



COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING OF COUNCIL
Monday, October 26, 2015
Council Chambers
30 Honour House Court, Riverview, NB
7:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Ann Seamans	Mayor
Ian Macdonald	Deputy Mayor
Wayne Bennett	Councillor
Cecile Cassista	Councillor
Lana Hansen	Councillor
Russell Hayward	Councillor
Andrew LeBlanc	Councillor
Tom Toner	Councillor

Staff Present:

Colin Smith	CAO
Annette Crummey	Town Clerk
Robert Higson	Director of Finance
Gerry Cole	Director of Parks, Recreation & Community Services
Shane Thomson	Director of Economic Development
Michel Ouellet	Director of Engineering & Public Works
Chief Denis Pleau	Riverview Fire & Rescue
Rita Gauvin	Executive Administrative Assistant

Regrets:

Tina Smith	Director of Human Resources
Denyse Richard	Deputy Town Clerk

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Seamans called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Moved by: Councillor Toner

Seconded by: Councillor Cassista

That the agenda be approved.

Motion Carried

3. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

NIL

4. CORRESPONDENCE

- A) Thomas Raffy, Investment Attraction Officer 3+ Corporation – Request for municipalities to support reforms to the municipal elections act to provide permanent residents of Canada voting rights in municipal elections**

Moved by: Councillor Cassista

Seconded by: Councillor LeBlanc

That the Committee of the Whole recommend to Council that the Town of Riverview pass a motion to support this project, which is in alignment with the Immigration Strategy, as it provides for civic inclusiveness of permanent residents through their participation at municipal elections; and further that Council pass a motion to submit a letter of support for reforming the Municipal Elections Act to Premier Brian Gallant and Minister Brian Kenny to allow permanent residents to vote at municipal elections.

Councillor Cassista mentioned this matter was brought forward at the UMNb conference in October and was adopted. It was felt it was important to encourage and give permanent residents the privilege to contribute and become engaged in our communities.

Deputy Mayor Macdonald remarked there were differing points of view at the UMNb conference as to where the problem really lay as this is perceived as an immigration problem; whereas, many people felt it was more a process problem in that permanent residents that qualify for citizenship need to be processed in a timely manner in order to become a Canadian citizen. It was expressed that the right to vote in Canada is a right of citizenship and you must be a citizen to obtain that right.

In answer to a question from Council, Shane Thomson noted this is one of the recommendations from the Immigration Strategy released last year to be able to attract new comers to the Greater Moncton region, which is a critical initiative for this region.

Nay Votes: Deputy Mayor Macdonald

Motion Carried

5. PETITIONS, PRESENTATIONS & DELEGATIONS

A) Presentation by Superintendent Paul Beauchesne and Paul Van Iderstine re 2016 Budget Presentation – Codiac Regional Policing Authority

Superintendent Paul Beauchesne gave a detailed description of the Codiac Regional Policing service in the Greater Moncton area. He noted the Codiac RCMP is committed to providing first-class policing services that contribute to community safety and well-being through a wide range of activities needed and desired by the communities served.

Mr. Paul Van Iderstine presented to Council the Codiac Regional Policing Authority 2016 Budget. He mentioned that the overall budget request increase for RCMP services in 2016 for Moncton, Dieppe and Riverview would be \$2.5 million. Mr. Van Iderstine remarked the funding increase allocation for Riverview would be \$293,000.

Mr. Van Iderstine noted increases to the budget are related to both administrative and operational expenses as well as a capital equipment request for an upgrade to its mobile radio communication system. He indicated the RCMP and the Board of CPRA have tried to balance the requirement for appropriate police services at an affordable cost.

6. EXTERNAL REPORTS

A) Building Permit Report for month of September, 2015

Taken as information.

B) Animal Control Report for month of July, August & September, 2015

Taken as information.

C) Codiac RCMP

Taken as information.

7. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

A) Administration Department – Colin Smith, CAO

1) Report for the Month of October 2015

In response to a question from Council, Mr. Smith remarked the Town is working with the department of Urban Planning to determine who is acquiring the Robertson Machinery property and to further evaluate the inquiry on the land use rights.

Report accepted as presented.

