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**HANWELL**  
Rural Community  
Regular Meeting of Council  
July 21, 2021  
Minutes

**Attendance:**

Mayor Dave Morrison, Deputy Mayor Susan Jonah, Councillor Holly Hyslop, Councillor Tim Fox, Councillor Morgan MacPherson, Councillor Darren MacKenzie, Councillor Pat Septon, Clerk/Treasurer Terri Parker, Assistant Clerk/Assistant Treasurer Sherri Johnston, Upper Kingsclear Fire Chief Murray Crouse, and 17 members of the public.

**1. Calling to Order**

Mayor Dave Morrison called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

**2. Approval of the Agenda**

**Moved by** Councillor Darren MacKenzie and **seconded by** Deputy Mayor Susan Jonah to approve the agenda with the following amendments:

Remove item #7a) RSC11- Land for Public Purpose- Green Subdivision (application withdrawn)

Add item #11e) Accommodation Tax Levy

Add item #12e) Correspondence- Crime Prevention Association of New Brunswick

**Unanimously Carried #04-07-2021**

**3. Adoption of Minutes:**

**Moved by** Deputy Mayor Susan Jonah and **seconded by** Councillor Darren MacKenzie that the Minutes of the June 23, 2021, Special Meeting of Council be adopted.

**Unanimously Carried #05-07-2021**

**Moved by** Deputy Mayor Susan Jonah and **seconded by** Councillor Holly Hyslop that the Minutes of the June 15, 2021, Regular Meeting of Council be adopted.

**Unanimously Carried #06-07-2021**

**Moved by** Deputy Mayor Susan Jonah and **seconded by** Councillor Tim Fox that the Minutes of the July 7, 2021, Special Meeting of Council be adopted as amended: #3 “The operating

contribution would for 2025-2029 is estimated at \$173,903", remove the word "would", and #4 "Councillor Mackenzie will take a video of the area so that contractor have a better idea of the location" change "so that contractor" to "so that the contractors".

**Unanimously Carried #07-07-2021**

**4. Public Input/Inquiries (10 minutes max.)**

Chris Ramsay asked if council had access to the responses that he had given to the Clerk's questions prior to their vote on the aquatic center. The Clerk confirmed that council did receive all his responses. He thanked council for voting on the project.

**5. Disclosures**

None

**6. Reports:**

Chief Murray Crouse presented a Fire Department report for Council. He acknowledged the 8 new firefighters who have completed their level one training. He also noted that 13 of their members are currently taking the Blue Card Command course which is incident command training. He advised council that they will be doing training on Monday, July 26 and Tuesday, July 27 at St. James Presbyterian Church and Advanced Fabrics. There will be a large presence of emergency vehicles. He asked that we advise our residents on social media and our website of the training.

**Moved by** Councillor Darren MacKenzie and **seconded by** Councillor Holly Hyslop to receive the Fire Department reports for June 2021 as presented.

**Unanimously Carried #08-07-2021**

**7. Presentations**

a) RSC11– Land for public purposes

**Moved by** Councillor Darren MacKenzie and **seconded by** Councillor Holly Hyslop to table this for a special meeting where we can try to get more information so that we can figure out what would be of more value to us.

**YES Votes:** Councillor Darren MacKenzie, Deputy Mayor Susan Jonah, Councillor Holly Hyslop, Councillor Tim Fox, and Councillor Morgan MacPherson

**NO Votes:** Councillor Pat Septon

**Motion Carried #09-07-2021**

**8. Permit Applications**

a) There were 8 building permits, and 1 development permit for June 2021.

**9. Proclamations**

None

**10. Petitions and Delegations**

None

**11. Business Arising:**

- a) Fredericton Regional Aquatic Centre

**Moved by** Councillor Holly Hyslop **and seconded by** Councillor Darren MacKenzie to suspend the rules to discuss the Fredericton Regional Aquatic Centre.

