

Town of St. George's
Regular Council Meeting

Minutes of a regular meeting of the council
of the Town of St. George's, held in the
Town Hall, November 3, 2014

Present

Mayor D. Conway
Deputy Mayor A. Tobin
Councillors: S. Lee
A. White
C. Foote
G. Carroll

Also Present

Town Manager R. Chant
Town Clerk D. Woolridge

Call to Order

Mayor Conway called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Adoption of Minutes:

Regular Mtg. of October 6, 2014

Regular Meeting of October 6, 2014

Motion # 14 - 112 Foote/White

Resolved that minutes of the regular council meeting of October 6, 2014 be adopted as circulated. All in favour. Motion carried.

Business Arising

Four members of council met with MHA Scott Reid on October 20, 2014. Mr. Reid is trying to set up a meeting with Dr. Thomas from the Canadian Medical Health Association for Rural Canada, himself and council.

Committee Reports:

a) Finance

1) Motion #14 - 113 Tobin/Foote

Resolved that general invoices of \$20,854.84 be approved for payment. All in favour. Motion carried.

2) Motion #14 - 114 Foote/Lee

Resolved that exp. Services Inc. Inv. #220410, Project Status Report #10 - Waste Water Treatment Plant - in the amount of \$3,595.05 be approved for payment. All in favour. Motion carried.

b) Projects

1) Motion #14 - 115 Tobin/Foote

Resolved that we accept the 90/10 Funding Agreement between the Department of Municipal Affairs and the Town of St. George's for Well Water Upgrading and Recreation Upgrades. All in favour. Motion carried.

2) A list of the projects applied for under the 2015/2016 Municipal Capital Works Program was distributed to council. These include: Well Field, Road Paving, Fire Hall Extension, New Sidewalk, Repair Existing Sidewalk, and Town Hall Retrofit at a cost of \$1,852,109.40.

c) Fire Department

The Fire Department are recruiting new members. They are also requesting new pagers and a whiteboard.

d) Stadium/Recreation

Quotes had been received for rubberized flooring to cover 1600-2100 sq. ft. Councillor Carroll recommended covering the whole ground floor wall to wall.

Motion #14 - 116 Foote/Carroll

Resolved that we purchase rubberized flooring to upgrade the stadium pending quotes from Ray. All in favour.
Motion carried.

Councillor Carroll informed council that approximately 80 children have signed up for CanSkate; minor hockey is growing. Painting is completed and the stadium all cleaned up.

The position for Bowling Alley Attendant had been posted internally with no response. This position will now be contracted out on an interim basis, also cleaning of the stadium and parties. The Town will be responsible to the Bay St. George Employment Corporation for a minimum of 10 hr.s/wk. @ \$11.00/hr. for a challenged worker, and the corporation will be responsible for wages for the worker's caretaker. Rink Attendants' duties will also be contracted out until the former attendant is able to return.

e) Roads

A meeting will be arranged for Nov. 6 between the town manger, mayor, Councillor Foote, and our heavy equipment operators with regard to snowclearing.

Building Applications

Fence - Woodland Drive

An application had been submitted to fence off property at the end of Woodland Drive.

Motion #14 - 117 Foote/Tobin

Resolved that council deny a permit for this fence based on Part 1, Section 11b of our Development Regulations which states (in essence) that council may refuse a permit where development would create a nuisance to nearby properties in the form of noise, odor, traffic or pollution; and to authorize the town manager to enter negotiations for the purchase of the property. All in favour. Motion carried.

A letter will be written to the applicant advising him of the decision and his right to appeal.

Unfinished Business

1) Motion #14 - 118 Lee/Carroll

Resolved that we support the Canadian Union of Postal Workers by passing the resolution opposing Canada Post plan for cuts or calling for a halt to door-to-door delivery cuts until there is proper consultation. All in favour.
Motion carried.

2) A list of dilapidated properties was distributed to council.

Motion #14 - 119 White/Foote

Resolved to arrange to follow up on the list of dilapidated properties on the grounds of safety concerns and send letters to the owners. All in favour. Motion carried.

New Business

1) **Crown Lands Application**

An application for additional access and bypass roads to the HVdc transmission line had been received for council's approval.

Motion #14 - 120 Foote/Tobin

Resolved that council approve the application. All in favour. Motion carried.

2) Group Home

A fax was received from a resident planning to make his residence into a group home for 6-10 foster persons. A letter will be written to the resident requesting more information.

Incoming Correspondence

1) Department of Municipal and Intergovernmental Affairs extending the deadline for applications for the 2015/2016 Municipal Capital Works Program to October 31, 2014.

2) Dept. of Municipal and Intergovernmental Affairs Gas Tax Circular re tendering for Gas Tax projects.

3) Invitation from the Royal Canadian Legion in Stephenville to attend their Community in Remembrance Celebration commemorating the 100th Anniversary of World War I and the 75th Anniversary of World War II on November 8, 2014.

4) An email from Peter Fenwick, Chair of the South West Joint Council calling for agenda items for their next meeting scheduled for Nov. 22, 2014 in Port aux Basques.

5) An update from Mary McCormack, Port au Port/BSG Fracking Awareness Group.

6) A request for a donation for the Ronald MacDonald House.

Motion #14 - 121 Foote/Tobin

Resolved that we donate \$50 to the Ronald MacDonald House. All in favour. Motion carried.

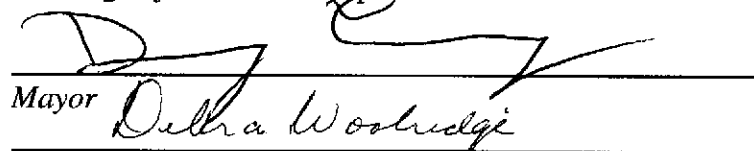
7) Misc. correspondence from a resident for council's information.

Adjournment

Motion #14 - 122 Tobin/Lee

Resolved that council do now adjourn to meet again on Dec. 1, 2014. All in favour. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.



Mayor Della Woolledge

Clerk