

Agenda
Village of Fredericton Junction
Council Meeting
July 22nd, 2024 at 7:00 pm

1. Record of Attendance
2. Declaration of Conflict of Interest
3. Approval of Minutes
4. Approval of Agenda
5. Delegations & Petitions
6. Correspondence
7. Unfinished Business
 - CRSC Building/Other Fees
 - CRSC Unsightly Premises
8. Council Statements
9. Council Reports

Policing / Recreation / Land Development	Councillor M Mersereau
CRSC / Economic Development	Mayor L Falconer
Community & Health Affairs / Finance	Deputy Mayor B Hartt
Administration / Transportation	Councillor L Daley
Water & Sewer / Fire	Councillor J Webb
10. Other Business
 - Resolution – Funds from Water/Sewer Reserve to LOC
 - CRSC Motion to appoint by Council all relevant CRSC building inspectors, development officers and by-law enforcement officers
11. Payment of Bills
12. Adjournment

Village of Fredericton Junction
Council Minutes
July 8th, 2024

ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Len Falconer	Councillor Lonnie Daley
Deputy Mayor Bobbie Hartt	Councillor Webb
Grant Artes	Kristie Fowler
Laurie Nason	John Mersereau
Raelene Thomas	

CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

"Moved by Councillor Daley and Seconded by Deputy Mayor Hartt that the June 26th, 2024 Minutes be accepted as distributed." Motion Carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

"Moved by Councillor Webb and Seconded by Councillor Mersereau that the Agenda be accepted as distributed." Motion Carried.

DELEGATIONS & PETITIONS:

- Resident looking for suggestions on being able to have 2-3 laying hens (no roosters) at her residence on Sunbury Dr
 - Councillor Mersereau suggests applying to CRSC for a temporary 1-year permit then the decision would be made by PRAC. Where the location is considered 'Village Center' re-zoning may have to be done after the 1-year temporary permit.
- Sherri Dumas - *Absent*

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:

- CRSC- Building fees (and all fees) for Fredericton Junction are the lowest of all municipalities.
 - Councillor Mersereau : the theory years ago was to keep fees low to encourage people to come here. Fees could go up a little but not necessarily as high as other municipalities. Councillor Mersereau to crunch the numbers and we will re-visit this.

- Anonymous resident letter re: Complaint about chickens on Maynard Rd.
 - 2nd letter received, bringing to our attention chickens possibly roaming freely and leaving droppings
 - After the first letter was received in March, an enforcement officer investigated and stated that there were no longer chickens, or a coop and the issue was thought to have been resolved and was recorded in the April 22nd minutes
 - The enforcement officer will be contacted again to come out and investigate a 2nd time
- Letter received from RDC re: Blockhouse project
 - Additional financial contribution of up to \$24,005 available
 - Deadline to submit all claims is March 31, 2025
- Transport Canada- Railway Safety, Letter of concern
 - Banner obstructing view of railway crossing sign and lights
 - Banner has been removed
 - Clerk to respond that the issue has been resolved
 - Letter to NB Southern/Transport Canada to be drafted up to raise the village's ongoing concerns of the 101 crossing as it is a danger to bikes and a safety concern
- Enabling Accessibility Fund- Youth Innovation call for proposals across Canada
 - Youth can apply by Oct 4, 2024 to be a Youth Accessibility Leader
 - The department will award grant funding to a max of \$12,000 for each project
 - More information can be found at Canada.ca/accessibility-fund
- Request for Public works to cut back bushes at the end of Currie Lane around the stop sign and to sweep rocks off the road at the intersection of the Gore Rd and Riverside Dr
 - The bush has been cut back and sweeping rocks off the road at the intersection is an ongoing issue
- Economic Expansion meeting- Power point presentation received and sent to Council
- Letter from DTI re: Request to Work, Pride's Landing Rd
 - Relating to the grading, placement of gravel and brush cutting along the graveled section of Pride's Landing Rd – the ORWA shall ensure that no construction activities take place on the approved roadway without written agreement from Fredericton Junction Mayor and Council.
 - DTI owns the road, but the Village maintains it as it falls under municipality
 - Response letter to be sent to DTI stating that for this project to move forward, we request that the Oromocto Watershed Association obtain written endorsement from all landowners along the gravel road part of Pride's Landing Rd and that they approve/are in favor of this roadwork to be carried out

CORRESPONDENCE SENT:

- Village of Fredericton Junction 2024 July Newsletter

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Oromocto Physician Recruitment
 - Signing bonus for 2 doctors, they may not necessarily be in Fredericton Junction
 - Cost based on tax base for 4 years

“Moved by Councillor Webb and Seconded by Councillor Mersereau that the Village of Fredericton Junction is not in favor of the Healthcare Signing Initiative .” Motion Carried.

