



CITY OF BATHURST
REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING
MINUTES

July 15, 2024
6:30 p.m.
Council Chambers - City Hall

Recording of Attendance

Mayor K. Chamberlain
Councillor P. Anderson
Councillor D. Branch
Councillor S. Brunet
Councillor R. Hondas
Councillor D. Knowles
Councillor S. Legacy
Deputy Mayor M. Willett

Absent

Councillor J.-F. LeBlanc
Councillor M. Skerry

Appointed Officials

T. Pettigrew, Chief Administrative Officer
A. Parker, City Clerk
M. Abernethy, City Engineer
J.-S. Chiasson, Communications Officer
L. Foulem, Corporate Communications Manager
S. Gauvin, Treasurer
D. McLaughlin, Development Officer
C. Roy, Executive Administrator
M. Bouffard, Director of Municipal Planning
N.R. Rabé Harou, Junior Urban Planner

1. **MOMENT OF REFLECTION / TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT**
2. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Moved by Councillor D. Branch

Seconded by Deputy Mayor M. Willett

THAT the Agenda be approved as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

3. **DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

No conflicts of interest were declared.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

4.1 Regular Public Meeting Held on June 17, 2024

Moved by Councillor R. Hondas
Seconded by Councillor P. Anderson

THAT the minutes of the Regular Public Meeting dated June 17, 2024, be approved as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED

5. CONSENT AGENDA

There were no items under the consent agenda.

6. PUBLIC AND ADMINISTRATIVE PRESENTATIONS

6.1 BHS Scholarship Presented to Gabriellea Aubé

Miss Gabriellea Aubé will be attending Oulton College to study in the Nursing program. She is also the daughter of our Deputy Fire Chief, Dustin Aubé.

6.2 BHS Scholarship Presented to Lily Duguay

Miss Lily Duguay will continue her studies at Medavie Health in the Primary Care Paramedic program. Unfortunately, Miss Duguay was unable to attend this evening.

6.3 ESN Scholarship Presented to Kiana Gallien Krause

Miss Kiana Gallien Krause will be attending the Moncton University for a Bachelor of Arts, majoring in psychology. Unfortunately, Miss Gallien was unable to attend this evening.

6.4 ESN Scholarship Presented to Olivier Authier

Mr. Olivier Authier will be attending St. Thomas University to study in liberal arts.

6.5 Old Bathurst Post Office Preservation Project by John Mann and Brian Hoffman

M. John Mann, president of the Old Bathurst Post Office Preservation Project, and Brian Hoffman presented a progress update on the project including a revised vision for the space.

The city has committed to contributing \$100,000 (\$20,000 a year for 5 years starting in 2023) which has helped to fund the building assessment and the new electrical service. They are requesting an additional grant of \$100,000 and permission to install a temporary sign promoting the Chase the Ace on the OBPO property along Main Street. The funds will be used for the heating system to prevent further interior deterioration and to allow work to continue through winter.

7. FINANCE

7.1 Accounts Payable Totals for June 2024

Moved by Councillor R. Hondas
Seconded by Councillor D. Knowles

THAT the accounts payable totals, including payroll, for the month of June 2024 be approved as follows:

Operating - \$1,961,442

Capital - \$234,519

Total - \$3,522,379

MOTION CARRIED

8. MUNICIPAL BY-LAWS

8.1 Proposed Zoning By-Law Amendments - 1945 Miramichi Avenue

8.1.1 Third Reading of By-Law 2024-06M

Moved by Councillor D. Branch
Seconded by Councillor S. Legacy

THAT By-Law 2024-06M, entitled "A By-Law to Amend By-Law No. 2006-01 Entitled "The City of Bathurst Municipal Plan By-Law"" be read for the third time (by title).

MOTION CARRIED

8.1.2 Third Reading By-Law 2024-06Z

Moved by Councillor R. Hondas
Seconded by Councillor S. Brunet

THAT By-Law 2024-06Z, entitled "A By-Law to Amend By-Law 2008-01 Entitled the City of Bathurst Zoning By-Law" be read for the third time (by title).

