

TOWN OF HAMPTON COUNCIL MEETING

October 10, 2023

A closed session of Council was held immediately preceding the regular Council meeting, commencing at 6:00 pm. It was noted that Chris White, Director of Economic Development and Tourism attended the Closed session only. A regular meeting of Council was held October 10, 2023, in Council Chambers commencing at 7:00 pm.

ATTENDANCE:

COUNCIL: Mayor Robert Doucet
 Deputy Mayor Jeremy Salgado
 Councillor Todd Beach
 Councillor Karin Boyé
 Councillor Ken Chorley
 Councillor Kim Tompkins
 Councillor Sheree Trecartin

STAFF: Richard Malone, Chief Administrative Officer
 Megan O'Brien Harrison, Director of Communications and Legislative Services
 Jessie Dean, EA for the CAO (attended Delegations only)

DELEGATIONS: Sgt. Tyson Nelson, Hampton RCMP
 Jacqueline MacKinnon and Julie Atkinson, Sophia Recovery Centre

GUESTS: Marty Burrill, Nauwigewauk
 Sandra Lavallee

1. CLOSED SESSION

In accordance with Section 68(1) of the *Local Governance Act*, Mayor Doucet called the closed session to order at 6:00 p.m. and adjourned the closed session at 7:00 p.m. A second closed session was held immediately following the regular meeting. It was called to order at 8:20 and adjourned at 8:35 pm. During that time, several issues were discussed and the confidential information from such discussions was classified as follows:

Subsection of 68 (1) Category	# of Items
a) Information of which that confidentiality is protected by law	
b) Personal information as defined by the <i>Right to Information and Protection of Privacy Act</i>	
c) Information that could cause financial loss or gain to a person or the local government or could jeopardize negotiations leading to an agreement or contract	6
d) The proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land	2
e) Information that could violate the confidentiality of information obtained from the Government of Canada or from the government of a province or territory	1
f) Information concerning legal opinions or advice provided to the local Government by its solicitor or privileged communications between solicitor and client in a matter of local government business	
g) Litigation or potential litigation affecting the local government or any corporation referred to in subsection 8(1), the local government's agencies, boards or commissions including a matter before an administrative tribunal	
h) Access to or security of buildings and other structures occupied or used by the local government or access to or security of systems of the local government or access to or security of systems of the local government, including computer or communications systems	
i) Information gathered by police, including the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, in the course of investigating any illegal activity or suspected illegal activity, or the source of that information	
j) Labour and employment matters, including the negotiation of collective agreements	2

OPEN SESSION

2. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Doucet called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

3. SILENT MOMENT OF REFLECTION

Mayor Doucet asked everyone to rise for a silent moment of reflection.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Beach and seconded by Councillor Boyé that the agenda of the October 10, 2023 Council meeting be approved as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

5. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Mayor Doucet asked that anyone who has a conflict of interest declare it when they reach that item on the agenda.

6. DELEGATIONS AND PUBLIC HEARING

6.1 RCMP Report – Sgt. Nelson

Sgt. Tyson Nelson stated that he is now solely the Sargeant for Hampton. He noted that files were up for September but much of that is due to school patrols. He stated that there 65 vehicles stopped within the Hampton limits in September with tickets and/or warnings issued. There were four impaired drivers in Hampton for the month of September, three were impaired by alcohol and one was impaired by fentanyl. He noted that there were several fraud cases in September – one purchased concert tickets online that they did not receive, the other was a victim of extortion when someone was pretending to be an officer demanding money so they would not be arrested. Sgt. Nelson noted that several officers are volunteering to coach sports teams, and once the school skating programs starts again, they will be helping tie skates again.

6.2 Sophia Recovery Centre - Jacqueline MacKinnon, Mary Daigle, and Julie Atkinson

Julie Atkinson advised Council that the Sophia Recovery Centre is a non-residential community centre providing continuing care programs for women seeking to take their lives back from the wide-ranging impacts of addiction. All of their services are free of charge. They have in person and virtual support services. They started in 2008 and have grown considerably. They are supported by donations and through support by the United Way.

Their team is comprised of 17 professionals and peer support specialists based in three southern New Brunswick communities: Saint John, St Stephen, and Rothesay. They offer outreach service to Hampton, Norton, Sussex and surrounding areas. In 2023, they purchased a new building in a priority neighbourhood of Saint John that will serve as their flagship location.

They are presenting to Council to raise awareness and to ask the community to utilize personal and professional networks in an effort to gain referrals for their group and their one-on-one peer support programs.

Council recommended that they present to the Health Care committee and that Staff share the information on Hampton's social media channels. They also recommended putting up posters at the pharmacies and doctors' offices.

7. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

7.1 Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Moved by Councillor Tompkins and seconded by Councillor Trecartin that the minutes of the September 13 , 2023, Regular Council Meeting be adopted.

MOTION CARRIED

7.2 Special Council Meeting Minutes

Moved by Councillor Trecartin and seconded by Councillor Boyé that the minutes of the September 20, 2023, Special Council Meeting be adopted.

