

The regular monthly meeting of the Georgetown Town Council was held in the Council Chambers on 3/21/2011, at 7:00 p.m.

Council Attendance: Mayor Lewis Lavandier

Councillor Allan Gallant Councillor Michael Gallant Councillor Ronnie Gallant Deputy Mayor Wade Williams

Regrets: Councillor Faye McQuillan

Councillor Craig Murphy

# MINUTES GEORGETOWN TOWN COUNCIL

Monday, March 21, 2011

Mayor Lewis Lavandier Deputy Mayor Wade Williams Councillor Allan Gallant Councillor Michael Gallant Councillor Ronnie Gallant Councillor Faye McQuillan Councillor Craig Murphy CAO Tonya Cameron

#### 1.0 Call to Order

Mayor Lewis Lavandier called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**2.0** Approval of Agenda: 3/21/2011

Moved for approval by Councillor M. Gallant. Seconded by Councillor W. Williams. Motion Carried.

2.1 Additions to Agenda

Nil

2.2 Conflict of Interest Provision

Part V1, Section 23 of the *PEI Municipalities Act*, which maintains that no member of Council shall derive any profit or financial advantage from his/her position as a member of Council and, where a member of Council has any pecuniary interest in or is affected by any matter before the Council, shall declare his/her interest therein and abstain from voting and discussion thereon.

2.3 Declaration – None.

#### 3.0 Business/Presentations from the Floor:

3.1 None.



# 4.0 Minutes

Council Meeting: February 22, 2011 Regular Meeting and business thereof:

4.1 Adoption of February 22, 2011 Regular Meeting Moved for adoption by Councillor M. Gallant with corrections to dates as noted.

Seconded by Councillor A. Gallant. Motion Carried.

4.2 Business from Town Council Minutes.



 Moved by Councillor A. Gallant and seconded by Councillor M. Gallant to proclaim May 29 the day of the honeybee in Georgetown. Motion Carried.

Council directed Chief Administrative Officer to send a letter to the Georgetown School advising them of May 29<sup>th</sup> being the day of the honeybee in Georgetown.

- 5.0 Financial Statements (Unaudited)
  - 5.1 General Operating Account-to March 1, 2011 Moved for approval as presented by A. Gallant Seconded by Councillor R. Gallant. Motion Carried.
  - 5.2 Sewer Corporation-to March 1, 2011Moved for approval as presented by A. Gallant,Seconded by Councillor R. Gallant. Motion Carried.
- 6.0 Outstanding Expenditures (preliminary & supplementary list)
  - Moved by Councillor M. Gallant for approval to pay all outstanding expenditures as presented and as funds become available, seconded by Councillor W. Williams. Motion Carried.
- 7.0 List of Correspondence February 23 to March 21, 2011:
  - 7.1 Terry Parker: Re: Request for Land Conveyance; Action Required.
    - Moved by Councillor M. Gallant that the Town of Georgetown honour the request of Terry Parker for the conveyance of certain parcels of the former CNRL corridor and also that the GADC be given the same opportunity for that request. All expenses to be paid by Terry Parker and/or the GADC for their said transferences. That the Government of Prince Edward Island be notified of our intent to transfer those portions of the former CNRL corridor of both Terry Parker and/or the Georgetown and Area Development Corporation for their inquiries. Finally, that Mayor Lavandier and the Administrator be given the authority for negotiations for the final conveyance, seconded by Councillor W. Williams. Motion Carried.

Councillor M. Gallant noted that this conveyance as presented to the planning committee by Terry Parker and his surveyor will not interfere with our storm sewer outfalls.

- 7.2 <u>The Royal Commonwealth Society of PEI</u>: Re: Invitation to its Commonwealth Day Celebration; **No Action Required.**
- 7.3 CulturePEI: Re: Invitation to information session; No Action Required.

