

WINDSOR TOWN COUNCIL
Town Council Meeting Minutes
October 23, 2018 – 7:00 - pm
Windsor Council Chambers, 100 King St, Windsor, NS

Attendance:

Anna Allen	Mayor, Chair
Laurie Murley	Deputy Mayor
John Bregante	Councillor
Jim Ivey	Councillor
Shelley Bibby	Councillor
Louis Coutinho	CAO (left at 7:39pm)
Shelleena Thornton	Municipal Clerk (left at 7:39pm)
VanEssa Roberts	Director of Community Development, Tourism & Recreation (left at 7:39pm)
Doug Armstrong	Director of Finance (left at 7:39pm)
Todd Richard	Director of Public Works (left at 7:39pm)

Regrets: None

Public:

Colin Chisholm Reporter, Valley Journal Advertiser (left at 7:39pm)
6 Members of the public (left at 7:39pm)

- 1. CALL TO ORDER** – Mayor Allen called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.
- 2. ANNOUNCEMENTS / ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**
 - Pumpkin Regatta was a great success;
 - Congratulations to staff Pamela Northup and Rhonda Mont on over 20 years of service with the Town.
- 3. CITIZEN (GALLERY) ACKNOWLEDGEMENT** – Welcome to citizens present to hear First Reading of the Pawnbrokers Bylaw.
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – September 25, 2018 Minutes

MOVED BY BREGANTE/BIBBY THAT THE SEPTEMBER 25, 2018 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES BE APPROVED AS CIRCULATED. MOTION CARRIED
- 5. APPROVAL OF ORDER OF BUSINESS & AGENDA** (Additions/deletions if any)

Item 13(a) – Add NSFM Resolutions Report

MOVED BY BREGANTE/MURLEY THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED AS AMENDED. MOTION CARRIED
- 6. PUBLIC HEARING**
 - (a) Commercial Development Improvement Bylaw #44 - Second Reading**

In 2016 the Municipal Government Act (MGA) was amended through the introduction of Bill 177. The purpose of the Bill is to:

- i. Authorize municipal councils to provide for the phasing-in, over a period of up to ten years, of an increase to the taxable assessed value of certain commercial or contaminated properties located in a commercial development district (CDD);
- ii. Establish a by-law to provide for the refund of taxes paid as a result of the phasing-in; and,
- iii. Require that the municipal planning strategy include amendments to policy respecting the eligibility criteria for the establishment of a commercial development district.

On March 22, 2018, Council gave second reading and approval for amendments to Windsor's Municipal Planning Strategy (MPS), incorporating a CDD (as reflected in the report which includes the proposed Bylaw #44 and Phased-In Assessment Agreement template).

This proposed bylaw gives the Town the ability to create a financial incentive for commercial property owners to consider renovations, building expansions, and rewards them over the short and medium term for investing in Windsor's commercial development district without eroding Windsor's commercial tax base.

First Reading was given to this proposed Bylaw #44 at the September 25, 2018 Town Council meeting. Advertisements for second reading were posted in the October 2, 2018 Valley Journal Advertiser and the October 5, 2018 Chronicle Herald, as well as on the Town's website, Facebook and Twitter pages.

Mayor asked for written submissions. – There were no written submissions; however, the Windsor Business Enhancement Society (WBES) sought clarification on the bylaw (which was provided).

Mayor asked for oral presentations in favour of the bylaw – None.

Mayor asked for oral presentations opposed to the bylaw – None.

Questions to the public by members of council – None.

Concluding discussion by Councillors – None.

MOVED MURLEY/BREGANTE THAT SECOND READING BE GIVEN TO THE COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT PLAN BYLAW # 44. MOTION CARRIED

7. DELEGATIONS / PRESENTATIONS – None

8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES – None

One member of the public arrived at 7:10pm

9. MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION / RESCISSION – None.

10. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS

11. REPORTS

11.1 Chief Administrative Officer

(a) Communications Position and Budget Implication(s) – CAO Coutinho reviewed the report.

MOVED BY IVEY/BIBBY THAT THE FUNDING PROPOSED IN THE 2018-19 OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE COMMUNICATIONS STAFF POSITION BE REASSIGNED TO A POSITION CURRENTLY UNDER NEGOTIATIONS AS REVIEWED AND DISCUSSED AT THE OCTOBER 09, 2018 IN-CAMERA SESSION. MOTION CARRIED

(b) Pawnbrokers Bylaw #45 – First Reading

MOVED BY MURLEY/IVEY THAT FIRST READING BE GIVEN TO BYLAW #45 – PAWNBROKERS BYLAW. MOTION CARRIED

Second Reading and public input will be held at the November 27, 2018 Town Council Meeting.

(c) Protection from Second-Hand Smoke Bylaw #28 Amended – First Reading

MOVED BY IVEY/BIBBY THAT FIRST READING BE GIVEN TO AMENDED BYLAW #28 – PROTECTION FROM SECOND-HAND SMOKE BYLAW AND THAT IT BE RENAMED THE “RESPECTING SMOKE FREE PUBLIC SPACES BYLAW #28. MOTION CARRIED

Second Reading and public input will be held at the November 27, 2018 Town Council Meeting.

