REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK HELD ON FEBRUARY 21, 2018 AT 6:30 P.M. IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

Please be advised that the notice requirements of the Open Public Meeting Act have been complied with and satisfied in that the annual notice which gave sufficient notice of the time, place and conduct of all public meetings of the Municipal Council of the City of New Brunswick, has been filed by the City Clerk, has been placed on an appropriate bulletin board in the lobby of the City Hall, New Brunswick, New Jersey, and has been transmitted to the official Newspaper for the City of New Brunswick, namely the Home News Tribune; as provided in a resolution adopted by this governing body.

Salute to the Flag.................................................................Shalon Bennett
Pause for a moment to honor those American, Iraqis, and Afghans who have lost their lives in this current conflict.

Staff in attendance: Clerk Typist Shalon T. Bennett
Public Information Officer Jennifer Bradshaw
Assistant City Attorney Charly Gayden
Police Sgt. Scott Gould
Purchasing Agent Marie James
Water Utility Director Mark Lavenberg
City Administrator Thomas A. Loughlin, 3rd
Assistant Business Administrator Officer Russell Marchetta
Police Capt JT Miller
City Engineer Richard Moody
Economic Development Director Glenn Patterson
Fire Safety Dominic Quagliata
City Attorney TK Shamy
City Clerk Daniel Torrisi
Asst. City Engineer Tom Valenti

On motion of Council Member Egan, seconded by Council Member Sicora Ludwig and carried, the minutes of the previous Council Meetings held on February 7, 2018 were approved and adopted as engrossed.

Meeting called to order by Council President Fleming with Council Members Anderson, Egan, Escobar, Sicora Ludwig present.

PUBLIC HEARING

O-021801 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK, TITLE 10, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, CHAPTER 10.16 – STOPPING, STANDING OR PARKING, SECTION 10.16.020 – SCHEDULE 24, “NO PARKING AT ANY TIME” RE: NEW STREET

Council President Fleming opened the Public Hearing on the above ordinance.
Public Comment: None
On a motion of Council Member Egan, seconded by Council Member Escobar, and carried, the above ordinance was adopted on Final Reading on February 21, 2018.

Roll Call:
Aye: Anderson, Egan, Escobar, Sicora Ludwig, Fleming
Nay:
Abstain:
Motion carried.

RE: NEW STREET

O-021802

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE FUNDING OF VARIOUS PARK IMPROVEMENTS BY AND IN THE CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING $371,000.00 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED $353,000.00 BONDS OR NOTES TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF

On a motion of Council Member Anderson, seconded by Council Member Escobar, and carried, the above ordinance was adopted on first reading and held over for Public Hearing on March 7 at 6:30P.M. in the Council Chambers in City Hall.

Roll Call:

Aye: Anderson, Egan, Escobar, Sicora Ludwig, Fleming
Nay:
Abstain: Motion carried.

O-021803

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK, TITLE 10, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, STOPPING, STANDING OR PARKING, SECTION 10.16.210 – SCHEDULE 38, “TIME LIMIT PARKING AREAS”

RE: LOUIS STREET

On a motion of Council Member Anderson, seconded by Council Member Sicora Ludwig, and carried, the above ordinance was adopted on first reading and held over for Public Hearing on March 7 at 6:30P.M. in the Council Chambers in City Hall.

Roll Call:

Aye: Anderson, Egan, Escobar, Sicora Ludwig, Fleming
Nay:
Abstain: Motion carried.
Nay:
Abstain:
Motion carried.

O-021805  AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK, TITLE 10, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, STOPPING, STANDING OR PARKING, SECTION 10.16.210 – SCHEDULE 38, “TIME LIMIT PARKING AREAS”
RE: CENTRAL AVENUE

On a motion of Council Member Anderson, seconded by Council Member Sicora Ludwig, and carried, the above ordinance was adopted on first reading and held over for Public Hearing on March 7 at 6:30P.M. in the Council Chambers in City Hall.

