



MINUTES GEORGETOWN TOWN COUNCIL

Monday
August 17th, 2015

Mayor Lewis Lavandier
Deputy Mayor Michael Gallant
Councillor Allan Gallant
Councillor Faye McQuillan
Councillor Toby Murphy
Councillor Mark Stephen
CAO Tonya Cameron



The regular monthly meeting of the Georgetown Town Council was held in the Council Chambers on 8/17/2015, at 7:00 p.m.

Council Attendance: Mayor Lewis Lavandier
Deputy Mayor Michael Gallant
Councillor Allan Gallant
Councillor Toby Murphy
1 Vacant Councillor Seat

Regrets: Councillor Faye McQuillan
Councillor Mark Stephen

Gallery Attendants: Charlotte MacAulay, Eastern Graphic

1. Call to Order

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

2. Approval of Agenda: 8/17/2015

Moved for approval by Councillor A. Gallant.
Seconded by Councillor T. Murphy. Motion Carried.

2.1. Additions to Agenda – None

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.
None.

2.3. Be advised that we are recording these proceedings; If anyone else is recording we would ask that you please declare same. **Charlotte MacAulay, advised she is taking notes.**

3. Business/Presentations from the Floor:

Mayor Lavandier turned the floor over to Georgetown resident Mr. Peter Llewellyn to make a presentation to Town Council regarding some suggestions as a business owner and resident.

Good Evening Mr. Mayor and Council,

Thank you for the opportunity to speak to you tonight.

I would like to open my presentation by commending council for your commitment to youth in our community in stark contrast to the horrendous decisions made by council in other communities.

I would also like to take this opportunity to update council on both on what has been happening with my businesses here in Georgetown and on the very positive trends we have been seeing throughout the town.

2017 is fast approaching and a significant opportunity for our community. Many of us in the business community would like to offer our help and support for any legacy projects the town may have in mind.

Trends

In conversations with a number of private businesses in the community everyone is experiencing double digit growth over the last number of years with the last 3 seeing this growth really paying off with businesses expanding and hiring staff.

Growth in Georgetown has seen significant numbers of people exploring our community and it's very unique layout. The numbers of Islanders coming to Georgetown has matched tourists on some days; this is a very positive indicator for local businesses growth during the shoulder seasons.

I believe Georgetown is reaching the point on its Growth curve which will achieve the largest benefits for all of us if we explore ideas of working together to maximize the greatest benefit for our community.

Local Restaurants, Shops and of course the Kings Play House have shown both Islanders and tourist will drive to Georgetown for shopping, eating and entertainment as they continue to offer what is seen as great value.

I believe Business would be interested in discussing supporting the theater financially.

SUGGESTION ----- develop a joint discussion group to help plan for upcoming seasons in Oct. This would allow business to explore financial support \fund raising etc. for the season possibly allowing an expansion of options for the theater.

PROMOTIONS, Many of us spend significant monies to promote our Businesses could there be possible opportunities to conduct joint or expanded through the pooling of resources??

SUGGESTION ----- A meeting with stake holders to discuss marketing plans for the upcoming season ----- Breakfast Meeting?

The Community of Georgetown has been identified by visitors as being Beautiful to Extraordinary, many of the things that excide visitors are things we pass by every day, water, buildings, streets etc. the vary layout of the town is Beautiful

SUGGESTIONS

----- Fill in with trees on spots on main streets (Plant a Tree Donation Campaign)

----- Twice a season sweeping of the Main and side streets to remove debris

I have used these SUGGESTIONS only as a way of indicating that the business community wants to work with the town as a whole to continue to grow our community as the Premiere Destination on PEI

ANY QUESTIONS

General discussion about business group – Mayor Lavandier thanked Mr. Peter Llewellyn for his presentation on behalf of himself and Council. General discussion - Council wants to work with our with our businesses and do what we can to share ideas. General discussion with Council about Council facilitating a breakfast meeting and pride in Community and projecting positivity. 2017 legacy project suggestion. Perhaps planning committee can get together with business community for a brainstorming session.

