

**TOWN OF ST. STEPHEN**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL**  
**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28, 2021 @ 5:00 P.M.**

**In response to the outbreak of the COVID-19 virus, the public was not permitted to attend the meeting; however, the meeting was broadcast live on the Town's Facebook page.**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Deputy Mayor Carr assumed the Chair and called the meeting to order due to the absence of Mayor MacEachern.

**B. MOMENT OF REFLECTION**

Deputy Mayor Carr requested a moment of reflection.

**C. ADDITION OF LATE ITEMS**

There were none.

**D. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**AGENDA**

Moved by Councillor Harding

Seconded by Councillor Chisholm

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**THAT** the Agenda for the Regular Council Meeting of April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021, be approved.

**CARRIED**

**E. MAYOR'S COMMENTS/PROCLAMATIONS**

- i. Mayor's End of Term Statement – Deputy Mayor Carr read Mayor MacEachern's statement aloud.
- ii. Proclamation – Mental Health Week 2021 Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, mental health is an essential part of everyone's health and well-being;

**WHEREAS**, Mental Health Week has been hosted by the Canadian Mental Health Association in communities across Canada for 70 years;

**WHEREAS**, all people in Canada need to promote, protect and nurture their mental health; and

**WHEREAS**, promoting social connection is an important aspect of human life and an effective way to protect mental health; and  
**WHEREAS**, in these days of the COVID-19 pandemic, our community members may be experiencing further difficulties maintaining their mental health; and

**WHEREAS**, in these days of social distancing, we as a community are experiencing great challenges to maintaining our social connections;

And **WHEREAS**, the Town of St. Stephen, has a responsibility to promote mental wellness particularly at a time of increased social distancing and social isolation;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** I, Jason Carr, Deputy Mayor of the Town of St. Stephen, New Brunswick hereby proclaim the week of May 3 to 9, 2021, as **CMHA MENTAL HEALTH WEEK**.

I encourage all citizens to join me in underlining the importance of social connection for mental health.

F. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

There were none.

G. PUBLIC AND/OR STATUTORY HEARINGS

There were none.

H. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

Moved by Councillor Parker

Seconded by Councillor Wheaton

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**THAT** the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021 be approved as presented. **CARRIED**

I. UNFINISHED BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

N/A

J. CORRESPONDENCE

**i) Statistics Canada: Re 2021 Census**

Moved by Councillor Harding

Seconded by Councillor Hyslop

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**THAT** the Council for the Town of St. Stephen supports the 2021 Census, and encourages all residents to complete their census questionnaire online at

[www.census.gc.ca](http://www.census.gc.ca). Accurate and complete census data support programs and services that benefit our community. **CARRIED**

K. BYLAWS, PERMITS, AND POLICIES

There were none.

L. NEW BUSINESS

**Departmental Information Reports**

1. CAO Informational Report (CAO 05-21)
2. Planning and Development Report – dated April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021
3. Treasurer Informational Report (TR 06-21)
4. Protective Services Departmental Report (PS 07-21)
5. Community Services Departmental Report (CMS 06-21)
6. Public Works Departmental Report (PW 04-21)

Moved by Councillor Parker

Seconded by Councillor Harding

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**THAT** the Departmental Informational Reports be acknowledged and received.  
**CARRIED**

**REQUEST FOR DECISIONS:**

i) **Community Grant Fund Applications(s)**

**a. Dial A Ride**

Moved by Councillor Harding

Seconded by Councillor Chisholm

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**THAT** the request for a community grant in the amount of \$3,000.00 (three thousand dollars) for the Dial A Ride program be approved. **CARRIED**

**b. CMS 07-21 – Property Maintenance at 5 King Street**

Moved by Councillor Chisholm

Seconded by Councillor Hyslop

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**THAT** an unbudgeted expense, not to exceed ten thousand dollars be approved for repairs and maintenance work on Town owned property located at 5 King Street.  
**CARRIED**

M. QUESTION PERIOD

## N. MAYOR AND COUNCILLOR ITEMS

### 1. Councillor Reports

#### Councillor Harding

- Attended all meeting of Council.
- Thanked everyone for a successful term.

#### Councillor Parker

- Thanked everyone for a successful term.
- Attended all meetings of Council

#### Councillor Hyslop

- Thanked everyone for a successful term.
- Attended all meetings of Council
- Continued progress on the Canada 1<sup>st</sup> Basketball project.

#### Councillor Wheaton

- Thanked everyone for a successful term.
- Attended all meetings of Council
- St. Stephen 150 preparation work continues. Hoped everyone would partake in the slate of events being offered to celebrate this community milestone.

#### Councillor Chisholm

- Thanked everyone for a successful term.
- Attended all meetings of Council
- Noted that much of the success over the last number of years can be attributed to excellent decisions with respect to staff recruitment.

#### Deputy Mayor Carr

- Thanked everyone for a successful term.
- Attended all meetings of Council
- Acknowledged that he will be stepping down as of May 20<sup>th</sup>.

## O. NOTICE OF CLOSED MEETING


## P. RECONVENE TO REGULAR MEETING

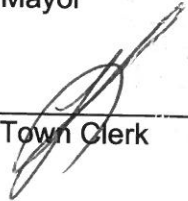
Q. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Harding  
Seconded by Councillor Parker

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THAT the meeting be adjourned at 5:46 p.m. **CARRIED**

  
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Mayor

  
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Town Clerk