

**REGION OF QUEENS MUNICIPALITY
REGULAR COUNCIL
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2015
9:00 A.M.**

PRESENT: Mayor Christopher Clarke, Chair
Councillor Darlene Norman
Councillor Brian Fralic
Councillor Jack Fancy
Councillor Peter Waterman
Councillor Susan MacLeod
Councillor Raymond Fiske
Councillor Bruce Inglis
Richard MacLellan, Chief Administrative Officer
April Whynot-Lohnes, Municipal Clerk
Christine Watson, Recording / Management Secretary

1.0 CALL TO ORDER:

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

2.0 CHANGES / APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

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

8.1 Mersey Forum

12.1 Ripple Effect Update

13.4 Motion to Rescind – Amend Land Use Bylaw - Urban Chickens

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

3.0 PRESENTATION(S):

There were no presentations to come before this meeting.

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 on agenda Item 16.1 Liverpool Curling Club and asked whether this request would fall under the work of the new Special Projects Coordinator or be eligible under the Canada 150 Fund to which Richard MacLellan, CAO, responded that it could be eligible under the Canada 150 but not under special projects.

6.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

6.1 Council Minutes – October 27, 2015

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

**THAT the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on
October 27, 2015 be approved as circulated.**

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

7.0 DANGEROUS OR UNSIGHTLY PREMISES:

There were no items to come before this meeting.

8.0 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:

8.1 Mersey Forum

Deputy Mayor Norman reminded everyone that the Mersey Forum Speaker Series is being held at 7:00 p.m., November 10, 2015, at the Best Western in Liverpool. The topic is the future of the electric hybrid propulsion for boats.

9.0 CORPORATE SERVICES:

There were no items to come before this meeting.

10.0 ENGINEERING AND WORKS:

There were no items to come before this meeting.

11.0 FINANCE

There were no items to come before this meeting.

12.0 RECREATION AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES:

12.1 Ripple Effect Update

Councillor Fralic announced that a press release on the Ripple Effect to Recognize Volunteers in Queens would be released November 10, 2015.

Norm Amirault, Director of Recreation and Community Services, gave a brief update from the October 27, 2015 Council presentation on The Ripple Effect. A graphic image can now be viewed on the Region's website, which contains a Nomination Form. Opportunities to nominate can also be made via paper copy, emailing or phoning information to the Region, and the information will be mailed out to approximately 200 volunteer groups.

13.0 PLANNING:

13.1 Development Agreement for Wind Turbine Generators in Mixed Use Rural Residential (R5) Zone

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 the construction of two (2) wind turbine generators on property identified as PID #70169180 and located in the Mixed Use Rural Residential (R5) Zone.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

13.2 Mill Village Consolidated School

It was moved by Councillor Fiske and seconded by Councillor MacLeod:

THAT the Council of the Region of Queens Municipality declare the former Mill Village School, located at 227 Medway River Road in Mill Village and identified as PID #70105879, as surplus property;

AND THAT staff be directed to request expressions of interest from the public respecting purchasing and re-purposing the property.

Mike MacLeod, Planner, said the Mill Village Consolidated School, a circa 1960 school house consisting of 5.8 acres, has been closed since 2014 by the South Shore Regional School Board, and remains vacant. An evaluation has been conducted and there is no opportunity for municipal use. The municipality continues to cover the costs for the heat, electricity, insurance and general maintenance.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

13.3 Planning Amendments – Creation of Tourist Commercial (C6) Zone

It was moved by Councillor MacLeod and seconded by Councillor Fiske:

THAT the Council of the Region of Queens Municipality give notice of its intention to amend its Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use Bylaw, which would see the creation of a new Tourist Commercial (C6) Zone;

AND THAT Council rezone PID#'s 70261029, 70117817, 70177357, 70177365, 70177373, 70177381 and 70177399, from Seasonal Residential (R7) to Tourist Commercial (C6);

AND THAT a Public Hearing be held on December 8, 2015 at 8:55 a.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 249 White Point Road in Liverpool, NS.

Mike MacLeod, Planner, reviewed an application received from Interlake Realty to rezone lands located on Old Mill Lane, in LaBelle, Queens County to establish a recreational rental development. These properties are currently zoned as Seasonal Residential (R7) under the Land Use Bylaw and the proposed cottage rental community would be a commercial operation. The R7 Zone does not permit tourist establishments. The existing zones do not fit the criteria for the proposed operation and to address this request, amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy and the Land Use Bylaw would see the creation of a new zoning classification (Tourist Commercial C6).

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

The chair was turned over to Deputy Mayor Norman.

13.4 Motion to Rescind – Amend Land Use Bylaw - Urban Chickens

It was moved by Mayor Clarke and seconded by Councillor Waterman:

That the motion made on October 27, 2015:

THAT the Council of the Region of Queens Municipality give notice of its intention to amend the Land Use Bylaw to allow for up to five (5) urban chickens in the Restricted Residential (R1), General Residential (R2), Mixed Use Rural Residential (R5) and Mixed Use Coastal Residential (R6) Zones, subject to special requirements;

AND THAT a public hearing be scheduled for November 24, 2015 in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 249 White Point Road, Liverpool, NS at 8:45 a.m.

Be rescinded and that the issue be referred back to staff for further consideration.

Mayor Clarke stated that in making the motion, he reviewed in detail the motion made on October 27, 2015 and feels that the intention was to liberalize, not further restrict the keeping of chickens and feels that the proposed amendments need to be revisited so as to reflect Council's intention.

Through discussions with Councillors, suggestions made for consideration when reviewing the bylaw include how to deal with, the age and gender of the chickens, lot sizes and the enforcement aspect.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

The chair was turned back to Mayor Clarke.

14.0 QUEENS PLACE EMERA CENTRE:

14.1 Fitness Centre 10 Punch Pass Cards

It was moved by Councillor Fancy and seconded by Councillor Fiske:

THAT the Council of the Region of Queens Municipality Council authorize the addition of a 10 visit punch card to the membership options for the Fitness Centre at Queens Place Emera Centre.

Steve Burns, Manager, QPEC, provided a brief outline of trialing a 10 punch pass card for the fitness centre and how this may positively influence shift workers, seasonal residents, students and people from the outer areas of Queens to use the facility and is common practice in other facilities.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

15.0 REPORTS

There were no reports to come before this meeting.

16.0 OTHER:

16.1 Liverpool Curling Club, Request for Assistance

Richard MacLellan, CAO, reviewed the background of the Liverpool Curling Club from their presentation in September 2015, assistance provided to them in past years and explained the various reasons why we are unable to grant this request.

17.0 IN-CAMERA ITEMS

It was moved by Councillor MacLeod and seconded by Councillor Fancy that the proceedings go "In-Camera" at 10:00 a.m. to discuss the following:

17.1 Contract Negotiations, MGA 22(2)e

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

It was moved by Councillor Inglis and seconded by Councillor Fralic that the proceedings come out of "In-Camera" at 10:10 a.m. to add the following item to the In-Camera agenda:

17.2 In-Camera, Acquisition, Sale, Lease of Municipal Property MGA 22(2)a

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

It was moved by Councillor Fralic and seconded by Councillor MacLeod that the proceedings go "In-Camera" at 10:11 a.m.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

It was moved by Councillor Fiske and seconded by Councillor Waterman that the proceedings come out of "In-Camera" at 11:00 a.m.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

18.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.



Mayor Christopher Clarke, Chair



April Whynot-Lohnes, Municipal Clerk



Christine Watson, Recording / Management Secretary

Date Approved: 