4. Minutes:

Council Meeting(s):

4.1. July 20th, 2015 Regular Council Meeting;

4.2. Adoption and Business thereof.

- **Moved for adoption by Councillor A. Gallant that the minutes of the July 20th, 2015 Regular Council Meeting be adopted as presented, seconded by Councillor T. Murphy. Motion Carried.**

5. Financial Statements (Unaudited)

5.1. General Operating Account-to July 31st, 2015

- **Moved for approval as presented by Councillor A. Gallant, Seconded by Councillor T. Murphy. Motion Carried.**

5.2. Sewer Corporation-to July 31st, 2015

- **Moved for approval as presented by Councillor A. Gallant, Seconded by Councillor T. Murphy. Motion Carried.**

6. Outstanding Expenditures (preliminary & supplementary list)

- **Moved by Councillor M. Gallant for approval to pay all outstanding expenditures as funds become available, seconded by A. Gallant. Motion Carried.**

7. List of Correspondence from July 21st to August 17th, 2015:

- 7.1. Dr Adam Sobel re: Storm surge presentation; **No Action Required.**
- 7.2. Health and Wellness re: Unsuccessful Wellness Grant; **No Action Required.**
- 7.3. CBDC re: Active Communities Lending Inc.; **No Action Required.**

8. Committee Reports

- 8.1. **Finance, Government Relations - Mayor Lewis Lavandier, Chair:** Mayor Lavandier submitted the following written report:
Monthly Meeting – August 2015

Website: Our new website committee, including community member Nikki MacConnell, Tonya Cameron and myself, met with Lee Gauthier and Jill Hamilton of Revolution Media. We had them send a videographer to the Town and we reviewed the first cut. We have also reviewed the proposed layout for the website; I think the end project will be worth waiting for. Hopefully we will be able to launch in early October.

Three Rivers Sportsplex: I attended the meeting called by Councillor Allan Gallant in regards to setting up a new board of directors and fundraising board for the Three Rivers Sportsplex. I was thrilled with the response from residents in regards to interest shown at the meeting. The residents spoke very highly of our current rink manager, Sue Yoshikawa, and are looking forward to working with her going forward. The potential boards advised they would like to encourage council to attend future meetings.

Cloggeroo: I was happy to take part in the 3 day Cloggeroo event again this year. I want to personally thank all of our volunteers, from the Town Crew to all of the volunteers that participated at all of the venues, without their help this event would not have been possible. Looking forward to even bigger and better things next year.

*Respectively Submitted,
Lewis Lavandier, Mayor*

Motion(s) from Report:

- **Moved by Councillor M. Gallant to adopt Mayor Lavandier's report as presented, seconded by Councillor T. Murphy. Motion Carried.**

General discussion of Council about the fantastic talent at Cloggeroo.

8.2. Community Heritage, Seniors Affairs, and Youth & Recreation - Councillor Faye McQuillan, Committee Chair: Councillor McQuillan sent her regrets.

8.3. Community Events & Promotion, Finance and Planning & Community Development - Committee Chair Councillor Michael Gallant: Councillor M. Gallant submitted the following verbal report:

REPORT FOR AUGUST 2015

Planning & Community Development: Two permits were issued, one to Cheryl Chisholm for back porch work and one to Leroy MacIssac for accessibility ramp.

GADC: The annual general meeting is next month. The financial situation is being worked on and is becoming more positive.

Community Events & Promotion: Cloggeroo went really well, kudos to all involved especially the event organizers, its things like this that can really highlight our community on the map. The last Summer Days Committee meeting which was held about 3 weeks ago, we seen four new faces show up – which augers well for future potential. Depending on what happens next month and with the new portfolios we can see what can happen then. I would just like to say for the existing committee that has been there, they put in work for years and they deserve a lot of kudos, they had a small group to work with which was difficult, so hopefully with the new faces coming forward we can continue to grow in that area.

Remembrance Day: Planning has begun for it. This past Spring we lost of trumpet player. We have a prospect for a new trumpet player. The cadets will probably be able to be honour guard for the day and the RCMP have already been notified.

Finance: The financial statement and bills are before you. In September I would like to call a meeting of the finance committee to review current and proposed revenues and expenditures and thinking of providing some thoughts for the year 2016. How we can reduce our exposure to certain financial matters - flexibility and providing services to the municipalities citizens. To try to get ahead of the curve so to speak and just brainstorm about where we can go from here.

