

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

**August 22, 2024, 5:30 PM  
AT THE OROMOCTO MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

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

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

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**1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

**2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**Resolution Number: 2024-069**

**Moved by:** Councillor Jeff Kirkbride

**Seconded by:** Councillor Gary von Richter

**RESOLVED: THAT** the Agenda for the Oromocto Town Council Meeting in Regular Session on 22 August 2024 be approved.

**CARRIED**

**3. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

Nil

**4. MAYOR'S COMMENTS**

The Mayor reported he presented Dr. Prosser, who recently retired, with a certificate from the Town acknowledging his 61 years of service to the community.

**5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**Resolution Number: 2024-070**

**Moved by:** Deputy Mayor Sheridan Mawhinney

**Seconded by:** Councillor Raymond Henry

**RESOLVED: THAT** the minutes for the Oromocto Town Council Meeting in Regular Session on 18 July 2024 be approved.

**CARRIED**

**6. PETITIONS, PRESENTATIONS OR DELEGATIONS**

Nil

**7. COUNCILLOR REPORTS**

7.a Capital Region Service Commission

Mayor Powell reported on a number of meetings with the Capital Service Commission: (1) 29 July 2024 he met with Town staff and representatives to discuss future plans; (2) 26 July 2024 he attended presentations at the Wu Centre on various topics; (3) 8 August 2024 he attended a Public Safety Committee meeting; and (4) 16 August 2024 he attended the annual Newcomers Summit and Evening Gala.

7.a.1 Community Development Committee

Councillor Dawe reported the Community Development Committee met on 13 August 2024 to discuss some of the main initiatives from the strategic plan and how they will be evaluated. Ignite has hired Learnsphere to deliver a program on Grant Writing for Non-Profit Organizations. She reported staff at Ignite have developed a document of contacts within the faith community to see how they can engage that sector.

7.a.2 Economic Expansion Committee

Deputy Mayor Mawhinney reported the Committee met on 19 August 2024 where they received a presentation from Agriculture, Aquaculture and Fisheries Department and from the Agriculture Alliance of New Brunswick. He stated there were good discussions related to challenges faced by small producers in accessing funding for their operations.

7.b Oromocto Health Care Committee

The Mayor reported three members of the committee attended a function in Fredericton related to health-care recruitment. On 12 August 2024 the whole committee met to discuss preparations for a recruitment function in Halifax this September and to discuss the incentive packages. He also announced the Capital Region Service Commission has provided \$25,000 towards the committee to aid with attraction activities. He reported that on 14 August 2024 the committee hosted nine medical students that were in Town. They were given an opportunity to explore the waterfront, and he received positive feedback from them.

7.c Planning Advisory Committee

Deputy Mayor Mawhinney advised the Planning Advisory Committee met on 7 August 2024 to discuss one item, a variance for the sign at the new Scholten's Convenience located on the Nevers Road in Ward 4.

7.d Recreation & Tourism Committee

Nil

7.e Age Friendly Community Advisory Committee

Councillor Murdock advised the Age Friendly Committee held a meeting to discuss one item, the potential locations for new concrete benches within the Town.

7.f Climate Action/Zero Carbon Committee

Councillor Carr stated the sub committee has met last month to plan for the upcoming Zero Carbon Emissions activity to be held at the Gateway Wetlands on 21 September 2024 from 10 am until 2 pm. In addition, they have discussed plans for another event to be held sometime in November of this year.

7.g Library Committee

Nil

7.h Oromocto & Area Chamber of Commerce

Nil

7.i Oromocto Pioneer Gardens Cemetery Committee

Nil

8. **CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS - Nil**

9. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS - Nil**

10. **NEW BUSINESS**

10.a 5-Year Financial Forecast

**Resolution Number: 2024-071**

**Moved by:** Councillor Lorraine Dawe

**Seconded by:** Councillor Raymond Henry

**WHEREAS** Council desires to construct and operate a new Community Recreation and Wellness Center and construct a new fire station to meet the growing demands of the community, and

**WHEREAS** there is an immediate demand to maintain and increase the Town's water and sewer infrastructure to increase its capacity over the next five years,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: THAT** Council approves and accepts the 5-Year Financial Plan, as presented to Council in Committee on 20 August 2024, authorizing the rate increases as detailed therein.

