TOWN OF HAMPTON COUNCIL MEETING March 10, 2009

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 March 10, 2009 commencing at 7:00 p.m. A second closed session of Council was held from 8:40 p.m. until 9:30 p.m. A second regular session of Council was held commencing at 9:30 p.m.

ATTENDANCE:

Council:	Mayor Ken Chorley Deputy Mayor Dwight Bond Councillor Peter Behr Councillor Clara Ann Lights
Staff:	Richard Malone, Chief Administrative Officer Megan O'Brien Harrison, Town Clerk/Development Officer Jennifer Duguay, Lighthouse River Centre/VIC Manager
Delegations:	Sgt. Steve Gourdeau, Hampton RCMP Belinda Oram, Hampton Goes Global
Guests:	Georgie Day, 14 Everett Street Dave Carr, 564 Main Street Joel Blanchard, 636 Hall Road, Passekeag Robyn Baxter, 10 Williams Road, Clifton Royal
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. A second closed session of Council was held from 8:40 p.m. until 9:30 p.m. During that time, a number of issues were discussed and the confidential information from such discussions was classified as follows:

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

Mayor Chorley called the Open Session to order at 7:05 p.m. It was noted that Councillor Doucet was out of Town and would not be in attendance.

3. MOMENT OF SILENCE AND MOMENT OF REFLECTION

Councillor Lights led Council in a moment of reflection.

4. **DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST** Not Applicable.

5. PUBLIC HEARING AND DELEGATIONS

Sgt. Steve Gourdeau

Sgt. Gourdeau noted that they cannot use the speed display sign in very cold weather, or in conditions were there was a possibility of it getting damaged from road salt. Once the spring weather is here, they will be using the sign as a traffic calming measure in the community.

Sgt. Gourdeau stated that he has received several informal complaints concerning traffic congestion issues in front of the Tim Horton's. He wondered if a second exit directly from the drive-thru may help eliminate some of the problem. Sgt. Gourdeau stated that he would be willing to work with the Town and Tim Horton's to come up with a solution.

Mayor Chorley indicated that the Town would follow-up on the issue.

Sgt. Gourdeau reported that the RCMP would be receiving a new control boat for the district. The boat will be based out of Hampton.

Deputy Mayor Bond asked if the Town could obtain the old boat. Unfortunately, Sgt. Gourdeau stated that the Long Reach fire department has already made a request for it. If for some reason that agreement does not come to fruition, than Sgt. Gourdeau would be happy to donate it to the Town of Hampton Fire Department.

Councillor Behr raised concerns about individuals passing on the right-hand shoulder of the road on Main Street, while vehicles are stopped to turn left onto Logie Drive. This is of particular concern given the number of walkers and runners using this stretch of roadway.

Belinda Oram

Ms. Oram, Technology Mentor for District 6, spoke on behalf of the Hampton Goes Global project at Hampton Middle School. The Hampton Goes Global project promotes literacy at Hampton Middle School through geo-caching, and shows the world how proud students are of their community. Hampton Elementary School is also a partner in the program.

She informed Council that geo-caching is a worldwide game of hiding and seeking treasure. A geocacher can place a geocache in the world, pinpoint its location using GPS technology and then share the geocache's existence and location online. Anyone with a GPS receiver device can then try to locate the geocache. She stated that it was a favourite pastime of many people. The GPS devices will also be used by Hampton Middle School and Hampton Elementary School for math and physical education classes.

The Hampton Goes Global project will research all the cool places in the community. Students will write about each of the selected sites. Write-ups will be in both English and French. Students will use the GPS units to mark the coordinates to each site. They would like to place plaques containing the write-ups at each of the sites where they have marked the coordinates. Coordinates will be uploaded to a student designed website. They will be taking their own pictures and creating brochures and posters as well. Students will also be involved with podcasts. They will be showcasing the project at a heritage fair in May.

They would like permission to link the project to the Town's website. This project has the potential to increase tourism in the Town. The project will also increase awareness of the global community and allow the Town's young people to become involved in the community.

The plaques would be 10 X10, and they would like permission to include both the Hampton Middle School and Town of Hampton logos. These plaques will be bilingual. Traditionally geocaches are hidden, but they are more than willing to place plaques where it is convenient for the owner. Shaw signs will be creating the plaques. Several sites could be highlighted on one plaque.