MOTION CARRIED

8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

9. CORRESPONDENCE LIST

#	From	Subject Matter	Recommendation
23-055	Wendy Brooks Homestay Administrator Anglophone South School District	Request for assistance with local business discount program for homestay families.	Moved by Councillor Beach and seconded by Councillor Chorley that correspondence #23-055 be forwarded to the Hampton Area Chamber of Commerce. MOTION CARRIED
23-056	Gentle Path Counselling	Request for sponsorship of the Roaring 20s Black Tie Auction and Gala on November 4 th .	Moved by Councillor Chorley and seconded by Councillor Tompkins that correspondence #23-056 be received and filed. MOTION CARRIED
23-057	Gemtec Consulting Engineers and Scientists	Notice of Environmental Impact Assessment for the proposed Crane Mountain Landfill Capacity Augmentation and Life Extension project.	Moved by Deputy Mayor Salgado and seconded by Councillor Boyé that correspondence #23-057 be received and filed. MOTION CARRIED
23-058	Ryan Cassidy Coach Atlantic Transportation Group	Notice of the Maritime Bus application to the New Brunswick Energy and Utility Board for an adjustment to their fuel surcharge.	Moved by Councillor Trecartin and seconded by Deputy Mayor Salgado that correspondence #23-058 be received and filed. MOTION CARRIED
23-059	Breast Ahoy, Southern New Brunswick Breast Cancer Survivor Dragon Boat Team	Request for auction item for their Burger and Beverage Auction on October 21 st .	Moved by Councillor Chorley and seconded by Councillor Boyé that Hampton Council donate Hampton swag to the Breast Ahoy Burger and Beverage Auction on October 21st. MOTION CARRIED
23-060	Phillippe Ouellette, CEO	Letter of approval for Hampton to accept the tonnage from Ward 3 continue to be diverted to Kings	Moved by Councillor Tompkins and seconded by Councillor Chorley that

	Fundy Regional Service Commission	Regional Service Commission until December 31, 2024.	Hampton Council accept the terms of the Fundy Regional Service Commission letter regarding Ward 3 tonnage for 2024. MOTION CARRIED
23-061	Duncan McRae Robertson Road, Lakeside	Request for traffic calming measures on the Robertson Road.	Moved by Councillor Beach and seconded by Deputy Mayor Salgado that correspondence #23-061 be referred to Public Works and Utilities Commission. MOTION CARRIED
23-062	Andrew Beckett, Interim CEO Envison Saint John	Copy of letter to Minister Jill Green, Provincial Minister responsible for Housing, regarding the Affordable Rental Housing Program.	Moved by Councillor Boyé and seconded by Councillor Tompkins that correspondence #23-062 be received and filed. MOTION CARRIED
23-063	Andrew Beckett, Interim CEO Envison Saint John	Copy of letter to Premier Higgs and Minister Green regarding Housing Issues	Moved by Councillor Trecartin and seconded by Councillor Boyé that correspondence #23-063 be received and filed. MOTION CARRIED

10. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

10.1 PAC

Councillor Tompkins reviewed the Planning Advisory Committee minutes. All written comments from the PAC regarding the Municipal Plan to be reviewed by Council on October 24th and considered at the Public hearing.

She noted that a special PAC meeting was held to consider the request for a temporary approval to establish a cannabis retail sale at the property located at 771 Main Street. The application was denied.

Moved by Councillor Tompkins and seconded by Councillor Trecartin that the 2024 Planning Rates be referred to the Finance Committee for budget consideration as recommended by the Planning Advisory Committee.

MOTION CARRIED

10.2 Public Works and Utilities Commission

Councillor Chorley provided an overview of the Public Works and Utilities Commission minutes. Written comments received from the committee regarding the Municipal Plan will be reviewed by Council on October 24th and considered at the Public hearing.

10.3 Economic Development and Tourism

Councillor Beach reviewed the committee minutes. Any written comments from the committee regarding the Municipal Plan to be reviewed by Council on October 24th and considered at the Public hearing.

He noted that the Envision Saint John is working with staff on two commercial opportunities. They have also announced that their new interim CEO is Andrew Beckett. Councillor Beach stated that the EV Chargers are now operational. Deputy Mayor Salgado noted that the spots should be painted and signed so that non-charging vehicles do not park there.

Councillor Beach noted that the Age-Friendly Community Committee has requested accessibility funding for the Storefront Improvement Grant. It is noted this is part of the grant currently, but not highlighted.

10.4 Leisure Services

Deputy Mayor Salgado provided Council with an overview of the Leisure Services Advisory Committee minutes. The committee discussed trail signage. He noted that the Construction Management Tender was awarded to Bird Construction. The Pool wrapped up on September 1st after a very successful season. A new pace clock, umbrella for the guard chairs and a new transition chair for accessibility were purchased this season. He noted that Leisure Services will be moving the outdoor movies in the park to the arena for the 2024 season.

Deputy Mayor Salgado reminded Council that Fall Fest will be October 28-29th and it includes a with Halloween Costume Skate. He also noted that Winter Wonderland will be December 2nd with a rain date of December 3rd. The Town will be holding the Annual Christmas Skate.

