

**Town of Montague
Regular Council Meeting
Town Chambers
June 11, 2007 – 7:00 pm**

Calling to Order:

Mayor Pat McGowan called this meeting to order 7:00 pm.

Attendance:

Mayor Pat McGowan, Deputy Mayor David Mabon, Councillors John MacFarlane, Marian Robertson, Robert Benoit, Peter Doucette, Bernie Crawford, CAO Andrew Daggett, Pastor Dewis Rector, 6 members of the public and 2 reporters.

Opening Remarks: Mayor Pat McGowan

Mayor McGowan opened the meeting with greetings and then played the two songs selected as finalist in the “Montague Song” contest.

Moved by Councillor MacFarlane, seconded by Councillor Crawford to accept the submission by Jock Beck as the Montague anthem.

Motion Unanimously Carried

Moved by Councillor Robertson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Mabon to accept the submission by Nancy Beck as the winning song.

Motion Unanimously Carried

Approval of Agenda:

Moved by Councillor MacFarlane, seconded by Councillor Crawford to approve the agenda.

Motion Unanimously Carried

Disclosure of Conflict of Interest:

Councillor MacFarlane declared on item 7.1.

Councillor Crawford declared on item 7.1.

Adoption of Minutes:

Moved by Councillor Doucette, seconded by Councillor MacFarlane to accept the minutes of May 14, 2007.

Motion Unanimously Carried

Moved by Deputy Mayor Mabon, seconded by Councillor Robertson to accept the minutes of June 4, 2007.

Motion Unanimously Carried

Business Arising From Minutes:

Second Reading of Amendments to the 2006 Official Plan and Zoning Bylaw 2006-01-

Councillors MacFarlane and Crawford left the Chambers at this time (7:20).
CAO Daggett read the proposed amendments in full (attached).

Moved by Deputy Mayor Mabon, seconded by Councillor Doucette to accept the following resolution:

Whereas the Council for the Town of Montague has been informed of a discrepancy between the 2006 Official Plan and the Zoning Bylaw 2006-01, and
Whereas the Town has hired a consultant to review and advise of amendments to alleviate the discrepancies, and

Whereas the Town has adhered to the requirements of the Planning Act for making such amendments including, but not limited to, reviewing the amendments, reading the proposed amendments twice, and hearing and reviewing any concerns or objections to the proposed amendments, and

Whereas the Council is satisfied that the requirements have been met and the amendments are proper for the good administration of the Town of Montague,
Therefore be it resolved to accept the proposed amendments to the 2006 Official Plan and Zoning Bylaw 2006-01.

Motion Unanimously Carried

Councillor Doucette made note of the submission from Kerry Murphy.
Councillors MacFarlane and Crawford returned to the Chambers at this time (7:30).

Delegations and/or Special Speakers:

A member from the Kings County Caring Communities Committee addressed Council regarding a “Concert in the Park” event they are planning this summer.

Correspondence:

1. Infrastructure Secretariat-

Moved by Councillor Doucette, seconded by Councillor MacFarlane to contact MP Lawrence MacAulay to use his influence to try and secure funding for the Water Service Extension Phase 2, to meet with him, and to hand deliver the request letter.

Motion Unanimously Carried

Approval to Pay Invoices:

Moved by Councillor MacFarlane, seconded by Councillor Doucette to pay the General Accounts Payable for \$57,111.41.

Motion Unanimously Carried

Moved by Councillor MacFarlane, seconded by Councillor Benoit to pay the Water and Sewer Accounts Payable for \$8,575.55.

Motion Unanimously Carried

Councillor Reports: Councillors gave their monthly reports in the following order with the following resolutions and/or motions:

a) Councillor MacFarlane

Moved by Councillor MacFarlane, seconded by Councillor Doucette to order 5000 card stock (advertising brochures) for about \$575.

Motion Unanimously Carried

b) Deputy Mayor Mabon

Moved by Deputy Mayor Mabon, seconded by Councillor Crawford to accept the appointment of Garth MacKay and Rhonda MacLeod to the Planning Board for at least the duration of this Council.

Motion Unanimously Carried

Moved by Deputy Mayor Mabon, seconded by Councillor Doucette to purchase six solar powered crosswalk signals as outlined in the Carmanah brochure for approximately \$18,000 plus applicable taxes and delivery charges.

Motion Unanimously Carried

Moved by Deputy Mayor Mabon, seconded by Councillor Doucette to change the street signage on Main Street, in conjunction with the Provincial Dept. of TPW, to the standard reflective signs used by TPW for an approximate cost to the Town of \$2000.

Motion Unanimously Carried

c) Councillor Crawford

Introduced Cst. Earl Woods, the “Beat Cop” for Montague this summer. Cst. Woods explained some of his role as a beat cop.

d) Councillor Benoit

Gave his monthly report.

e) Councillor Robertson

Moved by Councillor Robertson, seconded by Councillor Doucette to commit to plant a minimum of 100 trees over the next 4 years. (All trees planted by the Town or by residents would count toward this project).

Motion Unanimously Carried

f) Councillor Doucette

Moved by Councillor Doucette, seconded by Councillor Benoit to accept the engineering plans submitted by Coles Associates Ltd. to date, to pay to this stage of the development, and to request that they continue to proceed.

Motion Unanimously Carried

Public Comments/Concerns:

Marguerite Arsenault, Regional Field Officer - East Sport and Recreation with Community and Cultural Affairs, gave an update on her organization and, in particular, what she does.

Merrill Scott gave an update on the Wellness Centre and the fund raising project.

Adjournment:

Moved by Councillor MacFarlane, seconded by Councillor Benoit to adjourn.

Motion Unanimously Carried

This meeting was adjourned at 9:55 pm.

Andrew Daggett
CAO

Pat McGowan
Mayor