

**THE OROMOCTO TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
IN REGULAR SESSION**

**May 18, 2023, 5:30 PM
AT THE OROMOCTO MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

Present: Councillor Jeff Kirkbride, Councillor Raymond Henry, Councillor Brad Whalen, Councillor Sheridan Mawhinney, Councillor Kelly Murdock, Councillor Ryan Carr, Councillor Gary von Richter

Members Absent: Deputy Mayor Lorraine Dawe

In Attendance: Mayor Robert Powell, Cindy Goguen, Assistant Town Clerk, John Jackson, CAO/Clerk

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**
2. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Resolution Number: 2023-049

Moved by: Councillor Sheridan Mawhinney
Seconded by: Councillor Jeff Kirkbride

RESOLVED: THAT the Agenda for the Oromocto Town Council Meeting in Regular Session on 18 May 2023 be approved.

CARRIED

3. **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

There was no declared conflict of interest.

4. **MAYOR'S COMMENTS**
5. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Resolution Number: 2023-050

Moved by: Councillor Gary von Richter
Seconded by: Councillor Ryan Carr

RESOLVED: THAT the minutes for the Oromocto Town Council Meeting in Regular Session on 20 April 2023 be accepted.

CARRIED

6. **PETITIONS, PRESENTATIONS OR DELEGATIONS**

- 6.a Capital Region Association of Geo Cashers

The Capital Region Association of Geo Cashers made a presentation to Council. Vice-President Kristen Parks explained the leisure activity of geocaching which requires a GPS enabled device to locate containers in the woods or even urban areas. There are over 330 caches within a 10 km radius of Oromocto. It is a low-cost entry into this type of leisure activity. Would like to discuss how we could partner with the Town in the future. She distributed a copy of a passport. Go out and find the geocaches; once they are all found and take to headquarters and present it there and receive a coin or another type of tag. A coin with a passport series will cost \$1500 for 50 coins \$1000 for 50 wooden coins or \$250 for

100 path tags. In July a maritime mega in Fredericton this year. Over 300 coming from across the world. CRAG does provide education with individuals. They also conduct monthly lunches for the association. They suggested a learning activity regarding geocaching to take place during Pioneer Days. It was recommended that the executive reach out to the Recreation and Tourism Department.

7. COUNCILLOR REPORTS

7.a RSC 11 - Mayor Powell

Mayor Powell reported that the Capital Region Service Commission - First slide session, group collaboration on how they can work together as a team. Met on the 5 May - Each Mayor spoke about their communities. Spoke of Gateway Marsh and Pioneer Days coming up. First policing today. May is Jewish Heritage Month. The Mayor read a proclamation for Disability Awareness Week. 28th May - 3 June 2023. Thanked Councillor Kirkbride and Recreation and Tourism staff for the Recognition Awards Acknowledging Mr. George Gillette.

7.b Planning and Advisory Committee

Councillor Mawhinney stated the meeting in May primarily discussed the variance for the second apartment building off Black Watch Avenue to accommodate an above-ground parking.

7.c Recreation and Tourism Committee

Councillor Kirkbride advised there was one item for discussion to have all user groups of the arena to bring them in to the group for a presentation. Representing Oromocto High School was an overview of the programs at the school and the facilities. Training for the visitor information centre will begin. Off until September.

7.d Age-Friendly Community Advisory Committee

NO meeting.

7.e Climate Action/Zero Carbon Committee

Councillor Carr advised the Committee has been meeting regularly every two weeks. Climate expo planned for September is coming up. Looking at ways to encourage vendors and professionals to attend the session. A logo has been created and Atlantica to advertise for the expo. Things are moving along quickly.

7.f Library Committee

Nil

7.g Oromocto and Area Chamber of Commerce

Nil

7.h Oromocto Pioneer Gardens

Councillor Mawhinney advised a meeting was held the end of April and discussed the opening of the cemetery. Looking at ways in which to fill the vacancies. A new leadership team and new volunteers. Annual general meeting on the 24 May at 4:45 pm in the Town Hall, EOC meeting room.

8. CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

10. NEW BUSINESS

10.a Hiring - Holiday Relief Firefighters

RESOLVED: THAT Matthew Valdron and Spencer Morrison be offered the position of Holiday Relief Firefighter in accordance with the IAFF Local 1576 Collective Agreement, effective, upon successful completion, of their six-week probationary period.

Resolution Number: 2023-051

Moved by: Councillor Brad Whalen

Seconded by: Councillor Sheridan Mawhinney

CARRIED

10.b Agreement - Park Security

RESOLVED: THAT the Acting Director of Recreation and Tourism be authorized to enter into an agreement with Shadow Security to provide security services to the Town's parks.

Resolution Number: 2023-052

Moved by: Councillor Sheridan Mawhinney

Seconded by: Councillor Ryan Carr

CARRIED

10.c Tender - Mini Wheeled Loader

RESOLVED: THAT of the two bids received, that of A.L.P.A. Equipment Ltd. in the amount of \$155,368.86 (one hundred fifty-five thousand three hundred sixty-eight dollars and eighty-six cents) HST included, for the purchase of a mini-wheeled loader, be accepted. Funding is available from within account #29415-20.

Resolution Number: 2023-053

Moved by: Councillor Raymond Henry

Seconded by: Councillor Jeff Kirkbride

CARRIED

10.d Purchase - Wood Chipper

RESOLVED: THAT of the two quotes received, that of Atlantic Coastal Equipment in the amount of \$111,587.09 (one hundred eleven thousand five hundred eighty-seven dollars and nine cents) HST included be accepted for the purchase of a woodchipper. Funding is available from within accounts #29416-20 and #29415-20.

Resolution Number: 2023-054

Moved by: Councillor Kelly Murdock

Seconded by: Councillor Gary von Richter

CARRIED

10.e Gateway Street Lighting

RESOLVED: THAT Council authorizes the Town Engineer to procure and install seven (7) streetlights along Gateway Drive at a cost of \$35,000 (thirty-five thousand dollars). This is an unbudgeted expenditure with offset funding available from within account #19380-10.

Resolution Number: 2023-055

Moved by: Councillor Jeff Kirkbride
Seconded by: Councillor Raymond Henry

CARRIED

10.f Agreement Revision - 5 Year Gas Tax Fund

RESOLVED: THAT The Treasurer be authorized to submit an amended Five-Year Capital Investment Plan to the Department of Environment and Local Government on behalf of the Town of Oromocto, as reviewed by Council in Committee on Tuesday, 16 May 2023.

Resolution Number: 2023-056

Moved by: Councillor Ryan Carr
Seconded by: Councillor Sheridan Mawhinney

CARRIED

10.g Date Set for Public Presentations - Municipal Plan By-Law 510-D and Zoning By-Law 522-G

RESOLVED: THAT Council request in writing the views of the Planning Advisory Committee on Proposed Municipal Plan B-Law 510-D and Proposed Zoning By-Law 522-G; and

THAT the date for Public Presentation of Proposed Municipal Plan By-Law 510-D be held in Council Chambers on Wednesday, 14 June 2023 at 5:30 pm; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: THAT the date for the Public Hearing of Written Objections of Proposed Municipal Plan By-Law 510-D and Proposed Zoning By-Law 522-G be held in Council Chambers, Thursday, 20 July 2023 at 5:30 pm.

Resolution Number: 2023-057

Moved by: Councillor Gary von Richter
Seconded by: Councillor Kelly Murdock

CARRIED

11. ADJOURNMENT

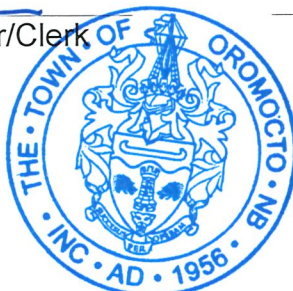
Resolution Number: 2023-058

Moved by: Councillor Sheridan Mawhinney
Seconded by: Councillor Jeff Kirkbride

THAT the Regular Session of Oromocto Town Council of 18 May 2023 be adjourned.

CARRIED


Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk




Mayor