

**REGION OF QUEENS MUNICIPALITY
REGULAR COUNCIL
TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 2016
9:00 A.M.**

PRESENT: Mayor Christopher Clarke, Chair
Councillor Darlene Norman
Councillor Brian Fralic
Councillor Jack Fancy
Councillor Susan MacLeod
Councillor Raymond Fiske
Councillor Peter Waterman
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 8:58 a.m.

2.0 CHANGES / APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

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

Add: 3.1 Financial Legacy Funding Presentation to Liverpool Curling Club – M&M Meatshops 2014 Canadian Junior Curling Championship Host Committee – Donna Hatt

Add: 17.5 In-Camera, Personnel Matter, MGA 22(2)c

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

3.0 PRESENTATION(S):

3.1 Financial Legacy Funding Presentation to Liverpool Curling Club – M&M Meatshops 2014 Canadian Junior Curling Championship Host Committee – Donna Hatt

Donna Hatt and members from the M&M Meatshops 2014 Canadian Junior Curling Championship Host Committee were welcomed to Council. Ms. Hatt reviewed the events from the curling championship (copy attached to original set of Minutes) and presented a \$61,861.00 cheque to John Armstrong, President of the Liverpool Curling Club, as part of the financial legacy funding from the event.

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 the upcoming project at Port Mersey and its potential for employment for up to 40 people over the next two years.

He offered his opinion for Item 8.2 South Shore Regional Airport and urged Council to support in keeping the airport open.

David Dagley, 9 Meadow Pond Lane, Liverpool – Mr. Dagley enquired as to the number of people who expressed an interest in the vacant Mill Village School. Mayor Clarke indicated that one response was received.

He enquired to the condition of the clad boards on Town Hall, to which Mayor Clarke indicated that they were in poor condition and the repairs would be budgeted.

Mr. Dagley asked under Item 16.1 who the Community Developer would be. Richard MacLellan, CAO, said that it would be Heather Cook.

He offered his opinion on the closure of the airport and urged Council to support keeping it open.

Bill Cox, 121 Bog Road, White Point – Mr. Cox thanked the Region and Council for the support and participation for the New Year's Levee.

He congratulated the Curling Club on receiving the cheque from the 2014 Canadian Junior Curling Championship Host Committee.

He offered his opinion on the closure of the airport and urged Council to support keeping it open.

Glenn Parlee, Milton – Mr. Parlee, President of the South Shore Flying Club spoke in favor of keeping the South Shore Regional Airport open and expressed to Council that he felt negotiations in reaching a lease agreement could be accomplished. Mayor Clarke reviewed briefly the 3 outstanding items and indicated that negotiations have been ongoing for 18 months and would be discussed further under Item 8.2 on the agenda.

6.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

6.1 Council Minutes – December 15, 2015

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

THAT the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on December 15, 2015 be approved as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

7.0 DANGEROUS OR UNSIGHTLY PREMISES:

There were no issues to come before this meeting.

8.0 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:

8.1 Consumer and Trade Show Participation 2016

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

THAT the Council of the Region of Queens Municipality grants pre-budget approval for the Economic Development Department's participation in the Saltscapes East Coast Expo in Halifax, April 22 – 24, 2016 at a total cost of approximately \$2,300.00 from the Economic Diversification budget.

Jill Cruikshank, Director of Economic Development, stated that this pre-budget approval request is the same dollar amount as last year. The request is done prior to budget approval so that staff can begin to make preparations for participation in this event.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

8.2 South Shore Regional Airport

It was moved by Councillor Norman and seconded by Councillor Inglis:

THAT the Council of the Region of Queens Municipality takes no further action with regard to lease arrangements with the South Shore Flying Club;

AND further that notice be given that the South Shore Regional Airport will close in six (6) months' time.

Several Councillors expressed their opinions on why they would either support or not support the motion. The following points were made:

- continue with negotiations,
- what is usage of airport,
- need to consider future opportunities with potential growth at Port Mersey,
- Region not experts on airports, so flying community need to take lead,
- recreational flying not an economic driver,
- Yarmouth provides all services,
- money from Drag Racers Association never on the table by Region,
- continuation has impact on Staff resources
- spin offs to community from drag racing a positive,
- Region has not provided support to other private clubs (i.e. Curling Club),
- 18 months negotiating and still no resolve,
- still discussing same 3 items (termination, insurance, money from Drag Racers Association),
- if closed, other possible economic uses could be available.

