

**TOWN OF HAMPTON
COUNCIL MEETING
July 10, 2012**

A closed session of Council was held immediately preceding the regular Council meeting, commencing at 6:00 p.m. A regular meeting of Council was held in the Council Chambers at 27 Centennial Road on July 12, 2012 commencing at 7:05 p.m.

ATTENDANCE:

Council: Mayor Ken Chorley Deputy Mayor Gary Crossman
Councillor Peter Behr Councillor Dwight Bond
Councillor Robert Doucet

Staff: Richard Malone, Town CAO
Megan O'Brien Harrison, Clerk/Development Officer

Media: Laura MacInnis, Kings County Record

Delegations: Sgt. Andy O'Connell – RCMP
Darrell and Pauline Ruttle – Concerns with Lighthouse Park
Frank Tenhave and Gary Rent – Enterprise Fundy

1. CLOSED SESSION

In accordance with Section 10.2(4) of the *Municipalities Act*, Mayor Chorley called the closed session to order at 6:00 p.m. and adjourned the closed session at 7:00 p.m. During that time, a number of issues were discussed and the confidential information from such discussions was classified as follows:

<u>Subsection of 10.4 (2)</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u># of Items</u>
a)	Confidential information protected by law	
b)	Personal information	1
c)	Financial loss or gain (individual or municipal) or could jeopardize negotiations leading to an agreement or contract	3
d)	Land transactions for a municipal purpose	
e)	Violates confidentiality of information obtained from other governments (Federal and/or Provincial)	
f)	Legal opinions or advice, and privileged communications	1
g)	Litigation or potential litigation	
h)	Access to/or security of particular buildings, other structures or systems	
i)	Information gathered by police	
j)	Labour/Employment matters	

2. REGULAR SESSION – PUBLIC COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Chorley called the Open Session to order at 7:05 p.m.

3. MOMENT OF SILENCE AND MOMENT OF REFLECTION

Deputy Mayor Crossman led Council in a moment of reflection.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Town Clerk announced that there were two additional agenda items for consideration:
Appointment to Health Care Committee
Acceptance of Resignation from PAC

Moved by Councillor Bond and seconded by Councillor Behr that item 14.3 *Appointment to Health Care Committee* and item 14.4 *Acceptance of Resignation from PAC* be added to the agenda.

Motion Carried

Moved by Councillor Behr and seconded by Deputy Mayor Crossman that the agenda of the July 10, 2012 Council meeting be approved with the two noted additions.

Motion Carried

5. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Councillors were asked to disclose any conflicts of interest as they arise.

6. PRESENTATIONS AND DELEGATIONS

6.1 Sgt. Andy O’Connell, Hampton RCMP

Sgt. O’Connell reviewed the RCMP report with Council. He noted that there were 100 calls for service in this period, compared to 112 in the same period last year. He stated that there were eight vehicle check stops with 700 vehicles checked. This resulted in 14 charges and 45 warnings issued. There were four school walkthroughs. Sgt. O’Connell noted that there was also four foot patrols conducted.

Council thanked the RCMP for their presence during the Canada Day ceremony.

6.2 Darrell and Pauline Ruttle re: concerns about Lighthouse Park

Darrell and Pauline Ruttle stated that they live at 12 St. James Street which is adjacent to the parking lot for the Boat Launch at the Lighthouse River Centre.

They are again asking Town Council to extend the chain link fence that separates their property from the parking lot. They would like the fence extended to the water because of the constant garbage being blown or thrown from users of the park onto their property. Many of the users of Lighthouse Park also have their dogs unleashed and the dogs frequently cross onto their property to do their business.

They felt that the “No Wake Buoys” were placed in the river to late in the season. They also felt there was no enforcement of the No Wake Area. This poses a risk to those in canoes and kayaks as well as swimmers.

There were requesting that boaters & their trailers park on only one side of St. James Street to eliminate bottle necks on the street.