- 7.4 Health PEI: Re; Invitation to Health Expo; No Action Required.
- 7.5 <u>Minister of Finance & Municipal Affairs</u>: Re: Correspondence confirming municipal funding for 2011; **No Action Required.**
- 7.6 <u>Taxation and Property Records</u>: Re: Commercial and non-commercial assessment totals for 2011; **No Action Required.**
- 7.7 PEI Senior Citizens Federation Inc.: Re: New Horizons for Seniors Program Information Sessions; Tonya Cameron, C.A.O. is planning on attending this with Lisa MacKenzie, Administrative Assistant and closing the office for the afternoon. Administrator to invite Councilor F. McQuillan to attend.

# 8.0 Committee Reports

**8.1** Finance, Government Relations -Mayor Lewis Lavandier, Chair: Mayor Lavandier submitted the following written report:

Monthly Report for March 21, 2011:

The public meeting held on March 14th regarding the Sewer Utility proposed rate increases turned out to be a pleasant surprise as we received very positive feedback from the public. This tells us that our residents understand that this increase was necessary to bring our Sewer Utility up to the Province's environmental standards. The residents in attendance advised that they understood the reasons for the increase. One resident remarked that he thought council was doing a great job of improving our waterfront, as well as trying to make Georgetown a place where people want to live and enjoy what we have to offer. It is very gratifying to see that the residents appreciate what we are trying to accomplish, this makes us want to work even harder to try to make our Town the best it can be.

I attended the Ceilidhs held at the Theatre for the last couple of weeks and I was thrilled to see the number of people coming from Charlottetown and Souris and all the places in between. This is great for the Town as it will give people a chance to see our theatre, and with the help of the Ceilidh girls - Faye, Cathy, Jeanie and Doreen, give people a dose of Georgetown hospitality. Also I would like to thank Theatre Board members Gayle Llewellyn and Kelly Gray for the great job they did with providing lunch, decorating and cleaning the theatre for the Ceilidhs. Great job girls!

Motion(s):

Request to Council to have Joe Clory construct some ramps for the Skate Board Park for the kids as soon as funds become available.

 Moved by Councillor A. Gallant to have Joe Clory construct some ramps for the Skate Board Park for the Town, seconded by Councillor R. Gallant. Motion Carried.

> Respectfully Submitted, Lewis Lavandier, Mayor

 Moved by Councillor A. Gallant to adopt Mayor Lavandier's report as read, seconded by Councillor M. Gallant. Motion Carried.

General discussion and agreement of Council to ask Joseph Clory if he would like to come back early for the 1<sup>st</sup> of May to start work on the skateboard park and begin fixing the train.

8.2 Public Works, Property, Main Street Programs, Sewer & Water Utilities-Councillor Williams & Community Heritage and Beautification, Committee Chair:

Councillor Wade Williams submitted the following written report:

I would like to thank Mayor, Council and Staff for your concern and support for me with my recent health issues. I would like to thank Mayor Lavandier for his encouraging chats and great support. Thanks to the community for their prayers and kind words and support also. I just wanted to convey that to the residents and to the people I just mentioned.

# Public Works Properties and Utilities:

Winter has ended and now spring clean up comes. So far the streets have not broken up as much, we hope that this continues. Plow damage will be completed as soon as the weather warms up. The storm water management plan has been presented to Council. I guess number one priority would be the intersection between Richmond Street and Victoria Street for storm water management. I passed out a separate sheet to Council on this area's proposed work. There may be three parts to this. ADI has been given the pipe sizes for this area. We are awaiting the costs for this area. The dollar cost will determine what will need to be done. I have contacted the contractor for a quote and I have contacted the Province, I may be sending a letter in to them because this is a designated street. Maybe the Province will be willing to do some of the cross pipes as well. I had to dig up a bunch of culverts that were blocked and damaged this winter, so I guess right now that is the priority.

## Community Heritage and Beautification:

Looking at a few things for the gardens. Long term I would like to see a landscape architect come in and develop a plan for the gardens. The AA Macdonald Memorial Gardens has the potential to be a major draw to this area. If and when the Breedon Property sells this could make this very possible. Plan to expand more heritage pictures as part of the walking trail, 6 to 12 pictures will be the goal this year.

