

Town of Berwick

Regular Council Meeting- Minutes of the Meeting

October 8, 2019 6:30pm

Attendance

In attendance	Don Clarke, Mayor	Chair
	Deputy Mayor Jane Bustin	
	Anna Ashford-Morton	
	Mike Trinacty	
Councillors	Rod Reeves	
	Ty Walsh	
	Barry Corbin	
	Mike Payne, CAO	
	Jerry Wood, Finance Director	
	Debbie Elliott, Director of Community Development & Recreation	
	Chantal Pineo, Executive Coordinator	
Present:	Don Regan, BEC Utility Manager	
	Pat Jodrie	

1. Call to Order

The Council Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.

2. Approval of Previous Minutes

The previous Council Minutes were approved by motion of Council.

3. Approval of the Agenda

The Agenda was approved as circulated with the following additions:

- PAC Report
- Consolidated Financial Statements

- TBR for Fire Truck
- RCMP Update

4. Presentation: Regional Enterprise Network

Jennifer Tufts offered an update on the Valley REN discussing items such as the 3 year strategic framework, 2018-19 achievements and activities.

5. COTW Report to Council

IT WAS MOVED and seconded

THAT

Municipal Council adopt the Kings REMO Emergency Management Support Plans – Heat Advisory and Response System (HARS) and Hurricane Preparedness and Response Plan (HPRP), dated June 2019

MOTION CARRIED

IT WAS MOVED and seconded

THAT

Council approve the Temporary Borrowing Resolution 19/20-01 in the amount of \$77,000 for the paving of the Town Hall back parking lot.

MOTION CARRIED

IT WAS MOVED and seconded

THAT

Council write-off the outstanding balance of \$23,046.38 tax account AAN02387867 named Alta G. Taylor.

DEFERRED

IT WAS MOVED and seconded

THAT

Without intending, in any way, to release or otherwise limit the liability or responsibility of any one or more current or former parties of VWRM to contribute to or guarantee the accrued indebtedness of VWRM, Council guarantees...

The Valley Region Solid Waste-Resource Management Authority Guarantee Resolution in the amount of \$4,307.00.

AND

The Valley Region Solid Waste-Resource Management Authority Guarantee Resolution in the amount of \$524.00.

MOTION CARRIED

6. New Business

a. Volunteer Recognition at Town of Berwick Open House

During the In Camera session, staff will suggest some names who they feel should be recognized as honourable mentions at the Open House in December. Discussion at that time may also ensue with regard to Volunteers who should be recognized.

Mayor Clarke suggested striking a committee to deal with these recognitions.

7. Ongoing Business:

a. Town of Berwick Climate Crisis Statement

IT WAS MOVED and seconded

THAT

Council acknowledges and recognizes on behalf of its residents that a climate emergency is real and must be addressed and the Town of Berwick will take all reasonable steps within its ability and resources, to reduce our carbon footprint.

MOTION CARRIED

b. Audited Statements

IT WAS MOVED and seconded

THAT

Council approve the Town of Berwick Consolidated Financial Statements for 2018-19 as prepared by Morse Brewster Lake

MOTION CARRIED

c. TBR Fire Truck

IT WAS MOVED and seconded

THAT

Council approve a Temporary Borrowing Resolution, 2019/20-02 in the amount of \$205,000 for its cost share of a 2019 E-One Typhoon Fire Truck that was approved by Council on or about June 27, 2018.

MOTION CARRIED

d. PAC Report – Development Agreement – 4342 Highway No. 1 South Berwick

IT WAS MOVED and seconded

THAT

Council direct staff to prepare a written submission to the UARB reiterating the importance of land use control in the interest of groundwater protection.

MOTION CARRIED

e. RCMP Update

Council has been sent a September RCMP Report from Sgt. Ryan Kelly. Sgt. Kelly is unable to attend Council meetings on Tuesday's and has submitted this for Council information and review.

8. Mayors Update

Mayor Clarke gave an update as to the many events and meetings he has attended such as:

Valley REN Bd Meetings

NSFM Resolutions Meeting (Mayor Clarke has a copy of same for anyone wanting to review this)

PAC, Audit Advisory Committee and Housing Meetings

Upcoming:

BEC Meeting – October 9th

Housing Meeting – October 17th

Harley Lawrence Memorial October 20th at 2pm

REMO Advisory Meeting October 21st

9. In Camera Session (Legal, Personnel and Property)

The regular Council meeting entered into an In Camera Session at 8:32pm and returned to regular Council at 9:10pm with the following motions:

IT WAS MOVED and seconded

THAT

Council accept the bid of Alexandra Chapman of \$1000.00 for the purchase of property PID 55244610, 146 South Street, Berwick NS.

MOTION CARRIED

IT WAS MOVED and seconded

THAT

Council table the discussion to write off the outstanding tax account AAN02387867 balance of \$23,046.38 for 146 South Street, Berwick NS.

MOTION CARRIED

10. Adjournment

The Council Meeting adjourned at 9:16pm.