

CITY OF BATHURST SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

March 11, 2024 6:30 p.m. Council Chambers - City Hall

Recording of Attendance	Mayor K. Chamberlain Councillor D. Branch Councillor S. Brunet Councillor R. Hondas Councillor D. Knowles Councillor JF. LeBlanc Councillor S. Legacy Councillor M. Skerry Councillor M. Willett
Members Absent	Deputy Mayor P. Anderson
Appointed Officials	 T. Pettigrew, Chief Administrative Officer A. Parker, City Clerk D. Boucher, Fire Chief L. Foulem, Corporate Communications Manager C. Legacy, Director of Economic Development R. Wilbur, Director of Parks, Recreation and Tourism M. Bouffard, Director of Municipal Planning

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor D. Branch Seconded by Councillor M. Willett

THAT the Agenda be approved as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

2. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No conflicts of interest were declared.

3. DRAFT RESOLUTIONS

3.1 Weight Restrictions - Spring 2024

Moved by Councillor R. Hondas Seconded by Councillor J.-F. LeBlanc

WHEREAS the Motor Vehicle Act empowers a municipality to impose weight restrictions on highways under their jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS the Administration has reviewed a plan and makes recommendations for the designation of the 2024 weight restrictions.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council designates the following weight restrictions, effective March 11, 2024, until further notice:

1. On all streets in the City of Bathurst except those exempted in Item 2, vehicles may operate with each axle weight not exceeding eighty percent (80%) of the maximum axle weight for which the particular vehicle may be operated in the Province of New Brunswick provided that each axle weight does not exceed that upon which the registered weight is based.

2. The following streets are exempt from these restrictions and are subject to the conditions below:

a) No spring weight restrictions:

All streets located within the Bathurst Industrial Park;

Route 134 – Miramichi Avenue from the junction of Route 11 to Bridge Street;

Route 134 - Bridge Street, from Miramichi Avenue to Murray Avenue;

Route 134 – Murray Avenue from Bridge Street to Main Street;

Route 134 – Main Street to St. Peter Avenue via Harbourview Blvd. North;

Route 134 – St. Peter Avenue to Main/King, via Harbourview South to Murray Avenue;

St. Peter Avenue to City limits, Beresford;

Route 180 – Vanier Boulevard from St. Peter Avenue to Route 11; Route 430 – King Avenue from the junction of Route 11 to Dumaresq Street, and Dumaresq Street from King Avenue to Murray Avenue; St. Anne Street – Route 11 to Evangeline Street; Route 315 – Sunset Drive from Vanier Boulevard to Brown's Bridge; Route 315 - Sunset from Civic address 2000 to city limits; Carron Drive – from Bridge Street to Sutherland Avenue.

In summary, the truck route thru the city is now 100% of axle weight, without any tolerances over such weight.

b) Restricted to 90% of maximum licensed axel weight

Cape Road – Bridge Street from City Limits to Miramichi Avenue

3. Passenger buses and City of Bathurst vehicles be exempt from the above restrictions.

MOTION CARRIED

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3.2 Housing Accelerator Fund Contribution Agreement

Moved by Councillor D. Knowles Seconded by Councillor D. Branch

THAT Council members approve the Agreement between the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) and the City of Bathurst and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign all related documents on behalf of the City.

MOTION CARRIED

4. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor D. Branch Seconded by Councillor S. Legacy

THAT the Special Public Meeting be adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Kim Chamberlain / MAYOR

Amy-Lynn Parker / CITY CLERK