TOWN OF NEW GLASGOW

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

MONDAY, JUNE 19, 2023

A regular meeting of New Glasgow Town Council was held on Monday, June 19, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. Present were: Mayor Dicks; Deputy Mayor Peters; Councillors Dorrington, Borden, Fraser, and MacDonald. Also present were: Lisa MacDonald, CAO; Earl MacKenzie, Town Engineer; Peter Douthwright, Director of Community Development; Police Chief Steve Chisholm; Jeffrey Turnbull, Development Officer/Planner; Kelly Sloan, Executive Assistant; Frank DeMont, Solicitor; Walter MacDonald, Unsightly Premises Administrator; Ben Manos; Reese Smith; Lane Sim; Clint MacLaughlin; Chris Stewart; Anthony Conway from Weeks AAA U 18 Midgets; Cindy MacKinnon, DEANS and representatives of 162 Sixth St. Absent from the meeting was Councill El-Haddad and Ross White, Director of Fire, Inspection and Emergency Services.

Mayor Dicks stated that as we gather this evening, we pause to remember that in this province we live and work on lands that are by law the unceded territories of the Wabanaki peoples – predominantly the land of the Mi'kmaq. May we live with respect on this land and live in peace and friendship with its people. We also recognize the African Nova Scotians whose culture, heritage, and history have been and remain a key part of our province for more than 400 years.

AGENDA

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

Motion carried.

PETITIONS/DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

PRESENTATIONS TO ATHLETES

Mayor Dicks presented the following athletes with certificates and duffle bags acknowledging their accomplishments in winning a gold medal in the Men's U18 Major Midget AAA Atlantic Hockey Championship and their participation in the Men's U18 National Club Championship:

Chris Stewart – Coach – Weeks Under 18 Major Midgets AAA

Anthony Conway - Manager – Weeks Under 18 Major Midgets AAA

Reese Smith - Weeks Under 18 Major Midgets AAA

Ben Manos - Weeks Under 18 Major Midgets AAA

Clint MacLaughlin - Weeks Under 18 Major Midgets AAA

Lane Sim - Weeks Under 18 Major Midgets AAA

Bailey Koehoorn – Trainer Weeks Under 18 Major Midgets AAA (not present)

ORDER TO CONSIDER AN ORDER TO DEMOLISH - 162 SIXTH ST.

Council reviewed a package prepared by the Unsightly Premises Administrator regarding a property at 162 Sixth Street owned by 10028673 Nova Scotia Ltd. He recommended that a 30-Day Order to Demolish be served for the garage on the property.

Representatives of the property owners were present and indicated that they are renovating the home on the property and the owner would like to board up the garage to make it inaccessible and repair it over the summer months.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the recommendation of the Unsightly Premises Administrator be approved.

Motion carried.

DEANS PRESENTATION

Cindy MacKinnon, Executor Director for DEANS did a powerpoint presentation on the activities over the past year.

Councillor Fraser asked if DEANS has any input into the excursions for the passengers of the Cruise Ships that enter the port in Pictou. He suggested that it would be good to have an excursion to New Glasgow.

Ms. MacKinnon stated that she has heard that from others and as a result they have requested that an excursion workshop with a facilitator be held.

Mayor Dicks thanked Ms. MacKinnon for her presentation.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Dicks requested that the approval of the Minutes of the meeting held on May 15, 2023 be deferred to the July Council meeting.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the Minutes of the meeting held on May 15, 2023 be deferred to the July Council meeting.

Councillor MacDonald stated that he has a question on the Police Report.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented with the exception of the Police Report which will be moved forward to the regular agenda.

Motion carried.

REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

<u>Police Report</u> – Councillor MacDonald asked Chief Chisholm about the status of the two replacement vehicles that were approved in the recent budget.

Chief Chisholm stated that there will be no vehicles available for 2023 and the ordering bank does not open until after July 14 for 2024 options.

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

Motion carried.

MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS

MOTION TO ADOPT POLICY - D/A 144 WESTVILLE RD. 4415596 N. S. LTD.

It was regularly moved and seconded pursuant to Section 230(1) of the Municipal Government Act that the application of 4415596 Nova Scotia Ltd. for a Development Agreement for property at 144 Westville Rd. for the addition of two residential units, one in the basement level of the main building and conversion of the accessory building to a resident unit, for a total of 6 residential units be approved by the Town in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Government Act.

Motion carried.

MOTION TO ADOPT POLICY - PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT/PUBLIC PARTICIPATION POLICY

It was regularly moved and seconded pursuant to Sections 204 & 204 A of the Municipal Government Act, that Council adopt a Public Engagement/Public Participation Policy as required for municipalities conducting planning reviews.

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

<u>ACCOUNTS</u>

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

Motion carried.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM IN CAMERA MEETING

Ratification of CUPE Contract – The CAO stated that It is the recommendation to Council to approve the draft collective agreement pending ratification by CUPE which has been confirmed for the term of March 1, 2021 to March 31, 2026.

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

Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Motion carried.