I was asked to bring up another matter, that has to do with the Boys and Girls Club issue that has arisen in Montague. I don't want to poke out the eyes of a neighboring community or anything like that tonight. I do hope the situation is resolved soon in Montague, if not, I think we should offer to lend a helping hand

if things are not resolved. That is my own personal thought. I hope things are resolved there quickly.

On another related matter I did ask Councillor F. McQuillan to ask Mr. O'Brien to see if he might have the speaker power cord – to see if it may have been misplaced with him.

Respectfully Submitted,
Michael Gallant, Councillor.

Motion(s) from Report:

- ***Moved by Councillor M. Gallant to adopt his own report as presented, seconded by Councillor A. Gallant. Motion Carried.***

8.4. Civic Center, E.P.E.I. Municipal Coalition, F.P.E.I.M., Three Rivers Heritage Committee and Three Rivers Sportsplex, Committee Chair– Councillor Allan Gallant, Committee Chair: *Councillor A. Gallant submitted the following verbal report:*

Civic Center: They are digging up and resurfacing an area outside of the fire department. The underlying problem lies with the cement coming out, it drops down about 3 feet and there is another cement pad there – what's happening is the water is running off the roof and getting between the pavement and the cement causing the heave. So once that is done we are getting the gutters fixed up and that should alleviate that problem.

Three Rivers Sportsplex: *On August 11/15 @ 7p.m. a meeting was held in the meeting room @ The Georgetown Town Hall.*

The purpose of this meeting was to seek the interest of persons to volunteer on a Fund Raising and/or Management Board for the Three Rivers Sportsplex. Councillor Allan Gallant (Councillor responsible for the Three Rivers Sportsplex) chaired the meeting.

Allan called the meeting to order @7p.m. Those present were as follows; Brendon Galway, Edna Murphy, Blaine Scanlon, Pamela Martin, Cody Jenkins, Fern Gotell, Jane Simmons, Phillip Hebert, Charlene Hebert, Nikki Scanlon, Robert Lavie, Denise Lavie, Debbie Duncan, Lewis Lavandier (Mayor) and Sue Yoshikawa (Rink Manager).

Allan explained that over the past 3 years, the Town has invested \$140,000.00 in repairs and upgrades and there are presently tenders out to upgrade the Ice Lighting system up to \$30,000.00

He also explained that all potential members will be required to obtain a criminal record check and if there were any charges for these checks, members could

present a receipt and they would be re-reimbursed. The Fund Raising Board (as well as The Management Board) will be required to select a Chairperson, Vice Chair, and a Secretary Treasurer. A written report will be required to be submitted to the CAO by no later than the 3rd Friday of the month on a monthly basis. Contents of this report to include a Financial Statement, the activities of the Board in the past month and plans for the future.

A separate Bank Account will be set up for the Fund Raising Board. Receipts are to be written for all funds obtained and receipts are to be obtained from Carol as funds are turned over to her. The Fund Raising Board will not have to attend Board of Management Meetings.

The Board of Management will be responsible for Administrative functions such as applying and signing for EDA workers, Government Grants, etc.

Both Boards will be responsible to the Councillor in charge of the Rink and ultimately to the Town of Georgetown.

Items Discussed;

1) Insurance and liability issues. I spoke with Tonya (CAO of the Town) in regards to this on Wednesday August 12/15 and she assured me that all Boards would be covered under the Towns Liability Insurance.

2) Midget Triple A will again play out of Georgetown

3) Atom Double A will play out of Georgetown

4) Suggested opening date of October 15th or 16th

5) Increase price of Ice Rentals by 2.5%

6) To extend Georgetown Minor Hockey rates to other Minor Hockey groups requiring Ice time.

7) Fund raising Ball tournament Sept. 26/15

8) Elimination Draw as a fund raiser

9) House Tours at Christmas time.

Three other names came forward after the meeting who were unable to attend They are Dennis Perry, Duane Yoshikawa, and Clair-Anne Lavandier.