11.2 Committees of Council

(a) Committee of the Whole Recommendations

(i) Regional Anti-Littering Committee – Community Member(s) Appointments Recommendation

MOVED BY MURLEY/BREGANTE THAT FITNESS JUNKIES BE APPOINTED AS THE WINDSOR BUSINESS COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE, AND MONIQUE WOOD BE APPOINTED AS THE WINDSOR RESIDENT COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE TO THE REGIONAL ANTI-LITTERING COMMITTEE UNTIL MARCH 31, 2020. MOTION CARRIED

(b) Strategy & Policy Committee Recommendations – Next meeting November 20, 2018.

(c) PAC / HAC Recommendations – Next meeting October 24, 2018.

(d) Police Advisory Board – None.

(e) Joint Council – None.

(f) REMO – None.

(g) Region 6 – None.

(h) Watershed Committee – A sub-committee was struck to review the Best Management Practices.

(i) VCFN (Valley Community Fibre Network) – None.

11.3 Members of Council

(a) Mi'kma'ki Land Acknowledgement - Resolution

MOVED BY BIBBY/MURLEY THAT:

WHEREAS THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WINDSOR ACKNOWLEDGES THE IMPORTANCE OF WORKING TOGETHER WITH INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES TO APPROPRIATELY COMMEMORATE AND REFLECT THE HISTORY OF THE REGION; AND

WHEREAS THE TOWN OF WINDSOR HAS CHOSEN TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOUR THE UNCEDED ANCESTRAL TERRITORY OF THE MI'KMAQ FIRST NATIONS IN NOVA SCOTIA; AND

WHEREAS THE MI'KMAQ AND THEIR ANCESTORS ARE THE TRADITIONAL OWNERS OF THE TERRITORY, AND

WHEREAS MI'KMAQ TERRITORY IS HISTORICALLY UNCEDED AS THE PEACE AND FRIENDSHIP TREATIES WERE RELATIONAL TREATIES, NOT LAND TREATIES, AND

WHEREAS THESE RELATIONAL TREATIES WERE ENTERED INTO BY THE BRITISH AND MI'KMAQ IN A NATION-TO-NATION RELATIONSHIP THAT RECOGNIZED MI'KMAQ SOVEREIGNTY;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN OF WINDSOR ENCOURAGE ALL COUNCILLORS, AND THE COMMUNITY MORE BROADLY, TO FAMILIARIZE THEMSELVES WITH THE TRADITIONAL TERRITORY OF MI'KMA'KI, THE RELATIONAL TREATY PROCESS, AND THE HISTORY AND ONGOING LEGACY OF COLONIZATION.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN OF WINDSOR ACKNOWLEDGE MI'KMA'KI AS THE UNCEDED TRADITIONAL TERRITORY OF THE MI'KMAQ AT THE BEGINNING OF EVERY TOWN COUNCIL MEETING AND TOWN-HOSTED COMMUNITY EVENT.

MOTION CARRIED

12. CORRESPONDENCE / PETITIONS & MEETING CALENDAR REVIEW

(a) Correspondence (Information Purposes Only)

(i) NSFM Board Initiatives Report - September 28, 2018

MOVED BY MURLEY/BREGANTE THAT THE NSFM BOARD INITIATIVES REPORT OF SEPTEMBER 28, 2018 BE RECEIVED AND KEPT ON FILE. MOTION CARRIED

(b) Correspondence (Requests)

MOVED BY IVEY/BREGANTE THAT THE CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FROM MS. ANNE COCHRANE BE RECEIVED AND KEPT ON FILE. MOTION CARRIED

- (i) From Anne Cochrane – Re. 245 Alexander Street Driveway and recent Alexander Street Infrastructure Construction – A response was mailed to Ms. Anne Cochrane on October 12, 2018 from Mayor Allen.

(c) Petitions - None

- (d) Meeting Calendar Review – November 2018 calendar was reviewed. CAO will confirm and advise council if there will be a November joint council meeting and if so, whether it would be Nov. 22 or 29th (typically it is the last Thursday of a month).

13. ITEMS ADDED TO AGENDA UNDER #5

- (a) NSFM Resolutions Report – Council members have the report and it was asked they review the resolutions and independently identify their Top 5. They can forward that information to either Mayor Allen or Deputy Mayor Murley.

14. IN-CAMERA MATTERS

(a) Personnel Matter

MOVED BY BREGANTE/MURLEY THAT THE MEETING MOVE IN-CAMERA AT 7:39PM TO DISCUSS A PERSONNEL MATTER. MOTION CARRIED

Only members of Council remained for the in-camera session.

MOVED BY BREGANTE/MURLEY THAT AT 9:05PM, THE MEETING MOVE OUT OF IN-CAMERA. MOTION CARRIED

15. NOTICES OF MOTION

16. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY BREGANTE/MURLEY THAT AT 9:06PM, THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED. MOTION CARRIED



Chair



Municipal Clerk

