

**REGION OF QUEENS MUNICIPALITY  
REGULAR COUNCIL  
TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2015  
9:00 A.M.**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Christopher Clarke, Chair  
Councillor Darlene Norman  
Councillor Susan MacLeod  
Councillor Brian Fralic  
Councillor Raymond Fiske  
Councillor Jack Fancy  
Councillor Peter Waterman  
Jennifer Keating-Hubley, Director of Finance  
April Whynot-Lohnes, Municipal Clerk  
Christine Watson, Recording / Management Secretary

**REGRETS:** Councillor Bruce Inglis

**1.0 CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Clark called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**2.0 CHANGES / APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

It was moved by Councillor MacLeod and seconded by Councillor Fancy that the Agenda be approved with the following additions:

- 12.3 Unfinished Business – Policy 81 – Booking/Security Procedures – Old Town Hall**
- 17.1 Acquisition of Land**
- 17.2 Sale of Land**
- 17.3 Contract Negotiations**
- 17.4 Personnel Matter**

**MOTION CARRIED unanimously.**

**3.0 PRESENTATION(S):**

**3.1 White Point Beach Resort 2015 Outlook & Developments**

Joanne Veinotte, General Manager and Donna Hatt, Marketing & Product Development Manager from White Point Beach Resort were welcomed to Council by Mayor Clarke.

Highlights of the presentation were (copy attached to original set of Minutes):

- White Point Beach Resort will be in operation 90 years in 2018, and some features offered are:
  - 154 rooms
  - Restaurant and Lounge
  - Gift Shop (which 80% is local and NS)
  - Live Performance Centre
  - Convention Centre
  - White Point Golf Course
  - Rossignol Surf Shop
  - Liverpool Adventures Outfitters
- 40,000 guests/year (looking to increase to 60,000)
- 2.5 million in export revenues
- Employs 160 and has a 3.5 million annual payroll which includes payments to local suppliers
- Not supported by government grants or taxpayers

Some challenges include:

- Staffing and Training – Having difficulty staffing for their needs and are planning to train in-house.
- Operating costs have increased, i.e. garbage collection, power, propane, and water/sewer
- The golf course is running at a loss and they are looking at options including working with the Region's Recreation Department to get members.

### 3.2 South Shore School Board – Long Range Outlook

Brian Smith, Director of Operations, was welcomed to Council by Mayor Clarke to provide an overview of the School Board's long range outlook (copy attached to original set of Minutes).

Some highlights of the presentation included:

Review of School Enrolment:

- Dr. John C. Wickwire presently has 397 students enrolled, which is 76% utilized. No capital repairs are anticipated in the next 5 years. Over the next 10 years, enrollment is projected to decrease by 15 – 21 students (72% utilized).
- South Queens Middle presently has 234 students enrolled, which is 92% utilized. This school opened 2014 and no capital repairs are anticipated in the next 5 years. Over the next 10 years, enrollment is projected to decrease by 40-50 students (74% utilized).
- Liverpool Regional High School presently has 371 students enrolled, which is 61% utilized and capital repairs are anticipated within 5 years. International students attend. Over the next ten years, enrollment is projected to decrease by 10-18 students (44% utilized).
- Greenfield Elementary School presently has 33 students enrolled, which is 66% utilized.
- North Queens Community School presently has 222 students enrolled, which is 46% utilized.

The Liverpool Family of Schools has an overall building utilization of 72%. A school review for the Liverpool Family, including facility utilizations, is recommended within 10 years and within three years for North Queens Family of schools. Options for utilizing the schools may include community functions, evening classes, early year centres, etc.

Included in the long range outlook is a review of school catchment areas, cross boundary registrations, grade configurations, recommendation for P3 school renewal option, recommendation for school closure, and recommendation for a new or replacement school.

### 4.0 TABLING OF PETITIONS:

There were no petitions to come before this meeting.

**5.0 PUBLIC QUESTION / COMMENT SESSION:**

**Leon Robertson**  
**45 College Street**  
**Liverpool**

Mr. Robertson commented that the presentations were good. He asked that on Page 108 of the School Board Long Range Outlook, about the cross border education between North Queens with Lunenburg/Queens. Mayor Clarke responded that this item had already been discussed during the presentation.

Mr. Robertson asked for an update from the public Trestle Trail Bridge meeting. Councillor Fralic updated Council saying that there is an eight person committee formed, which Council is not part of, and they are working on scheduling their first meeting which will be communicated.

Mr. Robertson also asked if there were any updates on the future of our court house and if there would be any other uses of the building. Mayor Clarke indicated that there were several other municipalities that were adversely affected by the pending closure of satellite court houses. When others asked Minister Furey at recent UNSM Seminar about the possibility of the province re-thinking the decision to close them, Mr. Furey was not optimistic that decision was going to change.

**David Dagley**  
**9 Meadow Pond Land**  
**Liverpool**

Mr. Dagley also commented that the presentations were good.

He asked about the sewer line on the Brooklyn Bridge, had heard that there were problems with it. Brad Rowter, Director of Engineering & Works, responded that the issue was with the engineering consultants' design and that we were expecting the flaw to be corrected without any additional cost to the municipality.

**Edward Whynot**  
**11 Riverview Road**  
**Liverpool**

Mr. Whynot expressed his displeasure with his dealings with the Region in regards to being able to own chickens on his property.

Mayor Clarke said that he understood Mr. Whynot's concerns and explained that there is a process that is needed to be followed in order to change a bylaw. A Planning Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for May 13, 2015 where this matter will be discussed, with a recommendation forthcoming at a future Council meeting.

