

TOWN OF NEW GLASGOW

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

MONDAY, MAY 17, 2021

A regular meeting of New Glasgow Town Council was held on Monday, May 17, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. using the Microsoft Teams Platform. Present were: Mayor Dicks; Deputy Mayor El-Haddad, Councillors Dorrington, Borden, Fraser, Peters, and MacDonald. Also present were: Lisa MacDonald, CAO; Corey Smith, Director of Corporate Services; Thiv Tharma, Director of Community Development; Derek Eisan, Director of Information Technology; Ross White, Director of Fire, Inspection and Emergency Services; Kelly Sloan, Executive Assistant; Rachel Mitchell, Sustainability and Climate Change Manager; Sarah Santos, Community Engagement Co-ordinator; Cindy MacKinnon, DEANS for a portion of the meeting; GERALYN MacDonald, Mentoring Plus and Frank DeMont, Solicitor;

AGENDA

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

Motion carried.

MINUTES

It was regularly moved and seconded that the minutes of the Council meetings held on April 19, May 4 and the Audit Committee April 20, 2021 be approved as presented.

Motion carried.

PETITIONS/DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

PRESENTATION DEANS

Cindy MacKinnon delivered a Power Point presentation outlining the activities of DEANS over the past year and some of the upcoming projects for the tourism season.

Mayor Dicks thanked Cindy for her presentation.

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 March 2021 Finance Report be accepted as presented.

Motion carried.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the tax resolution be approved as circulated.

BE IT RESOLVED that the estimated expenditures of the Town of New Glasgow for the period of April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022 be approved, accepted, and adopted in the amount of \$19,639,016 and after making allowance for estimated revenue in the amount of \$5,444,987 the amount of \$14,194,029 is required from the general taxation of the assessed valuation of \$ 587,462,200.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the tax rate for the Town of New Glasgow for the period April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022 be set at \$1.84 per \$100 of assessment for Residential and Resource properties and \$4.45 per \$100 of assessment for Commercial property.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the pollution control rate of \$1.34 per cubic metre of water be applied as the current pollution control charge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a solid waste uniform charge of \$150.00 per residential dwelling unit be applied as a solid waste charge for all dwelling units of 3 or less.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the rate of taxes for the current period may be collected by Warrant and Distress, without further notice if not paid on or before the 31st day of March 2022 together with all costs and expenses of levy and sale of good on all proceeding's incidental thereto, and further if the said taxes are not paid before

June 1st, 2021 for the interim tax bill and November 1st, 2021 for the final billing, an additional penalty charge will be payable at a rate of 15% per annum on the balance of all outstanding tax accounts.

Motion carried.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the Operating Budget be approved as presented, a copy of which forms part of these minutes.

Motion carried.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the Water Utility Operating Budget be approved as presented, a copy of which forms part of these minutes.

Motion carried.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the Capital Budget be approved as presented, a copy of which forms part of these minutes.

Motion carried.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the Water Utility Capital Budget be approved as presented, a copy of which forms part of these minutes.

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.

CLIMATE CHANGE AND SUSTAINABILITY REPORT

It was regularly moved and seconded that the Climate Change and Sustainability 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.

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

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

Motion carried.

PROCLAMATIONS

NATIONAL INDIGENOUS HISTORY MONTH & NATIONAL INDIGENOUS HISTORY DAY

Deputy Mayor El-Haddad read a proclamation proclaiming the month of June as National Indigenous History Month and June 21 as National Indigenous Peoples Day in New Glasgow.

Mayor Dicks proclaimed the month of June as National Indigenous History Month and June 21 as National Indigenous Peoples Day in New Glasgow.

Motion carried.

NATIONAL HEALTH AND FITNESS DAY

Councillor MacDonald read a proclamation proclaiming the first Saturday in June as National Health and Fitness Day in the Town of New Glasgow.

Mayor Dicks proclaimed the first Saturday in June as National Health and Fitness Day in the Town of New Glasgow.

MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ADOPT POLICY – JOHNBO INVESTMENTS INC.

225 MCCOLL STREET

Councillor Dorrington gave notice pursuant to Section 48(1) and Section 230(1) of the Municipal Government Act that Council at its meeting to be held on Monday, June 14, 2021, intends to make a decision by policy with respect to the application of JohnBo Investments Inc. requesting the Town to enter into a development agreement for the property located at

225 McColl Street. The purpose of the development agreement is to permit the change in use of a nonconforming use to another nonconforming use for the existing building at 225 McColl St. The applicant intends to establish a commercial storage facility comprised of approximately 95 storage units.

It was regularly moved and seconded pursuant to Section 230(2) of the Municipal Government Act, that Council hold a public hearing prior to making a decision by policy on this application and that it be held on June 14, 2021.

Motion carried

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ADOPT POLICY – JOHNBO INVESTMENTS INC.

196 MUNROE AVENUE

Councillor MacDonald gave notice pursuant to Section 48(1) and Section 230(1) of the Municipal Government Act that Council at its meeting to be held on Monday, June 14, 2021, intends to make a decision by policy with respect to the application of JohnBo Investments Inc. requesting the Town to enter into a development agreement for the property located at 196 Munroe Ave. The purpose of the development agreement is to permit the conversion of the former Maranatha Church at 196 Munroe Ave. to a 10-unit residential dwelling.

It was regularly moved pursuant to Section 230(2) of the Municipal Government Act, that Council hold a public hearing prior to making a decision by policy on this application and that it be held on June 14, 2021.

Motion carried.

FIRST READING – REZONING 385 LITTLE HARBOUR ROAD – SIMON PITTS

Councillor Fraser presented for first reading a Land-Use Bylaw Map Amendment.

The purpose of the amendment by Simon Pitts is to rezone property located at 385 Little Harbour Road from (R-1) Zone to (R-2) Zone to enable the future sub-division of the lands in accordance with the (R-2) lot requirements.

It was regularly moved and seconded that Council hold a public hearing with respect to this Land-Use Bylaw Map amendment and that the proposed amendment proceed to second reading in accordance with the procedures set out in the Municipal Government Act.

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

ACCOUNTS

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

Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Motion carried.