

TOWN OF NEW GLASGOW

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

MONDAY, JUNE 15, 2020

A regular meeting of New Glasgow Town Council was held Monday, June 15, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. using the Microsoft Teams platform. Present were: Mayor Dicks; Deputy Mayor Lewis, Councillors Dorrington; Guthro, Fraser, Proudfoot, and MacDonald. Also present were: Lisa MacDonald, CAO; Earl MacKenzie, Town Engineer; Derek Eisan, Director of Information Technology; Corey Smith, Director of Corporate Services; Thiv Tharma, Director of Community Development; Ross White, Director of Fire, Inspection and Emergency Services; Kelly Sloan, Executive Assistant; Rachel Mitchell, Climate Change Coordinator and Frank DeMont, Solicitor.

Mayor Dicks stated that she attended a rally on Saturday for Black Lives Matter and First Nations where Councillor Dorrington delivered an important message. She and other members of Council also attended an event hosted by the First and Second Baptist Churches calling for a positive stand for solidarity in justice.

AGENDA

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

Councillor Proudfoot asked if Council will be discussing the email received regarding defunding Policing.

Mayor Dicks stated that she replied to the email that was received through the “inquiries” email for the Town and does not believe there are any expectations for any further response.

Motion carried.

MINUTES

It was regularly moved and seconded that the minutes of the meetings held on May 19 and June 2, 2020 be approved as presented.

Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REPORT

It was regularly moved and seconded that the Committee of the Whole Report be approved as presented.

Motion carried.

FINANCE REPORT

It was regularly moved and seconded that the Finance Report be accepted as presented.

Motion carried.

ENGINEERING & PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

It was regularly moved and seconded that the Engineering and Public Works Report be accepted as presented.

Motion carried.

SOLID WASTE REPORT

It was regularly moved and seconded that the Solid Waste Report be accepted as presented.

Motion carried.

POLICE REPORT

It was regularly moved and seconded that the Police Report be accepted as presented.

Motion carried.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REPORT

It was regularly moved and seconded that the Community Development Report be accepted as presented.

Motion carried.

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT REPORT

It was regularly moved and seconded that the Business Development Report be accepted as presented.

Motion carried.

FIRE REPORT AND FIRE INSPECTION REPORT

It was regularly moved and seconded that the Fire Report be accepted as presented.

Councillor Lewis noted that the hazmat team attended an incident in Antigonish.

The Director of Fire, Inspection and Emergency Services stated that this is part of the area that is covered by the Hazmat Agreement. The agreement has New Glasgow Fire covering the area from here to Canso and Guysborough.

Motion carried.

There was no Fire Inspection Report due to Covid.

BUILDING REPORT

It was regularly moved and seconded that the Building Report be accepted as presented.

Motion carried.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY REPORT

There was no Information Technology Report.

PROCLAMATIONS

CANADIAN MULTICULTURALISM DAY

Councillor Dorrington read a proclamation proclaiming June 27 as Canadian Multiculturalism Day in New Glasgow.

Mayor Dicks proclaimed June 27 as Multiculturalism Day in New Glasgow.

NEW BUSINESS

ACCOUNTS

Councillor Lewis declared a conflict of interest.

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

Motion carried.

EMAIL RE POLICE

Councillor Proudfoot asked if Council could have a copy of Mayor Dick's response to the person who emailed regarding defunding Police.

Mayor Dicks stated that a copy of her response will be provided to Council.

ADJOURNMENT

It was regularly moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

Motion carried.