



**THE TOWN OF ST. GEORGE
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL**

1) CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

The regular monthly meeting of the St. George Town Council held on Monday, July 8, 2019 in the Council Chambers at Magaguadavic Place was called to order by Mayor Cook at 7:00 pm. Deputy Mayor Avery, Councillors Murray, Allison, Harris and Gayton all in attendance; Councillor Cooke joined in via phone. Staff attendance: Jason Gaudet CAO/Clerk and Cathy Neves Assist Clerk/Treasurer. Sgt Chris Henderson (RCMP), Public Attendance: Justin Johnston, Dexter Hanley (SGFD), Tracy Craig (YMCA), Alex Henderson (RSC), David Armstrong, Archie Leslie, Sam Rubin, Raymond Hall and Allen Grant.

OPENING PRAYER:

Jason Gaudet

2) AGENDA:

Moved by Deputy Mayor Avery to approve the Agenda, seconded by Councillor Murray. Motion Carried

3) APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- a. Moved by Deputy Mayor Avery to approve the Minutes of June 10, 2019, Regular Meeting of Council, seconded by Councillor Allison. Motion Carried.
- b. Moved by Deputy Mayor Avery to approve the Minutes of July 3, 2019, Special Meeting of Council, seconded by Councillor Harris. Motion Carried.

4) CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS:

None

5) RCMP REPORT:

Sgt. Henderson read the report as submitted for June (attached) Deputy Mayor Avery made a not of festival and rally in the valley coming up.

6) FIRE REPORT:

Chief Johnston read the report for June. (attached)

7) BUILDING & DEVELOPMENT REPORT:

- a. Alex Henderson read the building permit report submitted by the Regional Service Commission for the month of June (attached). Alex stated there is collaborative regional planning going on for housing and for transportation.

8) PRESENTATIONS AND DELEGATIONS:

- a. None

9) GENERAL REPORTS:**a. General Government:**

- **Mayor Cook** Stated
 - Summerfest is starting on July 19 – 21, 2019.
 - Dr. Raza from BC is considering coming to our town starting on September 1.
 - The Mayor had a conversation with Canada Green regarding the state of the flower baskets. The issue is not with Canada Green but there was a period of 4 days when they did not get watered and we have not been able to recover from that time period. When we got them they were beautiful.
 - YMCA is looking to hire an after-school educator.
 - We are putting a call out for someone to run the Canal canteen

b. Community Services:

- **Community Services Report:** **Deputy Mayor Avery** read the report as submitted for the month of June (attached)

c. Water & Sewerage:

- **Water and Sewer Report:** **Councillor Harris** read the report as written by Leonard Lee, Works Foreman for the month June (attached)

d. Transportation:

- **Transportation Report:** Jason Gaudet, CAO read the report as written by Leonard Lee, Works Foreman for the month of June (attached)

e. Tourism:

- **Tourism Report:** **Councillor Allison** read the report as submitted for the month of June (attached). Councillor Allison also read the steering committee report. Councillor Harris sits on that board and he was pleased to be able to report \$50,000.00 has been approved and allotted for the St. George area to study where the trails should be located.

f. Economic Development:

- **Economic Development Report:** **Councillor Gayton** read the report as submitted for the month of June (attached).

g. Community Partners:

- **Community Partners Report:** **Councillor Murray** read the report as submitted for the month of June (attached).

10) BILLS PAID AND PAYABLE:

- a. Moved by **Deputy Mayor Avery**, to approve in principal the bills paid and payable for the month of June 2019 in the amount of **\$281,476.90**, seconded by **Councillor Allison**. Motion Carried.

11) NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Moved by **Councillor Harris** to approve the third and final reading of By-Law #25B-1905, Zoning By-Law, seconded by **Deputy Mayor Avery**. Motion Carried.
- b. Moved by **Deputy Mayor Avery** to approve the first reading, by title only, of By-Law #23-D, a By-Law Respecting Traffic on Streets, seconded by **Councillor Gayton**. Motion Carried.
- c. Moved by **Deputy Mayor Avery** to approve the second reading, in its entirety, of By-Law #23-D, a By-Law Respecting Traffic on Streets, seconded by **Councillor Allison**. Motion Carried.
- d. Move by **Deputy Mayor Avery** to set the date for public hearing of objections on By-Law 23-D, a By-Law Respecting Traffic on Streets for July 29 at 6:30pm at the Council Chambers, seconded by **Councillor Allison**. Motion Carried.

