November 4, 2024 4 p.m.

MINUTES-REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING

MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Dawn Arnold Deputy Mayor Paulette Thériault Counsillor Monique LeBlanc Councillor Shawn Crossman Councillor Daniel Bourgeois Councillor Bryan Butler Councillor Dave Steeves Councillor Paul Richard Councillor Susan Edgett Councillor Charles Léger

ABSENT Councillor Marty Kingston

ALSO PRESENT

- S. Doucet, Chief Administration Officer (CAO)
- N.Robichaud Deputy CAO and General Manager of Legal and Legislative Services
- S. Morton, City Clerk, Director of Legislative Support
- J. Doucet, Chief Financial Officer
- E. Aucoin, General Manager, Sustainable Growth and Development Services
- A. Binette, General Manager, Operations Services
- J. Preston, Acting General Manager, Protective Services
- I. LeBlanc, Director of Communications
- 1.1 **Special item** Blessing/smudge Moncton City Council Chambers Donna Augustine (Thunderbird Turtle Woman)

Thunderbird Turtle Woman explained that tobacco is a symbolic offering that connects the physical world to the spirit world and follows a specific protocol. By lighting the smudge, it purifies the spirit and prepares individuals for new experiences. It intends to offer a prayer of thanks and blessings to the Creator for the space and the modern technology that connects everyone. She also mentions the principle of thinking seven generations ahead when making important decisions. This is part of reconciliation.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA/ADOPTION DE L'ORDRE DU JOUR

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion: That the agenda for the regular public Council meeting dated November 4, 2024 be approved as circulated.

Moved by: Councillor Richard Seconded by: Councillor Edgett

MOTION CARRIED

3.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS/DÉCLARATIONS DE CONFLITS D'INTÉRÊTS

No conflicts declared

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES/ADOPTION DU PROCÈS-VERBAL

5.

CONSENT AGENDA/QUESTIONS SOUMISES À L'APPROBATION DU CONSEIL

6.

PUBLIC AND ADMINISTRATION PRESENTATIONS/EXPOSÉS DU PUBLIC ET DE L'ADMINISTRATION

6.1 PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS/EXPOSÉS DU PUBLIC 5 minutes 6.1.1 Presentation - Crossroads for Women: Highlights and Milestones - Renée Charron, Executive Director

Renée Charron presented to Council an overview what the organization as accomplished over the last few years. Ms. Charron recognized that the first Crossroads building was donated by the city in 1980. In 2016 they moved to the current building which has a total of 41 beds. A few statistics were provided for Council:

- In Canada one woman is killed every 48 hours, 2/3 of woman who are murdered in New Brunswick were living with the accused.
- 30% of all woman, 15 and older report that they experienced sexual assault at least once
- 37% of homeless people in New Brunswick are survivors of family or spousal abuse
- 63% of homeless individuals experienced childhood abuse.

The services provided by Crossroads for Women include

- 24/7, offering comprehensive services to help residents move to the next stage of their lives. Additionally, the house appears to partner with organizations like Rising Tide and Blossom House to provide secure housing options or other support.Provide free consultation for sexual assault
- In 2023 housed 198 woman and 115 children answered 5616 calls offered 160 counselling app Held 428 outreach meetings

6.2 ADMINISTRATION PRESENTATIONS/EXPOSÉS DE L'ADMINISTRATION 15 minutes

7. PLANNING MATTERS/QUESTIONS D'URBANISME

7.1 Indexing of Development Charge By-law

Josh Davis presented Council with the proposed amendment to the Development Charge Bylaw Z-1519.4. The reason for this amendment is to undertake the annual indexing of existing development charge areas contained within the Development Charge By-law. The increase of 5.1 % for 2024. Requesting the views of the planning committee to take place on November 27, and the public hearing for December 16, 2024.

