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The Town Council of the Town of Sussex met in regular session, by appointment of the Mayor of the said Town, in the Council Chambers of the said Town on Monday the 22nd day of January, 2007, at 7:00 o'clock in the evening.

The following members of the Council were present: His Worship Mayor Carr, Deputy Mayor Thorne, Councillors Fulton, Wilson, Black, Bradley and Campbell. Councillor Wright attended the Council meeting at 7:30pm. Also present at this meeting were the Chief Administrative Officer, Michael Cummings and the Town Clerk/Treasurer, Paul Maguire.

It was moved by Councillor Black, seconded by Deputy Mayor Thorne, that the agenda for this regular Town Council meeting be approved. Motion carried.

No members present declared a conflict of interest on any items on the agenda at this time.

It was moved by Councillor Bradley, seconded by Councillor Fulton, that the minutes of the regular meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Sussex, held on December 18, 2006, be approved as circulated. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councillor Black, seconded by Councillor Fulton, that the minutes of the special meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Sussex, held on January 2, 2007, be approved as circulated. Motion carried.

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Deputy Mayor Thorne declared a conflict of interest on the next item on the agenda and vacated the Council Chambers for any discussion or decision on the item.

The Council received a rezoning request from Bethany Bible College for the properties located at 66 Summit Avenue having P.I.D. # 267849 and 55 and 57 Summit Avenue having P.I.D. # 267906. The application requested the properties be rezoned from Residential to Institutional.

It was moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Fulton, that Council accept the application from Bethany Bible College to rezone the properties located at 66 Summit Avenue having P.I.D. # 267849 and 55 and 57 Summit Avenue having P.I.D. # 267906 and that the application be forwarded to Committee for their review. Motion carried.

The Deputy Mayor returned to the Council Chambers from his conflict of interest.

Correspondence was received from Sandra Butt, Marketing and Fund Development Officer for the Kids Help Phone-Atlantic Region. The correspondence provided information on the Kids Help Phone which included a fact sheet on the organization.

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Thorne, seconded by Councillor Wilson, that Council forward the correspondence from the Kids Help Phone to the Recreation Director and that the information be placed on the Town of Sussex website. Motion carried.

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A letter was received from the Chief Executive Officer of the Heart and Stroke Foundation of New Brunswick informing the Town that February is Heart Month in New Brunswick and that during the month the Heart and Stroke Foundation will be conducting door-to-door canvassing in the Town of Sussex.

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Thorne, seconded by Councillor Wilson, that the correspondence from the Heart and Stroke Foundation of New Brunswick be filed. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councillor Fulton, seconded by Councillor Black, that the Fire Report for the month of December, 2006, be received as circulated. Motion carried. During the month the Fire Department responded to a total of 21 calls with 11 calls originating within the Town of Sussex and 10 out of Town calls.

It was moved by Councillor Black, seconded by Councillor Bradley, that the Building Inspector's report for the month of December, 2006, be received as circulated. Motion carried. The report indicated that during the month the Building Inspector issued one permit for new construction for a value of \$159,600.00, four permits for renovations, repairs, alterations and additions for a value of \$3,286,200.00 and one demolition permit for a value of \$30,000.00.

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It was moved by Councillor Black, seconded by Councillor Bradley, that the Building Inspector's year end report be received as circulated. Motion carried. The report indicated that during the year the Building Inspector issued 15 permits for new construction for a value of \$8,325,900.00 and 180 permits for renovations, repairs, alterations and additions for a value of \$7,807,259.00. The total fees collected for the year were \$21,742.00.

It was moved by Councillor Black, seconded by Councillor Bradley, that the Development Officer's report for the month of December, 2006, be received as circulated. Motion carried. The report indicated that during the month the Development Officer approved two tentative subdivision plans, one tentative amending subdivision plan and three subdivision plans.

It was moved by Councillor Bradley, seconded by Councillor Wilson, that the minutes of the Planning Advisory Committee Meeting held on December 21, 2006, be received as circulated. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Bradley, that the minutes of the Planning Advisory Committee Meeting held on January 10, 2007, be received as circulated. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councillor Bradley, seconded by Councillor Wilson, that the report of the Human Services Committee Meeting dated January 15, 2007, be received as circulated. Motion carried.

