

Council Chambers
City Hall
Moncton, N.B.
September 5, 2023
4 p.m.

MINUTES – REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING

MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

Mayor /Mairesse Dawn Arnold	Councillor/Conseiller Charles Léger
Deputy Mayor/Maire adjoint Bryan Butler	Councillor/Conseiller Daniel Bourgeois
Councillor/Conseillère Monique LeBlanc	Councillor/Conseiller Dave Steeves
Councillor/Conseiller Marty Kingston	Councillor/Conseiller Susan Edgett
Councillor/Conseillère Paulette Thériault	Councillor/Conseiller Paul Richard
Councillor/Conseiller Shawn Crossman	

ABSENT

ALSO PRESENT

N. Robichaud, City Solicitor/ Acting City Manager
S. Morton, City Clerk, Director of Legislative Support
E. Aucoin, General Manager Sustainable Growth and Development Services
A. Binette, General Manager Operations Services
J. Cohoon, Director of Recreation & Acting General Manager Community Services
C. Savoie, Director of Policing Support Services and Acting General Manager, Protective Services
F. Levesque-Ouellette
I. LeBlanc, Director, Corporate Communications
B. Jollette, Superintendent Benoit Jollette, interim Officer-In-Charge (OIC) of the Codiac RCMP
C. Landry, Fire Chief
I. LeBlanc, Director, Corporate Communications
R. Lagacé, Director of Engineering
G. Houser, Controller, Deputy Treasurer
V. Merola, Community Development Officer, Social Inclusion

DELEGATES

2.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion: That the agenda for the regular public Council meeting dated September 5, 2023, be approved with the following additions:

- A 2-minute presentation on COVID-19 from Allain Girouard

Moved by: Councillor Léger
Seconded by: Councillor Kingston

MOTION CARRIED

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CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS

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ADOPTION OF MINUTES

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CONSENT AGENDA

6.

PUBLIC AND ADMINISTRATION PRESENTATIONS

6.1 PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

5 minutes

Other Presentation/Autres présentations

2 minutes

Mr. Girouard provided a presentation on his views on vaccination and mask mandates set out by the federal government related to COVID-19.

6.2 ADMINISTRATION PRESENTATIONS

15 minutes

6.2.1 Update – RCMP – Superintendent Benoit Jollette, Officer in Charge (OIC) of the Codiac Regional RCMP

Supt. Jollette started his presentation by introducing Cpl. Guillaume Belanger, team leader/supervisor of the Community Policing unit and provided him with the opportunity to speak on his role with this team.

Supt. Jollette provided an update on RCMP activities:

Crime Reduction Unit

- On August 23rd, officers executed 2 search warrants at two different locations simultaneously. One at a Business on St-George and the other at a residence on Coverdale Rd. Various quantities of drugs, contraband cigarettes were seized and a 33-year-old man was arrested on scene. Consequently, the business was shut down with the help of the Fire Marshall's office.
- Our Crime Reduction Unit along with the Provincial Crime Reduction unit and our integrated team worked on a coordinated project to investigate drug trafficking aboard via rail trains and were able to identify three individuals involved in illegal activity which led to their arrests at the train station.

General investigation and Major Crime Unit

- The robbery at Omista Credit Union is still under investigation but progressing well.
- On September 3rd, Human remains were found in a wooded area off Westmount Blvd in Moncton. An autopsy was conducted, and the victim and the exact cause of death are still under investigation.

Patrol Section

- On August 21st, members responded to a report of a suspect with a knife walking through traffic on Mountain Rd. Several officers were dispatched and the situation was treated as high risk. The suspect was taken in custody to be given the care he needed.
- Another incident was reported on August 22nd of a man with an edged weapon walking through traffic and it was the same individual who again taken into custody for a minimum of 30 days.

Provincial Traffic Enforcement Unit

- On August 25th the team patrolled problem areas of the City. During this operation a total of 9 vehicles were towed, 121 traffic violations were issued, several of them being due to distracted driving and fake motor vehicle inspections.

Councillor Bourgeois asked Supt. Jollette when Council can expect to receive the Strategic Plan and Key Performance Indicators from the Codiac Regional Policing Authority (CRPA).

Supt Jollette advised that this is an item that they are still working on with the CRPA and they should have the results and discussion with the CRPA at their next meeting.

