

OPEN SESSION Monday, July 14, 2014 MINUTES



PRESENT: MAYOR WILLIAM J. BISHOP

DEPUTY MAYOR NANCY GRANT COUNCILLOR MATT ALEXANDER COUNCILLOR PAT GALLAGHER JETTE

**COUNCILLOR PETER LEWIS** 

COUNCILLOR BLAIR MacDONALD COUNCILLOR BILL McGUIRE COUNCILLOR MIRIAM WELLS

TOWN MANAGER JOHN JARVIE TOWN CLERK MARY JANE BANKS

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS (DO) BRETT McLEAN DIRECTOR OF REC/PARKS (DRP) CHARLES JENSEN

TREASURER DOUG MacDONALD

ABSENT: DIRECTOR OF PLANNING/DEVELOPMENT (DPDS) BRIAN WHITE

Mayor Bishop called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

#### 1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** Regular meeting 9 June 2014

**MOVED** By Counc. Wells and seconded by Counc. Lewis the minutes dated 9 June 2014 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED.

**Business Arising from Minutes** 

n/a

## 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**MOVED** by Counc. Alexander and seconded by Counc. Wells the agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED.

## 3. OPENING REMARKS OF COUNCIL

Mayor Bishop advised those in attendance of the following: there was a large turnout on the Rothesay Common for Canada Day celebrations; a letter of thanks had been received from the Rothesay High School recipient of the Fairweather Scholarship; post tropical storm Arthur impacted the community with trees down and power outages, and he noted ongoing work in the Town will be updated later in the agenda.

Counc. Lewis acknowledged the unexpected passing of a fourteen year old resident of Rothesay as a result of a food allergy and suggested the Town should send online condolences to families who are grieving.

## 4. **DELEGATIONS**

**4.1 Cheque presentation** Jeff Scammell, President – Rothesay Kings Rotary Club Kim Shaw, Past President – Rothesay Kings Rotary Club

Mr. Scammell and Ms. Shaw presented Mayor Bishop with a \$1000 donation in support of new signage at the Renforth Rotary Park. He noted the Rotary Club was a major contributor when the project was initially constructed and they are pleased to continue to support the Town. Mayor Bishop thanked Mr. Scammell and Ms. Shaw for the donation.

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#### 5. CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION

5.1 21 April 2014 Letter of resignation from member of Rothesay Heritage Preservation Review Board

**MOVED** by Counc. Wells and seconded by Counc. MacDonald the letter of resignation from a member of the Rothesay Heritage Preservation Review Board dated 21 April 2014 be referred to the Nominating Committee.

CARRIED.

5.2 19 June 2014 Letter from Rothesay residents RE: Oakville Acres retention pond **MOVED** by Counc. Alexander and seconded by Deputy Mayor Grant the letter from Rothesay residents RE: Oakville Acres retention pond be referred to the Town Manager.

## ON THE QUESTION:

DO McLean advised the Town consultants have had conversations with the Department of Environment and Department of Fisheries and Oceans to determine requirements for the project. He advised the Town is still waiting for reports on the Quispamsis pumping station and once they are received, the Town will be in a better position to proceed with design. It was noted the lower pipe could not be observed during the storm event and there was no overflow evident from the larger pipe. It was mentioned there are lift stations in Quispamsis that do not have generator backup but this location does have backup power.

CARRIED.

5.3 1 July 2014 Letter from resident RE: sidewalk on Silverton Crescent **MOVED** by Counc. Wells and seconded by Counc. MacDonald the letter from a resident re: sidewalk on Silverton Crescent dated 1 July 2014 be forwarded to the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee.

CARRIED.

5.4 4 July 2014 Letter from Imperial Theatre RE: Rothesay appointment **MOVED** by Counc. Wells and seconded by Deputy Mayor Grant the letter from Imperial Theatre RE: Rothesay appointment dated 4 July 2014 be referred to the Nominating Committee.

**CARRIED.** 

## 6. CORRESPONDENCE - FOR INFORMATION

6.1 10 June 2014 Letter to D/M Levesque, Department of Natural Resources RE: Kennebecasis Valley proposed Deer Management Plan

**MOVED** by Counc. McGuire and seconded by Counc. Lewis the letter to D/M Levesque, Department of Natural Resources RE: Kennebecasis Valley proposed Deer Management Plan dated 10 June 2014 be received/filed.