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It was moved by Councillor Bradley, seconded by Councillor Black, that Council approve that Allan Schriver attend the Mid-season Ice Maintenance Workshop scheduled for January 25, 2007, in Upper Tantallon, Nova Scotia. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councillor Bradley, seconded by Councillor Wilson, that Council authorize Michael Cummings, Chief Administrative Officer, to sign the Federal Government Department of Natural Resources Funding Application for proposal for a feasibility study for a CoolSolution application for the 8th Hussars Sports Centre on behalf of the Town. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councillor Fulton, seconded by Councillor Wilson, that Council approve funding of up to \$10,000.00 for a Market Study for a Sussex Farmer's Market and that the \$10,000.00 be the Town's contribution towards the project. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councillor Black, seconded by Councillor Bradley, that the report of the Works Committee Meeting dated January 16, 2007, be received as circulated. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councillor Black, seconded by Councillor Fulton, that Council approve the final cost of \$123,905.87 including change orders for work completed by Shad Comm Ltd. under Contract # 50-005-04, SCADA System. Motion carried.

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It was moved by Councillor Black, seconded by Councillor Fulton, that Council approve the final cost of \$611,335.06 including change orders for work completed by Sussex Excavators Ltd. under Contract # 50-001-06, Main Street West. Motion carried.

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Thorne, seconded by Councillor Bradley, that the report of the Protective Services Committee Meeting, dated January 17, 2007, be received as circulated. Motion carried.

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Thorne, seconded by Councillor Black, that Council appoint David DeMerchant as a volunteer firefighter as of January, 2007, subject to a probationary period. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Bradley, that the report of the Administration Committee Meeting, dated January 18, 2007, be received as circulated. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Black, that Council accept the municipal service easement on Lot 2006-02 of Frederick Leo Malone and Robert John Booth Subdivision 2006-01, dated December 5, 2006. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Fulton, that Council support the Kennebecasis Watershed Committee application to the Unilever-Evergreen Aquatic Stewardship Grant for restoration work and the creation of an Education Site in the Riparian Zone of Trout Creek from Leonard Drive to the Town boundary. Motion carried.

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It was moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Campbell, that Council accept the jurisdiction over that portion of Lower Cove Road that is identified on the NBDOT Plan 6-12-010M, Kings County, dated October 24, 2006. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Fulton, that Council approve that the 2007 Warrant be \$3,821,563.00 and that the tax rate for the municipality be \$1.3691. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Thorne, that Council approve the purchase of four computers, one projector and one pull-down projection screen from Dell for an amount of \$13,325.02. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Bradley, that Council engage the Firm of Buckley and Dobbin Chartered Accountants to complete the 2006 audit of the Mural Project. Motion carried.

Councillor Fulton declared a conflict of interest on the next item on the agenda and vacated the Council Chambers for any discussion or decision on the item.

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It was moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Bradley, that Council approve an interim loan of \$30,000.00 to the Fundy Civic Centre and authorize the Mayor and Town Clerk to sign the loan agreement between the Town of Sussex and the Fundy Civic Centre Inc. subject to the loan agreement being prepared by the Town and subject that the Province provides confirmation of funding support for the project. Motion carried.

Councillor Fulton returned to the Council Chambers from his conflict of interest.

It was moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Fulton, that Council approve that a stipend of \$4,000.00 per year be the remuneration for the position of Development Officer for the Town of Sussex. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Thorne, that Council approve that a stipend of \$1,200.00 per year be the remuneration for the position of Emergency Measures Officer for the Town of Sussex. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Campbell, that Council approve for payment the balance of \$9,600.00 for the 2006 invoices of the Sussex Mural Project and that the amount of \$9,940.00 be paid to the Sussex Mural Project at the first of each quarter representing the Town's 2007 contribution to the

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project and that Council authorize the Mayor and Town Clerk to sign the loan agreement between the Town of Sussex and the Kings East Development Partnership Inc. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Black, that Council approve for payment the accounts for the month of December, 2006, in the amount of \$544,328.31. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Black, that Council approve for payment the accounts for the month of January, 2007, in the amount of \$89,711.91. Motion carried.

Councillor Campbell addressed Council noting that January completed his first month of duties as a Councillor.

Councillor Fulton spoke on the restoration and replanting of trees along the trail system and was pleased to see that the Council passed a resolution for the agreement for the application for the Trout Creek restoration and education site.

It was moved by Councillor Bradley, seconded by Deputy Mayor Thorne, that this regular meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Sussex adjourn. Motion carried.

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TOWN CLERK

