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Minutes of Meeting of Council held this
24th day of October, 2011

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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 24th day of October, 2011, at 7:00 o'clock in the evening.

The following members of the Council were present: His Worship Mayor Carr, Deputy Mayor Thorne, Councillors Campbell, Black, Bradley, Wilson and Wright. Councillor Fulton was absent. Also present at this meeting were the Chief Administrative Officer, Scott Hatcher and the Town Clerk/Treasurer, Paul Maguire.

It was moved by Councillor Black, seconded by Councillor Wright, that the agenda for this regular Town Council meeting be approved as amended. Motion carried. The agenda was amended by adding under Item # 6 – Delegations, Petitions and Correspondence: G) Minister of Post-Secondary Education, Training and Labour.

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

It was moved by Councillor Wright, seconded by Councillor Campbell, that the minutes of the regular meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Sussex held on September 19, 2011, be approved as circulated. Motion carried.

A rezoning request was received from Scott Wiggins, State Farm Insurance, acting as the authorized agent of Walter and Susan Floyd requesting that the Municipal Plan, By-Law # 704-10, be amended to rezone the property located at 109 Main Street, bearing P.I.D. # 00268128, from "Low Density" to "Highway Commercial".

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It was moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Black, that the application from Scott Wiggins, State Farm Insurance, for rezoning the property at 109 Main Street be accepted and that the rezoning application be forwarded to the Administration Committee. Motion carried.

A letter was received informing the Council that the week of October 16, 2011, is IODE Awareness Week.

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Thorne, seconded by Councillor Wright, that the letter from the IODE be filed. Motion carried.

A letter was received from J. Douglas Devine regarding the CN actions in Sussex relating to the CN track and right of way that is located through the Town of Sussex.

It was moved by Councillor Wright, seconded by Councillor Wilson, that the letter from J. Douglas Devine be filed. Motion carried.

A letter was received from Anthonie deHoog, President of the Sussex Health Centre Foundation, writing on behalf of the Foundation concerning the Town's recent commitment to assist with physician recruiting for the Sussex area.

It was moved by Councillor Bradley, seconded by Councillor Wright, that the Council release the \$10,000.00 that was budgeted in the 2011 budget for physician recruitment and a cheque be issued to the Sussex Health Centre Services Inc. in the amount of \$10,000.00. Motion carried.

A letter was received from the Treasurer of the Sussex Downtown Business Association Inc. which included their 2012 Budget.

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It was moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Black, that the 2012 Budget for the Sussex Downtown Business Association Inc. be accepted and that November 21, 2011, at 7:00pm, during the regular Town Council meeting, be the date, time and place to set a hearing of objections to the 2012 budget. Motion carried.

A letter was received from the Director of Human Resources, Virtual Agent Services, informing the Town that due to unforeseen technical concerns, they feel at this time they cannot accommodate all of their agents at the Main Street location and therefore would like to move the operation to the Maple Avenue location. The Chief Administrative Officer advised the Council that he is in discussion with Virtual Agent Services to see what the issues and challenges are that face the VAS operation at both locations in order to facilitate, if possible, the consolidation of the operation at the Main Street location.

A letter was received from the Minister of Post-Secondary Education, Training and Labour, informing the Council that October is Canadian Library Month.

It was moved by Councillor Bradley, seconded by Councillor Wilson, that the letter from the Minister of Post-Secondary Education, Training and Labour be filed. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councillor Bradley, seconded by Councillor Wilson, that the Fire Report for the month of September, 2011, be received as circulated. Motion carried. During the month the Fire Department responded to a total of 12 calls with 11 calls originating within the Town of Sussex and one out of Town call.

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It was moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Wright, that the Building Inspector's Report for the month of September, 2011, 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 \$700,000.00, 28 permits for renovations, repairs, alterations and additions for a value of \$581,395.00 and one permit for demolition for a value of \$19,250.00.

It was moved by Councillor Bradley, seconded by Councillor Black, that the Development Officer's Report for the month of September, 2011, be received as circulated. Motion carried. The report indicated that during the month the Development Officer approved four building location surveys and one tentative amending subdivision plan.

It was moved by Councillor Black, seconded by Councillor Bradley, that the minutes of the Planning Advisory Committee meeting of October 19, 2011, be received as circulated. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councillor Bradley, seconded by Councillor Black, that the report of the Human Services Committee Meeting dated October 17, 2011, be received as circulated. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councillor Bradley, seconded by Councillor Campbell, that Council approve that Roberta Craft, Community Services Officer, attend the Recreation New Brunswick and Recreation Nova Scotia "Train the Trainer Workshop" in Halifax, N.S., on November 28-30, 2011. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councillor Bradley, seconded by Deputy Mayor Thorne, that Council approve that Flynn Canada Ltd. be engaged to

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perform the roof upgrades to the Sports Centre as outlined in the quotation request for a fee of \$2,712.00. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councillor Bradley, seconded by Councillor Black, that Council approve that E. J. Cunningham Ltd. be engaged to remove the pool facility as per their quotation submitted for a fee of \$9,938.35 with Committee recommending that this project to not exceed an expenditure of \$15,000.00 including H.S.T. for other incidentals which may occur. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councillor Bradley, seconded by Councillor Black, that Council award the tender for the installation of the roofing materials at the Visitor Information Centre to B & W Contracting Ltd. for a bid price of \$57,032.28. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councillor Bradley, seconded by Councillor Wilson, that Council approve an expenditure of \$39,052.80 for Yorkshire Green Slate roofing materials from Moderne Slate Roofing Systems for the roof replacement at the Visitor Information Centre. Motion carried.

