.

Motion Carried

Staff is directed to inform resident of this decision.

10.7 Utilities Commission

The Hampton Golf Course submitted a request seeking permission to hook-up to the municipal sanitary sewer system. It was noted by the Utilities Commission that an easement would have to be obtained by the Hampton Golf Course in order to cross the adjacent property.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Bond and seconded by Councillor Lights that the Town of Hampton grant permission to the Hampton Golf Course to hook up to the Municipal Sanitary Sewer System. All costs associated with the hook up to be that of the Hampton Golf Course.

Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Behr and seconded by Deputy Mayor Bond that the Town of Hampton accept the reports from the Environment, Leisure Services, Fire-Rescue, EMO, RCMP, Public Works Advisory and Utilities Commission as submitted.

Motion Carried

11. APPROVAL OF REPORTS

11.1 Dog Constable Report

Council did not comment on the Dog Constable Report.

11.2 Building Inspector Report

Council noted that the Town experience a healthy amount of development in 2008.

11.3 Financial Report

Council did not comment on the Financial Report.

11.4 Tourist Bureau/Lighthouse River Centre

Council were pleased with comments received early in the meeting by the delegation from the Imperial Theatre, who praised the Town's website.

Moved by Councillor Lights and seconded by Councillor Doucet that the Town of Hampton approve the Building Inspector, Dog Constable, Financial and VIC/ River Centre reports as presented.

Motion Carried

12. PETITIONS

Not Applicable.

13. READING OF BY-LAWS

Not Applicable.

14. NEW BUSINESS

14.1 Water and Sewer Charges for the Year 2009

Moved by Deputy Mayor Bond and seconded by Councillor Lights that the Town of Hampton approve Schedule "A" *Water and Sewer Charges for the Year 2009* as submitted and recommended by the Utilities Commission.

Motion Carried

14.2 2009 Building Permit Rate Structure:

Moved by Councillor Lights and seconded by Councillor Behr that the Town of Hampton move the approval of the 2009 Building Permit Rates Structure document, as recommended by the Building Inspector.

Motion Carried

14.3 2009 Lighthouse River Centre Rate Structure:

Moved by Councillor Doucet and seconded by Deputy Mayor Bond that the Town of Hampton approve the 2009 Lighthouse River Centre Rate Structure document, as recommended by the Lighthouse River Centre Manager.

Motion Carried

- 14.4 2009 Dog Control Rate Structure:
Moved by Councillor Lights and seconded by Councillor Doucet that the Town of Hampton approve the 2009 Dog Control Rates Structure to maintain at the existing rates for the year 2008.

Motion Carried

- 14.5 Staff – Christmas Bonus:
Moved by Councillor Behr and seconded by Councillor Lights that the Town of Hampton award a Christmas Bonus to Town Staff as detailed in the “2008 CHRISTMAS BONUS” document, as recommended.

Motion Carried

- 14.6 Town Office – Holiday Hours:
Moved by Deputy Mayor Bond and seconded by Councillor Doucet that the Town of Hampton approve Holiday Office Hours as follows:

Closed December 24, 2008 at noon.
Closed December 25, 2008
Closed December 26, 2008
Closed December 31, 2008 at noon.
Closed January 1, 2008

Motion Carried

- 14.7 Special Meeting of Council:
Moved by Councillor Behr and seconded by Councillor Lights that the Town of Hampton schedule two special meetings of Town Council, the first being at 6pm on December 18th, 2008 for the purpose of approving the 2009 General Operating and Capital Budget, the Utilities Budget, the revision in the Gas Five Year Capital Investment Plan and the 2009 Staff Wage Scale; and the *Residential Developers Assistance* policy; and the second meeting at 9 a.m. on December 31st, 2008 for the purpose of review of financial results for 2008 and the disposition of a surplus, should one exist. The meetings are to be held in Council Chambers.