The Mayor thanked Ms. Oram for her presentation.

6. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

6.1 <u>Regular Council Meeting</u>

Mayor Chorley noted that 692 Bonney Road was in fact within the Town limits and not in Nauwigewauk. The Clerk noted the change on page 1 and page 2 of the minutes.

Deputy Mayor Bond noted that the third line in the last paragraph of page 2 should state "...currently zoned as highway commercial..." The Clerk noted the change.

Moved by Councillor Behr and seconded by Deputy Mayor Bond that the minutes of the February 10, 2009 Regular Council Meeting be adopted, with noted corrections.

Motion Carried

7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Alexander Court Lighting Request

The Town CAO stated that staff is waiting to hear from NB Power, as to whether the existing light can be straightened on the pole, to allow for better lighting of the street.

<u>Traffic Lights on Main Street</u> The adjustments to the new traffic lights on Main Street have been completed.

<u>Mike Murphy Memorial Night</u> Council noted that the event was a success.

Online Registration Contract

The Town Treasurer is still checking the program's compatibility against the Town's system.

8. CORRESPONDENCE LIST

- 09 023 Province of New Brunswick/Department of Local Government Information regarding the Canada-wide *Strategy for the Management of Municipal Wastewater Effluent*.
 Refer to Public Works Advisory Committee and the Utilities Commission.
- 09 024 Province of New Brunswick/Department of Local Government New Brunswick Disability Awareness Week will take place from May 31-June 6, 2009. Nominations for Disability Awareness Week Provincial Awards will be accepted until April 30, 2009.
 Received and Filed.
- 09 025 FCM

Lights Out Across Canada for Earth Hour will be taking place on March 28 from 8:30-9:30 p.m. WWF-Canada is seeking Council's support of Earth Hour. **Moved by Councillor Behr and seconded by Councillor Lights that the Town of Hampton support Earth Hour and commit to turn off all lights for one hour in all town-controlled buildings, with the exception of those necessary for safety and security, on March 28th, 2009 commencing at 8:30 p.m. and that the Town register our participation with WWF-Canada and post Earth Hour information on the Town's website.**

Motion Carried

- 09 026 Hon. Hermenegilde Chiasson, Lieutenant Governor of N.B. The Lieutenant Governor is accepting Order of New Brunswick nominations until April 29, 2009.
 It was noted that forms are available at the office if Council or residents wish to complete a nomination. Received and Filed.
- 09 027 Barry Ogden, a resident of Quispamsis, is encouraging Council to promote and support an active, health society.
 Received and Filed.
- 09 028 Innovative Learning Fund Committee at Hampton Middle School Request for donation to the *Hampton Goes Global* project. This project uses geocaching as a means to improve literacy at HMS.
 Tabled until later.
- 09–029 Brandon Gesner Thank you letter for the Town's donation for his *Encounters with Canada Trip* **Received and Filed.**
- Hampton Lions Club Inc.
 Request for donation to the Hampton Lions Club's 11th annual Casino Night.
 Moved by Councillor Lights and seconded by Deputy Mayor Bond that the Town of Hampton donate one hundred dollars (\$100) to the Hampton Lions Club's 11th annual Casino Night on April 25th, 2009.

09 - 031	United Way - Community Achievement and Awards Dinner is taking place on March 24, 2009 at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$65.00. Received and Filed.
09 - 032	Abel Bastarache, Kingston Suggestion to bring back the Passenger Train Referred to Staff.
09 - 033	Alex Donovan Request for donation to attend the Forum for Young Canadians Program in Ottawa from April 14-25. Moved by Deputy Mayor Bond and seconded by Councillor Lights that the Town of Hampton donate one hundred dollars (\$100) to Alex Donovan to attend the Forum for Young Canadians Program in Ottawa from April 14-25.
	Motion Carried
09 - 034	Canadian Cancer Society Thank you letter for the Town's donation to the <i>Hampton Curl for Cancer 2009</i> . Received and Filed.
09 - 035	RBC Local Hockey Leaders Call for nominations for Canada's most dedicated hockey volunteers. Referred to Leisure Services.
09 – 036	UMNB Information regarding LED Roadway Light fixtures Referred to Public Works.
09 - 037	Barrett Xplore Inc. Information regarding high-speed internet service to areas without current access. All of New Brunswick will have access with the next 18 months. Received and Filed.
09-038	Cruise Saint John supports on dock activities of the Meet and Greet Committee and educates and informs stakeholders involved in the Cruise Industry. They enclosed their 2009 Membership Proposal. Received and Filed.
09 - 039	Fundy Region Solid Waste Commission Open Session Meeting Minutes for Nov, Dec and Jan. Received and Filed.
09 – 040	Natural Resources Canada Request for the Town to complete a survey to evaluate the awareness, impact and effectiveness of the municipal based idle-free program. Referred to the Environment Committee and to staff for review in regards to the Municipal fleet.