**Unanimously Carried #10-07-2021**

**Moved by** Councillor Holly Hyslop **and seconded by** Councillor Tim Fox

**WHEREAS** the rural community of Hanwell has reviewed the Fredericton Regional Aquatic Center project, and

**WHEREAS** a regional aquatics facility will benefit the greater Fredericton Region including Hanwell

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Clerk of the rural community of Hanwell enter into an agreement with the Regional Aquatics Committee for the design phase only of a regional aquatics facility in the amount of \$22,850 for 2021 and \$53,317 for 2022 as presented by Chris Ramsey at the July 7, 2021, Special Meeting of Council being contingent upon

**A)** financial participation by all other local, regional, and senior government jurisdictions, and

**B)** an advisory committee being set up to determine the shared ownership model, governance, operations, and funding model, etc...

**Unanimously Carried #11-07-2021**

*Councillor Darren MacKenzie wants the following report entered into the minutes:*

*Report on proposed regional Aquatics Center*

*Let me first start off by saying that I'm very pleased with the amount of work and public engagement that is being done with the new Aquatics center project, in contrast to what was done with the previous recreation agreement several years ago (that was largely put in motion due to the new arenas). However, I have some major concerns with the way some of this information is being presented, both to the public and to council.*

*1. During a public presentation, a comment was made as to (I am paraphrasing), "How would Hanwell look if this wasn't supported, and Hanwell wanted to do a similar future regional project on their own?" I interpret this as a "veiled threat" that if we don't support this, we shouldn't expect anyone to support us in the future. I don't like this, and I know that others on council didn't appreciate it, either.*

*2. Council sent questions to the head of the committee after that presentation, to attempt to get additional information. Many of these questions were answered with "I don't know" or "This isn't a question for me", but with no recommendation on who we should approach that actually "would" know. That's not particularly helpful.*

*3. Some comments in the responses given are a real stretch, and in some cases, outright derogatory. Things such as "This should be a no-brainer for council" (not paraphrased), aren't appreciated at all.*

*4. It appears to me, based on at least one email that was received from a group of "doctors" to support the pool, in which incorrect information is being relayed to the public (either*

intentionally or unintentionally) to sway public opinion. That correspondence makes it sound as if the residents of Hanwell currently have no access to aquatic facilities, and that is absolutely not true. Hanwell has access to multiple aquatic facilities within the city, as part of the recreation agreement. A short list of these is actually posted on Hanwell's website (though there are too many to list here, in what will be an already long report). Or if a resident is curious, they can reach out to me for further information on it.

5. During one of the presentations, a "sleight of hand" happened where the user base of the Fredericton Indoor Pool was used, instead of the Hanwell user base for the pool you are looking to replace. Based on your own report's numbers, page 19 of the report shows that there are only 34 people in Hanwell that use the Aitken pool. I believe it's safe to assume that a large portion of that 34 (which works out to 0.68% of Hanwell's population - not the 4.3% that was shown in the presentation) are most likely special interest groups such as FAST. Whether that misrepresentation (which was confirmed in a subsequent email) was intentional or not, please ensure it doesn't continue to happen.

All that being said, I do intend to support the motion tonight to move forward with this next phase. However, before I can be convinced to get on-board with any future work or funding requests from Hanwell for this project, there are some things that absolutely need to happen:

1. The "veiled threats" and derogatory comments added in presentations and communications need to stop. When you're asking for a lot of money for a project, I'd appreciate (as I'm sure others would) to see more positives than negatives. Telling people "if you don't do this, how are you going to look?" is a great way to make people not want to work with you.

2. There was a new council installed only one month ago, and this major project seems to be "rushed" to get them on-board with it. Yes, the information about this project was put out to the public last year, but the new members of council were not engaged in the council conversations and presentations during that time. I feel as this is putting pressure on them to move forward with this, especially with my previous comment happening. For this next phase, there needs to be a LOT more public consultation on this. Not just on web releases or social media. There really should be an open house IN HANWELL about it. This open house should state nothing but facts. No "suggestions" or "what ifs", just facts. These facts also shouldn't be "loaded" as to try to sway public perception. The public should be aware of the pure facts and be allowed to decide things for themselves.

3. There should also be at least one open house in Fredericton, with residents from the outside communities allowed in, so they may engage with people in the city that may be using these facilities. The people in the city may also have additional questions, that the residents from Hanwell aren't seeing or hearing.