MOTION DEFEATED 3 in favor and 5 against.

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:

There were no items to come before this meeting.

13.0 PLANNING:

13.1 Rezoning – 205 Waterloo Street, Liverpool

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

THAT the Council of the Region of Queens Municipality adopt a bylaw respecting the rezoning of properties identified as PID #70268016 and 70021712, and located at 205 Waterloo Street in Liverpool, from Restricted Residential (R1) to Multiple Unit Residential (R3).

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

13.2 Rezoning – Milford Street, Milton

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

THAT the Council of the Region of Queens Municipality adopt a bylaw respecting the rezoning of a portion of property identified as PID #70076625, and located at 40 Milford Street in Milton, from General Residential (R2) to Neighbourhood Commercial (C3).

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

13.3 Seniors Survey – Queens Care Society

Richard MacLellan, CAO, indicated that the Region will be working with the Queens Care Society and will assist in circulating the Seniors Survey by locating in community facilities, sending out electronically, and posting on our web site and through social media.

Councillor Fralic stated that the Society, is seeking 5 or 6 people in an area who could participate as service groups to help distribute and collect the surveys. If any Councillors know someone who may be interested in assisting, give him the information as he sits on the Board, and can do the follow-up.

COUNCIL RECESSED AT 10:29 A.M. FOR 10 MINUTES.

14.0 QUEENS PLACE EMERA CENTRE:

Councillor Fancy announced that the tickets for the February 12, 2016 David Dobson / Philp Harding concert in the Community Room at QPEC are 25% sold.

15.0 REPORTS

There were no reports to come before this meeting.

16.0 OTHER:

16.1 Programming Framework, Town Hall Arts & Cultural Centre

It was moved by Councillor Fralic and seconded by Councillor Norman:

THAT the Council of the Region of Queens Municipality approve the recommended framework included in this report to direct development of the 2016/2017 municipal budget and service delivery and provide the following specific direction:

- 1. That the Region of Queens Municipality give the Chief Administrative Officer the authority to temporarily suspend Policy 81, with respect to artists, allowing art shows or other cultural displays for calendar year 2016 to achieve higher space utilization on an ability to pay perspective; and**
- 2. It is recommended that the Region of Queens develop a Terms of Reference for a working group, facilitated by the Community Developer, with a mandate to collaborate to achieve shared success by increasing utilization of the facility.**

Jill Cruikshank, Director of Economic Development, and Norm Amirault, Director of Recreation and Community Facilities, gave a review of the Town Hall Arts & Cultural Centre framework for inclusion in the 2016/2017 budget. Some highlights were as follows:

- The fee schedule seems to be the challenge for usage; hence, recommendation to suspend Policy 81 for 2016, with respect to artists, to allow staff to utilize the space with perspective groups.
- The Region will work with and support the present tenants (Astor Theatre and First Nations) to achieve increased utilization.
- The building itself is considered a Heritage building and staff will be creating plaques and signage providing information to visitors. A community bulletin board and card pocket board for visitor information brochures will be installed in the lobby.
- Exterior building repairs are in place to replace or renew much of the exterior boards and cladding over the next three years. A roofing job is also required in the near future.

In response to Mayor Clarke's question on the community office lease, Mr. Amirault indicated that a lease is being worked out for the Privateer's group and other groups can sublease if needed.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

16.2 Strategic Priorities

It was moved by Councillor Norman and seconded by Councillor Fralic:

THAT Council of the Region of Queens Municipality approve the strategic priorities as outlined in Attachment B of this report.

Richard MacLellan, CAO, indicated that following the approval of the proposed strategic plan in October 2015, staff is now better able to measure performance and achievement of priorities.

Mr. MacLellan reviewed the strategic planning process and accomplishments completed in the last quarter, some of which include the opening of the North Queens Business Hub and the development of a Municipal Events Framework, acquisition of former Legion Lands as well as completion of the water and sewer phase to the start of the Markland system.

Mr. MacLellan also reviewed the recommended priorities for the next quarter; some of which include progressing the development of rural internet, develop a short term recreation strategy, options for the Courthouse property, Queens Skatepark and indoor community pool.