The following have indicated they would sit on the Board of Management:

Brendon Galway, Edna Murphy, Blaine Scanlon, Pamela Martin, Fern Gotell, Phil Hebert, Robert Lavie, Duane Yoshikawa, and Clair-Anne Lavandier.

The following have indicated they would sit on the Fund Raising Board:

Blaine Scanlon, Pamela Martin, Fern Gotell, Jane Simmons, Phil Hebert, Charlene Hebert, Nikki Scanlon, Denise Lavie, and Debbie Duncan.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday Sept. 10/15 @ 7p.m. at which time all Criminal Record checks will have been completed. The Board can than elect a Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, and Secretary-Treasurer.

ONE LAST NOTE

As you obtain your criminal record checks, please give them to Tonya, who will put in a safe and secure place.

*Thank You ALL for YOUR dedication to our Community
Minutes recorded and submitted by Sue Yoshikawa.*

The Three Rivers Sportsplex light tender is due to close on August 21st, we plan on awarding it on August 28th, project start date is Sept. 14th and finish date is October 9th. I would like my committee to have the authority to award this tender by motion of Council.

General agreement of Council to allow the Sportsplex committee to award the tender via email for the Sportsplex lighting tender.

E.P.E.I. Municipal Coalition: They have not had any meetings, awaiting information from them.

F.P.E.I.M.: They do not meet in the summer months.

Three Rivers Heritage: Haven't heard anything on this, they generally email the Town on stuff. Nothing new to report.

Respectively Submitted

Allan J. Gallant
Town Councillor

Respectfully Submitted,
Allan Gallant, Councillor.

Motion(s) from Report:

- ***General agreement of Council to allow Council's Sportsplex Committee to review the tenders for the rink lighting and to accept general agreement thereof.***
- ***Moved by Councillor A. Gallant to adopt Councillor his own report as presented, seconded by Councillor M. Gallant. Motion Carried.***

8.5. ***Beautification, Public Works & Utilities and Georgetown & Area Development Corporation – Committee Chair: Councillor M. Stephen sent his regrets and submitted the following written report:
Councillor Mark Stephen – Report August 17, 2015***

Beautification, Civic Center: Beautification: A couple of flower beds had to be repaired. Nabuurs replaced two hanging basket that failed last month. Gathering quotes for repairs to be done to the youth train on West St.

Public Works & Utilities: Roads have been patched/repared much to my satisfaction and Mayor Lavandier's we have noted some spots that were repaired that were not marked. Sewage Lagoon leveling, edging, seeding has been completed. I was talking to Jim Patterson, they still have a bit of clean up left, but the work is done at the lagoon. They started the work in front of the Fire Dept., they will be back to pave tomorrow. There are still some street signs that need repairing, there are a few that are still smashed from the winter time i.e. Richmond and Fitzroy St., etc. Special thanks to Joey Clory, Naomi Gotell and their crews for a job well done getting ready for Cloggeroo. The AA Gardens, the temporary campground, West St. and the rink couldn't look better.

*Respectively submitted,
Mark Stephen, Councillor*

Motion(s) from Report:

- **Moved by Councillor A. Gallant to adopt Councillor's M. Stephen's report as presented, seconded by Councillor M. Gallant. Motion Carried.**

8.6. *Friends of Georgetown School, Georgetown & Area Volunteer Fire Department and King's Playhouse: Committee Chair Toby Murphy:*

King's Playhouse Report: The Playhouse is having a busy summer. Haley, The Board of Directors, current employees and volunteers are working tirelessly to provide an amazing summer season at the Playhouse. This summer has once again seen sold out shows, weddings, and for the first time a very successful dinner theatre. A HUGE thank you to everyone involved! Your hard work certainly does not go unnoticed. Due to the business of the summer season and the unavailability of most of the members, the board was unable to meet for their regular monthly meeting. We were able to communicate through email and look after any issues that came up. The Board will meet again in September. On August 7th, the tenders for repairs to the Playhouse roof and the kitchen basement were awarded. B. Clinton Construction was the successful candidate. The work is set to begin on September 8th and finish October 9th. We look forward to working with this company to have this long awaited work completed.

Georgetown Volunteer Fire Department Report: I was unable to attend the July meeting for the GVFD. I was in contact with Chief Gotell and he had nothing to report.