Motion Carried

- 14.8 Community Centre Rates:
Moved by Councillor Doucet and seconded by Deputy Mayor Bond that the Town of Hampton approve the 2009 Summer Student Wage Scale as submitted and recommended by the Leisure Services Advisory Committee.

Motion Carried

- 14.9 Leisure Services Summer Staff Rates:
Moved by Councillor Doucet and seconded by Councillor Lights that the Town of Hampton approve the 2009 Summer Student Wage Scale as submitted and recommended by the Leisure Services Advisory Committee.

Motion Carried

14.10 Sports Fields Rates:

Moved by Councillor Doucet and seconded by Councillor Behr that the Town of Hampton approve the 2009 Season Sports Field Fee Structure as submitted and recommended by the Leisure Services Advisory Committee.

Motion Carried

14.11 2009 Program Registration:

Moved by Councillor Doucet and seconded by Deputy Mayor Bond that the Town of Hampton approve the 2009 Program Fee Structures and Program Registration as submitted and recommended by the Leisure Services Advisory Committee.

Motion Carried

Deputy Mayor Bond declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting.

14.12 Extension of Tentative Plan – Pleasant View Estates Phase 2:

Moved by Councillor Lights and seconded by Councillor Behr that the Town of Hampton extend the approval of the amended tentative plan, entitled *Pleasant View Estates Phase 2*, prepared by Keirstead, Quigley and Roberts Ltd., dated October 28, 2008, for an additional six month period. Final approval of same is subject to negotiation of land/money in lieu for public purpose and the developer entering into a development agreement with the Town of Hampton.

Motion Carried

Deputy Mayor Bond returned to the meeting.

14.13 Capital Borrowing Board Application:

Moved by Councillor Doucet and seconded by Deputy Mayor Bond that the Town of Hampton submit an application for a capital expense in an amount not exceed the following terms and the amount be submitted to be Municipal Capital Borrowing Board:

Purpose:	Amount:	Term:
Transportation Services: Equipment – Grader	\$112,240	10 year

Motion Carried

14.14 Fundy Region Solid Waste Commission – Pilot Program:

Moved by Councillor Behr and seconded by Councillor Lights that the Town of Hampton support an application to the Environmental Trust Fund by the Fundy Region Solid Waste Commission for a Pilot Project for a garbage and compost data collection program in Hampton

Motion Carried

14.15 Mayor's Levee:

Everyone is invited to the Mayor's Levee on Thursday, January 1st, 2009 at the Lighthouse River Centre from 1-3 p.m.

15. OUTSTANDING ISSUES

Kennebecasis River Road

Councillor Doucet noted that many residents are not using the walking trail on Kennebecasis River Road. He wondered if better markings or information campaigns might improve this problem.

Speed Signs

Councillor Doucet wondered if it would be beneficial to have flashing light installed on the speed limit signs in the school zones and on the stop sign at the intersection of the Centennial Road and Main Street. Mayor Chorley noted that there is a substantial cost for these lights.

Christmas Decorations

Deputy Mayor Bond commended staff for the excellent job in decorating the Town for Christmas. The Town CAO noted that Shaw Signs donated their truck to install the lights on the Christmas tree located on the Courthouse lawn.

16. ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting of Council was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.


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

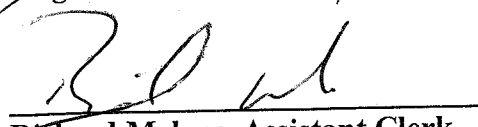
Motion Carried

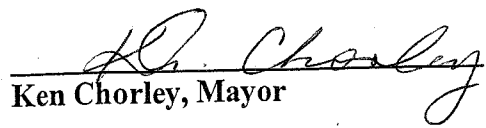
17. CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Chorley called a second Closed Session to order at 9:00 p.m. and adjourned the same meeting at 9:50 p.m.

APPROVAL:


Megan A. O'Brien Harrison, Clerk


Richard Malone, Assistant Clerk


Ken Chorley, Mayor