2) Transit Overview

Moved by: Councillor Cassista

Seconded by: Councillor Hayward

That the Committee of the Whole recommend to Council that the Town of Riverview accept the recommendation of the CAO to defer any decision to endorsing the proposed transit routes; not to support the new routes; recommending alternative routes; or making any other service changes to the transit services until the 2016 Budget process.

Several members of Council proposed having a more thorough discussion on the bus service and proposed new transit routes in order that Council make a definite decision at this Council meeting and endorse the proposed transit routes instead of deferring the decision until the budget deliberation sessions.

Mr. Smith noted there are a number of other budget challenges that will be brought forth before Council at budget time that also have to be reviewed. Bringing the transit item forth at budget time would give Council another opportunity to review the recommendations and to fully discuss the issue.

A motion to amend was made as follows:

Moved by: Councillor Toner

Seconded by: Councillor Bennett

That the budget discussions include the new transit routes and that the proposed amount increase be included in the proposed budget.

A vote was called on the motion to amend.

Nay Votes:

**Deputy Mayor Macdonald
Councillor Hayward
Councillor Cassista
Councillor Hansen**

Motion Defeated

A vote was called on the original motion.

Nay Votes:

**Councillor Toner
Councillor LeBlanc
Councillor Bennett**

Motion Carried

B) Finance Department – Robert Higson, Director

1) Report for the Month of September 2015

Report was presented and accepted.

2) Interim Financial Results to September 30, 2015

Mr. Higson noted as of September 30, 2015, the Town is in a deficit position of \$75,000, but current predictions indicate that by the end of 2015, the Town will be able to reduce this deficit.

C) Engineering & Public Works – Michel Ouellet, Director

1) Report for the Month of October 2015

In response to questions from members of Council, Mr. Ouellet mentioned several local improvement projects are projected for 2016, not just for Buckingham Avenue. He noted a list of projected streets could be supplied to Council.

Mr. Ouellet also mentioned that no further response has been received from the resident on Goldsboro Avenue with regard to the traffic calming pilot project. However, progress has been made since the RCMP has been monitoring the area along with the neighbourhood discussing the issue, speeding has been reduced.

Report was presented and accepted.

D) Fire Department – Chief Denis Pleau

1) Report for the Month of September 2015

Reports were presented and accepted.

E) Parks, Recreation and Community Relations – Gerry Cole, Director

1) Report for the Month of October 2015

Report was presented and accepted.

2) Endorse Terms of Reference – Mill Creek Nature Park Advisory Committee or “Friends of Mill Creek”

Moved by: Councillor LeBlanc

Seconded by: Councillor Cassista

That the Committee of the Whole recommend to Council that the Town of Riverview endorse the Terms of Reference for the Mill Creek Nature Park Advisory Committee or “Friends of Mill Creek”.

Nay Votes: Deputy Mayor Macdonald

Motion Carried

F) Business/Economic Development – Shane Thomson, Director

1) Report for the Month of October 2015

In response to a question from Council, Mr. Thomson mentioned he had an opportunity to meet with representatives of Nav Canada and to talk about their projected expansion at an event that took place at the Coverdale Centre. He noted a meeting will be arranged in the near future to further discuss this expansion and how it would impact Riverview.

Report was presented and accepted.

G) Human Resources – Tina Smith, Director

1) Report for the Month of October 2015

Report was presented and accepted.

8. OTHER BUSINESS

1) Introduction of Protection of Personal Information and Privacy Policy

Moved by: Councillor Toner

Seconded by: Councillor Bennett

That the Committee of the Whole recommend to Council that the Town of Riverview approve the Protection of Personal Information and Privacy policy.

Nay Votes: Deputy Mayor Macdonald

Motion Carried

B) Request to Accept Lions Community Park Master Plan

Moved by: Councillor LeBlanc

Seconded by: Councillor Bennett

That the Committee of the Whole recommend to Council that the Town of Riverview accepts the Riverview Lion's Community Park Master Plan as presented and directs staff to utilize the proposed allocated Capital funding from the five (5) year Capital Program to secure additional funding from other levels of government, not-for-profit organizations (including Foundations), the private sector, and individual citizens, with the goal of proceeding with each of the four projects, either in total or as individual projects as indicated in the Master Plan 2015.

Motion Carried

9. COUNCIL STATEMENTS/INQUIRIES

NIL

10. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Councillor Toner

Seconded by: Councillor Cassista

That the meeting be adjourned at 9:31 p.m.