Motion(s) from Report:

Councillor Wade Williams presented the final draft of the Storm Water Management Plan to Mayor and Council.

 Moved by Councillor Wade Williams, that the Town of Georgetown Storm Water Management Plan as prepared by ADI Limited and as presented at the March 21, 2011 Town Council meeting be hereby adopted, and seconded by Councillor M. Gallant, Chair of the Planning Committee. Motion Carried.

> Respectfully Submitted, Wade Williams, Councillor

General discussion regarding a couple of the boards and spikes on the West Street Beach Boardwalk that need to be repaired as soon as Joe Clory returns to work.

General discussion regarding the water issues on Durham Street. Unfortunately, this is not one of the areas that need immediate attention as have been pointed out in the Storm Water Management Plan. Council will do their best to work with the most immediate parts of the plan to the best of their ability and as funds are available.

- Moved by Councillor M. Gallant to adopt Councillor W. Williams report as read, seconded by Councillor A. Gallant. Motion Carried.
  - 8.3 Community & Media Relations and Seniors Affairs: Councillor McQuillan, Committee Chair:

Councillor McQuillan sent her regrets and submitted the following report:

Councillor's Report for March 21, 2011 read aloud by Tonya Cameron, CAO.

<u>Seniors</u>: Our LEAP program is coming to a close this week. Closing date is March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7 p.m. in the Complex B senior room. Everyone is welcome to come out and see what a great job the seniors did with the

painting class. They are showing their work that evening and are very excited to have their family and friends come out and see what a great job they did.

<u>Special Events:</u> My summer days committee are planning on meeting this week to start plans for this summer as well as our celebration in 2012. Sid McMullin is offering his expertise in both categories. He is going to come to both meetings. We are looking forward to working with Sid.

Respectfully submitted, Faye McQuillan, Councillor

- Moved by Councillor A. Gallant to adopt Councillor F. McQuillan's report as read aloud by CAO, seconded by Councillor M. Gallant. Motion Carried.
  - 8.4 Civic Centre & Georgetown Volunteer Fire Department, Committee Chair Councillor Ronnie Gallant: Councillor Ronnie Gallant gave the following written reports:

## Fire Department Report

(Report prepared by Fire Chief Mark Gotell, read and submitted by Councillor Ronnie Gallant)



Fire	EMS	MVA	Forestry	Training	Meetings
Calls	Calls	Calls	Calls		
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The Fire Department at our February monthly meeting has agreed to let the Georgetown Lions Club use our meeting room for their monthly meeting now that Seafood 2000 has purchased Maclans (former Lions Club). The Fire Department has recently submitted its 2011 budget we feel the budget is fair with some minor increases where necessary, we look forward to council's support on budget night.

I recently received an email from the Kensington Fire Department who is in the process of donating a surplus Fire Truck to Manitoba First Nations; (Article in Friday's Guardian) they are looking for any Island Department who may have surplus equipment to donate to this cause. We have recently replaced all our Fire Helmets with new Helmets last year, we have a surplus of about 20 Helmets that will never be back in service in Georgetown as well we received a donation of some fire hose about 2 years ago that is no good to us because of the fittings are different than what we use, it would not be feasible to replace the fittings and this hose is just sitting in the back room. With council's support I would like to offer these items to Kensington to send along with the truck to Manitoba First Nations these Items are just taking up room in our hall and will never be put into service in our Department.

Yours in Fire Safety Mark G. Gotell, Fire Chief

<u>Fire Department:</u> Councillor Ronnie Gallant submitted the following written report:

The Fire Department had some work done to their doors. The doors were adjusted and new weather stripping was installed.

<u>Civic Centre:</u> The Civic Centre will be having some work done. The Council Chambers will be painted.