MOTION CARRIED

9. DRAFT RESOLUTIONS

9.1 Appointment to the Planning Advisory Committee

Moved by Councillor D. Knowles
Seconded by Deputy Mayor M. Willett

THAT Maurice Comeau be appointed to the Planning Advisory Committee for a first term, expiring on December 31, 2026.

MOTION CARRIED

9.2 Submission to the Minister of the By-Law to Amend the Municipal Plan pursuant to Section 112 of the Community Planning Act

9.2.1 Rezoning of 1945 Miramichi Avenue

Moved by Councillor D. Branch
Seconded by Councillor S. Legacy

WHEREAS section 112 of the *Community Planning Act* requires that the Council applies to the Minister for approval of by-law 2024-06M; and

WHEREAS the by-law conforms to the requirements of the said Act;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City Clerk, acting on behalf of the Council, apply to the Minister of Local Government and Government Reform for approval of the by-law as prescribed in subsection 112(2) of the said Act.

MOTION CARRIED

9.3 P002-24 K.C. Irving Regional Center Ice Plant Control Replacement

Moved by Councillor R. Hondas
Seconded by Councillor S. Legacy

THAT proposal P002-24 K.C. Irving Regional Center Ice Plant Controls Replacement be awarded to Actemium of Moncton, New Brunswick for a total of \$184,320.00 plus tax.

MOTION CARRIED

9.4 Appointment of Animal Control Officer

Moved by Councillor D. Branch
Seconded by Deputy Mayor M. Willett

WHEREAS pursuant to the By-Law No. 2012-04, “A By-Law Regulating the Keeping and Controlling of Companion Animals in The City Of Bathurst”, Council is authorized to appoint an Animal Control Officer; and

THAT Dylan McLaughlin is authorized, designated and appointed to act for and on behalf of Council in order to properly enforce the by-law No. 2012-04; and

THAT the said appointment continues as long as the said person remains employed with the Animal Shelter Bathurst Inc. or that the appointment is limited or rescinded by Council.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Bathurst City Council hereby appoints Dylan McLaughlin as Animal Control Officer.

MOTION CARRIED

9.5 2024 Grants Distribution

Moved by Councillor S. Brunet
Seconded by Councillor D. Knowles

THAT the grant distribution be approved as follows as discussed by the Grants Committee:

- \$500 to the Club Allaooleg Baie des Chaleurs Inc.
- \$1,000 to the Bathurst Band Fest, Swing Dance Fest, and Choral Fest Committee

MOTION CARRIED

10. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

10.1 Reports from Administration

There were no administration reports.

10.2 Reports from Committees

There were no committee reports.

10.3 Report from the Mayor

The mayor attended the following events:

June 13 – AGM of CBDC Chaleur

June 19 – CCNB Graduation. BHS & ESN also held their graduation ceremonies in June.

June 25 – Affordable housing announcement with Minister Jill Green and her team, 20 new one-bedroom units will be built on Vanier Boulevard.

June 26 – Announcement with Minister Kathy Bockus responsible for seniors. Sixty new beds will be built for seniors on Vallee Lourdes Drive. Construction is expected to be completed by September 2026.

June 27 – Tax sale for the old paper mill.

July 11 – Grand opening of Superstore

July 11 - Meeting with Société de l'Acadie du N.-B.'s new president Nicole Arseneau Sluyter.

July 11 – Grand opening of Distilleries NB in the downtown area.

July 12– Downtown Block Party

July 13– The fireworks competition

July 15 – Press conference for the Bathurst Old Post Office.

Bathurst Hospitality Days have just started, the Mayor invited everyone to get out and enjoy all the activities this week and weekend. For more information visit Bathurstfestival.com

The City of Bathurst would like to give their condolences to the families of two past councillors, Mr. Frank Quigg and Mr. Ron Loudon who have recently passed away.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor D. Branch

Seconded by Councillor R. Hondas

THAT the Regular Public Meeting be adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Kim Chamberlain / MAYOR

Amy-Lynn Parker / CITY CLERK