Motion: That Moncton City Council proceed with proposed amending By-law # Z-1519.4 by:

- 1) Giving first reading of the By-law;
- 2) Requesting the views of the Planning Advisory Committee; and
- 3) Setting a public hearing for December 16, 2024 to consider objections.

Moved by: Councillor Butler Seconded by: Councillor Richard

In response to Councillor Bourgeois' question, Mr. Davies indicated that the Northeast Construction Association will be provided the amendment.

MOTION CARRIED

7.2 Update – Fees and Charges By-Law 2025

Josh Davis presented the proposed fees and charges relevant to the Community Planning Act. This amendment mustgo through a public hearing process. This process is done annually to make sure the fees are updated by January 1. A 2.5% increase will be applied, similar to last year.

Motion That Administration recommends that Moncton City Council:

- 1) Give first reading of proposed By-law # A-1324.2, A By-law Respecting Fees, Rates and Charges for Services Provided by the City of Moneton;
- 2) Refer Appendix "B 2025" Schedule 1 of proposed By-law # A-1324.2 to the Planning Advisory Committee; and
- 3) Set a public hearing date for the items referred to the Planning Advisory Committee for December 16, 2024.

Moved by: Councillor Butler Seconded by: Councillor Edgett

Councillor Bourgois asked that when this item is brought back to Council in 2025, that a comparison of yearly rates be added.

MOTION CARRIED

Councillor Edgett spoke about recent political milestones, such as Susan Holt's campaign success and the historic election of Dawn Arnold as Moncton's first female Mayor in 2016. Inspired by these examples of female leadership, she expressed pride in serving on the current Council and encouraged women of all ages to consider running in the upcoming municipal elections, which are a year and a half away. She hopes for 50% female representation and emphasized that successful campaigns require early preparation.

Councillor Bourgeois spoke to enhancing democratic processes. In August 2023, the Enhancing Democracy Committee presented a report with feedback, but no substantial advancements have been made since the topic was revisited in January 2024. The CAO advised administration will be providing an update on the status of the reports and the committee before Christmas. This update will be presented at an upcoming meeting, where next steps for May 2025 will be determined.

9.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEES AND PRIVATE MEETINGS/RAPPORTS ET RECOMMANDATIONS DES COMITÉS ET RÉUNIONS À HUIS CLOS

9.1 Recommendation(s) - Special Private Meeting - October 28

> Motion That Moncton City Council, at its Private Meeting of October 15, 2024, reports that the Agenda for the Private Meeting of October 15, 2024, was adopted and recommends the following:

That Moncton City Council set the price of \$1,200,000 for land disposition consisting of those portions of IDs 70460662, 70261599 and 697847 and a portion of stopped up and closed Foundry Street, the total area of which is to be confirmed by final plan of survey or subdivision plan, subject to approved adjustments; and

That Moncton City Council direct that 10% of the proceeds of the land sale be added to the Affordable Housing Reserve Fund in accordance with the Disposition and Acquisition of Municipal Land Policy; and

That Moncton City Council further direct that any remaining net proceeds of the land sale be allocated to capital reserve to deliver on projects as part of the Riverfront Masterplan.

Moved by: Councillor Edgett Seconded by: Councillor Butler

Councillor Léger spoke of the possibility of using the additional 10% towards carbon offset. Ms. Aucoing advised Council that the city currently does not have a policy; however, are open to look at one in the future.

Councillor Léger proposed an amendment to the motion to utilize the additional 10% of the purchase revenue be allocated to the carbon offset option and the remaining funds towardsthe Riverfront development plan.

In response to a question from Councillor Edgett Elaine noted that more time is needed for administration to explore the variety of programs offered for offsets. Requires some background research to see if other municipalities are doing similar process with the sale of land.

Councillor Léger agrees a policy needs to be present, but, asked that Council earmark funding within the next few months

Councillor Bourgeois that the city should get \$120,000 out of 1.2 million, and indicated these funds should added to a fund to offset the carbon. Jacque Doucet offered the option of creating a reserve within the operating capital. Historically, prior to the affordable housing policy, these funds would have been used towards future purchase of land for public use or trails.