## ON THE QUESTION:

There was a brief discussion with respect to the recent tick drag that was done in Hampton, Rothesay and Quispamsis by Mount Allison staff and summer students. A report is expected once the analysis has been completed and the intent is to advise residents of the findings.

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6.2 10 July 2014 Letter from Rothesay resident RE: Rothesay Common project **MOVED** by Counc. Gallagher Jette and seconded by Counc. MacDonald the letter from a Rothesay resident RE: Rothesay Common project dated 10 July 2014 be received/filed.

## ON THE QUESTION:

**REPORTS** 

There was a general discussion with respect to drainage around the Rothesay Common and from development at the top of the hill (Grove Avenue/Highland Avenue area). The following comments were made: the first component of the project is to address drainage on the Common; staff will analyze the requirements along with the consultant to determine the best options available to manage drainage and the flow from the top of the hill drains to Taylor Brook.

CARRIED.

7.0 n/a	July 2014	Report from Closed Session
7.1	31 Dec 2013 2013	Kennebecasis Public Library (KPL) Audited Financial Statements Kennebecasis Public Library Annual Report

21 May 2014 Kennebecasis Public Library Board meeting minutes
May 2014 Kennebecasis Public Library Librarian's Report

30 April 2014 Kennebecasis Public Library Comparative Income Statement

**MOVED** by Deputy Mayor Grant and seconded by Counc. Wells the Kennebecasis Public Library documents, as listed, be received/filed.

## ON THE QUESTION:

Deputy Mayor Grant advised of the following: the loss on Tangible Capital Assets (audited Financial Statements) is a result of not fully depreciated assets; the May minutes outline the discussion on the Board Christmas dinner and it was noted the guidelines for the use of the electronic sign will be reviewed by the Board.

**CARRIED.** 

7.2 7 January 2014 Fundy Regional Service Commission (FRSC) meeting minutes

25 Feb 2014 Fundy Regional Service Commission meeting minutes 8 April 2014 Fundy Regional Service Commission meeting minutes

26 May 2014 Fundy Regional Service Commission Annual General Meeting minutes

**MOVED** by Counc. MacDonald and seconded by Counc. Wells the Fundy Regional Service Commission meeting minutes as listed, be received/filed.

## ON THE QUESTION:

It was suggested the Rothesay EMO Committee investigate access to AM radio stations during an emergency event and clarification was requested on the award of planning services for the local service districts to Dillon. Mayor Bishop advised the quotation from Corbett Consulting did not include travel expenses and the City thought it may not have the time to do the work. It was also noted the policing study costs will be paid by reallocation of budgeted funds for other areas in the Regional Service Commission budget.

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7.3	23 April 2014	Kennebecasis Regional Joint Board of Police Commissioners (KRJBPC) meeting minutes		
	30 April 2014	Kennebecasis Regional Joint Board of Police Commissioners Financial statements		
	27 May 2014	Kennebecasis Regional Joint Board of Police Commissioners meeting minutes		
	31 May 2014	Kennebecasis Regional Joint Board of Police Commissioners Financial statements		

**MOVED** by Counc. McGuire and seconded by Counc. Alexander the Kennebecasis Regional Joint Board of Police Commissioners (KRJBPC) documents, as listed, be received/filed.

#### ON THE QUESTION:

Counc. McGuire commented on the communications changes coming from Bell Aliant and noted the Department was able to obtain radios (used during Vancouver Olympics) from the company at a discounted cost. It was noted a new officer started on July 1 (budgeted for January 1).

CARRIED.

7.4 14 May 2014 Kennebecasis Valley Fire Department Inc Board meeting minutes
 31 March 2014 Kennebecasis Valley Fire Department Inc. Statement of Operations
 Jan – Apr 2014 Kennebecasis Valley Fire Department Response Summary Report
 MOVED by Counc. Gallagher Jette and seconded by Counc. Lewis the Kennebecasis Valley
 Fire Department documents, as listed, be received/filed.