4. One of the things in those open house sessions should be a complete list of the programs that will be offered to the PUBLIC at the new facility. Not just special interest groups, but the general public. There are currently no public swim sessions at the Aitken pool, will there be some at the new one? If the new one is to address capacity issues, as has been mentioned repeatedly in presentation, I'd like to see what the new programs are for our residents, to increase the capacity of what's offered at the Fredericton Indoor Pool, Queen Square Pool, and other pools of which Hanwell has access via the city recreation agreement (Henry pool, Royal Road, etc.).

5. *I would like to see this ultimately end up in a plebiscite, where every member of the public in the municipality get a chance to vote on whether or not we should support it.*

*Darren MacKenzie  
Councillor at Large,  
Hanwell, NB*

b) Building Permit Fee Update

The Clerk provided an update with respect to the building and development permit fees. Council had asked staff to contact RSC11 to see what the structure was for the building permits because the fees seemed too low. Staff reached out to a few municipalities, and they all have different structures for their fees. The Clerk recommended that the Governance Committee look at the Buildings and Structures By-law to make sure we are in line with everyone else. The committee will then bring their recommendations to council. Mayor Morrison would like the price per square foot reviewed as he feels this is quite low.

c) Hanwell Recreation Building

**Moved by** Councillor Holly Hyslop and **seconded by** Councillor Pat Septon

Whereas the Rural Community of Hanwell has received and reviewed the report on the historic Presbyterian Church from Heritage Standing Inc.; and

**WHEREAS** renovating the building into a little recreation building would benefit the community; and

**WHEREAS** the document will be released immediately to the public for public engagement.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the clerk be authorized and directed to contact Heritage Standing Inc. and 2 other companies for a design plan proposal for concept "B".

**Unanimously Carried #12-07-2021**

*Councillor Morgan MacPherson left Council Chambers at 8:10 pm and returned at 8:13 pm.*

d) Accessibility Trail Update

**Moved by** Councillor Darren MacKenzie and **seconded by** Councillor Pat Septon to suspend the rules to discuss the Accessibility Trail.

**Unanimously Carried #13-07-2021**

**Moved by** Councillor Darren MacKenzie and **seconded by** Councillor Pat Septon to extend the meeting past 9:00 pm.

**Unanimously Carried #14-07-2021**

*Councillor Darren MacKenzie requested a recess of 5 minutes at 9:12 pm.*

*Council was back in session at 9:19 pm.*

**Moved by** Councillor Holly Hyslop and **seconded by** Deputy Mayor Susan Jonah

**WHEREAS** improved access to the outdoors can lead to a better quality of life for all individuals, especially those with physical impairments; and

**WHEREAS** an accessibility trail would improve access and benefit individuals with mobility issues due to physical impairments such as arthritis, stroke, MS and others; and

**WHEREAS** outdoor activities such as walking, have important physical and mental health benefits for all individuals such as being a good form of physical exercise and helping to decrease stress levels; and

**WHEREAS** the Canada Community Revitalization Fund or other grants may help offset the costs of such a project;

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the clerk be authorized and directed to apply for a grant through the Community Revitalization Fund or any other grants that may be appropriate for an accessibility trail in the Hanwell Recreation Park.

**Moved by** Councillor Holly Hyslop and **seconded by** Deputy Mayor Susan Jonah to amend my motion to include rubberized surfacing.

**Unanimously Carried #15-07-2021**

**Moved by** Councillor Holly Hyslop and **seconded by** Deputy Mayor Susan Jonah

**WHEREAS** improved access to the outdoors can lead to a better quality of life for all individuals, especially those with physical impairments; and

**WHEREAS** an accessibility trail with rubber surfacing would improve access and benefit individuals with mobility issues due to physical impairments such as arthritis, stroke, MS and others; and

**WHEREAS** outdoor activities such as walking, have important physical and mental health benefits for all individuals such as being a good form of physical exercise and helping to decrease stress levels; and

**WHEREAS** the Canada Community Revitalization Fund or other grants may help offset the costs of such a project;

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the clerk be authorized and directed to apply for a grant through the Community Revitalization Fund or any other grant that may be appropriate for an accessibility trail in the Hanwell Recreation Park.