Councillors commented that they were pleased with the strategic priorities structure as everyone is aware of what Council and Staff are focusing on.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

16.3 Standing Committees – RCMP Budget Increase Notification

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

THAT the Council of the Region of Queens Municipality refer the RCMP Budget Increase Notification to an ad hoc committee of Council, to be recommended by the Nominating Committee, with direction to:

- 1. Examine the expenditure, service levels, monthly reports, agreements and contracts; and further,**
- 2. Report back to Council with findings and recommendations.**

Mayor Clarke stated that with the exception of the payment for the education tax, the RCMP is the single highest line item in the budget and policing services have not been reviewed for a number of years.

The Nominating Committee will meet before the next Council meeting and asked if anyone is interested in serving on the ad hoc committee to submit their names to him. Councillor Norman suggested that someone who understands the Justice and Social Services System be considered for the ad hoc committee as an advisory member.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

16.4 SNBRA Board – Representative

Mayor Clarke said a memo has been received from Cliff Drysdale, Southwest Nova Biosphere Reserve Association, seeking a replacement due to Councillor Norman's resignation as representative on the SNBRA Board of Directors.

Councillor Norman gave an overview of the functions and expectations of being an executive representative on the Board.

Mayor Clarke asked if any member of Council was interested and to advise him, as names will be taken to the Nominating Committee. Verification of the Boards' bylaw will be confirmed concerning representation.

17.0 IN-CAMERA ITEMS

It was moved by Councillor Fiske and seconded by Councillor Fralic that the proceedings go "In-Camera" at 11:27 a.m. to discuss the following:

- 17.1 Personnel Matter, MGA, 22(2)c
- 17.2 Contract Negotiations, MGA 22(2)e
- 17.3 Municipal Property, MGA 22(2)a
- 17.4 Contract Negotiations, MGA 22(2)e
- 17.5 Personnel Matter, MGA, 22(2)c

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

It was moved by Councillor Fiske and seconded by Councillor Waterman that the proceedings come out of "In-Camera" at 12:28 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

17.3 Mill Village Consolidate School

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

THAT Staff respond to the expression of interest to acquire the former Mill Village School by requesting that, on or before March 31, 2016, the community group:

- 1. Formalize the establishment of their not-for-profit organizational status; and**
- 2. Submit a formal offer of purchase of the former Mill Village School from which the Region can prepare an agreement of purchase and sale.**

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

17.5 Job Description – Manager, Finance & Information


It was moved by Councillor Inglis and seconded by Councillor Fralic:

THAT the Council of the Region of Queens Municipality approve the job description for a Manager, Finance & Information Systems.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

18.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:32 p.m.



Mayor Christopher Clarke, Chair



April Whynot-Lohnes, Municipal Clerk



Christine Watson, Recording / Management Secretary

Date Approved: 

WELCOME to Our House!



2014 Canadian
juniors
canadien Liverpool, N.S.

JANUARY 18-26, 2014
Liverpool Curling Club &
Queens Place Emera Centre





Economic Impact

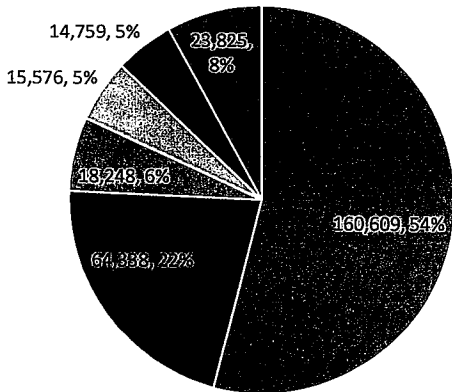
\$1.2 Million

\$708,000 within Liverpool

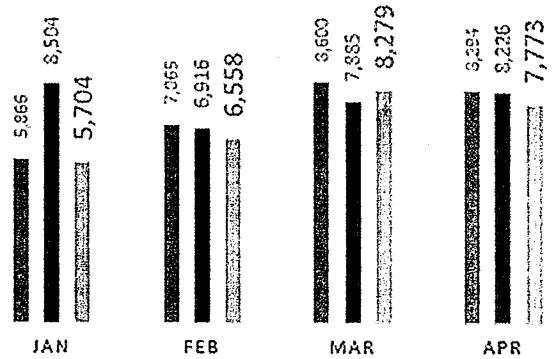
Visitor Spend
\$297,353

Party Size: 3.78 ppl

Avg Spend: \$795



- Accommodations
- Food & Beverage
- Recreation & Entertainment
- Event Clothing
- Shopping
- Vehicle