Councillor Bourgeois was informed that he could not make a motion during the presentation portion of the agenda.

7. PLANNING MATTERS

8. STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

9. REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEES AND PRIVATE MEETINGS

9.1 Recommendations – Committee of the Whole – August 28, 2023

Motion: That Moncton City Council approve the Moncton Museum Collection Management Policy as submitted.

Moved by: Councillor Richard

Seconded by: Councillor Thériault

MOTION CARRIED

10. REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

10.1 The Humanity Project for Social Solutions Inc. – JOSH Project Funding Request – Jocelyn Cohoon and Vincent Merola

Ms. Cohoon provided an introduction on a funding request received from The Humanity Project for Phase 1 of the Josh Project: Rehabilitation & Reintegration Housing Community.

If the funding request is approved it will allow the Humanity Project to build 20, 8x8 tiny home dwellings on their property located in Little River, New Brunswick, designated by Service New Brunswick as PID 00606053 (the “Josh Project Property”). These tiny home dwellings are meant to provide immediate placement of the City’s most vulnerable individuals of the homeless population in Moncton. These tiny homes are expected to be ready in the fall of 2023.

Additionally, Mr. Merola provided a PowerPoint presentation with details on the Business plan for this project.

- The project is intended to be a full live-in rehabilitation centre with mental health and addiction support services onsite.
- Phase one will house 20 High-Acuity individuals who are unable to be serviced in the current shelter systems, which are already at 90% capacity.
- Phase one will also include 20 private, safe, single-occupancy houses with lockable doors that are 8’ x 8’ and contain a bed, desk, closet, mini-fridge, hamper and mini-split heat/AC unit.
- Each unit will have its own power panel and be hooked up to existing utilities for heat and lights with approval from the local fire and safety departments.
- Infrastructure costs for 20 units will be \$13,260 for site prep and \$295,820 for the custom-built shelters (furnishings and labour included) for a total of \$310,000.
- Total operational costs for one year are forecasted to be \$548,597. This includes \$20,500 for upfront costs, and \$44,007 per month for operational costs. These costs will be covered completely by Social Development.

Motion: That Moncton City Council provide a grant of \$310,000 to the Humanity Project for Social Solutions Inc., for the construction of 20 tiny home dwellings, for emergency housing of individuals who cannot be served by existing services in the City of Moncton, contingent upon the Province of New Brunswick’s support of operational costs and that the Humanity Project comply with all zoning, building and fire code regulations required for their location, and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute and affix the corporate seal of the City of Moncton to the grant agreement and any documentation related thereto.

Moved by: Councillor Bourgeois
Seconded by: Councillor Butler

MOTION CARRIED

10.2 **Contract W23A 01GJ** – Sanitary Sewer CIPP

Motion: That City Contract No. W23A 01GJ, Sanitary Sewer CIPP, be awarded to Eastern Trenchless Ltd. in the amount of \$449,110.77 including HST (\$407,269.26 net HST), and that the budget for the project be set at \$470,000.00 including net HST, engineering, and contingency.

It is also recommended that a contract be drafted, and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign said contract and affix the Corporate Seal of the City of Moncton.

Moved by: Councillor Léger
Seconded by: Councillor Richard

MOTION CARRIED

10.3 Purchase of 1 new 2024 Fire Pumper Truck (Sole Source)

Motion: That Moncton City Council approve the sole source purchase of One (1) Only New 2024 E-One Spartan FC-94 Rescue Pumper Truck from 1200 Degrees – Techno Feu, for delivery on or before September 30, 2023, at a Total Purchase Price of \$956,225.00, including H.S.T. @ 15%.

Moved by: Councillor Steeves
Seconded by: Councillor Léger

MOTION CARRIED

**11.
READING OF BY-LAWS**

**12.
NOTICES MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS**

**13.
APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES**

Motion: That the following appointments be approved:

Destination Marketing Organization

- Brett Judson

Moved by Councilor Kingston
Seconded by Councillor LeBlanc

MOTION CARRIED

14.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion : That the meeting **be adjourned.**

Moved by: Councillor Richard

MOTION CARRIED

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Dawn Arnold
MAYOR

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Shelley M. Morton
CITY CLERK & DIRECTOR OF
LEGISLATIVE SUPPORT

/ 5:52 p.m.

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