



**Regular Meeting of Council
Monday, February 14, 2011 at 7:00 PM**

Mayor Clifford Lee presiding

Present: Deputy Mayor Stu MacFadyen Councillor David MacDonald
Councillor Rob Lantz Councillor Danny Redmond
Councillor Cecil Villard Councillor Mitchell Tweel
Councillor Melissa Hilton Councillor Edward Rice
Councillor Terry Bernard Councillor Jason Coady

Also: Roy Main – Chief Administrative Officer
Joseph Coady – Director of Public Services
Phil Handrahan - Director of Fiscal & Development Services
Paul Johnston – Public Works Manager
Sue Hendricken – Parks and Recreation Manager
Don Poole – Planning Manager
Dan Hughes – Human Resources Manager
Scott Ryan – Finance Manager
Paul Smith – Police Chief
Craig Walker – Utilities Manager
Ron Atkinson – Economic Development Officer
Beth Johnston – Communications Officer
Ann Carriere – Cultural Capitals of Canada Coordinator
David Hooley – City Solicitor
Sharon MacKinnon – City Clerk

Regrets: Donna Waddell – Director of Corporate Services
Randy MacDonald – Fire Chief
Wayne Long – Events Development Office

Mayor Lee called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone to the Council Chambers. He requested Planning & Heritage be moved to the beginning of the Committee Reports to accommodate residents in attendance for some Planning issues.

Minutes of the previous meetings were by motion adopted:
Regular Meeting – January 10, 2011
Emergency Public Meeting – January 26, 2011
Public Meeting – February 09, 2011

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES / RESOLUTIONS**1. Planning & Heritage – Councillor Rob Lantz**

Councillor Lantz indicated his Committee's report was included in the weekend package. He informed Council that Heritage Day will be held on Tuesday, February 22 at City Hall to present awards as well as display an exhibition featuring 224 years of newspaper publishing in the City.

In response to a question regarding who can apply for a request to rezone property, Councillor Lantz indicated that the developer, property owner or an agent acting on their behalf can making application.

Moved by Councillor Rob Lantz

Seconded by Councillor Jason Coady

RESOLVED:

That the Heritage Tax Freeze Program, as shown in the attached Guidelines, be re-instated for 2011.

CARRIED 10-0

Moved by Councillor Rob Lantz

Seconded by Councillor Jason Coady

RESOLVED:

That the request to amend Appendix "H" – Zoning Map of the City of Charlottetown Zoning and Development Bylaw to rezone the property at 81 Royalty Road (PID# 948208) from Low Density Residential Single (R-2S) Zone to Low Density Residential (R-2) Zone be approved and that the developer is to provide Planning Staff with a copy of the restrictive covenants at the time the subdivision is developed.

Mayor Lee advised he was arranging a meeting for the following week with area residents to discuss the walkway proposed by Parks and Recreation through the City's property from 81 Royalty Road to Thorndale Avenue along with parkland, street condition and the cul-de-sac on Thorndale Avenue.

Council was advised a petition had been submitted to City Hall from area residents listing concerns with the level of density, drainage and the walking path.

The use of the words "restrictive covenants" in the resolution was questioned and a short discussion ensued. It was explained the intent was for information rather than enforcement as covenants are not enforced by the City.

TIE VOTE 5-5

**Councillors Lantz, Coady, Hilton, Tweel and Rice registered "yea" votes
Councillors MacDonald, Villard, Bernard, Redmond and MacFadyen registered "nay" votes
Mayor Lee broke the tie and voted against the motion**

MOTION WAS DEFEATED 6-5

Moved by Councillor Rob Lantz
Seconded by Councillor Jason Coady

RESOLVED:

That the request to proceed to the public consultation phase to consider an amendment to Appendix "A" – Future Land Use Map of the Official Plan from Low Density Residential to Concept Planning Area and to Appendix "H" – Zoning Map of the City of Charlottetown Zoning and Development Bylaw to rezone the property at 412 St. Peters Road (PID# 1004100) from Single-detached Residential (R-1S) Zone to Comprehensive Development Area Zone be approved.