#### ON THE QUESTION:

There was discussion with respect to the following: the investigation of the use of a ¾ ton for rapid response and reallocations in the budget. Counc. MacDonald advised the use of rapid response vehicles (RIVs) has been reviewed a few times and the Chief's preference is to have all four firefighters responding to a fire call in one vehicle. The use of RIVs would require additional manpower. With respect to the monthly budget reports, he also advised the monthly budget reports are reviewed by the Chief. Counc. MacDonald indicated he has noted some discrepancies and will be following up with the new accountant and Treasurer on the preparation of the monthly reports. The method of payment by both municipalities was summarized by Town Manager Jarvie, along with the property tax payment on municipal facilities.

CARRIED.

Counc. Gallagher Jette left the meeting room.

7.5 31 May 2014 Draft unaudited Rothesay Utility Fund Financial Statements **MOVED** by Counc. MacDonald and seconded by Deputy Mayor Grant the Draft unaudited Rothesay Utility Fund Financial Statements dated 31 May 2014 be received/filed.

CARRIED.

31 May 2014 Draft unaudited Rothesay General Fund Financial Statements **MOVED** by Counc. MacDonald and seconded by Deputy Mayor Grant the Draft unaudited Rothesay General Fund Financial Statements dated 31 May 2014 be received/filed.

## ON THE QUESTION:

It was noted the Variance Report (p G-10) was circulated earlier today by email and a copy was provided at the meeting.

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## 9 July 2014 Draft Finance Committee meeting minutes

**MOVED** by Counc. MacDonald and seconded by Counc. McGuire the draft Finance Committee meeting minutes dated 9 July 2014 be received/filed.

CARRIED.

#### Five Year Capital Investment Plan (GTF Administrative Agreement)

**MOVED** by Counc. MacDonald and seconded by Deputy Mayor Grant that the document entitled ROTHESAY Five-Year Capital Investment Plan for the GTF Administrative Agreement 2014-2018 be adopted.

## ON THE QUESTION:

Counc. MacDonald noted this was required to apply for Gas Tax Funding. Treasurer MacDonald advised the summary contains those projects intended to be funded by gas tax funding and includes the approved budgets by Council, along with an estimate for a wastewater treatment plant (\$16 million) which has not been approved as yet.

CARRIED.

## > Municipal Finance Corporation Application

**MOVED** by Counc. MacDonald and seconded by Deputy Mayor Grant that the Clerk and/or Treasurer and/or Mayor be authorized to issue and sell to the New Brunswick Municipal Finance Corporation a Municipality of Rothesay debenture in the principal amount of \$4,453,000.00 on such terms and conditions as are recommended by the New Brunswick Municipal Finance Corporation, and be it resolved that the Municipality of Rothesay agree to issue post-dated cheques payable to the New Brunswick Municipal Finance Corporation as and when they are requested in payment of principal and interest charges on the above debenture.

#### ON THE QUESTION:

It was noted this is past borrowing and the request is for the province to send the funds in their debenture issue.

CARRIED.

Counc. Gallagher Jette returned to the meeting room.

#### Grants to Third Parties

**MOVED** by Counc. MacDonald and seconded by Counc. Wells the request from the French Kennebecasis Valley School and Community Centre for a grant of \$5,000 to fund enhancements to the school playground be denied.

CARRIED.

**MOVED** by Counc. MacDonald and seconded by Counc. Alexander the request from the KV Committee for Disabled Persons for a grant of \$2,000 to fund services to Rothesay residents be approved.

# ON THE QUESTION:

It was noted the grant is a subsidy and the individual using the service also pays a portion of the fare. The taxi service is provided to disabled persons who need to travel to the hospital and doctors' appointments.

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**MOVED** by Counc. MacDonald and seconded by Counc. Alexander the request from the Fundy Wellness Network for a grant of \$500 to fund a one-day workshop in October, 2014 be approved.

CARRIED.

**MOVED** by Counc. MacDonald and seconded by Counc. Lewis the request from Tracy Friars and Heather Stilwell to sponsor the 2014 annual Friars Family & Friends concert in support of Safe Harbour in the amount of \$500 be approved.

CARRIED.

Counc. MacDonald noted discussion on the request from YMCA for a grant of \$50,000 to fund construction of a new facility in Saint John was deferred for consideration during the 2015 budget deliberations. Counc. McGuire noted the applicant had requested a response by September.