South Shore Room Nights Sold
2013, 2014, 2015



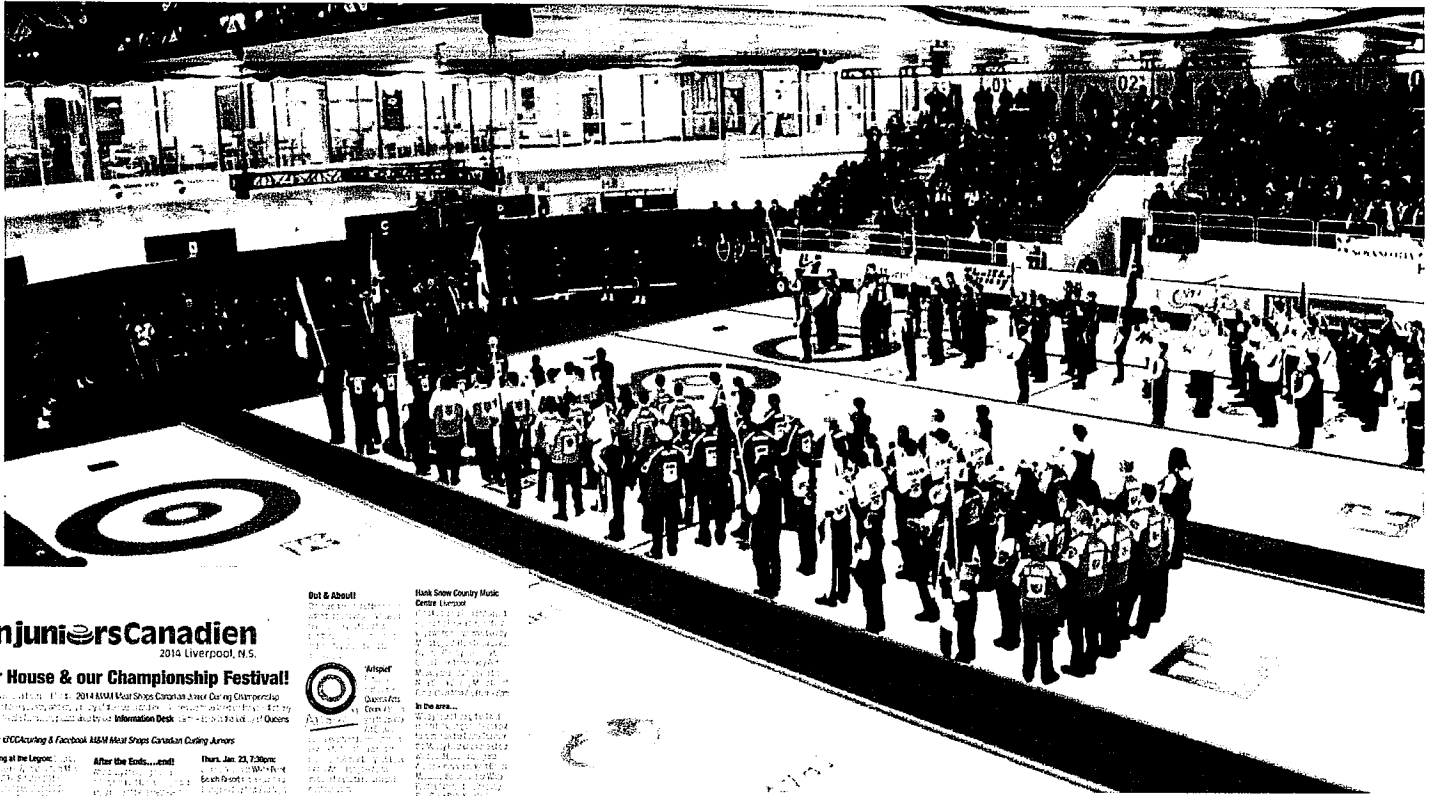
Visitor Origin
 Non NS: 45%
 Local: 28%
 Other NS: 12%

87% Stayed in Hotels

Wages/Salaries
 \$375,000 of which
 \$217,000 locally

Taxes	Taxes Collected	Investment
Federal	\$106,000	\$28,515
Provincial	\$114,000	\$75,000
Municipal	\$31,000	\$20,000
Totals	\$297,353	\$103,515





M&M
Canadian Juniors Canadian
 2014 Liverpool, N.S.

