

**REGION OF QUEENS MUNICIPALITY  
REGULAR COUNCIL  
TUESDAY, JUNE 28, 2016  
9:00 a.m.**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Christopher Clarke, Chair  
Councillor Darlene Norman  
Councillor Bruce Inglis  
Councillor Brian Fralic  
Councillor Jack Fancy  
Councillor Susan MacLeod  
Councillor Raymond Fiske  
Councillor Peter Waterman  
Richard MacLellan, Chief Administrative Officer  
Jennifer Keating-Hubley, Director of Finance  
Christine Watson, Recording / Management Secretary

**1.0 CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Clarke called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

**2.0 CHANGES / APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

**It was moved by Councillor Inglis and seconded by Councillor Fiske that the Agenda be approved with the following addition:**

13.1 Road Renaming – Port Joli

**MOTION CARRIED unanimously.**

**3.0 PRESENTATION(S):**

3.1 Mayor Clark welcomed David Lohnes to council. Mr. Lohnes was presented with an award in recognition of 6 years of service as Fire Chief with the North Queens Fire Association.

Mayor Clarke stated that an award in recognition of 45 years of service as Fire Chief with the Charleston Fire Association will be given to Merrill Anthony at a future date.

3.2 Keith Milton – Liverpool to Summerville Trail

Keith Milton was welcomed to council to offer his opinion on the traffic on the Meadow Pond Trail and the issues he feels need to be addressed. He stated that he lives at 143 Bog Road in White Point. A copy of a map showing the areas in question was circulated to Councillors (copy attached to original set of Minutes).

Mr. Milton presented his concerns to council regarding access to Bog Road by Off Highway Vehicles.

He stated that the use of these vehicles is against the Highway Traffic Act as well as the OHV Act, and has been trying for years to have his concerns dealt with.

He further stated that he has contacted the RCMP about his concerns, but no tickets have been issued that he is aware of.

Mayor Clarke stated that the issue would be looked into and thanked Mr. Milton for attending.

**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 offered his opinion under Item 13.1 – Renaming Road – Port Joli stating that he was surprised to see this item on the agenda as the area has always been known as Robertson Hill. Conversations with Councillor Norman confirmed that his relatives who live in the area had given their approval for the name change.

He further stated that under Item 10.1 Federal Infrastructure Funding – Clean Water and Waste Water Fund on the agenda the date of submission for the application was due yesterday and asked if there would be any problems with submitting the application. Mayor Clarke stated that staff is aware of deadline. Application has been submitted; today's motion will follow as an attachment.

Mr. Robertson commented that at a previous council, a presentation was made by the Chamber of Commerce about a band stand being erected in the Privateer Park and asked if there had been any further discussions. Mayor Clarke stated that this had been discussed during prior budget deliberations, but the impediment is the cost of the structure.

David Dagley, 9 Meadow Pond Lane, Liverpool – Mr. Dagley stated that in walking down Union Street over the weekend, there was a strong smell of sewer which may be caused by a malfunction septic pump at the lower end of Union at Meadow Pond Brook and asked when it would be repaired. Mayor Clarke stated that the Region was unaware of this and staff would be investigating.

Mr. Dagley asked what the value is of the previous years' general operating surplus account to which Jennifer Keating-Hubley, Director of Finance, stated the accumulated balance forward going into yearend is approximately \$800-900 thousand. With the audit not yet complete, surplus for 2015/2016 is yet to be confirmed. Audit expected to be presented the first council in August.

He further offered his opinion under Item 16.1 – Queens County Museum – Grant Request, suggesting Councillors look at increasing the \$2,000 amount in the recommendation.

Kim Williams, Barss Street, Liverpool – Ms. Williams stated that she attended her first Privateers Days and thanked Councillors Fralic and MacLeod for their efforts and to everyone who helped.