7.6 17 June 2014 Draft Parks and Recreation Committee meeting minutes **MOVED** by Counc. Wells and seconded by Counc. Lewis the draft Parks and Recreation Committee meeting minutes dated 17 June 2014 be received/filed.

## ON THE QUESTION:

There was a lengthy discussion with respect to the following: dog park, McGuire Centre, Renforth Wharf project and the proposed recreation project. The following comments were made: the Committee is reviewing possible locations for a dog park in Wells and an additional community garden, the renovations at the McGuire Centre, tennis courts and the Wharf look great. It was noted negotiations are ongoing with the Renforth Wharf project consultant for a contribution.

Counc. Gallagher Jette requested additional information on the Rothesay Common project and the reference to detailed drawings for the July meeting. She also requested clarification on the discussion with respect to the "misleading article" in the Telegraph Journal in reference to the \$1.31 tax rate. Counc. MacDonald suggested it was important for the numbers to be on the table, noting there is no way to predict growth over the next five years and the presentation by the Treasurer at the May Council meeting included three schedules with projected tax base growths of 1%, 2% and 3% which could generate tax rates in 2015-2018 ranging from \$1.26 to possibly \$1.37 respectively. He reiterated it is important for Council to understand the calculations are based on assumptions and with the projects Council has committed to, the rate could be \$1.25 or \$1.26 in 2015 and it is unclear beyond that. Counc. Wells suggested the possible tax rate increase is not solely because of the Rothesay Common project. Mayor Bishop noted Council has to decide what projects to proceed with while considering the impact on the tax rate. Deputy Mayor Grant commented that the newspaper article was not accurate in that it did not mention the \$2.6 million in borrowing for the Kennebecasis Public Library. Counc. MacDonald also noted the calculations he referred to include an estimate of approximately \$1.5 million to be funded out of capital operating that can be used to pay for debt rather than paying for roads and sidewalks that could be borrowed for over time.

Counc. Gallagher Jette requested an update on the borrowing application. Town Manager Jarvie advised Council had approved the requested changes from the Board under a previous agenda item with respect to gas tax funding. He also noted municipalities are receiving a lesser amount of funding under the new agreement, particularly \$70,000 less to Rothesay. A response to the application is expected by the end of the month as the Municipal Capital Borrowing Board has indicated they will have a special meeting.

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Counc. MacDonald noted his previous concerns expressed in January/February about the consultants on the Renforth Wharf project and whether there are lessons to be learned, based on his review of the comments at the June Council meeting (not in attendance) with respect to the failure of the retaining wall. He noted the consultant was responsible for the original design and staff subsequently recommended "Redi-Rock" following the failure. Town Manager Jarvie noted the initial recommendation and subsequent options were reviewed by the Director of Parks and Recreation, Director of Operations and Town Manager. He indicated staff was of the opinion "Redi-Rock" was a better solution to prevent any future issues, rather than the solution proposed by the consultant. Counc. MacDonald questioned why the option was not part of the original design plan and suggested a more careful review of consultants be undertaken, particularly as related to the major upcoming recreation projects.

CARRIED.

## > Traffic By-law recommendation

The recommendation to remove section 16.3 (bicycles on trails/sidewalks) in the draft Traffic By-law will be referred to the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee. Town Manager Jarvie advised Council can decide to allow bicycles on trails but the Motor Vehicle Act prohibits bicycles on sidewalks.

7.7 18 June 2014 Draft Public Works and Infrastructure Committee meeting minutes **MOVED** by Counc. Alexander and seconded by Counc. Lewis the draft Public Works and Infrastructure Committee meeting minutes dated 18 June 2014 be received/filed.

#### ON THE QUESTION:

DO McLean provided the following update on the current construction projects in Rothesay: Green Road project is proceeding well and the contractor advises he may be one day behind on schedule; Maiden Lane will be completed this year and the watermain connection portion started last week ran into a problem and water was off until 11 pm instead of the projected 6 pm time; Gondola Point Road paving will begin once NB Power finishes moving the power lines from the old poles to the new poles and removing the old poles (likely this week); and Hampton Road is ahead of schedule. Mayor Bishop noted some business owners initially expressed concern about the project but are pleased with the cooperation of the onsite contract manager. DO McLean advised the bike lane portion has been paved, sidewalk work will begin and the lamp poles will be moved this week. He noted the tender before Council later in the agenda includes paving of Hampton Road as far as Henderson Park Road. There was a brief discussion with respect to the grass area between the curb and sidewalk. DO McLean advised new operating procedures for plowing on Hampton Road will be adopted that will have less impact on the grass areas and the south side will be redone. Deputy Mayor Grant noted she appreciated the minimal traffic disruption associated with the project. She requested clarification in the minutes, Item 5.3. It was clarified the minutes should read Grove Avenue/Hampton Road and Vincent Road/Gondola Point Road as the Clark Road project was deferred by Council.