Motion(s) from Report:

 Moved by Councillor R. Gallant to send a letter to the Minister of Transportation to have salt put on Kent Street and Water Street next winter, as well as have the snow plow service reinstated, because the snow plow contracts are up this fall and it would be a good chance to get the snow plow contacts reinstated for the Town, seconded by Councillor W. Williams. Motion Carried.

General agreement of Council to support the Georgetown Volunteer Fire Department to donate its surplus equipment as requested.

General agreement of Council to support the Fire Chief's letter to CBC Compass requesting them have Georgetown, being the Capital of King's County being represented on their weather map during their nightly Compass Broadcast.

Respectfully submitted by Ronald Gallant, Councillor

- Moved by Councillor M. Gallant to adopt Councillor R. Gallant's report as read, seconded by Councillor A. Gallant. Motion Carried.
  - 8.5 Planning & Community Development, Friends of Georgetown School Parent Group and King's Playhouse, Councillor Michael Gallant Committee Chair: Councillor M. Gallant submitted the following written reports:

#### Planning:

Received application from Clinton & Ruth Chiasson to install swimming pool-also to move shed form present property to adjacent property of #171389-no problem with location of swimming pool, however there may be difficulty with moving shed on vacant lot...will seek Council's input before signing permit.

Request to Council to grant authority to myself to grant the Chiasson's the necessary variances required to place all the proposed construction on the present property, and that unfortunately we cannot grant the request to place the other accessory building on a vacant lot at this time.

Requesting authority to grant the necessary variances to the GADC to make the retail outlet project happen. That the permit be approved as we receive after we receive the necessary approval from the fire marshall's office. Will be speaking to Chairman Lavers re: proposed building on Kent Street. Will need council approval for various variances.

#### MOTIONS FROM REPORT:

- Moved by Councillor M. Gallant that Council grants authority to Councilor M. Gallant to contact make the necessary variances required to place all the proposed construction on the present property, and that unfortunately we cannot grant the request to place the other accessory building on a vacant lot at this time, seconded by Councillor A. Gallant. Motion Carried.
- Moved by Councillor M. Gallant that Council grants authority to Councillor M. Gallant to grant the necessary variances for the GADC's proposed retail outlet development. Also, that the permit be approved as soon as we receive the necessary approval from the Provincial Fire Marshall's office, seconded by Councillor A. Gallant. Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted, Michael Gallant, Councillor

- Moved by Councillor M. Gallant to adopt his own report as read, seconded by Councillor A. Gallant. Motion Carried.
  - 8.6 Three Rivers Sportsplex and Youth & Recreation: Councillor Craig Murphy, Committee Chair. Councillor Murphy sent his regrets and submitted the following written report, report read aloud by Tonya Cameron, C.A.O.:

## Youth & Recreation (March 2011)

I have spoken to the Mayor about making some arrangements to move forward with construction of some skateboard ramps for the kids to utilize.

Baseball season is quickly approaching and there will be a mail out in the near future to get a feeling on interest and number of children interested.

## Three Rivers Sportsplex (March 2011)

The rink is coming to a close for yet another successful year with hosting the Bantam "AA" Provincial Tournament this coming weekend of March 25th - 27<sup>th</sup>. Come on out and watch some of the best minor hockey on the Island.

I met with a 2nd refrigeration specialist to discuss the work involved with upgrading the existing ice plant from R-22 to an ammonia system.

We have allotted some funding for upgrades to the ice plant in the proposed budget but I am not quite sure of how much will be required to finance this venture. I have not received any estimates to date and am expecting them any day now, but fear they may not be here in time for the presentation of the budget.

Respectfully submitted, Craig Murphy, Councillor

- Moved by Councillor A. Gallant to adopt Councillor C. Murphy's report as read aloud by CAO, seconded by Councillor M. Gallant. Motion Carried.
  - 8.7 Finance and Georgetown & Area Development Corporation: Councillor Allan Gallant, Committee Chair

Councillor A. Gallant submitted the following verbal reports:

<u>Finance Committee</u>: The Budget is coming down next week on March 28, 2011.

