

MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 12, 2017

GRAND FALLS

MEETING

A regular meeting of the Grand Falls Municipal Council was held in the council room at the Grand Falls Town Hall at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 12^h, 2017, following the notices required by law.

PRESENCE

His Honour the Mayor:

Marcel Deschênes

Councillors:

Rino Long

Renaud Ouellette

Jean Maurice Gagnon

Michel Ouellette

Jean Réal Michaud

as well as the CAO-Clerk Peter Michaud and the Deputy Clerk, Lise J. Ouellette.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No conflict of interest is reported.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Michel Ouellette / Rino Long,

2017-092 That the agenda is accepted as received. Carried

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

Jean Maurice Gagnon / Michel Ouellette,

2017-093 That the minutes from the meeting held on August 8, 2017, which copies were distributed to council members, are adopted as received. Carried

CLOSED SESSIONS

The Deputy Clerk reads the items discussed during closed meetings held on August 1, 8, 22 and 29, 2017.

CORRESPONDENCE

Invitations	6
Thanks	2
Complaints	0
Request for financial assistance	0
Request for assistance – other than financial	2
Offer of services, land or other	0
Misc. information (GNB, federal, community...)	1
Answer to a municipal request	0

2017 07 05 : Department of Families and Children, Hon. Stephen Horsman – proclamation of Well Being week from October 1st to 7th.

2017 06 06: Coaches NB – proclamation of the National Coaches Week from September 23rd to 30th.

2017 08 15: Prostate Cancer Canada – proclamation of September as the Prostate Cancer Awareness Month.

Rino Long / Jean Réal Michaud,

2017-094 That the municipal council proclaims the National Coaches Week, the Well Being Week and the Prostate Cancer Awareness Month. Carried

Jean Réal Michaud / Rino Long,

2017-095 That the correspondence report is accepted as read. Carried

DRINKING WATER

The potable water analyses for August 2017 were received showing « potable water » results.

Jean Réal Michaud / Rino Long,

2017-096 That the potable water analysis received for August 2017 are received and filed. Adopted

MOTIONS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

PUBLIC WORKS

Miscellaneous repairs and maintenance of infrastructure were done during the month.

An erosion problem on 5th Avenue was repaired.

A surface water pipe was installed on Harrison Street.

A project to identify fire hydrants has started.

Roger Côté Subdivision / 036187 N.B. Ltd. / Ltée. – services

This work is planned to loop water infrastructure in order to avoid boil orders in the future.

Renaud Ouellette / Jean Maurice Gagnon,

2017-097 That the Town of Grand Falls adopt a municipal By-law on local improvements to install infrastructure for domestic sewer, surface water and water along Nowlan Street in the Roger Côté Subdivision. That the work to install water infrastructure include curb stops and all other necessary material as agreed with the owner, Roger Côté. Carried

Jackhammer – tender

Renaud Ouellette / Michel Ouellette,

2017-098 That the tender received from Selco Equipment Sales is accepted for the purchase of a jackhammer for the price of \$32,600 plus taxes. Carried

Other prices received: Strongco Ltd. Partnership	\$45,480
Alpa Equipment	\$23,524
Brandt	\$54,100
Jenco Equipment Ltd.	\$47,857
SMS Equipment	\$34,800
Nova International	\$39,500

Council notes that the Alpa tender is the lowest. However, the specifications did not match the ones required.

PLANNING

Three variances were approved by the Planning Advisory Committee.

20 permits were given in August for a value of \$1,886,594.

Ennishone Road – zoning amendment

Renaud Ouellette / Jean Maurice Gagnon,

- 2017-099 That Council publish a notice in the *Étoile*, Nord-Ouest edition and *Victoria Star* newspapers in accordance with Section 25 of the *Community Planning Act*, advising of its intention to amend the Municipal Plan to affect part of the property having the PID 65095838, belonging to the Town of Grand Falls and located on Ennishone Road in Grand Falls, NB.