Welcome to our House & our Championship Festival!

2014 M&M Meat Shops Canadian Junior Curling Championship
 Welcome to our House & our Championship Festival! We are excited to host you in the beautiful town of Liverpool, N.S. For more information, please visit our website at www.mmmeatshops.com or call us at 1-800-363-3636. We look forward to seeing you in Liverpool, N.S. on Jan. 22-28, 2014.

Follow us on Twitter @CCCAcorging & Facebook M&M Meat Shops Canadian Curling Amers

- Dig In!**
 Curling Canada's new website is now live at www.curlingcanada.com. It features the latest news, results, and schedules for all levels of curling. We encourage you to visit the site regularly to stay up-to-date on the sport.
- CAA Calls for Level ERIC**
 The Canadian Amateur Curling Association (CAA) has called for a change in the rules regarding the use of electronic scoring devices (ERIC) in amateur curling. The CAA believes that the current rules are outdated and do not reflect the current state of the sport. They are seeking input from the curling community on how to best address this issue.
- Maritime Favorites Supper**
 The Maritime Curling Federation is hosting a special supper to celebrate the success of the 2014 M&M Meat Shops Canadian Junior Curling Championship. The supper will be held at the Liverpool Curling Club on Jan. 28, 2014. Tickets are available for purchase at the club.
- Doing it the Legacy**
 The 2014 M&M Meat Shops Canadian Junior Curling Championship is a testament to the legacy of curling in Canada. We are proud to host this event in Liverpool, N.S., a town with a rich curling history. We hope that this event will inspire the next generation of curlers to carry on the legacy.
- After the Ends...and!**
 The 2014 M&M Meat Shops Canadian Junior Curling Championship is a testament to the hard work and dedication of the curlers who participated. We are proud to have hosted this event and hope that it was a successful one for everyone involved.
- Thurs. Jan. 23, 2:30pm**
 2014 M&M Meat Shops Canadian Junior Curling Championship
 Curling Club of Liverpool
 Liverpool, N.S.
- Fri. Jan. 24**
 2014 M&M Meat Shops Canadian Junior Curling Championship
 Curling Club of Liverpool
 Liverpool, N.S.
- Sat. Jan. 18, 8:30pm**
 2014 M&M Meat Shops Canadian Junior Curling Championship
 Curling Club of Liverpool
 Liverpool, N.S.
- Sun. Jan. 19, 8pm**
 2014 M&M Meat Shops Canadian Junior Curling Championship
 Curling Club of Liverpool
 Liverpool, N.S.
- 2014 M&M Meat Shops Canadian Curling Amers Power Dinner 7:00pm**

Hot & About!
 The 2014 M&M Meat Shops Canadian Junior Curling Championship is a testament to the hard work and dedication of the curlers who participated. We are proud to have hosted this event and hope that it was a successful one for everyone involved.

Wipeout!
 The 2014 M&M Meat Shops Canadian Junior Curling Championship is a testament to the hard work and dedication of the curlers who participated. We are proud to have hosted this event and hope that it was a successful one for everyone involved.

Artisans Gallery (Older Living Centre at Gray's Home)
 The Artisans Gallery is a collection of artwork created by the residents of the Older Living Centre at Gray's Home. The gallery is open to the public and is a great way to see the talent of our residents.

2014 M&M Meat Shops Canadian Curling Amers Power Dinner 7:00pm

Hank Snow Country Music Centre Liverpool
 The Hank Snow Country Music Centre is a premier venue for country music performances. It is located in Liverpool, N.S. and is a great place to enjoy live music.