<u>F.P.E.I.M.</u>: FPEIM had a meeting last week, I had conflicting meeting time with the Environmental Council and I attended to the Environmental Council meeting.

GADC: Once all the permits are in place, they are ready to start the project next door.

Respectfully submitted, Allan Gallant, Councillor

 Moved by Councillor A. Gallant to adopt his report as read, seconded by Councillor M. Gallant. Motion Carried.

Mayor Lavandier congratulated Councillor A. Gallant on his appointment to the Green Committee.

8.8 Administrator's Report: Tonya Cameron, Chief Administrative Officer:

Tonya Cameron, CAO gave the following report:

<u>Year End Financials:</u> I would ask Council to consider a motion to accept our year end quote of \$2,500 plus taxes by our accountants, MacPherson, Roche, Smith & Associates to proceed with the MFIR and AER Reports for 2010.

 Moved by Councillor M. Gallant, seconded by Councillor M. Gallant to accept the quote from MacPherson Roche Smith to prepare our MFIR and AER reports for 2010 year end. Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted, Tonya Cameron, C.A.O.

 Moved by Councillor A. Gallant to adopt CAO's report as read, seconded by Councillor W. Williams. Motion Carried.

#### 9.0 New Business:

- **9.1** General discussion of Council regarding process of burning permits from the Fire Marshall's Office, as burning is not permitted in the Town.
- **9.2** Banking Resolution re: Sewer Lagoon Phase II. Resolution submitted by Councillor Wade Williams, Chair of the Georgetown Sewer Corporation, seconded by Councillor M. Gallant. Motion Carried.

Town of Georgetown

#### **RESOLUTION II - SEWAGE LAGOON UPGRADES PHASE 2:**

Whereas the Town of Georgetown has been successful in being approved a funding extension and additional funding under the Municipal Rural Infrastructure Fund (MRIF) for the total amount of \$598,926 as confirmed by correspondence dated December 23, 2010 and Amending Agreement signed by Minister Ron MacKinley. These amendments are to the original Project Funding Agreement dated October 18, 2006. Funding agreement and amendment agreement are for lagoon upgrades – Phase II, Project #15645 and now include sludge removal to the sanitary sewage lagoon system; and

Whereas the cost of the project shall be shared by the three levels of government as follows: Federal Government \$199,642; Provincial Government \$199,642; and Town of Georgetown \$199,642; and

Whereas the Town has to cover the full cost of the work and be reimbursed by the other levels of government upon completion of said project; and

**Whereas** the Town wishes to progress on the project as quickly as possible;

Therefore Be It Resolved that the Town of Georgetown approach the Bank of Nova Scotia to secure a loan in the amount of Five Hundred Ninety-eight Thousand, Nine Hundred Twenty-six (\$598,926.00) Dollars, to do the aforementioned work to the Town's sanitary sewage lagoon and sludge removal; and negotiate such terms and conditions for the loan repayment;

**Be It Further Resolved** that ADI Limited, an engineering firm located at 590 North River Road of Charlottetown PEI; be continued to be retained as the project manager of said project; and further work as required with the sludge removal; and

**Be It Further Resolved** that the Town of Georgetown notify the other funding partners of the expected implementation of the project in a quick and timely manner.

**Approved by Georgetown Town Council** this 21st day of March, 2011 and the signatures of the duly authorized officials and the Town Seal affixed thereto.

Lewis Lavandier, Mayor Tonya Cameron, CAO
Approved Date: March 21, 2011 Approved Date: March 21, 2011

Moved: by Councillor M. Gallant that the meeting be adjourned as

there is no further business,

Seconded: by Councillor W. Williams. Motion Carried.

Minutes recorded and submitted by:
Tonya Cameron, C.A.O.

March 21, 2011

Lewis Lavandier, Mayor

Tonya Cameron, C.A.O.