For the purpose of the Municipal Plan, the land use changes as follows:

- Affect part of the above mentioned property from Residential to Resources.

That a public presentation be held at Council Chambers on Tuesday, October 10th, 2017 at 7 p.m. to present the proposed amendments.

That written objections to the said amendments may be made to the Council by forwarding them to the Town Clerk within thirty (30) days after the public presentation is held.

That the Town Clerk take care, in the name and for the Council, of publishing the public notice prescribed by section 25 of the *Community Planning Act*.
Carried

Villa Du Repos – conditions

Renaud Ouellette / Michel Ouellette,

- 2017-100 **CONSIDERING THAT** the following lots (PID: 65215345 and 65215352) are already zoned AI (Integrated development with terms and conditions)

CONSIDERING THAT the current owner of the said lots had already obtained a rezoning with terms and conditions to develop five (5) multiple-unit dwellings in 2012.

CONSIDERING THAT the new Zoning By-Law adopted in 2013 has repealed the terms and conditions previously issued.

CONSIDERING THAT the current owner intends to complete the project already started in the past.

IT IS MOVED:

- 1) That the two lots be used for the following main uses:
 - a) Development of three (3) buildings having a multiple dwelling use and each containing six (6) units on the lot having the PID 65215345.
 - b) Development of two (2) buildings having a multiple dwelling use on the lot having the PID 65215352. Each building will hold a maximum of six (6) dwelling units.
- 2) That said buildings mentioned above shall respect the following setbacks:
 - a) 7.5 meters from the Gagnon Street line for the multiple dwelling building located at the eastern limit of the property having PID 65215345.
 - b) 7.5 meters from the street line of the 2nd Avenue alignment and Gagnon Street for the two (2) buildings having a multiple dwelling use located on the lot having PID 65215352.
 - c) 3.04 meters from the common line of the lot having PID 65215345 and lots having PID 65097453, 65011645, 65011439, 65011413.

- d) 3.04 meters from the easement now or formerly owned by the NB Power located on the western side of the lot having PID: 65215345.
- e) 7.5 meters from the property line of the lot for the two (2) buildings having multiple dwelling use located on the lot having PID 65215352.
- f) 3.05 meters from the westerly limit for the building having a multiple dwelling use located on the lot having PID 65215352.
- 3) That no accessory buildings be allowed on the two lots having PID 65215345 and 65215352.
- 4) That the entrances and exits that access the parking on lots mentioned in paragraph 3 be located on Lapierre Street, 2nd Avenue, and Gagnon Street.
- 5) That the owner obtains a long term approval from the NB Power to use part of their easement located on the west side of lot 65215345 for parking purposes. This approval must be obtained before obtaining the building permit.
- 6) That policy 2004-01 entitled “Driveway Opening” and its modifications apply to the properties mentioned in paragraph 3.
- 7) That the provisions regarding off-street parking, building dimensions and units, and all provisions of the Zoning By-Law be applied mutatis mutandis. Carried

ENVIRONNEMENT

New LED lights were installed at the town garage.
Roy Consultants have been asked for plans to change the heating to electric boilers.

FIRE

Councillor Michel Ouellette lists the calls that were answered by the firefighters last month. The annual fire detector inspection starts in the Gillespie and West River Road region. The Department receives fewer calls since they began doing these inspections. Steps are being taken to replace one of the fire trucks.

FARMER’S MARKET

The Market is doing very well since the new manager, Lyne Bourgoin Theriault, was hired.

RECREATION, TOURISM AND CULTURE

The induction ceremony for the sports hall of fame will be held on September 16.
Registrations are open for miscellaneous winter sports.
Congratulations to the Cataracte baseball club, B series champions.
Conditions are still great at the golf course. Thanks to the individuals who participated in the town’s tournament considering the bad weather.
The LaRoche center is closed.
The number of visitors at the LaRoche center in 2017 is at 6,338; compared to 5,693 for 2016..
During June, July and August, 50,460 people visited the Malabean center compared to 47,132 during the same period in 2016.