Councillor Leger proposed the following amendment. Amended Motion that 10% of the purchase revenue to be allocated to the carbon offset to be placed in a reserve fund until such time as a policy had developed.

Moved by: Councillor Léger Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Thériault

MOTION DEFEATED

ORIGINAL MOTION CARRIED

Nay: **Councillor Bourgeois**

- 9.2 **Recommendation(s)** Committee of the Whole October 28
 - 1. Moncton City Council approve the proposed By-Law Enforcement Policy, and that the Policy be brought forward to the next Public Council Session for ratification.

Moved by: Councillor Butler Seconded by: Councillor Richard

In response to a questions from Councillor Bourgeois, the City Solicitor Nick Robichaud advised we typically do not attach policies in this section of the agenda. He assured Council that the changes requested during the COTW meetinghave been implement and a copy will be sent to council via email.

MOTION CARRIED

2. Motion to Divide- that item 9.2 Recommendations from COTW – October 28, 2024 be devided to consider recommendation 4 seperately.

Moved by: Councillor Butler Seconded by: Councillor Steeves

MOTION CARRIED

Recommendation 1 -

Motion: That Moncton City Council assent to adding the following proposed names to the Name Bank:

Councillor Butler request to divide 9.2 recommended from COW October 28, 2024 regarding item 5.4 street name bank update be divided to consider recommendation 4 separately.

Proposed name/ Nom suggéré		
Achigan	Anna Mae Aquash	Artefact
Barge	Brise salée	Cardinal
Casavant	Caserne	Charpentier
Coquelicot	des Pêcheurs	Diversité
du Phare	Éclipse	Edith Skinner
Fleurie	Goélette	Homard
La Batture	Lucioles	Oscar
Muriel Sikorski	Palanche	Panoramique
Passager	Patrimoine	Robert Pichette
Rochers marins	Solidarité	Splendide
Tintamarre	Thea Borlase	Tournesol
Vallée verte	Viola Desmond	Wagon

Recommendation 2 - That Moncton City Council assent to changing Ryan Street to Bâtisseurs Street.

Recommendation 3 - That Moncton City Council assent to changing Harper Street to Bateau Street.

Recommendation 5 - That Moncton City Council assent to naming the trail located between MacAleese Lane and Blakney Street to Symphonie Trail.

Recommendation 6 - That Moncton City Council assent to naming the access road, located off Russ Howard Drive, Rhéal Cormier Drive.

Moved by: Councillor Bourgeois Seconded by: Councillor Butler Councillor Edgett questioned of any issues have arisen with West Street and West Lane Bill is unaware of it these street are an issue through 911.

MOTION CARRIED

Councillor Butler proposed to postpone Recommendation 4, and brought the following motion to the floor.

That Recommendation 4 **Recommendation 4** - Given the current impact on emergency services, that Moncton City Council assent to starting an expedited process for the renaming of Glendalea Crescent by presenting the three selected names to the residents of the Crescent for their input, and that Council assents to the name selected by the majority of the residents.

Moved by: Councillor Butler Seconded by: Councillor Steeves

MOTION CARRIED

3. **Motion:** That Moncton City Council approve the amendments to the Policy regarding the Appeal Committee of Council of the City of Moncton on Dangerous or Unsightly Premises and Property, and that the Policy be brought forward to the November 4, 2024 Public Council Session for ratification.

Moved by: Councillor Léger Seconded by: Councillor Bourgois

MOTION CARRIED

4. Alexandre Binette presents some of the highlights of the Sidewalk snow removal plan, changes in 2025 we are adding 16 km of sidewalk to be serviced that will be posted on website shortly for residents to consult. Committed that sidewalk adjacent to transit bus stops be cleared. In the future if approved by Council 0.5KM walking buffer from K-8 schools be added to the snow removal plan.