**YES Votes:** Deputy Mayor Susan Jonah, Councillor Pat Septon, Councillor Holly Hyslop, Councillor Tim Fox, and Councillor Morgan MacPherson

**NO Votes:** Councillor Darren MacKenzie

**Motion Carried #16-07-2021**

**Moved by** Councillor Pat Septon and **seconded by** Councillor Darren MacKenzie to authorize and direct the Clerk to accept one of the quotes that was submitted to the Clerk for laying crusher dust down without having to excavate.

**YES Votes:** Councillor Pat Septon, Councillor Tim Fox, Councillor Darren MacKenzie and Councillor Morgan MacPherson

**NO Votes:** Councillor Holly Hyslop and Deputy Mayor Susan Jonah

**Motion Carried #17-07-2021**

e) Accommodation Tax Levy

**Moved by** Councillor Darren MacKenzie and **seconded by** Councillor Pat Septon that **WHEREAS** the Rural Community of Hanwell has imposed a Tourism Accommodation Levy By-Law #19-2019, and

**WHEREAS**, the Rural Community of Hanwell requests that the City of Fredericton act as our agent to collect the levy as of May 1, 2021, and

**WHEREAS**, the Council of the Rural Community of Hanwell directs and authorizes an amendment to Municipal Accommodation Tax By-Law #19-2019, A By-Law Relating to Tourism Accommodation, and

**WHEREAS**, the Council of the Rural Community of Hanwell endorses/approves the Fredericton Tourism Accommodation Levy Management Committee Terms of Reference and Expenditure Guidelines for the Fredericton Tourism Accommodation Levy Management Committee, and

**WHEREAS**, the Council of the Rural Community of Hanwell authorizes, appoints and designates the same two By-Law enforcement officers that were designated by the City of Fredericton to administer and enforce By-Law. R-13, Tourism Accommodation Levy By-Law for the City of Fredericton.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Rural Community of Hanwell hereby agrees that the City of Fredericton will act as the agent to collect the tourism accommodation levy paid by guest at lodging establishments within the Rural Community of Hanwell's territorial limits pursuant to the Local Governance Act.

**Unanimously Carried #18-07-2021**

**12. Correspondence:**

*Assistant Clerk/Treasurer Sherri Johnston left Council Chambers at 8:01 pm and returned at 8:05pm.*

- a) Email from Resident re: Dangerous trees

**Moved by** Councillor Darren MacKenzie and **seconded by** Councillor Tim Fox to authorize and direct the Clerk to engage RSC11 to have the property line marked out and to request staff to take monthly pictures of the site for at least a year.

**Moved by** Councillor Pat Septon and **seconded by** Councillor Holly Hyslop to amend the motion to read to authorize and direct the Clerk to engage RSC11 to have the property line marked out and to request staff to take monthly pictures of the site for at least a year and if the trees are dead or potentially dead to get rid of them.

**Unanimously Carried #19-07-2021**

**Moved by** Councillor Darren MacKenzie and **seconded by** Deputy Mayor Susan Jonah to accept the correspondence regarding dangerous trees on property line.

**Unanimously Carried #20-07-2021**

- b) Correspondence from Resident – Streets in Hanwell  
**Moved by** Councillor Tim Fox and **seconded by** Councillor Darren MacKenzie to receive the correspondence regarding the speed and street maintenance and make this a priority during discussions with DTI.  
**Unanimously Carried #21-07-2021**
  
- c) Email from Resident – truck traffic on Deerwood  
**Moved by** Councillor Darren MacKenzie and **seconded by** Councillor Pat Septon to authorize and direct the Clerk to make a request to DTI for a “no thru trucking” sign for both ends of Deerwood Drive.  
**Unanimously Carried #22-07-2021**  
  
**Moved by** Councillor Darren MacKenzie and **seconded by** Deputy Mayor Susan Jonah to accept the correspondence regarding truck traffic on Deerwood Drive.  
**Unanimously Carried #23-07-2021**
  