They noted that the smoking of marijuana continues to be a problem in the parking lot. Late into the night, cars pull into the lot spinning their tires and play extremely loud music. They asked that the RCMP enforce the 10 pm curfew and that regular checks be made to the park.

They also asked for garbage cans to be placed in the trails along Spooner Island and at Clearwater Playground.

6.3 Frank Tenhave and Gary Rent, Enterprise Fundy

Frank Tenhave, executive director of Enterprise Fundy provided an overview of the Enterprise Fundy staff, services and projects to date. He noted that in the past 10 years they have offered more than 5,000 free counseling sessions resulting in 800 potential start ups. In the past year 28 businesses started up. They assist clients with developing business plans. In addition they have supported economic development opportunities in our region including the Maine East-West Trade Corridor,

Gary Rent stated that because of the ACOA announcement in May it can be reasonably assumed that most CEDAs will be shutting down/closing.

Gary Rent stated that Enterprise Fundy felt there were three possible scenarios regarding Economic Development in the province.

1. The Province and ACOA may decide that they can service rural New Brunswick with existing personnel. This may or may not include moving some civil servants out of Fredericton, but may also include centralizing services in the larger city centres. Enterprise Fundy felt this would mean no uniformity of service, no proactive identification and or championing economic opportunities for the Region. They felt this type of service would lack local accountability and that the rural business community would be a low priority.
2. The Province may decide to restructure economic development such that the regions being the five Can Stat Regions: Northwest, Central, Southwest, Southeast, and Northeast. The Fundy region would be split in two – with Kings County going with Saint John. This would be a possible hub and spoke service delivery model with no focus on rural businesses.
3. The Province may decide to reorganize regional economic development in line with the recommendations of the Regional Service Commissions. Enterprise Fundy felt that this service delivery model offers the best probability of maintaining satisfactory business services to rural areas.

Enterprise Fundy is asking Hampton to consider these three options and decide which service option would best meet the Town's economic development needs. They are asking if the Town of Hampton agrees with them that Option 3 is the best option that they wrote a letter of support to Premier David Alward, the Minister of Environment and Local Government and the Minister of Economic Development asking that economic development services be included in the new local governance model that is being implemented.

7. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

7.1 Minutes of June 12, 2012

Mayor Chorley asked Council if they have had a chance to review the minutes. He asked Council if there are any Errors or Omissions.

Moved by Councillor Behr and seconded by Deputy Mayor Crossman that the minutes of the June 12, 2012 Regular Council Meeting be adopted.

Motion Carried

8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

There was none.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

#	NAME	DESCRIPTON	Possible Actions
12-079	Alan Stephen, President & CEO Ambulance New Brunswick	Offer to make a presentation to Council about Ambulance New Brunswick including information on how the operate, the scope and capacity of their paramedics and flight nurses as well as statistics on our ambulance response times for our specific geographic region.	Moved by Councillor Doucet and seconded Councillor Behr by that correspondence #12-079 be referred to the Town Clerk to set up a presentation at the future Council Meeting and to invite the members of the Health Care Committee to attend. Motion Carried
12-080	Rob Moore, MP	Invitation to his annual Fundy Royal BBQ on Thursday, July 12 th , 4:30-6:30 p.m. at the Sussex and Area Seniors Centre	Moved by Councillor Bond and seconded by Councillor Doucet that if any member of Council wishes to attend then they inform the Town's Administrative Assistant so that she may confirm your attendance. Motion Carried
12-081	Peggy McCrea, Hampton Relay for Life Survivor Dinner Coordinator	Thank you card	Moved by Councillor Behr and seconded by Deputy Mayor Crossman that correspondence #12-081 be received and filed. Motion Carried
12-082	Garth and Helena Millar, Race Directors – Hampton Ladies Triathlon	Thank you letter	Moved by Deputy Mayor Crossman and seconded by Councillor Behr that correspondence #12-082 be received and filed. Motion Carried
12-083	Rebecca Churchill, 22 Victoria Street	Request for sponsorship to attend the Encounters in Canada Program	Moved by Councillor Behr and seconded by Councillor Bond that the Town of Hampton donate one hundred dollars to Rebecca Churchill for her participation to the Encounters in Canada program. Motion Carried