CARRIED.

7.8 25 June 2014 Draft Rothesay Heritage Preservation Review Board meeting minutes **MOVED** by Counc. Wells and seconded by Counc. MacDonald the draft Rothesay Heritage Preservation Review Board meeting minutes dated 25 June 2014 be received/filed.

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7.9 June 2014 Monthly Building Permit Summary Report

**MOVED** by Counc. McGuire and seconded by Counc. Alexander the June 2014 Monthly Building Permit Summary Report be received/filed.

CARRIED.

7.10 7 July 2014 Draft Planning Advisory Committee meeting minutes **MOVED** by Counc. Wells and seconded by Counc. Lewis the draft Planning Advisory Committee meeting minutes dated 7 July 2014 be received/filed.

CARRIED.

#### ➤ Mobile Restaurants

Counc. Wells noted the Committee spent two hours discussing the Funky Monkey application and regulations in place. She noted the Committee reviewed the application in terms of land use rather than economic conditions and competition aspect. She noted the Committee allowed it with certain conditions. Mayor Bishop spoke against the mobile food truck and made the following comments: this is not what Rothesay is about; merchants are opposed as they pay taxes and make contributions to the community while a mobile food truck does not; there are no grounds to allow or disallow this type of business and it should be removed until staff prepares a report for Council to review. Counc. Gallagher Jette called a point of order for the Mayor to leave the chair. Counc. Wells noted the Committee discussed all the points raised by Mayor Bishop and they made their decision based on land use rather than the competition and the Committee wants rules in place that can possibly be applied retroactively. Mayor Bishop commented they were operating illegally in Quispamsis and were asked to leave. Counc. Lewis noted sandwich trucks are a thing of the future and Council will need regulations to deal with future applications as it is not clear in the existing by-laws. He commented that he faces similar competition in his business and it is free enterprise. Mayor Bishop commented he was speaking on behalf of Rothesay residents who spoke with him. It was suggested regulations in other municipalities be reviewed and staff act as soon as possible to prepare a report for Council.

CARRIED.

➤ MOVED by Counc. Wells and seconded by Counc. Lewis that Council direct staff to review mobile restaurants in the context of Rothesay as compared to other communities and report back to Council.

CARRIED.

- ➤ Maliseet Drive
  - o Easement

**MOVED** by Counc. Wells and seconded by Counc. Lewis Council authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter into agreement for the removal of a registered municipal drainage easement at 63 Maliseet Drive (PID 30282578).

#### ON THE QUESTION:

There was a brief discussion with respect to drainage and property line setbacks. DO McLean and DPDS White agreed to accept a 12 foot easement (next meeting). Town Manager Jarvie advised the zone is R1b and will meet the by-law requirements. The construction will be monitored through the building inspection process and DO McLean has spoken with the developer on required construction methods to address any concerns.

CARRIED.

**MOVED** by Counc. Wells and seconded by Counc. Lewis Council assent to the establishment of a 4 metre wide municipal drainage easement at 63 Maliseet Drive (PID 30282578).

## o Cash in lieu of land for public purposes

MOVED by Counc. Wells and seconded by Counc. Lewis Council accept \$3,456.00 as cash in lieu of land for public purposes for the proposed Lot 11-2 to be subdivided from 63 Maliseet Drive (PID# 30282578).

CARRIED.

