

TOWN OF NEW GLASGOW
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
MONDAY, JANUARY 17, 2022

A Committee of the Whole meeting of New Glasgow Town Council was held on Monday, January 17, 2022, at 6:15 p.m. using the Microsoft Teams platform. Present were: Mayor Dicks; Deputy Mayor Dorrington, Councillors Borden, Fraser, Peters, El-Haddad, and MacDonald. Also present were: Lisa MacDonald, CAO; Earl MacKenzie, Town Engineer; Derek Eisan, Director of Information Technology; Thiv Tharma, Director of Community Development; Corey Smith, Director of Corporate Services; Ross White, Director of Fire, Inspection and Emergency Services; Rachel Mitchell, Sustainability and Climate Change Manager; Kelly Sloan, Executive Assistant; Frank DeMont, Solicitor and Gordon Michael and GERALYN MacDonald from Mentoring Plus for a portion of the meeting.

MATTERS FOR SENIOR STAFF

SAND HOPPER UPDATE

Council reviewed a memo from the Town Engineer stating that the Town's salt/sand hopper was past its useful life and was to the point where it was unserviceable. A new unit was purchased at a cost of \$10,140.00 plus HST as service levels would be severely impacted without this machine.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the sand hopper purchased be added to the fleet/equipment capital list for the current fiscal 2021-22.

Motion carried.

RECOMMENDATION TRUCK ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Council reviewed a memo from the Town Engineer stating that Council approved the replacement of a Water Utility truck in the current fiscal year budget. The budgeted amount was \$130,000.00. They are being told that it is a minimum of 2 years plus from the time of order to time of delivery for a truck of this size. Staff have sourced a truck that meets the requirements of the Utility and recommended to Council to purchase a 2021 International CV515 truck with only 3625 km on it that is currently available for \$112,000.00 + HST.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the recommendation be approved.

Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MENTORING PLUS REPORT

Council reviewed the quarterly report for the Mentoring Plus Strategy.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the report be approved as presented.

Motion carried.

CLIMATE CHANGE COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT WARD 1

Council reviewed a memo from the CAO recommending that Nancy MacRae be appointed the Ward 1 representative on the Community Climate Change Committee.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the recommendation be approved.

Motion carried.

QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

LIGHTS – REAR OF THE SCOTT WEEKS FIELD

Councillor Borden stated that he has been contacted by several people regarding the lack of lighting at the rear of the Scott Weeks field where the trail is located.

The Director of Community Development stated that funds are in the current budget for gravel and lighting for the Scott Weeks field but most of the funds are going to be required for the gravel. There should be sufficient funds to complete a portion of the lighting and finish the project in the next fiscal.

The CAO noted that it would not be possible to do the gravel project this fiscal, but the lighting would be possible with the capital budget allocation provided and the gravel resurfacing will need to be considered for next fiscal's budget.

NEW BUSINESS

REQUEST TO DISCHARGE D/A – 917 EAST RIVER ROAD

Council reviewed a memo from the Planning/Development Officer stating that the owner of the Tara Motel at 917 East River Road is requesting a discharge of a development agreement registered for the property. The intent of the agreement was to enable the establishment of a lounge in the dining area of the motel's main office. As the noted project enabled under the development agreement is no longer applicable, the owner wishes to have the agreement discharged.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the development agreement for 917 East River Road be discharged.

Motion carried.