Roll Call:
  Aye:  Anderson, Egan, Escobar, Sicora Ludwig, Fleming
  Nay:  
  Abstain:  
  Motion carried.

O-021806  ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR A LONG TERM TAX EXEMPTION AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK TO ENTER INTO A FINANCIAL AGREEMENT WITH THE STANDARD AT NEW BRUNSWICK URBAN RENEWAL, LLC AND GRANTING A TAX EXEMPTION
RE: 90 NEW STREET, BLOCK 129, LOT 5.01

On a motion of Council Member Anderson, seconded by Council Member Sicora Ludwig, and carried, the above ordinance was adopted on first reading and held over for Public Hearing on March 7 at 6:30P.M. in the Council Chambers in City Hall.

Roll Call:
  Aye:  Anderson, Egan, Escobar, Sicora Ludwig, Fleming
  Nay:  
  Abstain:  
  Motion carried.

O-021807  AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK, TITLE 5, BUSINESS LICENSES AND REGULATIONS, CHAPTER 5.80, RENT CONTROL
ADD NEW SECTION 5.80.095
REQUIRE LANDLORDS TO PROVIDE FOR WRITTEN RECEIPTS FOR RENTS/OTHER PAYMENTS PAID IN CASH OR BY MONEY ORDER

On a motion of Council Member Anderson, seconded by Council Member Sicora Ludwig, and carried, the above ordinance was adopted on first reading and held over for Public Hearing on March 7 at 6:30P.M. in the Council Chambers in City Hall.

Roll Call:
  Aye:  Anderson, Egan, Escobar, Sicora Ludwig, Fleming
COMMUNICATIONS

1. A Preliminary Equalization Table from the County of Middlesex for the year 2018.
2. A letter from Langan Engineering and Environmental Services to release a site performance bond.
3. A letter from Bristol Myers Squibb regarding analytical results for vapor intrusion sampling activities conducted at 120 Georges Rd.
4. A letter from Faith Fellowship Community Development Corporation regarding programs and services for anyone in need of housing and/or financial counseling assistance.
5. A letter from Roux Associates regarding the completion of a Preliminary Assessment and Site Investigation.

The correspondence will be forwarded to the appropriate departments for further action.

RESOLUTIONS

Public Comment: Charles Kratovil of New Brunswick inquired of resolutions R-021856, R-021868, R-021870, R-021880, R-021881, R-021883, and R-021887

Resolutions R-021849 through R-021887, moved by Council Member Egan, seconded by Council Member Escobar and carried were adopted, on consent, by the Municipal Council.

Roll Call:

Aye: Anderson, Egan, Escobar, Sicora Ludwig, Fleming
Nay:
Abstain:
Motion carried.
NEW BUSINESS

CP Fleming spoke about the school shooting in Florida and he spoke about school safety. He announced a community forum for February 27 at 6:30 pm at the Progressive Temple on Hale St. CM Escobar spoke about fundraiser for the Interfaith Rotating Homeless Shelter at 200 Somerset St. on February 25. CM Anderson reminded all of the March 2nd Read Across America Day. Mr. Loughlin congratulated Ms. Melanie Daniels Ford (who was in attendance) on her appointment to the position of Director of Social Services. Junior Romero of Food and Water Watch spoke in support of the Council passing a resolution to eliminate the use of fossil fuel. The following spoke in support of ordinance O-021807: Christina Varez of 213 Seaman St., Sarah of Lee avenue, Rosay, Arturo Meda of 56 Harvey St., Ricara Garcia, and Charles Kratovil. Charles Kratovil spoke about the legalization of marijuana, and the Housing Authority. Danielle Moore spoke about a house fire on Senior St., street lights on Livingston Ave, and “walk” light indicators at intersections.

On a motion regularly made, seconded and carried, the meeting adjourned at 7:40 P.M.

Daniel A. Torrisi           Glenn Fleming
City Clerk                   Council President