7.11	14 July 2014	Ad hoc Rail Committee Interim Report
	3 July 2014	Draft Ad hoc Rail Committee meeting minutes
	June 2014	Rail Safety Advisory Group report
	June 2014	Kennebecasis Park Entrance Advisory Group report
	June 2014	Emergency Measures Advisory Group report
	Draft	EMO Coordinator Job Description

Deputy Mayor Grant gave a summary of the interim report from the Ad hoc Rail Committee and additional documentation, including the recommendations from the advisory groups that are included in the interim report. Mayor Bishop and Counc. Lewis thanked Deputy Mayor Grant and her committee for their work on this matter. Counc. Lewis noted CN has spent \$20 million on the Sussex to Saint John route and CN has made a substantial commitment to the tracks and working with Rothesay representatives. It was suggested a letter be sent to CN thanking them for their cooperation. Deputy Mayor Grant noted she sent a letter of thanks to Mr. Feeny but agreed a letter should be sent from Council. Counc. Wells suggested the letter should wait until the old ties are removed from the tracks. She also asked if some of the recommendations could be assigned to other committees. Deputy Mayor Grant suggested the recommendations should be discussed further with staff and Council to determine how to proceed.

**MOVED** by Deputy Mayor Grant and seconded by Counc. Wells Council accept the interim report with the proviso that some of the recommendations may come before Council during the 2015 budget process and further accept recommendations 1 through 7, as listed below (additional detail available in the report):

- 1) that Staff investigate the feasibility of a helicopter landing pad in Kennebecasis Park, and the possibility of, and costs associated with, an emergency helicopter service for medical emergencies, in the event of obstruction of the entrance to the neighborhood;
- 2) that Staff investigate the cost of, and possible sources of funding for, two secondary access roads to Kennebecasis Park;
- 3) that Staff continue to explore, with the City and developers, a new secondary access route through the City of Saint John toward Drury Cove Estates;
- 4) that Council and Staff give serious consideration to adopting the new Proximity Guidelines jointly developed by FCM and the Railway Association of Canada for new or infill development or redevelopment;
- 5) that the Rail Committee and Staff invite neighboring communities to share information, and collaborate on the risk assessment and mitigation which has been ordered by the Transport Minister;
- 6) that staff work with Transport Canada to investigate the crossing requirements, costs thereof, and possible sources of funding for, crossings without whistling and further that the legal ramifications of eliminating whistling be ascertained;

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7) that the Town continue to develop its plan for the establishment of reception/warming centers for residents, and make residents aware of the plans and further that evacuation plans and routes be developed for neighborhoods isolated by the rail—including Kennebecasis Park, Kingshurst, Tennis Court Road, Rothesay Park, and Sagamore Point.

CARRIED.

Deputy Mayor Grant noted recommendation 8 is a joint recommendation from her Committee and Counc. Lewis as chair of the Emergency Measures Committee.

**MOVED** by Deputy Mayor Grant and seconded by Counc. Lewis the Town acquire a Coordinator of Emergency Planning, as a matter of urgency, offering an annual honorarium of \$1000.00 to the person who fills this position and further that this position be filled in time to allow completion of revision of our Emergency Plan before winter.

## ON THE QUESTION:

It was suggested the recommendation be tabled pending a review of the draft job description by the Emergency Measures Committee and the proposed compensation.

**MOVED** by Deputy Mayor Grant and seconded by Counc. Lewis the recommendation with respect to a Coordinator of Emergency Planning be tabled.

CARRIED.

#### 8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

#### **TABLED ITEMS**

**8.1 Traffic By-law 1-14** (Tabled June 2014)

No action required at this time.

# 8.2 Kennebecasis Valley Fire Department

9 July 2014	Memorandum from Chief Ireland RE: Response to Counc. Alexander		
27 June 2014	Email response from Chief Ireland, Kennebecasis Valley Fire Department		
	(KVFD) RE: request for additional information with attached		
	memorandum: Volunteer Firefighter transition (9 April 2014)		
20 June 2014	Copy of letter of resignation from Robert Wilson, Volunteer Firefighter to		
	Chief Ireland, KVFD		

**MOVED** by Counc. Gallagher Jette and seconded by Counc. MacDonald the correspondence from Chief Ireland and Robert Wilson (various dates) re: volunteer firefighters be received/filed.