He noted that the Helmet Policy for all skaters has been implemented for this season. It was also noted that the Basketball nets have arrived for installation at the High School Outdoor Courts. There was also a discussion of the Ball Field Score Clock.

10.5 Environment

Councillor Boyé noted that Committee reviewed the Municipal Plan. Their written comments regarding the Municipal Plan to be reviewed by Council on October 24th and considered at the Public hearing. The Committee will refer comments on Hampton's Stormwater Management Plan Guidelines to staff for review.

10.6 EMO

Councillor Boyé reviewed the EMO minutes for September.

Moved by Councillor Boyé and seconded by Councillor Chorley that Hampton Council accept with regret, the resignation of Keith Copeland as EMO Coordinator, with Keith remaining in this position until Council appoints his replacement.

MOTION CARRIED

10.7 Age-Friendly

Councillor Trecartin reviewed the Age-Friendly Community Committee minutes.

Moved by Councillor Trecartin and seconded by Councillor Tompkins that Council accept the new mission statement “Building a community where all generations thrive” as recommended by the Age-Friendly Community Committee.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Beach and seconded by Deputy Mayor Salgado that the Hampton Town Council accept the Planning Advisory, Public Works & Utilities, Economic Development and Tourism, Leisure Services, Environment, EMO and Age-Friendly Community Committee reports as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

11. Approval of Reports

11.1 Dog Constable

Councillor Beach provided an overview of the Dog Constable report.

11.2 Building Permit Report

Councillor Tompkins provided an overview of the Building Permit report for September.

11.3 Communications Report

The Director of Communications provided an overview of the Communications report.

11.4 Fire-Reports (Hampton and Nauwigewauk)

Councillor Beach noted an error on the Nauwigewauk Fire-Report. It was noted that the calls for the month should be 5, and the total number of calls for the previous month should be 3.

11.5 Finance

Moved by Deputy Mayor Salgado and seconded by Councillor Boyé that Hampton Council approve the Financial Statements ending September 30, 2023.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Boyé and seconded by Councillor Trecartin that Hampton Council approve the September 2023 Approval of Accounts listing in the amount of \$618,655.24.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Deputy Mayor Salgado and seconded by Councillor Beach that the Town of Hampton approve the Dog Constable, Building Inspector, Communications, Fire-Rescue and Finance Reports as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

12. BYLAWS

There are none.

13. NEW BUSINESS

13.1 HR

Moved by Councillor Tompkins and seconded by Councillor Boyé to reclassify Bailey Brogan to permanent full-time employment status as of October 2nd, 2023, after successfully completing her probationary period with a rate of pay as per schedule “A” Wage Scale – Assistant Planner, Development Officer dated September 26th, 2023.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Tompkins and seconded by Councillor Trecartin to reclassify Kelly Green to permanent full-time employment status as of October 2nd, 2023, after successfully completing her probationary period with a rate of pay as per schedule “A” Wage Scale – Tourism Coordinator dated September 28th, 2023.

MOTION CARRIED

13.2 New Brunswick Municipal Employee Pension Plan

Moved by Councillor Beach and seconded by Councillor Chorley that Hampton Council appoint Sherman St. Germain as the Employee Representative for Hampton for the New Brunswick Municipal Employee Pension Plan effective October 20, 2023 and to confirm that Robert Doucet will continue as the Employer Representative for Hampton.

MOTION CARRIED

13.3 Housing Accelerator Fund

Moved by Councillor Trecartin and seconded by Councillor Tompkins that Hampton Council approves the application submission by Hampton to the Housing Accelerator Fund, that includes infrastructure planning along William Bell Drive, zoning by-law modernization, development incentives, Enterprising - One Stop Shop Development, and the creation of a Land Assembly Strategy.

MOTION CARRIED

13.4 Subdivision – Ossekeag Park

Moved by Councillor Tompkins and seconded by Councillor Boyé that Hampton Council assent to the subdivision plan, entitled “Ossekeag Park Inc. & Hampton Subdivision” prepared by Don-More Surveys & Engineering Ltd. dated October 5, 2023 (DWG: 22234SDF), as recommended by the Director of Planning, Engineering and Development, for the:

1. Widening of the existing public street, known as Logie Drive, which includes: 5.00 meters from the adjacent Hampton owned parcel described as PID 00107664 and 5.03 meters from the existing mobile home park parcel described as PID 30206841
2. the creation of new Land for Public Purposes and Public Utility Easement vested to Hampton subject to the following conditions - Plans to be signed by respective landowners; Gary Joseph Moran, President - Ossekeag Park Inc. and by the Mayor and Clerk on behalf of Hampton.

MOTION CARRIED

14. OUTSTANDING ISSUES


15. ADJOURNMENT

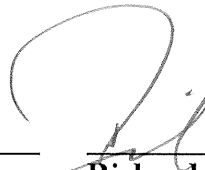
There being no further business, the meeting of Council was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Beach that the Hampton Town Council adjourn the council meeting of October 10, 2023.

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED BY:


Robert Doucet
Mayor


Richard Malone
Chief Administrative Officer (Assistant Clerk)