Bill Cox, 121 Bog Road, White Point – Mr. Cox stated that he was pleased to see under Item 10.1 - Federal Infrastructure Funding – Clean Water and Waste Water Fund that the Region was applying for these funds and hoped that the application was successful.

He further offered his opinion under Item 16.1 - Queens County Museum – Grant Request, and hoped the recommendation would pass and gave his opinion on how the grant applications should be handled, and further stated that he did not like that the payment would be made through the operating reserves.

**6.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

6.1 Council Minutes – June 14, 2016

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

**THAT the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held June 14, 2016 be approved as circulated.**

**MOTION CARRIED unanimously.**

**7.0 DANGEROUS OR UNSIGHTLY PREMISES:**

There were no dangerous or unsightly premises presented at this meeting.

## 8.0 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:

### 8.1 Amended South Shore Regional Enterprise Network (REN) Agreement

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

**THAT the council of the Region of Queens Municipality approve the housekeeping amendments and revised inter-municipal agreement as per attachment one of this report.**

Mayor Clarke stated that the primary change includes the transfer of authority for the audit to the Board of Directors.

Councillor Inglis stated that he attended the annual REN meeting and explained that council representation on Board was part of the building process and would now be handed over to the business community. Mayor Clarke further explained the process for the creation of REN and that the inclusion of elected officials as part of the Board was for an interim period and stated that a motion would be brought forward for approval at a future council for removal from the Board.

**MOTION CARRIED unanimously.**

## 9.0 CORPORATE SERVICES:

Councillor Fiske stated that a meeting was held with the fire chiefs the first week of June where a number of items were discussed; in particular, the fire equipment and services audit which was held a couple years ago. Both the region and fire departments are working well together and issues are moving forward.

## 10.0 ENGINEERING AND WORKS:

### 10.1 Federal Infrastructure Funding – Clean Water and Waste Water Fund

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

**THAT the Region of Queens Municipality submit the proposed Brooklyn, Main Street and School Street sewer and water projects estimated at \$3,467,439 for cost shared funding under the Clean Water and Waste Water Fund.**

Brad Rowter, Director of Engineering and Works, provided background for the application process.

Eligible projects include water and sewer upgrades. Projects are 50% cost shared by the federal government, 25% by provincial government and 25% municipally.

Projects for consideration include Brooklyn, School Street and Main Street prioritized in that order for a total of \$3,467,439.

The Brooklyn sewer and water project will be the continuation of the current phase on Markland Street plus installation of a sewage pump station and 600 feet of sewer and water on Shore Road.

The School Street project will be a section from Main Street to the 4-way stop on Waterloo. This will include the installation of new sanitary sewer, storm sewer, water main, curb, gutter and sidewalk. This will enable immediate treatment of sewage from Queens General Hospital, RCMP Station, the Clinic and approximately 20 residential properties south of the 4-way stop. It will also enable future treatment of sewage from properties on the lower Waterloo Street area; a future project with a pumping station to pump the sewer back up to the 4-way stop area.

Currently these properties (Queens General Hospital, RCMP Station, etc.) have their sewage discharged to the harbor. Treatment is not possible as School Street lacks the piping necessary to convey the sewage to the treatment plant.

The third project would be Main Street. This would be a section from Reese Street to School Street, similar to the project completed couple years ago. This would see the replacement of sanitary sewer, force main, installation of storm sewer, water main, curb, gutter and sidewalk. Of special note, the piping in this area has been there since the century before last!

As part of the application process, we were required to undergo a cost analysis by an independent engineering consultant to show value for the money. The findings indicated a 40% cost savings by work undertaken by the Region with our own work forces.

Councillors pointed out the benefit of the many jobs provided to our community as well.

**MOTION CARRIED unanimously.**

#### **11.0 FINANCE**

There were no items to come before this meeting.