09 - 041	Help the Cops Help the Kids Thank-you for the Town's support of the Mike Murphy Memorial Night held on February 21, 2009. Received and Filed.
09 - 042	Hampton Food Basket Thank you card for the Town's donation. Received and Filed.
09 - 043	Janice Bates, Chairperson Annual HCHK Minor Sports Benefit Hockey Game Request to display HCHK jerseys in the rink lobby with a plaque. Referred to Leisure Services Department.
09 - 044	Valerie Paquet Thank you for retirement gift and attendance at party. Received and Filed.
09 – 045	Ian McQueen Invitation to public talk <i>Our Climate: Good News, Bad News, Science and</i> <i>Psychology</i> at the Saint John Free Public Library on March 27, at 7 p.m. Referred to the Environment Committee
09 – 046	The Literacy Coalition of New Brunswick Ltd. They are hosting the <i>"Marilyn Trenholme Counsell Early Childhood Literacy Awards"</i> . The ceremony will be held in June in Fredericton, NB. Submissions are being accepted until May 9, 2009. Staff is directed to see if the Literacy Mentorship program still exists at our schools. Council suggested this might be an appropriate program to nominate.
09 - 047	Doug Bliss, Director, Canadian Wildlife Services, Atlantic Region Request for input in the review of assessments for 32 terrestrial species which have been determined to be at risk in Canada. Referred to the Environment Committee.
09 - 048	MADD – Saint John & Area Invitation to 2009 Candlelight Vigil <i>Honor, Hope And Healing</i> on March 22 nd at 2 pm at Brenan's Funeral Home. Received and Filed.
09 - 049	Ossekeag Place Invitation to tree topping ceremony on March 28 th at 2 p.m. The Mayor will attend the tree topping ceremony.

9. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS

Moved by Deputy Mayor Bond and seconded by Councillor Behr that the Town of Hampton approve the General and Utilities Fund Paid Invoices from February 1 to February 28, 2009 for the amount of three hundred and ten thousand, one hundred and forty-three dollars and twenty-five cents (\$310,143.25).

10. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

10.1 <u>Environment</u>

Deputy Mayor Bond noted that in the days following the Corridor Resources presentation there was news of a water leak in an underground storage facility, similar to what was being proposed.

Council questioned some of the agenda items that the Environment Committee was discussing, including item 2.2 and 2.4. The Town CAO will discuss these items with the committee Chairperson.

10.2 <u>Canada Day</u>

Council noted that this was a busy committee, and that the proposed changes should be positive.

10.3 Planning Advisory

Council will consider approval of the tentative plan once it has been reviewed by the remaining committees of Council.

10.4 <u>EMO</u>

Council was encouraged to attend the CN Emergency response meeting on March 18th. Councillor Behr noted that he would be out of town on that date.

Deputy Mayor Bond stated that he was impressed by the work of this committee.

10.5 <u>RCMP</u>

Council did not comment on the RCMP report.

10.6 <u>Utilities Commission</u>

Hampton Golf Course Sewer Hook-Up

Moved by Deputy Mayor Bond and seconded by Councillor Behr that the Town of Hampton approve the installation of the sanitary sewer lateral to the Hampton Golf Course from the existing manhole #2 to manhole #3 as per plan 6452 prepared by Godfrey Associates, dated January 28th, 2009, as recommended by the Utilities Commission.

Motion Carried

Ossekeag Place exemption

Deputy Mayor Bond noted that there was no need for a backwater valve because of the elevation of the project.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Bond and seconded by Councillor Lights that the Town of Hampton grant an exemption to Ossekeag Place on the installation of a backwater valve as per Sanitary Sewer By-law 171-06, as recommended by the Utilities Commission.