COUNCIL STATEMENTS:

Deputy Mayor Hartt. The banners look great; the new material is a cheaper option and easier for the grads to keep afterwards

COUNCIL REPORTS:Water & Sewer / Fire:**Councillor Webb:***Water & Sewer*

- Sansom Ltd will be back on Friday to work on the Turbidity meter
- Exploratory on Wilsey Rd was done on Friday
 - Suggested to replace 2 manhole tops and add 2 short manholes

Fire Department

- 5 fire calls in total for June and 1 so far for July
 - False alarm, 1 MVA, tires on fire, ATV MVA and hay bale fire
- Fire Truck tender still not received, will follow up again
- Breathing Apparatuses may not require borrowing

Policing / Recreation / Land Development:**Councillor Mersereau:***Policing*

- Sent an email to the Police Sergeant about dirt bikes tearing up and down Pride’s Landing Rd all hours of the night on multiple occasions recently
- Light Top Cameras - Reach out to NB Power to reschedule the pilot project presentation
- Internet has been down due to another copper theft
- Hoping people will call Crime Stoppers so they can report anything suspicious anonymously

Land Development

- Resident application for building permit – Confusion with applying
 - Explained that they may have to apply for a variance and to have the contractor fill out the application

- Responded to Porter Developments Ltd
 - Gave him PID's to small pieces of land that would be available, haven't heard back

Recreation

- Toonie Draw – Councillor Mersereau's mother won!

CRSC / Economic Development:

Mayor Falconer:

CRSC

- Regional Aquatic Center Proposal
 - Communities weren't prepared to spend that that kind of money on an aquatic center
 - July 26th, 2024 a half day meeting will be held

Community & Health Affairs / Finance:

Deputy Mayor Hartt:

Tourism

- Council (Mayor Falconer, Councillors Daley, Webb and Hartt) plus our Village Clerk/CAO met with our consultant John Bigger on Tuesday June 25th, 2024 with regards to the current Blockhouse situation on Financing and progress.
 - As of the date June 25th, 2024, the Village had not heard back from RDC on any approvals. Those present agreed to pay all invoices submitted to date and the Village's obligation would be to get the agreed upon electrical done and add on the door sweep. Then the project would be declared complete until such time V of FJ budget funds and chose to move forward on any more activity inside the building.
 - To date the outlets on the ground level have been complete.
 - It was also decided and agreed upon by the council present at that meeting with the consultant on June 25th, 2024 for the foreseeable future the Village of Fredericton Junction would not take on any new projects in the Tourism Dept.
 - On June 27th, 2024, RDC sent the updated letter of approval to combine Phase 1 & 2. This letter was signed by the Mayor and Clerk as an acknowledgement of the combination and sent back the same day to RDC. We have until March 25th, 2025 to submit all invoices for this project to which the V of FJ will receive 40% back except those invoices previously submitted that were already reimbursed (only 1 claim).
 - It was also stated by the consultant, John Bigger in our meeting on June 25th, 2024, that Robin Hanson would donate appx \$19,000.00 back once the electrical was complete.

Community & Health Affairs

- Come Home Week Parade will be Aug 3rd, 2024
 - 17 frisbees and 17 water bottles need set aside
- For NB Day we need: hot dogs, buns, condiments and 2 slab cakes
- The Welcome Wagon Committee meets tomorrow, July 9th, 2024
- Healthcare Recruitment meeting next Mon, July 15th, 2024
- PRAC –June 25th there were no applications, so meeting was cancelled

Finance

- Picked up the Consolidated Financial Statements from the 2023 Audit which is now complete
- The last claim on Well 5 has been received and amount may cover the overture on the LOC

- Clerk to try and get in contact with the Traffic Sign Depot

Administration / Transportation:

Councillor Daley:

Administration

- Everything in admin is going well
- Summer students are working hard this summer

Public Works

- Grader at Pride's Landing Rd – PW Supervisor to follow up

Transportation

- Hogan Paving awarded road construction contract for the Wilsey Rd for \$980,977.10
- 2 manhole tops will need replaced and 2 short manholes added
- Flushing sewer drains needs done
 - Need to think about flushing a couple sections per year to have it done yearly
- Will need to meet with Dillon Consulting again to sort out more details
- Will need to request detailed daily reports and who will be on site daily
- Clerk to have a file with all invoices, reports and email correspondence in one place and keep detailed records of the project
- Neary Hill roadwork – quote received from Hogan Paving

“Moved by Councillor Daley and Seconded by Councillor Webb to accept bid from Hogan Paving for Neary Hill for the amount of \$30,737.00 + HST.” Motion Carried.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Motion: Policy #2024-07-01 Public Suggestions Policy

"Moved by Deputy Mayor Hartt and Seconded by Councillor Daley to read in entirety and adopt Policy #2024-07-01 Public Suggestions Policy." Motion Carried.

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

"Moved by Councillor Webb and Seconded by Deputy Mayor Hartt that the bills be paid as approved by the appropriate Councillor." Motion Carried

ADJOURNMENT:

"Moved by Councillor Mersereau and Seconded by Deputy Mayor Hartt that the meeting be adjourned." Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned 8:34 pm.

Prepared by: Kristie Fowler

Approved by: [Signature]

Date: July 22, 2024