Cultural activities at the CEPSC are mentioned.

Water park – tenders

Jean Maurice Gagnon / Michel Ouellette,

- 2017-101 That the tender received from Maritime Fence Ltd. in the amount of \$556,900 after negotiations is accepted for the construction of a water park. Carried

Other prices received: Maritime Fence \$615,920. (price before negotiations)
 King Construction \$915,900.

Mayor Deschênes explains that the project starts tomorrow and will end at the end of October. The park will open in 2018.

Facilities Attendant – hiring

Jean Maurice Gagnon / Michel Ouellette,

- 2017-102 That Carlo Bellefleur is hired for the job of Facilities Attendant at the Recreation, Tourism and Culture Department for the salary, benefits and probation period as indicated in the collective agreement. Carried**

Canteen lease – CEPSC

***Peter Michaud, CAO, leaves the meeting during this discussion.

Jean Maurice Gagnon / Renaud Ouellette,

- 2017-103 That the price received from Trésors et Délices for the lease of the canteen, in the amount of \$750 per month is accepted and that the lease be reduced to \$375 per month in September, April and May. Carried**

The Mayor explains the tender received from Michelle Michaud and Council's decision to reject it.

HUMAN RESOURCES

A meeting is scheduled for September 14 with the police association.

A regional meeting took place with Prime Minister Gallant last week. All went well. Items discussed ranged from employment and industry to health and education.

POLICE

There is a notable increase in thefts in the area. The police requests that people be vigilant. The annual arms qualification for police officers is ongoing.

103 tickets were issued in August.

Constable Eric Cassista has an interview on Fentanyl in the Victoria Star.

Councillor Jean Réal Michaud reminds people of Ellen's Law which requires a distance of one meter between cars and cyclists. A request for cycling lanes was received. However, given the town's geography, it is impossible.

Thanks to everyone for their continued patience and comprehension concerning the work downtown.

FINANCE

Revenues are at 68.4% at the end of August and expenses at 67.9%. A financial exercise will be done in October.

Debenture

Rino Long / Jean Réal Michaud,

- 2017-104 It is resolved that the Clerk, Treasurer or Mayor be authorized to issue and sell to the New Brunswick Municipal Finance Corporation a Municipality of Grand Falls debenture in the principal amount of \$1,800,000 on such terms and conditions as are recommended by the New Brunswick Municipal Finance Corporation, and be it resolved that the Municipality of Grand Falls agrees to issue post-dated cheques payable to the New Brunswick Municipal Finance Corporation as and when they are requested in payment of principal and interest charges on the above debenture. Carried**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Broadway Boulevard – renovations

Mayor Deschênes gives a brief update on the project. He explains that a meeting will take place tomorrow to discuss work stoppage and access to businesses. He notes everyone's patience and thanks them.

OTHERS – Council, public and media interventions

- Council intervention

Recognition – Mayor Deschênes thanks the Treasurer, Rino Laforge, for his dedication to the town's finances and the Land Use Planning Department's director, Éric Gagnon, for the great team within the Planning Department and the good results. He also thanks the Recreation, Tourism and Culture Department's director for his implication during this very busy year and congratulates the tourism team which is experiencing great success.

- Media intervention

Du Repos Villa – Councillor Renaud Ouellette explains the reason the original conditions had to be redone.

Ennishone Road zoning amendment – the amendment originally for an Institutional zone will now be for a Resources zone.

Police Association – an Employer / Association meeting is planned for September 14. The Employer is still waiting for a date for conciliation concerning salaries.

Local 886 – no date has been determined to begin negotiations.

ADJOURNMENT

Michel Ouellette / Rino Long, that the meeting is adjourned at 7:50 p.m. Carried

Marcel Deschênes
Mayor

Lise J. Ouellette
Deputy Clerk