12-084	Chris Donovan, 115 Rockcliff Drive	Request for sponsorship to attend the Encounters in Canada Program	Moved by Deputy Mayor Bond and seconded by Councillor Behr that the Town of Hampton donate one hundred dollars to Chris Donovan for his participation to the Encounters in Canada program. Motion Carried
12-085	Darrell and Pauline Ruttle, 12 St. James Street	Concerns regarding Lighthouse Park	Moved by Councillor Bond and seconded by Deputy Mayor Crossman that correspondence #12-085 be referred to Staff for recommendation with the policing concerns being forwarded to the RCMP for immediate action. Motion Carried
12-086	Barb and Brock Reid, 1076 Main Street	Follow-up letter re: Deer	Council felt that it was not clear if the town had the authority to address the deer issues. They felt that the Reid's letter really captured the feelings of many residents. Councillor Doucet stated that the Regional Deer Committee would be meeting in the coming weeks and he would press the issue there. Moved by Councillor Doucet and seconded by Deputy Mayor Crossman that correspondence #12-086 be forwarded to the Regional Deer Committee with a request that their questions be answered directly by the Committee. Motion Carried

10. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS

Moved by Councillor Bond and seconded by that the Town of Hampton approve the General and Utilities Fund Paid Invoices from June 1 to June 30, 2012 for the amount of four hundred and forty-seven thousand seven hundred and ninety-five dollars and seven cents (\$447,795.07).

Motion Carried

11. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

11.1 Environment Committee

Council commended the work that Laurie Mills put into the recommendations from the Public Discussion Paper released by the New Brunswick Natural Gas Group.

Moved by Councillor Behr and seconded by Councillor Doucet that the Town of Hampton submit the feedback and recommendations presented by the Environment Committee to the Minister and to the chair of the committee for Citizen Engagement Tour for New Oil and Natural Gas Standards regarding the 116 recommendations from the Public Discussion Paper released by the New Brunswick Natural Gas Group and that the Town of Hampton re-submit the questions previously submitted stating that they are not fully addressed in the existing 116 recommendations.

Motion Carried

Moved by Councillor Behr and seconded by Deputy Mayor Crossman that due to the fact that Hampton residents rely on private wells for their potable drinking water supply, the Town of Hampton ask the Provincial Government for a moratorium on seismic testing and hydraulic fracturing for the exploration and production of Shale Gas within the municipal boundaries of Hampton until such time as the Town can be convinced that it can be done safely and properly, as recommended by the Environment Committee.

Motion Carried

11.2 Economic Development

Council noted that the new Town sign is installed at the intersection of the Hall Road and Main Street.

Moved by Councillor Bond and seconded by Councillor Doucet that the Town of Hampton send a letter to the Province of New Brunswick supporting the position of Enterprise Fundy that economic development services be included in the new local governance model (12 Regional Services Commissions) that is being implemented.

Motion Carried

11.3 Fire-Rescue

Council commended the Fire-Rescue Department on the excellent job they did discharging the fireworks on Canada Day.

11.4 RCMP

Council did not comment further on the RCMP report.

Moved by Councillor Behr and seconded by Deputy Mayor Crossman that the Town of Hampton accept the reports from the Environment, Economic Development, Fire-Rescue, and RCMP Committees as submitted.

Motion Carried

12. APPROVAL OF REPORTS

12.1 Building Inspector Report

Council was pleased that the amount of building permits was up significantly from this same period last year.

12.2 Dog Constable

Moved by Councillor Behr and seconded by Councillor Bond that the Town of Hampton fine Mike Holmes, 29 Dineen Crescent \$25 for allowing his dog to run at large and \$15 for a dog tag, as recommended by the Dog Constable.

Motion Carried

12.3 Tourism Manager

Council noted that there were many Lighthouse River Centre bookings for the month of June.