**CARRIED**

10.b Oromocto Wastewater Treatment Plant - Request for Proposal

**Resolution Number: 2024-072**

**Moved by:** Councillor Raymond Henry

**Seconded by:** Councillor Jeff Kirkbride

**RESOLVED: THAT** Council accept the recommended aerated lagoon treatment option for the Oromocto West Treatment Plant and begin the process of developing a request for proposal for the completion of the engineered design work required.

**CARRIED**

10.c Land Sale - 68 Miramichi Road

**Resolution Number: 2024-073**

**Moved by:** Deputy Mayor Sheridan Mawhinney

**Seconded by:** Councillor Kelly Murdock

**RESOLVED: THAT** the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer/Town Clerk be authorized to enter into a Purchase and Sale agreement for a 2794 sq m parcel of Town-owned land, having PID 60182151, to Sweet Home Convenience, c/o Richard Ng, in the amount of \$58,000 (fifty-eight thousand dollars) plus HST.

**CARRIED**

10.d Land Sale - 343 Greenfield Road

**Resolution Number: 2024-074**

**Moved by:** Councillor Jeff Kirkbride

**Seconded by:** Councillor Ryan Carr

**RESOLVED: THAT** the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer/Town Clerk be authorized to enter into a Purchase and Sale agreement with Steven Kynock for a 142.5 sq m portion of Town-owned land, having PID

60102589, in the amount of \$3,600 (three thousand and six hundred dollars) plus HST.

**CARRIED**

10.e Land Sale - Brizley Street/Winter Street

**Resolution Number: 2024-075**

**Moved by:** Councillor Ryan Carr

**Seconded by:** Councillor Gary von Richter

**RESOLVED: THAT** the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer/Town Clerk be authorized to enter into a Purchase and Sale agreement with Maschmeyer Estates for Town-owned property located on the corner of Brizley and Winter Streets, having PID 60189131 in the amount of \$122,200 (one hundred and twenty-two thousand dollars) plus HST.

**CARRIED**

10.f Local Government Service Easement - Terry Fox Drive

**Resolution Number: 2024-076**

**Moved by:** Councillor Kelly Murdock

**Seconded by:** Councillor Gary von Richter

**RESOLVED: THAT** Council give assent to the Plan entitled, "Subdivision Plan, Town of Oromocto Subdivision 2024-1", Showing Lot 1A, Terry Fox Drive, Town of Oromocto, County of Sunbury, Province of New Brunswick.

**CARRIED**

10.g Local Government Service Easement - Waasis Road

**Resolution Number: 2024-077**

**Moved by:** Councillor Gary von Richter

**Seconded by:** Councillor Lorraine Dawe

**RESOLVED: THAT** Council give assent to the Plan entitled, "Subdivision Plan, Town of Oromocto Subdivision 2024-2", Creating Parcel 24-A and 24-B, Waasis Road, Town of Oromocto, County of Sunbury, Province of New Brunswick.

**CARRIED**

10.h Senior Mechanic Hiring - Engineering and Public Works

**Resolution Number: 2024-078**

**Moved by:** Deputy Mayor Sheridan Mawhinney

**Seconded by:** Councillor Jeff Kirkbride

**RESOLVED: THAT** Corey Petitpas be hired as a Senior Mechanic within the Department of Engineering and Public Works Department, effective 26 August 2024.

**CARRIED**

10.i Mechanic Hiring - Engineering and Public Works

**Resolution Number: 2024-079**

**Moved by:** Councillor Lorraine Dawe

**Seconded by:** Councillor Raymond Henry

**RESOLVED: THAT** Brent Melanson be hired as a Mechanic within the Department of Engineering and Public Works Department, effective 26 August 2024.

**CARRIED**

10.j Part-Time Hiring - Engineering and Public Works

**Resolution Number: 2024-080**

**Moved by:** Councillor Raymond Henry

**Seconded by:** Deputy Mayor Sheridan Mawhinney

**RESOLVED: THAT** Scott Bailey be hired as a part-time Operator III within the Roads and Grounds section of the Department of Engineering and Public Works, effective 26 August 2024.

**CARRIED**

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

**Resolution Number: 2024-081**

**Moved by:** Councillor Lorraine Dawe

**Seconded by:** Councillor Jeff Kirkbride

**RESOLVED: THAT** the Regular Session of Oromocto Town Council of 22 August 2024 be adjourned.

**CARRIED**



Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk



Mayor