

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Deputy Mayor Whalen called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

**ATTENDANCE:**

Deputy Mayor Ben Whalen  
Councillor Sharon Loder

Councillor Harley Hunt  
Councillor Patsy Shay

Clerk Treasurer Don Smith

Works Supervisor Rod Holland

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST:**

There were no declarations of Conflict of Interest.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

One item was added to the agenda under New Business: # 2. Amalgamation. The Deputy Mayor then called for a motion to approve the amended agenda.

**M/S/C (Loder/Shay)**

**Motion to approve the amended agenda for the August 18, 2015 Council Meeting.**

**DELEGATIONS:**

There were no delegations before Council.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**M/S/C (Loder/Shay)**

**Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council on Tuesday, July 21, 2015.**

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:**

**CBCL – Trout Creek**

Councillor Loder introduced discussion on the proposed use of CBCL to produce a report and recommendations on repair work to Trout Creek to mitigate flooding. She said that she has had discussions with CBCL personnel and with the members of the Flood Committee who recommended that CBCL be hired with the original mandate and quoted price for their services. She said they felt that compromising the product in order to save money was not in the best interest of the Village. She therefore placed the following motion on the floor:

**M/S/D (Loder/Hunt)**

**Motion that the Village of Sussex Corner acquire the services of CBCL to conduct a study of Trout Creek, to include radius of curvature, in the amount of \$9,800.00 plus HST.**

*Councillors Hunt and Shay voted nay.*

**M/S/D (Hunt/Loder)**

**Motion to amend the motion on the floor to add “once the study has been completed the Village will immediately commence work to repair Trout Creek as recommended in the report”.**

*Councillors Loder and Shay voted nay.*

*Both the amendment and the original motion were defeated.*

**Resolution re DOTI**

Deputy Mayor Whalen proposed a motion to be forwarded to UMNb for consideration at the upcoming UMNb Conference in Fredericton. See the proposed resolution as drafted by UMNb Executive Director below:

**RESOLUTION U- 15-03 – PROVINCIAL ROAD MAINTENANCE CONTRIBUTION**

Village of Sussex Corner

**WHEREAS** the Province of New Brunswick has provincial highways and routes which travel through municipalities, and

**WHEREAS** the Province asks municipalities to perform maintenance of the provincial roads within their boundaries, and

**WHEREAS** the Province has not increased the amount of support it provides to municipalities for repair and work done on provincial designated highways passing through municipalities, and

**WHEREAS** the Province has recently stated that future road work will now require municipalities to contribute set levels of resources to approved projects

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Union of Municipalities of New Brunswick request that the Province increase the amount of funding it provides to municipalities for ongoing road maintenance for Provincial highways within municipal boundaries to better reflect actual costs and inflation since the last increase.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:** That this resolution be referred to the annual conference

**M/S/C (Hunt/Loder)**

**Motion to approve the resolution entitled “Provincial Road Maintenance Contribution” and forward same to UMNb for presentation at the 2015 UMNb Conference.**

**REPORTS – COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL:**

**Administration and Finance**

There was no committee meeting in August.

**M/S/C (Shay/Loder)**

**Motion to approve the July 2015 payments:**

<b>General</b>	<b>\$172,014.18</b>
<b>Water/Sewer</b>	<b>\$ 34,411.31</b>

**Flood**

Councillor Loder read notes from a meeting held on August 6<sup>th</sup>. There were 5 members of the committee and one observer in attendance hence no quorum yet a good discussion was held. Council did direct that a letter be issued to the Province seeking more details on their purchase of two homes in the Cunningham Subdivision.

**Works, Water and Sewer**

Councillor Loder presented the August Committee report. Councillor Loder said the Committee recommended salary adjustments for two of the Public Works employees.

**M/D (Loder)**

**Motion to increase the hourly wage rate for the Distribution System Operator and the Labourer by \$1.00 per hour each, effective immediately.**

*The motion was defeated as there was no seconder.*

The residents of Michael Street are interested in the installation of storm sewer and are considering financing some of this work themselves but they are seeking current survey drawings the Village has for that area and are also asking us to pay for some engineering drawings. The Committee recommended that the Works Supervisor attain the cost of providing the engineered drawings and provide this information to Council for further discussion and approval. It was estimated the preparation of such engineered drawings could cost in the area of \$4,000.00.

**M/S/C (Shay/Loder)**

**Motion to authorize the Village to acquire and cover the cost of engineered drawings for the construction / installation of storm sewers on Michael Street if, and only if, the property owners carry on with the project to supply and install said storm sewers at no cost to the Village.**

*Councillor Hunt voted Nay.*

**Accept Committee Reports**

M/S/C (Shay/Loder)

**Motion to accept the Works, Water and Sewer  
Committee report.**

**REPORTS – OTHER:**

**Chamber of Commerce**

There are no summer meetings.

**PotashCorp Civic Centre (PCC)**

The next Board Meeting is August 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Region Service Commission (RSC8)**

There are no summer meetings.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

**Citizen Request – Crosswalk – Main Street**

A request was received from a local citizen requesting the Village consider placing a crosswalk on Main Street in the area of the Sussex Corner Market to limit the risk of someone being injured when crossing the busy street. Council directed a letter of request for consideration of a crosswalk as described above be issued from the Village to the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure with a copy to the citizen.

**Request to Use Amphitheatre**

A request was received from Blackstone Productions to use the amphitheatre on Sunday, September 6<sup>th</sup>. Council approved the use, the Clerk will contact the requestor to confirm the use and the Deputy Mayor will check with Sussex and District Minor Baseball to ensure there is no conflict and confirm same with the requestor. Council recommended a process be drawn up for administering such requests and making the facility available for use by the public. Once the process is approved, there will be no need for such requests to go before Council for approval.

**Request for Access to LiDAR Mapping**

A request was received from the Kennebecasis Watershed Restoration Committee for access to the Village LiDAR mapping information. This matter will be held over to the Special Council Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, August 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Request to Reduce Property Taxes**

A request was received from the owners of two recently annexed properties (PID # 00206532 and 30049001) for consideration of a property tax relief given the properties are not served with water, sewer or snow plowing. Council discussed the request but said the property owners should discuss the matter with Service New Brunswick who prepares the annual assessment for taxation. There are options such as appeal or reclassification that could lead to a reduction in their property taxes. A letter will be sent to the requestor.

**BYLAWS:**

There were no bylaws before Council.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Leonard Drive Project**

The Works Supervisor provided an update on the project. He said the most recent assessment of the work to be done indicated the elimination of costs related to cross-culverts which should reduce our costs. He said the engineer (Dillon Consulting) has met with the Village and Town and the tender should be issued and bids received by early September. The job could then be awarded with the work to start in October.

**Amalgamation**

Council agreed they need to convene to discuss various aspects of the amalgamation feasibility study, the related processes, time table and, in turn, to settle on a unified position on behalf of the Village. They resolved to call for a Special Meeting of Council on Tuesday, August 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm in Council Chambers.

**M/S/C (Loder/Shay)**

**Motion to hold a Special Council Meeting on Tuesday, August 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm in Council Chambers to discuss (1) Amalgamation & (2) KWRC Request for Access to LiDAR mapping.**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The Deputy Mayor called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

**M/S/C (Hunt/Loder)**

**Motion to adjourn the Council meeting.**

The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:30 p.m.

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Clerk / Treasurer

Mayor