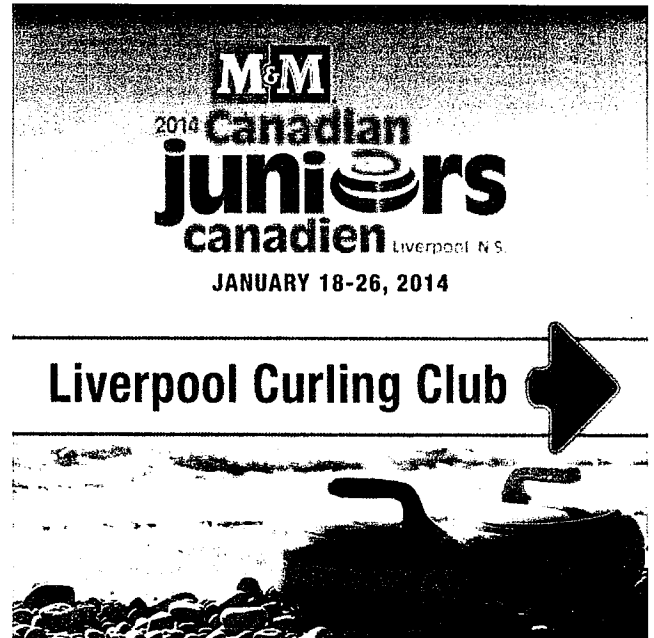
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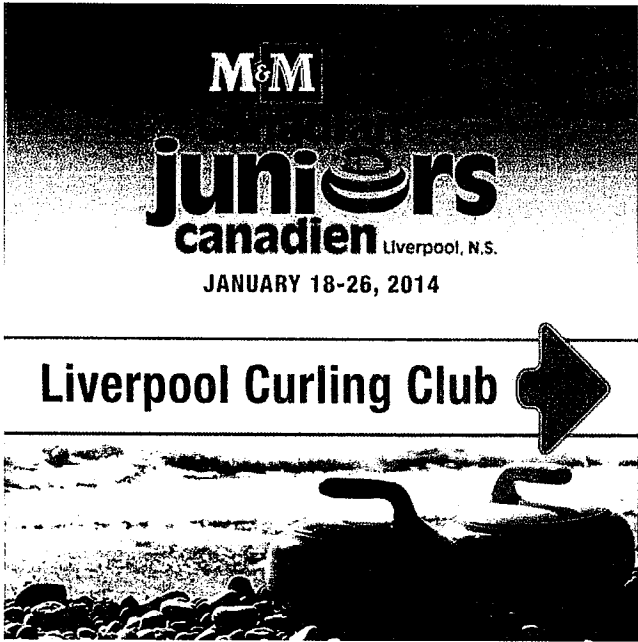


LEGACY

- Bleachers & Portable PA System
- LCC: Chiller, Washroom Enhancements, Food Sales, Rental
- QPEC: Rental, Exposure, Food Sales

Sponsorship Partners





LEGACY

GOAL	ACTUAL
\$10,700	\$61,861

Attachment B

**Region of Queens Municipality
Priorities Chart
Date: January 2016**

Council Priorities	
NOW:	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Economic Development: Rural Internet Project Development and Design 2. Economic Development: Main Street / Waterfront area revitalization project scope (January) 3. Recreation / QPEC: Development of a short term Recreation Strategy (March) 4. Planning: Courthouse Options and Recommendation (February) 5. Economic Development / Recreation: Capacity Building Town Hall Stakeholders Working Group 6. Engineering / Public Works: Design Project for SkatePark 7. Engineering / Public Works: Pool Facility Options and Recommendation 	
NEXT:	Advocacy Priorities:
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Seniors Housing 2. Heritage Programming 3. Aquaculture Strategy 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Perkins House recapitalization 2. Rural Internet solutions 3. Economic Development at Port Mersey 4. Hillsvie Acres renewal
Administrative Priorities	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Creating Organizational Capacity by developing team and municipal partnerships 2. Communication: Improving information flow within community and organization 	
CAO	Economic Development
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organizational Alignment and Training Plan (March) • Assess funding and partnership opportunities for Waste to Energy concepts (March) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Economic Development: Rural Internet Project Development and Design (March) • Economic Development: Main Street / Waterfront area revitalization project scope (January) • Economic Development / Recreation: Capacity Building Town Hall Stakeholders Working Group (February)
Finance & Municipal Clerk	Planning
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparation of 2016 budget and development of fiscal capacity (April) • Policy Manual Review (March) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Main Street / Waterfront Revitalization Project Scope (January) • Courthouse Options and Recommendation (February) • Seniors Housing Survey with Queens Care Society (March)
Engineering & Public Works	Recreation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stakepark Project (Design by March) • Pool Facility Options and Recommendation (February) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Canada 150 Committee establishment (November) • Development of a short term recreation strategy liaised with QPEC
Queens Emera Place & Hillsvie Acres	EMO & Fire Services
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community discussion • Canteen RFP • Facility Maintenance plan • Concert development • Development of a short term recreation strategy liaised with Recreation Department 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not identified