**6.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**6.1 Council Minutes – April 28, 2015**

**It was moved by Councillor Fiske and seconded by Councillor Fralic:**

**THAT the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on April 28, 2015, be approved as circulated.**

**MOTION CARRIED unanimously.**

**7.0 DANGEROUS OR UNSIGHTLY PREMISES:**

In response to Councillor Norman's inquiry about the Wong building being demolished, Mike MacLeod, Planner, indicated that the demolition permit was applied for by the owner and there was no Municipal order issued.

Mayor Clarke indicated that staff will monitor the progress of this demolition to ensure any safety concerns are addressed.

**8.0 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:**

There were no matters to be discussed at this meeting.

**9.0 CORPORATE SERVICES:**

There were no items discussed at this meeting.

**10.0 ENGINEERING AND WORKS:**

There were no items discussed at this meeting.

**11.0 FINANCE**

There were no items discussed at this meeting.

**12.0 RECREATION AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES:**

**12.1 Review of Recreation Facility Assistance Grant Applications**

**It was moved by Councillor Fralic and seconded by Councillor Fiske:**

**THAT the Council of the Region of Queens Municipality approve the following Facility Development Assistance Grants for 2015/2016, to be funded from the Community Grants and Programs budget line of the Recreation and Community Facilities Department:**

**MAJOR CATEGORY:**

**1) Greenfield Recreation Association \$5,000.00**

**REGULAR CATEGORY:**

**1) Queens Rails to Trails \$1,250.00**  
**2) Milton Community Association \$1,250.00**  
**3) West Queens Recreation Association \$1,000.00**  
**4) Queens County Soccer Club \$1,000.00**  
**5) Brooklyn Recreation Association \$ 500.00**

**TOTAL: \$5,000.00**

Norm Amirault, Director of Recreation & Community Facilities reviewed the procedure used for selecting the grant recipients.

**MOTION CARRIED unanimously.**

12.2 Request to Waive Policy 58 – Privateer Farmers Market

**It was moved by Councillor Fralic and seconded by Councillor MacLeod:**

**THAT the Council of the Region of Queens Municipality authorize the waiving of Policy 58 for the Privateer Farmers Market at Privateer Park from May 23 – October 11, 2015 subject to the following conditions:**

**That no liquor be sold, given away, or consumed prior to the Region of Queens Municipality being provided a certificate of insurance from the appropriate authorities confirming that at least \$2,000,000 of liability insurance is in place for the term of the Market from May 23 to October 11, 2015 with the Region as an additional insured, and a copy of the valid permit from the Nova Scotia Liquor Corporation is provided to the Region for the timeline of May 23 to October 11, 2015 for each vendor who will be selling liquor. All vendors must comply with the Nova Scotia Liquor Control Act.**

**MOTION CARRIED unanimously.**

12.3 Unfinished Business - Policy 81 – Booking/Security Procedures – Old Town Hall

**It was moved by Councillor Fralic and seconded by Councillor Fancy to bring back to the table the approval of Policy 81 – Booking/Security Procedures – for the former Liverpool Town Hall:**

Motion is now back on the table for consideration.

Councillor Fralic indicated that the committee which consisted of the Mayor, CAO, Recreation Director, Councillor Fralic, Chair, and Councillor Fancy, Vice Chair, is looking at a broader range of potential users and fees, and want to meet with potential users before considering the policy. He indicated that this Proposed Policy will be brought back to the next Council meeting for consideration.

**It was moved by Councillor Fralic and seconded by Councillor MacLeod:**

**THAT the Council of the Region of Queens Municipality defer the approval of Policy 81 – Booking/Security Procedures – for the former Liverpool Town Hall to a special committee for further discussion on the rates and fees and report back to Council at the May 26, 2015 Council session.**

**MOTION CARRIED unanimously.**

**13.0 PLANNING:**

13.1 Administration Policy 47 – Respecting a Development Agreement for Extension of Existing Commercial Use in a Residential Area

**It was moved by Councillor MacLeod and seconded by Councillor Waterman:**

**THAT the Council of the Region of Queens Municipality adopt an administrative policy respecting a development agreement to allow for a 16 foot by 33 foot extension to the existing funeral home located at 91 Union Street in Liverpool. The extension would accommodate a new preparation room and storage room.**

**MOTION CARRIED unanimously.**

Mike MacLeod, Planner, advised that there would be a Planning Advisory Committee meeting on Wednesday, May 20, 2015.

**14.0 QUEENS PLACE EMERA CENTRE:**

There were no items discussed at this meeting.

Councillor Fancy updated Council on the progress of the sale of the Blue Rodeo tickets, of which over 1,400 have been sold.

**15.0 REPORTS:**

There were no items discussed at this meeting.

**16. OTHER:**

There were no issues discussed at this meeting.

**17.0 IN-CAMERA ITEMS**

It was moved by Councillor Waterman and seconded by Councillor MacLeod that the proceedings go "In-Camera" at 10:50 a.m. to discuss the following:

- 17.1 Acquisition of Land
- 17.2 Sale of Land
- 17.3 Contract Negotiations
- 17.4 Personnel Matter


**MOTION CARRIED unanimously.**

It was moved by Councillor MacLeod and seconded by Councillor Fancy that the proceedings come out of "In-Camera" at 11:40 a.m.

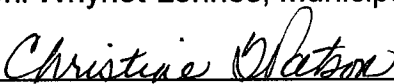
**MOTION CARRIED unanimously.**

**18.0 ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

  
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Mayor Christopher Clarke, Chair

  
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April Whynot-Lohmes, Municipal Clerk

  
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Christine Watson, Recording / Management Secretary

Date Approved: May 26, 2015