CARRIED 10-0

Moved by Councillor Rob Lantz
Seconded by Councillor Jason Coady

RESOLVED:

That the application for a ground sign to be located at the Richmond Street entrance to Trinity Church Hall (PID#339481), 220 Richmond Street, for the College of Piping, as presented to Heritage Board, be approved.

CARRIED 10-0

Moved by Councillor Rob Lantz
Seconded by Councillor Jason Coady

RESOLVED:

That the application for a marquee sign to be located at the Queen Street entrance to The Guild (PID#340182), 111 Queen Street, as presented to Heritage Board and with the signing of an Encroachment Agreement, be approved.

CARRIED 10-0

Moved by Councillor Rob Lantz
Seconded by Councillor Jason Coady

RESOLVED:

That the application to erect a statue at 45 Great George Street, (PID# 336933), as presented to Heritage Board and with final detail to be approved by the Heritage Officer, be approved.

CARRIED 10-0

2. Advanced Planning, Priorities & Special Events – Deputy Mayor Stu MacFadyen

Deputy Mayor MacFadyen indicated his Committee's report was included in the weekend package. He introduced Ann Carriere, Cultural Capitals Coordinator; acknowledged and thanked all involved in the Spud Minor Hockey Tournament and the Jack Frost Children's Winterfest; and encouraged everyone to attend the upcoming Scotties Tournament of Hearts February 19 – 27.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Stu MacFadyen
Seconded by Councillor Mitchell Tweel

RESOLVED:

That the City of Charlottetown enter into agreements with Hockey Canada and Hockey PEI to host

the 2012 Esso Cup National Female Midget Hockey Championship.

The Mayor and CAO are hereby authorized to execute standard contracts/agreements to implement this resolution.

CARRIED 10-0

3. Urban Beautification & Forestry – Deputy Mayor Stu MacFadyen

Deputy Mayor Stu MacFadyen indicated his Committee's meeting had been postponed to February 22 due to weather conditions.

4. Finance, Audit, Tendering & Public Property – Councillor Cecil Villard

Councillor Villard indicated his Committee's report was included in the weekend package.

Moved by Councillor Cecil Villard

Seconded by Councillor Melissa Hilton

RESOLVED:

That the City of Charlottetown adopt the amended Budget Transfer Policy, as per attached.

CARRIED 10-0

Moved by Councillor Cecil Villard

Seconded by Councillor Melissa Hilton

RESOLVED:

That whereas the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation has available to the City an opportunity to borrow at reduced rates, the City agrees to advance a General Borrowing Bylaw.

In response to a question regarding reduced rates, Councillor Villard referred the question to the Finance Manager who indicated the rate is 1% less than the bank's rate.

CARRIED 10-0

1st and 2nd readings of the "General Borrowing Bylaw"

To introduce a General Borrowing Bylaw to permit Council to borrow by way of resolution rather than requiring a detailed bylaw each time borrowing is undertaken.

Moved by Councillor Cecil Villard

Seconded by Councillor Melissa Hilton

RESOLVED:

That the bylaw to introduce the "General Borrowing Bylaw" be read a first time.

CARRIED 10-0

Moved by Councillor Cecil Villard

Seconded by Councillor Melissa Hilton

RESOLVED:

That the said bylaw be read a second time and that the bylaw be committed to a Committee of the Whole Council, and the Mayor be Chairman of the Committee.

CARRIED 10-0

Moved by Councillor Cecil Villard
Seconded by Councillor Melissa Hilton

RESOLVED:

That the Chairman reports progress of the Committee and that the Bylaw be adopted without amendment.

CARRIED 10-0

Moved by Councillor Cecil Villard
Seconded by Councillor Melissa Hilton

RESOLVED:

That the bylaw be now engrossed as a City Bylaw and that it be entitled the "General Borrowing Bylaw" and that it be read a third time at the next Public Meeting of Council.

