

## **TOWN OF SAINT ANDREWS**

# SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

March 29, 2021, 6:00 p.m. Electronic Meeting

### A. RECORDING OF ATTENDANCE

A Special Meeting of the Town of Saint Andrews Council was held on Monday, March 29, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present:

Mayor Doug Naish, Deputy Mayor Brad Henderson, Councillor Kate Akagi, Guy Groulx, Kurt Gumushel, Andrew Harrison.

Staff: Chris Spear, CAO/Treasurer, Paul Nopper, Clerk - Senior Administrator, Alexander Gopen, Planner, Southwest New Brunswick Service Commission

Absent: Councillor Bishop.

#### B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Motion: 130 - 03/21
Moved by Councillor Akagi
Seconded by Councillor Gumushel

That the Agenda be approved as presented. 5 - 0

Carried

- C. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST
- D. PRESENTATIONS
- E. INTRODUCTION, CONSIDERATION AND PASSING OF BY-LAWS AND MOTIONS

## 1. PED200901d Council Workshop Short-Term Rental By-Law

Motion to table the discussion on Short-Term Rentals - Deputy Mayor Henderson

Seconded - Councillor Gumushel

Deputy Mayor Henderson - In our review of the information of a Short-Term Rental, we have been in good faith or working towards a rental by-law. We do not want to penalize short-term rentals, and the reality is in my mind is we have run out of time. Whether for or against the by-law, the By-Law has changed multiple times. We have received multiple suggestions and some good and some not so good. No matter your position, the next draft has not been seen. We have been transparent in the process, but we need to look at this and put to the public. Important to take into effect that this By-Law would not start until September. All we are doing is reading a By-Law out the door. I am proposing, the next Council review the By-Law and let continued research go. They have to register for a Tourism Accommodation Levy, and we should review the information from there. I am looking for other Councillors to support the tabling.

Councillor Groulx: I find the statement hypocritical and offensive. I voted on the Zoning By-Law. If we do not pass this By-Law at this stage, we are saying that every single-family dwelling can be a short-term rental. We will run into issues of grandfathering and others. I know we have received lots of feedback and gone through two reading. We have accommodated the owners and believe a good By-Law in front of us. To try and suspend now, it needs to go to the third reading.

Deputy Mayor Henderson: I voted against the Zoning By-Law.

Councillor Groulx: This is a Special Meeting of Council; you need to change this and need the unanimous consent of Council.

Motion: Motion: 131 - 03/21

Moved by Deputy Mayor Brad Henderson

Seconded by Councillor Gumushel

That Council motions to table discussion on PED200901 Short-Term Rental By-Law.

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Councillor Groulx Nay

Carried

- F. NEW BUSINESS
- G. QUESTION PERIOD
- H. COUNCILLORS' AND DEPUTY MAYOR'S COMMENTS
- I. MAYOR'S COMMENTS
- J. CLOSED SESSION
- K. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Motion: 132 - 03/21 Moved by Councillor Akagi

Seconded by Councillor Gumushel

At 6:12 p.m. that the meeting be adjourned.

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Doug Naish, Mayor

Paul Nopper, Clerk