## ON THE QUESTION:

Counc. Alexander commented he expected more substance in the response to his original request to the Fire Board with respect to the volunteer firefighter program. He suggested the information considered by the Board in removing volunteer firefighters from frontline firefighting should be readily available to Council for their review. Counc. Gallagher Jette advised the Chief spent a lot of time preparing the response and she reviewed it as Chair of the Board and felt the questions had been answered. Counc. MacDonald asked for clarification on what additional information was being requested. Counc. Alexander gave specific examples of questions that he felt should have had a more substantive response. There was discussion with respect to career firefighters and volunteers, the new platoon chiefs and that there would be no cost implications to the Town, and the call response by volunteers. Counc. MacDonald indicated firefighting roles have changed and the department now has 32 full time firefighters and the volunteers may have played a more active role than when there were only 18 firefighters. He advised the platoon

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chiefs positions were approved to add to the complement of the 3 officers covering 24/7 on call. Mayor Bishop noted the key comment is that costs will not escalate.

Deputy Mayor Grant requested clarification on whether the accident involving the fire apparatus was a fire call or a medical call. Counc. Gallagher Jette advised she would confirm but she believed it was a fire call.

CARRIED.

## **8.3** Cash in Lieu of Land for Public Purposes 90 Highland Avenue (PID# 30275291)

4 July 2014 Memorandum from DPDS White (request for refund)

**MOVED** by Counc. Wells and seconded by Counc. McGuire Staff recommend that Council recognize that the requirements for Land for Public Purposes have been previously satisfied and provide the applicants with a full refund in the amount of \$4,570.56 as cash received by Rothesay in lieu of Land for Public Purposes for the subdivision 90 Highland Avenue (PID# 3027529).

CARRIED.

#### 9. NEW BUSINESS

## 9.1 Contract Tender Awards

9.1.1 Contract T-2014-002 Asphalt resurfacing and Microseal Placement

9.1.2 Contract T-2014-004 Rothesay intersection improvements

9.1.3 Contract T-2014-007 French Village Road Reconstruction

10 July 2014 Memorandum from Town Manager Jarvie

9 July 2014 Memoranda from DO McLean

There was a general discussion with respect to the tender awards. It was noted the total amount of T-2014-002 includes components for 2014 and 2015 projects. In February 2014 Council approved two years' design/consultant work for asphalt programs so the 2015 tender will be designed and ready to go in early spring when the asphalt plants open. The asphalt price has been locked in for 2015 with the award of this tender. Town Manager Jarvie noted projects were held-over in 2013 because of the weather window and by awarding work over two years there will not be any carry-over in the following year budget. This will give the Town the best prices and the ability to start projects earlier in the following year. Mayor Bishop suggested the only concern is this may commit Council to projects they may not wish to do in 2015. DO McLean noted the commitment for 2015 is about \$400,000 and the price is about 28% less than the cost of asphalt contracts for last year.

Counc. Lewis commented that the project for French Village Road is about \$90,000 over budget and the tenders do not include any rebuilds for roads in Wells in 2015 and the roads are terrible in that area of Town. Town Manager Jarvie advised Council had previously discussed the French Village Road project and its completion in three phases. He noted the recommendation for French Village Road be limited to the budgeted amount. Counc. Lewis requested clarification on the tender process and whether over budget tenders could not be awarded. There was a brief discussion with respect to the French Village Road and the total cost over three years. Deputy Mayor Grant noted Council already agreed to do the work on French Village Road this year because the engineering was already completed but other projects in the Wells area could be considered instead of French Village Road, phase 3 next year.

**MOVED** by Counc. Alexander and seconded by Counc. Lewis that Contract T-2014-002: Rothesay Asphalt Resurfacing and Microseal Placement, be awarded to the low tenderer, NRB Construction Company Ltd. at the tendered price of \$1,491,074.55 (including HST), as calculated based on estimated quantities.

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**MOVED** by Counc. MacDonald and seconded by Counc. Alexander that Contract T-2014-004: Rothesay Intersection Improvements, be awarded to the low tenderer, NRB Construction Company Ltd., at the tendered price of \$160,013.65 (including HST), as calculated based on estimated quantities.

CARRIED.

**MOVED** by Counc. MacDonald and seconded by Counc. McGuire that Contract T-2014-007: French Village Road Reconstruction Phase II, be awarded to the low tenderer, NRB Construction Company Ltd., based on the unit prices included in their tender with the limit of construction being amended from station 30 + 982 to 30 + 866, at an estimated cost of \$350,000.

NAY vote recorded from Counc. Lewis

CARRIED.