#### **12.0 RECREATION AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES:**

Norm Amirault, Director of Recreation and Community Services, provided a brief outline of Canada Day and the summer events scheduled for Queens County; some of which included:

- Milton Pool opening
- Babysitting Course in North Queens
- Art Classes at Town Hall Arts & Cultural Centre
- Tattoo Trip
- Family Beach Party – July 24 at Summerville Beach
- Circus for July 1 at QPEC
- Beach Boys Concert
- Seasonal Program Brochure – hope to expand for the fall edition

Councillor Norman noted the lack of emphasis on the QPEC and Region's websites concerning the Canada Day events scheduled for Queens.

Councillor Waterman announced that there will be Canada Day celebrations at the Caledonia Exhibition grounds and fireworks in the evening.

Councillor Fancy announced that there will be Milton Days celebrations in Milton on Friday with events happening in Tupper Park and events scheduled in the Milton hall for the children.

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

**THAT the Region of Queens salutes the outstanding efforts of the Chairs of the Privateer Days Festival Committee and the efforts of the volunteers that contributed to the outstanding event, adding special recognition to the South Shore Multicultural Society.**

**MOTION CARRIED unanimously.**

Councillor Fralic thanked council. He further stated that with the loss of the Multicultural Festival in Halifax that there would be potential to build on this event and continue to partner with them for future events.

### 13.0 PLANNING:

#### 13.1 Road Renaming – Port Joli

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

**THAT the Council of the Region of Queens Municipality recommends that a former section of Highway 103 in Port Joli, as shown on Schedule "A", be renamed Maple Hill Drive;**

**AND THAT the Nova Scotia Department of Transportation & Infrastructure Renewal make appropriate changes to reflect this road name, including the installation of new signage.**

Colin VanBuskirk, Planning / Development Technician, stated that the Region has been working with the Nova Scotia Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal regarding the realignment of the Highway 103 in the Port Joli area. This section of road is no longer part of Highway 103 and now requires renaming. Councillor Norman circulated a petition to the property owners on this road for their input, for which three proposed names were submitted.

The name choice of Maple Hill Drive is acceptable to the Municipality as no similar name exists.

In response to Councillor Waterman's enquiry, Mr. VanBuskirk confirmed that there will be civic address changes to the residents on this road.

**MOTION CARRIED unanimously.**

### 14.0 QUEENS PLACE EMERA CENTRE:

Councillor MacLeod enquired that following the Beach Boys concert Thursday, June 30<sup>th</sup>, if the RCMP could assist with vehicles exiting QPEC. Richard MacLellan, CAO, will make enquiry.

### 15.0 REPORTS

Items 15.1, 15.2, 15.3 and 15.4 were included in the agenda package as information:

- 15.1 Bylaw Enforcement Officer's Monthly Report – May 2016
- 15.2 Building Inspector's Monthly Report – May 2016
- 15.3 Town Hall Arts & Cultural Centre Monthly Report – May 2016
- 15.4 RMCP Monthly Report – May 2016

### 16.0 OTHER:

#### 16.1 Queens County Museum – Grant Request

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

**THAT the council of the Region of Queens Municipality approve a grant to the Queens County Museum of \$2,000.00 to be funded from previous years operating surplus.**

**MOTION CARRIED unanimously.**

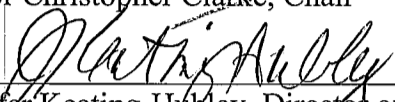
### 17.0 IN-CAMERA ITEMS

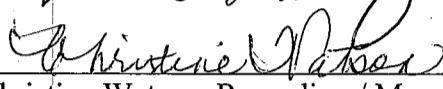
There were no items to come before this meeting.