CARRIED 10-0

5. Protective & Emergency Services – Councillor David MacDonald

Councillor MacDonald indicated his Committee's report was included in the weekend package. He recognized firefighters Frank McCourt, Fred Quinn, Billy MacKenzie and Jim Mooney as well as Police Services officers Sgt. Gordie McConnell, Cpl. Donnie Newcombe, Cst. Paul Gormley and Cst. Gary Clow on their retirements and thanked them for their many years of service.

It was requested that designated loading zone spaces in the downtown area, primarily on Queen Street and University Avenue, be reviewed for effectiveness. Councillor MacDonald indicated the request would be taken under consideration.

A question was raised regarding the traffic signage review recommendations being put to a vote by Council. Councillor MacDonald advised the decisions were made by qualified individuals based on safety criteria and would not be forwarded to Council.

It was requested that the 'no heavy truck traffic' signage throughout the City be reviewed to ensure uniformity. Councillor MacDonald indicated his Committee is in the process of reviewing the truck routes and will try to determine if those routes are effective.

Moved by Councillor David MacDonald
Seconded by Councillor Danny Redmond

RESOLVED:

That the City of Charlottetown supports the Canadian Fire Chief's Association in their effort to lobby the Federal Government to sanction a \$3,000 tax credit for volunteer firefighters who contribute 200 plus hours of service to their community.

CARRIED 10-0

Councillor MacDonald introduced a Notice of Motion to amend the Traffic Bylaw with regards to authority for traffic changes.

6. Parks, Recreation & Leisure Activities – Councillor Melissa Hilton

Councillor Hilton indicated her Committee's report was included in the weekend package. The Volunteer of the Month Award for February was presented to Kim Dolan and her organizing committee for the 2011

Scotties Tournament of Hearts.

When asked if the McQuaid family was acknowledged for their contribution of the Jack Frost Children's Winterfest site, Councillor Hilton indicated Tourism Charlottetown Inc. had erected a sign at the event thanking them for their generous donation.

7. Public Works & Street Lighting – Councillor Terry Bernard

Councillor Bernard indicated his Committee's report was included in the weekend package. He presented Council with a concept drawing of the proposed roundabout to be located at the Brackley Point Road/St. Peters Road/Belvedere Avenue intersection. He further noted some surrounding property needs to be acquired and a budget request has been forwarded.

8. Integrated Community Sustainability Plan – Councillor Rob Lantz

Councillor Lantz indicated his Committee's report was forwarded electronically to Council members the latter part of the previous week. He reported the Committee is working on a budget and new initiatives for the upcoming year. He further noted approval from a Provincial fund will allow for a series of speakers to educate City staff as well as the public on sustainability matters.

9. Water & Sewer Utility – Councillor Edward Rice

Councillor Rice indicated his Committee's report was included in the weekend package. He noted the 2010 Organization and Operational Report will be reviewed by the Committee in the near future and then brought to Council for review.

10. Economic Development & Tourism – Councillor Jason Coady

Councillor Coady indicated his Committee's report was included in the weekend package. He reported Tourism Charlottetown (TCI) recently presented their strategies for 2011 which includes creating a Memorandum of Understanding between the City and TCI. He noted the Chief Administrative Officer met with the Charlottetown Area Development Corporation to discuss parking concerns for the Homburg Hotel development and requested a summary of location, pricing and timing options for Council's review and consideration.

It was suggested that consideration of the request from TCI for increased funding be deferred until a Memorandum of Understanding has been developed. Councillor Coady indicated that the request will be discussed during the budget process.

Councillor Coady introduced a Notice of Motion to amend the Tourism Accommodation Levy Bylaw.

11. Human Resources, Pension & Administration – Councillor Danny Redmond

Councillor Redmond indicated his Committee's report was included in the weekend package.

13. Intergovernmental Affairs, Transit & Communications – Councillor Mitchell Tweel

Councillor Tweel indicated his Committee's report was included in the weekend package. He noted a customer tracking system request has been forwarded for budget consideration.

13. New Business

There was no new business.

Meeting adjourned at 7: 55 PM