- e. Moved by Deputy Mayor Avery to approve the first reading, by title only, of By-Law #25B-1904, an Amendment of Zoning By-Law 25-B, seconded by Councillor Murray. Motion Carried.
- f. Moved by Deputy Mayor Avery to approve the second reading, in its entirety, of By-Law #25B-1904, an Amendment of Zoning By-Law 25-B, seconded by Councillor Harris. Motion Carried.
- g. Move by Deputy Mayor Avery to request the written views of the PRAC on the proposed rezoning of the Vet Clinic & Animal Shelter Development (PID#01316439) from AR (Agricultural and Rural) Zone to the AR-2 (Agricultural, Rural, and Commercial) Zone, seconded by Councillor Allison. Motion Carried
- h. Moved by Deputy Mayor Avery to set the date for public hearing of objections on the proposed rezoning of the Vet Clinic & Animal Shelter Development (PID#01316439) from AR (Agricultural and Rural) Zone to the AR-2 (Agricultural, Rural, and Commercial) Zone to July 29 at 6:30pm at Council Chambers, seconded by Councillor Gayton. Motion Carried.
- i. Moved by Councillor Harris to approval of Town of St. George Five-Year Capital Investment Plan for the GTF Administrative Agreement 2019-2023, seconded by Deputy Mayor Avery. Motion Carried

12) OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Surveys were distributed to all the businesses in Town. The Town Office has received a few back but not all. The dead line for return is tomorrow, Tuesday July 9.

13) CORRESPONDENCE:

- a. A letter from Sean Morton regarding 4 wheelers and trails was summarized. The trail mentioned does not allow access to four wheelers at this time.
- b. A letter from David Armstrong regarding engineering for the Town was summarized. Mr. Armstrong would like to know how much the Town has spent on engineering and why the Town does not use local services. This request is with CAO Jason Gaudet who is working on collecting pertinent information for Mr. Armstrong.
- c. Council received an invitation to the Old Jail Day in St. Andrews on July 13.

14) STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS OF COUNCIL:

- a. Deputy Mayor Avery stated she is happy to see the Troop sign is cleared of surrounding debris.
- b. Councillor Harris wanted to mention how good Canal looks. He was not able to make it to the cleanup day but he is aware that Irving sent employees and he thinks Canal looks fantastic.
- c. Deputy Mayor Avery asked if the outdoor library can be moved to the old Irving parking lot with the community sign. Mayor Cook agreed that is a great location for it as soon as the grass comes in.
- d. Mayor Cook mentioned the Tender coming out on NBON for the property behind the Habitat home for apartments.

15) PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:

- a. David Armstrong asked what the Town Council could do about the excessive speeding in the Town. Council talked about getting the radar electronic speed sign from the Regional Service Commission again, which sends all data directly to the RCMP. Armstrong stated he would buy a sign and get the information to the Town but Council agreed that it should be a sign from the Commission that sends the data without human 'interference'. Mayor Cook stated the unfortunate truth that the RCMP do not do as much of the smaller rural policing but said 'if there was a murder, great.
- b. Sam Rubin asked if there is going to be a barrier placed at the Eagle's Nest and the answer was yes.

- c. Raymond Hall asked who looks after the trails from his house on Mount Pleasant to the Pipe Line. He would like to trim the trails; council agreed that would be great.
- d. Allen Grant asked if the Town Pump could be fixed. Mayor Cook stated this was fixed last year and vandals got to it again. She stressed that if people see vandalism to please report it.

16) NEXT MEETING:

- a. The date of the next Regular Meeting of Council will be Monday, August 12, 2019 at 7:00pm.

16) ADJOURNMENT:

- a. Meeting adjourned at 8:24pm.



Crystal Cook, Mayor



Jason N. Gaudet, Clerk/CAO