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Thorne, seconded by Councillor Wilson, that the report of the Economic Development and Long Range Planning Committee meeting dated October 18, 2011, be received as circulated. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councillor Wright, seconded by Councillor Campbell, that the report of the Works Committee meeting dated October 18, 2011, be received as circulated. Motion carried.

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It was moved by Councillor Wright, seconded by Councillor Campbell, that Council authorize the addition of two street lights on existing poles on McLean Street as indicated in a memo from the Works Officer. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councillor Wright, seconded by Councillor Bradley, that Council approve that the Town's Christmas decorative lights be installed approximately two weeks earlier to support Downtown Business Association events. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councillor Wright, seconded by Councillor Bradley, that Council approve that the Superintendent of Works attend the APWA Fall meeting to be held in Saint John, N.B., from November 26 to 28, 2011. Motion carried.

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Thorne, seconded by Councillor Black, that the report of the Protective Services Committee Meeting dated October 17, 2011, be received as circulated. Motion carried.

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Thorne, seconded by Councillor Wilson, that Council accept the resignation of volunteer firefighter David Parlee as of September 9, 2011, with regret. Motion carried.

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Thorne, seconded by Councillor Bradley, that Council approve the following Remembrance Day Parade route scheduled to commence at 10:15am on November 11, 2011:

- commencing in the parking lot of the Royal Canadian Legion on Magnolia Avenue;
- thence along Magnolia Avenue from the Royal Canadian Legion parking lot to Main Street;

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- thence along Main Street from Magnolia Avenue to the intersection of Main Street and Broad Street;
- thence along Broad Street to the Cenotaph;
- thence after the ceremony at the Cenotaph, parade from the Cenotaph to Main Street;
- thence along Main Street from Broad Street to Magnolia Avenue; and
- thence along Magnolia Avenue from Main Street to the parking lot of the Royal Canadian Legion.

Motion carried.

It was moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Black, that the report of the Administration Committee meeting dated October 20, 2011, be received as circulated. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Campbell, that the Committee recommend to Council that Council approve the purchase of two tickets at \$120.00 each for the Mayor to attend the Humanitarian Award 2011. Motion carried.

Councillor Wright 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.

It was moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Black, that Council approve the purchase of Christmas Greeting Package # 1 for a total cost of \$189.00 from CJCW Radio. Motion carried.

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

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It was moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Bradley, that Council approve for payment accounts for the month of September, 2011, totaling \$620,663.57. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councillor Bradley, seconded by Councillor Wright, that Council have first reading by title of By-Law # 701-11, A By-Law for Maintenance and Occupancy Standards for Residential Properties. Motion carried. The Town Clerk then read the by-law for the first time by title.

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Thorne, seconded by Councillor Campbell, that Council have second reading by title of By-Law # 701-11, A By-Law for Maintenance and Occupancy Standards for Residential Properties. Motion carried. The Town Clerk then read the by-law for the second time by title.

Councillor Wright informed Council that he recently had received correspondence from the President of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities encouraging all members of the FCM to support the Bay of Fundy and its endeavours to become one of the new seven wonders of the world. Councillor Wright encouraged all citizens of Sussex to vote for the Bay of Fundy in the on-line contest.

Councillor Wilson addressed Council on the forestry industry and its impact on the Sussex area and the Province of New Brunswick in general. Councillor Wilson noted the following:

- that since 2005 the forestry industry has lost 8,000 jobs in the Province;

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- that the industry is trying to consolidate and stay viable through rationalization of the provincial wood supply and the remaining pulp and sawmills; and
- that the Town of Sussex is a member of the South Central Forestry Committee which represents a wide spectrum of interests who are directly or indirectly affected by the forestry industry in the Province.

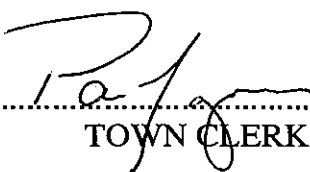
The Council encouraged Councillor Wilson to draft a letter to be reviewed by Council to be written to the Premier regarding the forestry industry and the importance of the industry to the Sussex area and the Province.

Councillor Black provided some statistical information regarding J.D.I. operations in the Sussex area noting in particular that J.D.I. has been involved in the Sussex area for the last 40 years and employs 132 direct jobs with 400 indirect jobs in the forestry industry in Sussex.

His Worship noted that the next regular Council meeting will be held on November 21, 2011.

It was moved by Councillor Wright, seconded by Councillor Campbell, that this regular meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Sussex adjourn. Motion carried.


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MAYOR CARR


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TOWN CLERK