Friends of Georgetown School Report: School will begin on September 8th for the 2015-2016 school year. I will be meeting with the school principal as well and the Home and School Association sometime in September.

*Respectively Submitted,
Toby Murphy, Councillor*

Motions from report:

- ***Moved by Councillor Toby Murphy to accept the submitted tender from B. Clinton Construction for King's Playhouse Roof Repairs in the amount of: \$19,758 (all taxes included); and, to accept the submitted tender from B. Clinton Construction in the amount of: \$6,910 (all taxes included) for repair work under the kitchen, seconded by Councillor M. Gallant. Motion Carried.***
- ***Moved by Councillor A. Gallant to adopt Councillor T. Murphy's report as presented, seconded by Councillor M. Gallant. Motion Carried.***

8.7. Administrator's Report: Tonya Cameron, Chief Administrative Officer:

It has been a fast paced month.

The initial work being done for the new bilingual website is very good, I cannot wait until Council can see the finished product.

Cloggeroo has kept me pretty busy, but I must say it is well worth the efforts to have that caliber of event in the Town. I would love to see an even bigger crowd again next year! I would like to thank and commend Sue & Duane Yoshikawa, Councillor Allan Gallant, the Georgetown Fire Fighters, Joe Clory and P.W. Crew, Naomi Gotell and Gardens Crew, Margo Bond, Patrick Perry and Wayne Chiasson for all of their efforts; it was amazing how much this group was able to do from the Town's side of the event. I would also like to thank the many volunteers and the Cloggeroo Team that are all top notch to deal with; they are such great planners that the event seemed almost effortless once it was in gear.

Just a friendly reminder that the upcoming advance poll for our By-Election is Saturday September 12th (9 a.m. to 7 p.m.) at the Library, and the By-Election itself is set for September 21st all day poll 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the King's Playhouse Theatre. Hopefully Council will be in session long enough on September 21st to swear in the Councillor that wins the seat on that Monday night's regular Council meeting, otherwise, it will be October 19th before they are sworn in.

*Respectfully Submitted
Tonya Cameron, Chief Administrative Officer (C.A.O)*

General discussion and agreement of Council to allow the CAO to call for a swearing in ceremony any time after the election process is complete before the October regular meeting.

- ***Moved by Councillor A. Gallant to adopt his CAO's report as presented, seconded by Councillor T. Murphy. Motion Carried.***

General agreement of Council that the Public Works and Gardens Crews to be supplied with water as required during extreme heat.

9. New Business:

9.1. Councillor A. Gallant discussed formality needed to approve names for new Sportsplex Board.

- ***Move to accept the following names to sit on the Three Rivers Sportsplex Board of Directors, Brendon Galway, Edna Murphy, Blaine Scanlon, Pamela Martin, Fern Gotell, Phil Hebert, Robert Lavie, Duane Yoshikawa, and Clair-Anne Lavandier, names to be tentatively approved pending their voluntary criminal back ground checks, seconded by Councillor T. Murphy. Motion Carried.***
- ***Move to accept the following names to sit on the Three Rivers Sportsplex Fund Raising Board, Blaine Scanlon, Pamela Martin, Fern Gotell, Jane Simmons, Phil Hebert, Charlene Hebert, Nikki Scanlon, Denise Lavie, and Debbie Duncan, names to be tentatively approved pending their voluntary criminal back ground checks, seconded by Councillor T. Murphy. Motion Carried.***

General discussion regarding tentative dates for next meeting and request to CAO to obtain one members email address.

General discussion regarding cars/traffic leaving Gail's shop on Water St. cutting across Kent Street without stopping at stop sign. CAO to contact Dept. of Highways. Possibility of looking into additional solar led flashing stop sign lighting. Other complaints coming in about excessive speed 70km per hour plus as people are coming into Town.

10. Adjournment:

- ***Mayor Lavandier advised there is no further business, Councillor A. Gallant moved for the meeting to be adjourned.***

Minutes recorded and submitted by:
Tonya Cameron, C.A.O.
September 21st, 2015

Lewis Lavandier, Mayor

Tonya Cameron, C.A.O.