

TOWN OF ST. STEPHEN
SPECIAL COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17, 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

Mayor MacEachern called the meeting to order. Absent from the meeting were Deputy Mayor Carr and Councillor Parker.

B. MOMENT OF REFLECTION

Mayor MacEachern 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 Special Council Meeting of March 17th, 2021, be approved as presented. **CARRIED**

E. MAYOR'S COMMENTS/PROCLAMATIONS

There were none.

F. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

There were none.

G. PUBLIC AND/OR STATUTORY HEARINGS

- i. Statutory Public Hearing – Bylaw Z-2, being the Zoning Bylaw (see accompanying agenda).

AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Wheaton

Seconded by Councillor Hyslop

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THAT the Public Hearing be adjourned at 5:03 p.m. **CARRIED**

H. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

N/A

I. UNFINISHED BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

N/A

J. CORRESPONDENCE

i) Letter from Mr. John Williamson, M.P. – Re: Support for 9-8-8 Crisis Line

Moved by Councillor Hyslop

Seconded by Councillor Wheaton

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WHEREAS the Federal government has passed a motion to adopt 9-8-8, a National three-digit suicide and crisis hotline;

AND WHEREAS the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has increased the demand for suicide prevention services by 200 percent;

AND WHEREAS existing suicide prevention hotlines require the user to remember a 10-digit number and go through directories or be placed on hold;

AND WHEREAS in 2022 the United States will have in place a national 9-8-8 crisis hotline;

AND WHEREAS the Town of St. Stephen recognizes that it is a significant and important initiative to ensure critical barriers are removed to those in a crisis and seeking help;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of St. Stephen endorses this 9-8-8 crisis line initiative;

and that Staff be directed to send a letter indicating such support to our local Member of Parliament, Member(s) of the Legislative Assembly, Federal Minister of Health, the CRTC and local area municipalities to indicate our support. **CARRIED**

K. BYLAWS, PERMITS, AND POLICIES

i) Application for Street Vendor Permit – Valerie's Serene Creations

Moved by Councillor Harding

Seconded by Councillor Chisholm

30/21 THAT the application for a street vendor's permit for Valerie's Serene Creations be denied, and that the applicant be referred to the Farmer's Market as a possible solution. **CARRIED**

L. NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

M. QUESTION PERIOD

There were none.

N. MAYOR AND COUNCILLOR ITEMS

N/A

O. NOTICE OF CLOSED MEETING

N/A

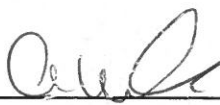
P. RECONVENE TO REGULAR MEETING

N/A

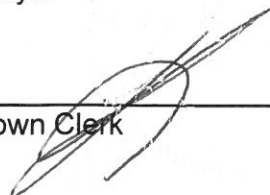
Q. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Harding
Seconded by Councillor Chisholm

31/21 THAT the meeting be adjourned at 5:09 p.m. **CARRIED**



Mayor



Town Clerk