**18.0 ADJOURNMENT**

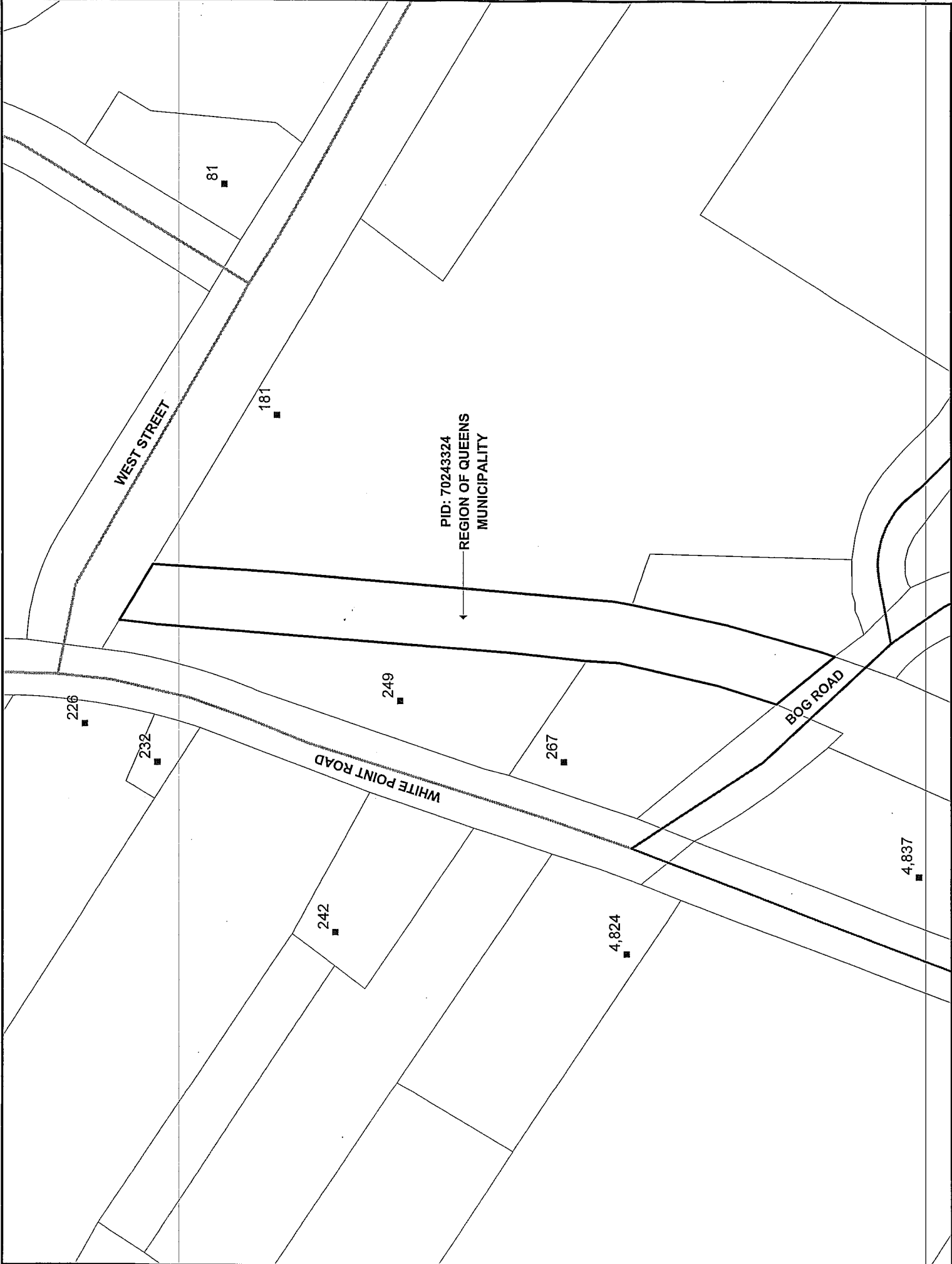
There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

  
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Mayor Christopher Clarke, Chair

  
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Jennifer Keating-Hubley, Director of Finance

  
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Christine Watson, Recording / Management Secretary

Date Approved: July 12, 2016



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MUNICIPALITY

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WHITE POINT ROAD

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BOG ROAD

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