12.4 Financial Statements

No Motions

Moved by Councillor Bond and seconded by Councillor that the Town of Hampton approve the Building Inspector, Dog Constable Report, Tourism Manager, and Financial reports as presented.

Motion Carried

13. BY-LAWS

13.1 By-law to Amend Noise By-law

Moved by Councillor Doucet and seconded by Councillor Behr that the Town of Hampton accept the 3rd and final reading of by-law #199-12 A *By-law to Amend By-law #183-08 Respecting Disturbance by Noise.*

Motion Carried

14. NEW BUSINESS

14.1 Surplus Asset (Flub's old truck)

Moved by Councillor Bond and seconded by Deputy Mayor Crossman that the Town of Hampton declare Asset 542 to be surplus and direct Town Staff to sell it.

Motion Carried

14.2 Noise By-law Exemption

Deputy Mayor Crossman declared a conflict of interest and left of the meeting.

Moved by Councillor Behr and Councillor Bond that the Town of Hampton grant an exemption under the Noise By-law to Katie Crossman and Owen Brinson for the purpose of their wedding rehearsal party taking place at the residence of Marcia and Gary Crossman on July 19th at 8 pm until 1 am on July 20th conditional on the doors and windows closing at midnight.

Motion Carried

Moved by Councillor Behr and Councillor Doucet that the Town of Hampton grant an exemption under the Noise By-law to Katie Crossman and Owen Brinson for the purpose of their wedding reception taking place at the Hampton Seniors Resource Centre on July 21st at 5 pm until 1 am on July 22nd conditional on the doors and windows closing at midnight.

Motion Carried

Deputy Mayor Crossman returned to the meeting.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Crossman and seconded by Councillor Behr that the Town of Hampton grant an exemption under the Noise By-law to Stephen Goddard for the purpose of his wedding and reception taking place at the Lighthouse River Centre on July 28th at 6 pm until 1 am on July 29th conditional on the doors and windows closing at midnight.

Motion Carried

Moved by Councillor Doucet and seconded by Deputy Mayor Bond that the Town of Hampton grant an exemption under the Noise By-law to Laura McDermott for the purpose of her wedding taking place at the Lighthouse River Centre on August 4th at 2 pm until 1 am on August 5th conditional on the doors and windows closing at midnight.

Motion Carried

Moved by Councillor Bond and seconded by Councillor Behr that the Town of Hampton grant an exemption under the Noise By-law to Robyn Lingley for the purpose of her wedding reception taking place at the Lighthouse River Centre on August 10th at 6 pm until 1 am on August 11th conditional on the doors and windows closing at midnight.

Motion Carried

Moved by Councillor Behr and seconded by Deputy Mayor Crossman that the Town of Hampton grant an exemption under the Noise By-law to Stephen Brown for the purpose of his wedding reception taking place at the Lighthouse River Centre on August 11th at 6 pm until 1 am on August 12th conditional on the doors and windows closing at midnight.

Motion Carried

Moved by Deputy Mayor Crossman and seconded by Councillor Bond that the Town of Hampton grant an exemption under the Noise By-law to Sarah Hopkins for the purpose of her wedding taking place at the Lighthouse River Centre on August 31st at 6 pm until 1 am on September 1st conditional on the doors and windows closing at midnight.

Motion Carried

14.3 Appointment to Health Care Committee

Moved by Councillor Behr and seconded by Deputy Mayor Crossman that the Town of Hampton appoint Cathy Morrison to the Health Care Committee effective immediately.

Motion Carried

14.4 Acceptance of Resignation from PAC

Moved by Councillor Doucet and seconded by Deputy Mayor Crossman that the Town of Hampton accept the resignation of Andy Carson from the Planning Advisory Committee.

Motion Carried

15. OUTSTANDING ISSUES

There were none.

16. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting of Council was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Behr that the Town of Hampton adjourn the council meeting of July 12th, 2012.

Motion Carried