

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

**January 18, 2024, 5:30 PM
AT THE OROMOCTO MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

Present: Councillor Lorraine Dawe, Councillor Jeff Kirkbride, Councillor Brad Whalen, Deputy Mayor Sheridan Mawhinney, Councillor Kelly Murdock, Councillor Ryan Carr, Councillor Gary von Richter

Members Absent: Councillor Raymond Henry

In Attendance: Mayor Robert Powell, Gillian Mersereau, Executive Assistant, John Jackson, CAO/Clerk

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Powell called the meeting to order at 5:40 pm.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Resolution Number: 2024-001

Moved by: Councillor Jeff Kirkbride

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Sheridan Mawhinney

THAT the Agenda for the Oromocto Town Council Meeting in Regular Session on Thursday, 18 January 2024 be accepted.

CARRIED

3. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

4. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Powell stated it was annual Crime Stoppers Month and that the flag has been erected at the mall traffic circle.

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Resolution Number: 2024-002

Moved by: Councillor Lorraine Dawe

Seconded by: Councillor Kelly Murdock

THAT the minutes for the Oromocto Town Council Meeting in Regular Session on Thursday, 14 December 2023 be accepted.

CARRIED

6. PETITIONS, PRESENTATIONS OR DELEGATIONS

7. COUNCILLOR REPORTS

- 7.a RSC 11 - Nil
- 7.b Planning and Advisory Committee - Nil
- 7.c Recreation and Tourism Committee

Councillor Kirkbride reported that the committee met on 11 January and had a presentation from the Oromocto Pickleball Association, as they are trying to recruit more members. Oromocto's involvement in Fredericton's Annual Frostival Event was also discussed.

- 7.d Age-Friendly Community Advisory Committee - Nil
- 7.e Climate Action/Zero Carbon Committee - Nil
- 7.f Library Committee - Nil
- 7.g Oromocto and Area Chamber of Commerce - Nil
- 7.h Oromocto Pioneer Gardens – Nil

8. CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS

- 8.a 1st Reading by Title Only of Proposed By-Law 515 A By-Law Respecting Dangerous or Unsightly Premises in the Town of Oromocto

Proposed By-Law 515 was read by title only.

Resolution Number: 2024-003

Moved by: Councillor Gary von Richter

Seconded by: Councillor Brad Whalen

CARRIED

- 8.b 2nd Reading in its Entirety of Proposed By-Law 515 A By-Law Respecting Dangerous or Unsightly Premises in the Town of Oromocto

Proposed By-Law 515 was read in its entirety.

Resolution Number: 2024-004

Moved by: Councillor Kelly Murdock

Seconded by: Councillor Gary von Richter

CARRIED

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

10. NEW BUSINESS

- 10.a Contract Award - By-Law Review

RESOLVED: THAT Council authorizes the Director of Planning & Compliance to procure the services of Dillon Consulting, for review of the Building and Subdivision By-Laws for the Town of Oromocto, at a cost of \$40,500 (forty thousand and five hundred dollars).

Resolution Number: 2024-005

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Sheridan Mawhinney

Seconded by: Councillor Jeff Kirkbride

CARRIED

10.b Contract Award - Brand Identity & Communication Strategy

RESOLVED: THAT Council authorizes the Assistant Town Clerk to procure the services of Ginger Communications, for the purpose of the Town of Oromocto Re-Branding and a Public Communications Strategy, in the amount of \$33,500 (thirty-three thousand and five hundred dollars).

Resolution Number: 2024-006

Moved by: Councillor Kelly Murdock

Seconded by: Councillor Brad Whalen

CARRIED

10.c Hiring - Financial Accountant

RESOLVED: THAT Ms. Jassy (Xiaojun) Liu be offered the position of Financial Accountant with a start date of 05 February 2024.

Resolution Number: 2024-007

Moved by: Councillor Lorraine Dawe

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Sheridan Mawhinney

CARRIED

10.d Appointment - Planning Advisory Committee

RESOLVED: THAT Mr. Jeff Guthrie be appointed to the Planning Advisory Committee to serve a three-year term effective 01 January 2024 to 31 December 2026.

Resolution Number: 2024-008

Moved by: Councillor Ryan Carr

Seconded by: Councillor Lorraine Dawe

CARRIED

10.e Appointments - Recreation & Tourism Committee

RESOLVED: THAT the following individuals be appointed the Recreation & Tourism Committee to serve a two-year term:

- Marc Côté – Term expires 30 September 2025
- Breannah Collins – Term expires 30 September 2025
- Dale Currie – Term expires 30 September 2025
- Michelle Bedard – Term expires 31 January 2026
- Philip Toole - Term expires 31 January 2026

Resolution Number: 2024-009

Moved by: Councillor Jeff Kirkbride

Seconded by: Councillor Kelly Murdock

CARRIED

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

Resolution Number: 2024-010

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Sheridan Mawhinney

Seconded by: Councillor Kelly Murdock

THAT the Regular Session of Oromocto Town Council of be adjourned at 5:57 pm.

CARRIED



Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk



Mayor