Motion: That Moncton City Council approve the Sidewalk Snow Clearing Plan for 2024-25, and

That Moncton City Council indicate to administration which 5-year plan they prefer, understanding final decisions would be made yearly as part of budget deliberations.

Moved by: Councillor Richard Seconded by: Councillor Butler

Councillor Bourgeois the province refuses to pick up small children between the ages 5-13. Can we sit down with the province find a solution to modify this to protect the students and public the reason we do snow removal on sidewalks. Mr Binette Will look at this by next year.

Deputy Mayor Thériault the elderly who need to get out in the winter what kind of consideration do we make for them. Mr Binette advises the research the conditions of the sidewalk, we want the residents who are affected to connect with us about the issues. We were invited by the Committee last week to speak with the elderly regarding their requirements for snow removal.

MOTION CARRIED

10. REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION/RAPPORTS DE L'ADMINISTRATION

10.1 **Request for proposal RFP24-038** – Portable and Mobile 2-Way Radio Equipment and Communication Services

Motion That Moncton City Council approve Administration's recommendation to award Request for Proposal #RFP24-038 for the provision of Portable and Mobile 2-Way Radio Equipment and Communication Services to Chandler Sales, at a Total Estimated Five (5) Year Operating Cost of \$590,195.64, including H.S.T. @ 15%, with options to extend the agreement for up to five (5) additional one (1) year periods, if it is in the City's best interest to do so, and

That the City purchase the In-Building Signal Boosting Equipment proposed by Chandler Sales for the Operations Centre and Magnetic Hill Zoo for the Total Purchase Price of \$43,832.16, including H.S.T. @ 15%, and

That contractual documents be prepared between the City of Moncton and Chandler Sales, and affixed with the Mayor and City Clerk's signatures thereto.

Moved by: Councillor Léger Seconded by: Councillor Richard

MOTION CARRIED

10.2 Request for proposal RFP24-064 – Planning Services – Municipal Plan and Zoning By-Law Review

Motion That Moncton City Council approve Administration's recommendation to award Request for Proposal #RFP24-064 – Planning Services – Municipal Plan and Zoning By-Law Review to the highest scoring Proponent meeting all Terms and Conditions, and Specifications, being WSP Canada Inc., in the amount of \$680,547.58 including H.S.T. @ 15%.

Furthermore, it is also recommended that a Professional Consulting Services agreement be prepared by Legal Services, and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign said agreement and affix the Corporate Seal of the City of Moncton thereto.

Moved by: Councillor Léger Seconded by: Councillor Edgett

MOTION CARRIED

11. READING OF BY-LAWS/LECTURE D'ARRÊTÉS MUNICIPAUX

The City Clerk announced that the following by-laws for 1^{st} reading will be posted on line at <u>www.moncton.ca</u> in lieu of reading them into the record at future meetings, pursuant to Section 15.3(a) ii (A&B) of the Local Governance Act, or same can be faxed, mailed or e-mailed to interested parties at their request.

11.1 **A By Law** in Amendment of the City of Moneton Development Charge By-Law, being By-Law Z-1519.4 – Development Charge – *First reading (subject to approval of item 7.1)*

The City Clerk gave first reading to By-Law Z-122.11

11.2 **A By Law** in Amendment of By-Law Fees, Rates and Charges for Services Provided by the City of Moneton By-Law A-1324.2 – *First Reading (subject to approval of item 7.2)*

The City Clerk gave first reading to By-Law Z-222.40

12. NOTICES MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS/AVIS DE MOTIONS ET RÉSOLUTIONS

13. APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES/NOMINATIONS À DES COMITÉS

14. Adjournment/clôture de la séance

Motion : That the meeting be adjourned.

Moved by: Councillor Richard

MOTION CARRIED

Dawn Arnold MAYOR Shelley M. Morton

CITY CLERK & DIRECTOR OF LEGISLATIVE SUPPORT

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