## 9.2 Garbage collection tender 2014-001RD

10 July 2014 Memorandum from Town Manager Jarvie

MOVED by Counc. MacDonald and seconded by Counc. McGuire Council award the contract for solid waste collection for 2015 through 2018 as set out in Tender Call 2014-001RD to FERO Waste & Recycling Inc. at a total price of \$1,127,739.99 including HST.

## ON THE QUESTION:

It was noted this is a continuation of the service being provided today. There was a brief discussion with respect to uniform containers and the calculations in the tender. It was noted the price holds throughout the contract with the exception of a fuel price escalation.

CARRIED.

#### 9.3 Emergency Electrical Generation

11 July 2014 Memorandum from Town Manager Jarvie

8 July 2014 Memorandum from DO McLean

18 June 2014 CBCL Standby Power Study (Draft)

**MOVED** by Counc. MacDonald and seconded by Counc. Wells Council approve the purchase and installation of a generator for the Master Drive Works Facility in an estimated amount of \$187,000 with funds to come from the 2015 capital budget.

#### ON THE QUESTION:

There was a brief discussion with respect to the operation of the sanitary sewer system and backup power. DO McLean advised it is a gravity system and the pump stations pump it to the nearest lagoon. The pump stations have backup generators and there is a portable generator available for use at the lagoon. Town Manager Jarvie advised there is a wastewater treatment plant in the capital plan that will have backup generation. DO McLean advised the plant option being reviewed will allow the Town to be much better stewards of the river system by exceeding the requirements being set by the Department of Environment. He noted that auto transfer is a key requirement when considering backup power generation.

Counc. MacDonald requested clarification with respect to the locations for backup generation and the results of the study. He expressed concern with respect to the public reception centre at the McGuire Centre and the lack of ability for water distribution. DO McLean advised the McGuire Centre is on a well (not Town water) and the capacity may not allow for water distribution. He also noted the Town cannot operate a "water distribution system" without disinfection. A step test will be done to determine the well capacity and additionally to consider

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options to treat the water for distribution (small chlorination system). Counc. Lewis commented that one of Council's mandates is to have the proper information prior to making a decision to spend money. He expressed his frustration that the generator was purchased for the McGuire Centre to be established as a reception centre but Council was not aware of the inability to distribute water to residents from the same location. Counc. McGuire noted the washroom facilities can still be used at the Centre and the Town set up water distribution at the Rothesay Arena. It was noted the Works Garage would not be suitable for water distribution as it would conflict with ongoing Town operations during an event.

CARRIED.

The recommendation for a generator for Rothesay Town Hall will be deferred until further research is done.

## 9.4 Underground power lines on Hampton Road

9 July 2014 Memorandum from DO McLean

**MOVED** by Counc. MacDonald and seconded by Counc. Gallagher Jette the memorandum from DO McLean re: underground power lines on Hampton Road, dated 9 July 2014 be received/filed.

CARRIED.

## 9.5 Post tropical Storm Arthur Cleanup

11 July 2014 Memorandum from Town Manager Jarvie

11 July 2014 Memorandum from DO McLean

**MOVED** by Counc. Wells and seconded by Counc. McGuire that Council authorize a special organic cleanup of trees and branches with the out of pocket costs to come from the operational reserve.

#### ON THE QUESTION:

Town Clerk Banks advised the media release will be sent after tonight's meeting so it will be picked up in the morning news cycle. It was noted the Rothesay clean up would start on Monday, July 21, 2014; Quispamsis is offering coupons to residents to drop off their debris at Renforth Construction until July 19<sup>th</sup> and the City of Saint John was providing a debris clean up this week. Counc. Alexander noted this is a valuable service to provide to residents and the Town set a precedent with the ice storm debris clean up.

CARRIED.

**MOVED** by Counc. MacDonald and seconded by Counc. Wells Council adopt a standing order for storm debris cleanup and staff be authorized to spend up to \$50,000 to implement the cleanup.

CARRIED.

## 10. NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of Council will be held on Monday, August 11, 2014.

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# 11. ADJOURNMENT

<b>MOVED</b> by Counc.	Gallagher Jette and se	econded by Counc.	Wells the meeting b	e adjourned.
				CARRIED.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.		
MAYOR	CLERK	