10.7 Finance

Moved by Deputy Mayor Bond and seconded by Councillor Lights that the Town of Hampton approve the Audited Financial Statement as presented by Teed Saunders Doyle & Co. Chartered Accountants for the year ending December 31, 2008, as recommended by the Finance Committee.

Motion Carried

Moved by Councillor Lights and seconded by Councillor Behr that the Town of Hampton accept the reports from the Environment, Canada Day, Planning Advisory, EMO, RCMP, Utilities and Finance Committees as submitted.

Motion Carried

11. APPROVAL OF REPORTS

- 11.1 <u>Dog Constable Report</u> Council was impressed with the Town Constable report.
- 11.2 <u>Building Inspector Report</u> It was noted that the Building Inspector's report was comparable to last year at this time.
- 11.3 <u>Tourist Bureau/Lighthouse River Centre</u> Council commented that the hits to the Town's website are significant.

Moved by Councillor Behr and seconded by Councillor Lights that the Town of Hampton approve the Building Inspector, Dog Constable, 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 Recreation Master Plan

Moved by Deputy Mayor Bond and seconded by Councillor Lights that the Town of Hampton award the tender for the Recreation Master Plan to dmA Planning & Management Services Inc. for a total price of \$64,963.70, including taxes.

14.2 Focus Hampton Steering Committee

This will be an ad hoc committee of Council.

Moved by Councillor Lights and seconded by Councillor Behr that the Town of Hampton create the Focus Hampton Steering Committee to assist in the preparation of a new Municipal Plan and Zoning By-law and the development of an ICSP.

Motion Carried

14.3 Property

Council would like to purchase some land to create a land bank for the municipality.

Moved by Councillor Behr and seconded by Councillor Lights that the Town of Hampton purchase PID 00107664 for a cost of \$290,000.00.

Motion Carried

14.4 Leisure Services Advisory Committee

Moved by Deputy Mayor Bond and seconded by Councillor Lights that the Town of Hampton appoint Kate Shannon to the Leisure Services Advisory Committee, for a three-year period commencing immediately, as recommended by the Director of Leisure Services.

Motion Carried

14. OUTSTANDING ISSUES

SNB Parking

Councillor Lights noted that SNB is requesting the Town create an RV parking/resting spot, as they often have RV's using their parking lot in the warmer months. Mayor Chorley noted that Firefly Forrest on the Robertson Road has a campground, which includes RV camping. Deputy Mayor Bond suggested this should be highlighted on the website.

Infrastructure Funding

Deputy Mayor Bond encouraged the Town to apply for all available infrastructure funding.

Crooked€ Light Poles

Deputy Mayor Bond asked for an update on the light standards on the Hall Road. There is no update at this time.

Lighthouse River Centre

Deputy Mayor Bond stated that there had been a transport trailer parked in the front of the River Centre for several nights. He raised concerns that in case of fire, this would impede the Fire Departments access to the hydrant. Staff is directed to ensure that there is proper signage.

15. ADJOURNMENT

Council adjourned into Closed Session at 8:35 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Behr and seconded by Councillor Lights that Council return to closed session.

MOTION CARRIED

16. REGULAR SESSION – PUBLIC COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Chorley called the Open Session to order at 9:30 p.m.

17. NEW BUSINESS

Hampton Goes Global Correspondence #09 – 028 Innovative Learning Fund Committee at Hampton Middle SchoolRequest for donation to the *Hampton Goes Global* project. This project uses geo-caching as a means to improve literacy at HMS.

Moved by Councillor Behr and seconded by Councillor Lights that the Town of Hampton donate two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) to the *Hampton Goes Global* project at Hampton Middle School.

Motion Carried

Prior to granting permission for the *Hampton Goes Global* project to place plaques at various sites within the Town of Hampton, Council would like to see the final design for the plaques and final approval of the plaque locations need to be at the discretion of Town staff.

18. ADJOURNMENT

Their being no further business, the meeting of Council was adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Behr and seconded by Deputy Mayor Bond that the Town of Hampton adjourn the council meeting of March 10, 2009.

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED:

Ken Chorley, Mayor

Megan O'Brien Harrison, Clerk