# THE OROMOCTO TOWN COUNCIL MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION

## July 18, 2024, 5:30 PM AT THE OROMOCTO MUNICIPAL BUILDING

Present:

Councillor Lorraine Dawe, Councillor Raymond Henry,

Councillor Brad Whalen, Deputy Mayor Sheridan Mawhinney, Councillor Kelly Murdock, Councillor Ryan Carr, Councillor

Gary von Richter

Members Absent:

Councillor Jeff Kirkbride

In Attendance:

Mayor Robert Powell, Gillian Mersereau, Executive Assistant,

John Jackson, CAO/Clerk

#### 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

### 2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Resolution Number: 2024-060

Moved by: Councillor Ryan Carr

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Sheridan Mawhinney

THAT the Agenda for the Oromocto Town Council Meeting in Regular Session on

**CARRIED** 

#### 3. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

#### 4. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Powell announced that Dr. Robert Prosser, long time family physician, who had his practice in Oromocto for over 60 years is retiring at the end of July, thus, leaving several hundred people with no family doctor.

He also commented that Pioneer Days was a complete success this year and expressed his thanks to Jeff Melanson, Pioneer Days Committee Chair, committee members and all of the volunteers who helped make it successful.

# 5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Resolution Number: 2024-061

Moved by: Councillor Lorraine Dawe Seconded by: Councillor Gary von Richter

**THAT** the minutes for the Oromocto Town Council Meeting in Regular Session on 20 June 2024 be accepted.

**CARRIED** 

## 6. PETITIONS, PRESENTATIONS OR DELEGATIONS

#### 7. COUNCILLOR REPORTS

7.a Capital Region Service Commission - Mayor Powell

Mayor Powell reported that the committee met on 27 June 2024 and held a vote in relation to the regional pool. The pool was defeated by a vote of 12 to 2

- 7.a.1 Community Development Committee Nil
- 7.a.2 Economic Expansion Committee Nil
- 7.b Oromocto Health Care Committee Mayor Powell

Mayor Powell stated the meeting scheduled for 11 July 2024 was cancelled. He advised Council that there is a meet and greet being held at the Lord Beaverbrook on 24 July 2024 for newly recruited medical professionals. The next meeting is scheduled for 13 August 2024.

- 7.c Planning and Advisory Committee Nil
- 7.d Recreation and Tourism Committee Nil
- 7.e Age-Friendly Community Advisory Committee Nil
- 7.f Climate Action/Zero Carbon Committee Nil
- 7.g Library Committee Nil
- 7.h Oromocto and Area Chamber of Commerce Nil
- 7.i Oromocto Pioneer Gardens Deputy Mayor Mawhinney

Deputy Mayor Mawhinney reported that the committee met 17 July 2024, and that things are going well, he noted the committee had a large turn over of volunteers last year. Committee was pleased that Mayor Powell attended the AGM.

- 8. CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS
- 9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

#### 10. NEW BUSINESS

10.a Hiring - Human Resources Manager

**RESOLVED: THAT** Heidi Lawless-Anderson be offered the position of Human Resource Manager with employment to commence 06 August 2024.

Resolution Number: 2024-062

**Moved by:** Deputy Mayor Sheridan Mawhinney **Seconded by:** Councillor Raymond Henry

CARRIED

10.b Hiring - Holiday Relief Firefighter

**RESOLVED: THAT** Cedric Boudreau be offered the position of Holiday Relief Firefighter in accordance with the IAFF Local1576/Town of Oromocto Collective Agreement, effective immediately, after successful completion of his six-week probationary period.

Resolution Number: 2024-063

Moved by: Councillor Lorraine Dawe Seconded by: Councillor Kelly Murdock

CARRIED

#### 10.c Promotion - Lieutenant

RESOLVED: THAT Firefighter Adam O'Blenes be promoted to the rank of Lieutenant, effective immediately, with the salary, benefits and terms of employment as defined within the IAFF 1576/Town of Oromocto Collective

Agreement.

Resolution Number: 2024-064

Moved by: Councillor Brad Whalen

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Sheridan Mawhinney

**CARRIED** 

# 10.d Oromocto Health Care Committee Proposal

RESOLVED: THAT Council agree to fund an incentive of \$13,220 (thirteen thousand two hundred twenty dollars) and direct staff to allocate \$26,400 (twenty-six thousand four hundred dollars) annually, for the recruitment of healthcare professionals to a maximum of two agreements per fiscal year until 31 December 2027, as reviewed at Council in Committee on 16 July 2024.

Resolution Number: 2024-065

Moved by: Councillor Raymond Henry Seconded by: Councillor Ryan Carr

**CARRIED** 

#### 10.e Policy Amendments

**RESOLVED: THAT** the Town's Performance Evaluation Reports Policy and the Disciplinary Action Policy be amended as reviewed by Council in Committee on 16 July 2024.

Resolution Number: 2024-066 Moved by: Councillor Ryan Carr

Seconded by: Councillor Gary von Richter

**CARRIED** 

#### Jersey Barriers for NB Trail 10.f

RESOLVED: THAT the Town Engineer be authorized to purchase and install jersey barriers at each of the five NB Trail gate locations + near the highway tunnel, for an unbudgeted cost of \$8,880 (eight thousand eight hundred and eighty dollars) plus HST as reviewed by Council in Committee on 16 July 2024.

Resolution Number: 2024-067

Moved by: Councillor Gary von Richter Seconded by: Councillor Lorraine Dawe

CARRIED

#### **ADJOURNMENT** 11.

Resolution Number: 2024-068

Moved by: Councillor Kelly Murdock Seconded by: Councillor Raymond Henry THAT the Regular Session of Oromocto Town Council on 18 July 2024 be adjourned.

**CARRIED** 

Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk

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