- d) Email from Cassandra Folkins – NB Dementia Friendly Initiative  
**Moved by** Councillor Holly Hyslop and **seconded by** Councillor Tim Fox to accept the correspondence regarding the Dementia Friendly Initiative and direct and authorize the Clerk to participate in the pilot project.  
**Unanimously Carried #24-07-2021**
  
- e) Email from Linda Patterson – Crime Prevention Association of New Brunswick  
**Moved by** Councillor Morgan MacPherson and **seconded by** Councillor Darren MacKenzie to accept the thank you letter from the Crime Prevention Association of New Brunswick for the donation and to direct and authorize the Clerk to contact the association about their crime prevention project to see if it would be useful for Hanwell.  
**Unanimously Carried #25-07-2021**

**13. Meetings and Special Events:**

**Mayor’s Report**

**Moved by** Councillor Holly Hyslop and **seconded by** Deputy Mayor Susan Jonah to receive the Mayor’s report as presented.  
**Unanimously Carried #26-07-2021**

**14. Committee Reports:** Due to the municipal election no committees met.

**15. Treasurer’s Report**

**Moved by** Councillor Tim Fox and **seconded by** Councillor Morgan MacPherson to receive the Treasurer’s report as presented.  
**Unanimously Carried #27-07-2021**

**16. Old or Unfinished Business**

Items carried forth from previous Council meetings that have not been completed/resolved.

- a) School Capital Project

**17. New Business**

- a) Brookdale Recreation Association – Hanwell Sports

**Moved by** Councillor Darren MacKenzie and **seconded by** Councillor Holly Hyslop

**WHEREAS** the Brookdale Recreation Assoc. wishes to transfer the Brookdale Recreation Park, property, and Hanwell Sports to the Rural Community of Hanwell, and

**WHEREAS** our Recreation and Leisure mandate is to develop neighbourhood parks,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, I move to direct and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to move forward with the transfer and that the Rural Community of Hanwell cover any and all expenses for the acquisition and transfer of the Brookdale Recreation Park, property and Hanwell Sports entity to the Rural Community of Hanwell.

**Unanimously Carried #28-07-2021**

- b) Canada Community Revitalization Fund – this item was covered under section 11d.)  
Accessibility Trail

*Councillor MacPherson left Council Chambers at 8:28 pm and returned at 8:30pm.*

**18. Upcoming Activities:**

*Mayor Morrison excused the public before going into closed session.*

**19. Closed Session:** Matters pursuant to s.68(1)(j) of the *Local Governance Act*.

**Moved by** Councillor Holly Hyslop and **seconded by** Councillor Pat Septon to move to Closed Session.

**Unanimously Carried #29-07-2021**

*(moved to closed session)*

**Moved by** Councillor Holly Hyslop and **seconded by** Councillor Darren MacKenzie to move out of closed session and return to regular session.

**Unanimously Carried #30-07-2021**

*Public invited to return to open session; 2 members returned.*

**Moved by** Councillor Holly Hyslop and **seconded by** Councillor Morgan MacPherson that we appoint Emily Gregory as the Administrative Communications Coordinator commencing August 3, 2021 and direct and authorize the Clerk to draft the contract for the full-time position.

**Unanimously Carried #31-07-2021**

**20. Date, Time, and Location of next meeting**

Regular Council Meeting, August 18, 2021 @ 7:00 pm  
Council Chambers

**21. Adjournment**

**Moved by** Councillor Holly Hyslop and **seconded by** Councillor Darren MacKenzie to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 pm.

**Unanimously Carried #32-07-2021**

Respectfully submitted by,

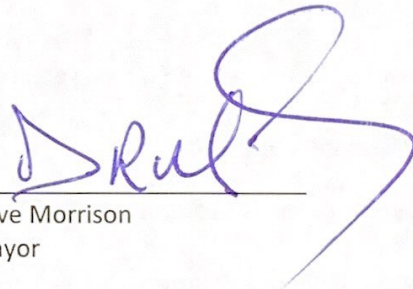
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Sherri Johnston  
Assistant Clerk/Assistant Treasurer

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Terri L. Parker  
Clerk/Treasurer

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Dave Morrison  
Mayor