

MINUTES OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL MEETING
14 SEPTEMBER 2004

Present: Chairman Mayor John P. Prall
 Deputy Mayor Donald E. Clarke
 Councillor Gary W. Whittier
 Councillor J. Richard Horsburgh
 Councillor Murray Bezanson
 Ms. Linda Parker, Chief Administrative Officer
 Ms. Michelle Millett, Recording Secretary

In attendance: Mr. Jason Smith, Berwick Register
 Mr. Bruce Morse
 Mr. Robin Marshall, Kings CED

Absent: Councillor Michael E. Trinacty
 Councillor Danny Lecky

1. The Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

2. **Approval of the Agenda**

Mayor Prall welcomed members of the audience and invited Robin Marshall of the Kings Community Economic Development (KCED) to the table. The Agenda was approved as circulated with the additions of a presentation from the KCED and CUPE Collective Bargaining as item #7.

3. **Kings CED Presentation**

Mr. Robin Marshall distributed and reviewed his report (attached) that detailed the process available to offer support to the Avon Foods Steering Committee under the proposal developed by consultants. Next Mr. Marshall detailed the financial implications of Berwick rejoining the KCED and the penalty amount that he proposed be charged for re-entry.

Mayor Prall replied that the cost should be only \$6,250 for a prorated reentry into the organization and informed Mr. Marshall that the item would be discussed at the Mayor's and Warden's meeting to be held this week. Mr. Marshall relayed that a reentry penalty had been discussed by two of the three members of KCED with the third member not yet consulted by Mr. Marshall.

Mayor Prall reported on the Avon Foods Closing Steering Committee meeting held yesterday. He relayed that during the meeting discussion ensued as how the process should be organized to develop the proposed "industrial condominium". The Mayor reported that governance for the facility should be made up of a number of stakeholders, one of which would represent the Town of Berwick.

Mayor Prall thanked Mr. Marshall for his proposal and said that Berwick would discuss re-entry into the organization subject to the reworking of the financial terms.

IT WAS MOVED and seconded by Council to return as a paying member of the King Community Economic Development Agency subject to a review of the financial terms of the Reentry Agreement.

Motion Carried

4. Approval of the Previous Minutes

The minutes of 13 July 2004 were approved as circulated.

5. Recommendations from Committee of the Whole

Ms. Parker read the motions.

IT WAS MOVED and seconded to purchase two Phoenix Wailers using Town Reserve Funds at a price of \$5,502.00.

Motion Carried

IT WAS MOVED and seconded to approve the dates of Advance Polling Days for the 2004 Municipal Election as Saturday, October 9, 2004 and Tuesday, October 12, 2004.

Motion Carried

6. Recommendations from Other Committees

(a) Recommendation from Planning Advisory Committee

Ms. Parker read the motion.

IT WAS MOVED and seconded that Council hold a Public Participation Meeting and Hearing to consider approval for the rezoning of the W.O. Easson property know as the future Apple Dome site from residential single dwelling to parks and recreation O2.

Motion Carried

Ms. Parker relayed the dates of Public Participation Meeting on the evening of September 28, 2004 prior to Committee of the Whole and the Public Hearing on October 12, 2004 prior to the Council meeting.

7. Business Arising

(a) CUPE Contract Ratification

Ms. Parker discussed the tentative agreement reached by both bargaining units that arrived at a three year contract following a day and a half of negotiations. She noted that there were no other changes to the agreement other than wage increases of 1.5%, 2.0% and 2.0% over the next three years. Ms. Parker also noted that Mr. Bill McLellan had resigned during the period of negotiations.

IT WAS MOVED and seconded that Council ratify the attached tentative agreement with CUPE Local 2618-03.

Motion Carried

8. Next Meeting Date

The next meeting of Council would be held the 12 October, 2004.

9. Hearing of no further business the Chairman adjourned the Council meeting at 7:06 p.m.

John P. Prall
Chairman

Michelle Millett
Recording Secretary