

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING, JUNE 28, 2011

A regular meeting of the Bonavista Town Council was held on Tuesday, June 28, 2011, at 4:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers. There were five members present namely Mayor Betty Fitzgerald, Deputy Mayor Douglas Robbins, Councillors Lindsay Phillips, John Norman and Glen Little. Also present at the meeting was the Town Manager Calvin Rolls. The meeting was presided over by the Mayor.

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Robbins and seconded by Councillor Phillips that the minutes of the meeting held on May 16, 2011, be adopted as read. Motion carried unanimously.

A discussion arose concerning the following Councillors' concerns:-

(1) Deputy Mayor Robbins' concerns:-

A. Bonavista Multi-Purpose Center in old Cabot Collegiate. It was agreed that the committee which is formed to deal with this building should apply for funding to restore the building and Council will give a letter of support for this project.

(2) Councillor Phillips' concerns:-

A. Sidewalks. Councillor Phillips wants to know if we are going to do any sidewalks this year. After a lengthy discussion it was agreed for the Public Works Committee to select an area to put in sidewalks and then get a price to have them installed.

B. People erecting buildings without permits from Council. It was agreed that this needs to stop. The Town Clerk advised Council to let him know if buildings are being erected that he is unaware of.

(3) Councillor Norman's concerns:-

A. A deck built on property at 5 Chapel Hill Road that is an heritage structure. It was stated that changes to heritage structures are not permitted. This matter will be discussed later in the meeting.

B. House at 127 Red Point Road next to Ross Abbott's property that is dilapidated and needs to be removed. It was moved by Councillor Phillips and seconded by Councillor Norman to write the owner of this property and give them one month to remove this house or we will do it at their expense. Motion carried unanimously.

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C. Boardwalk lights that will be installed between Walkham's Bridge and The Matthew Legacy and from OCI Plant to The Harbour Quarters. It was agreed for Council to pay the electricity for these lights when they are installed.

D. Car Wrecks. Councillor Norman wanted to know if car wrecks will be removed — two sites specifically are one on Joy's Lane and one on Riverstyx Road with three wrecks.

E. Dilapidated buildings and debris on Butler Crescent. It was agreed for the Town Manager to check this matter out.

F. Debris near Canal in Mockbeggar on the site where John Templeman used to have a house. It was agreed to remove this debris.

G. Council Clean-Up Weeks for large household items. It was stated that this is being considered for next year.

(4) Councillor Little's concerns:-

A. A representative is needed to serve on a Trail Ways Committee to try and attain funds to upgrade our railway bed for use of ATV's, snowmobiles, etc.

B. Street Lights. Councillor Little requests that the public Works Committee needs to look at several areas where street lights are needed.

C. Marginal Wharf for Bonavista. It was stated that a meeting with Minister Ashfield of Dept. of Fisheries and Oceans is being arranged to discuss this matter.

D. Bungalow Style Protective Car Unit. Councillor Little wanted to know why work doesn't proceed on this matter.

E. Future of Matthew Legacy Site. It was agreed that this needs to be discussed when we meet with Minister Peter Penashue.

F. Cavalcade for Diabetes. It was stated that the Lions Club raised over \$20,000.00 towards this cause.

(5) Mayor Fitzgerald's concerns:-

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A. Telephone call from a representative of the Minister responsible for ACOA asking about The Matthew and what the situation is right now.

At 5:55 p.m. Councillor Mouland arrived at the meeting.

B. Mayor Fitzgerald reported on the Urban Municipalities meeting she attended.

(6) Councillor Mouland's concerns:-

A. Damages at Dugout at Senior Ballfield. It was stated that this dugout must be repaired or removed before the Musical Ride comes on July 20,, 2011.

B. Plans for the Stanley Cup if it comes to Bonavista. Councillor Mouland stated that there is a committee formed to plan for this event if and when it occurs. It was agreed for Council to support this event.

A discussion then arose concerning the business arising out of the minutes:-

(1) Situation on lane between Shelley Porter and Tracy Way off Benny's Road. It was agreed to maintain a ten foot right-of-way in this lane and to have Jody Tremblett and Shelley Porter sign an agreement to this effect.

At 6:30 p.m. Councillor Little retired from the meeting.

(2) Situation with OCI Plant workers in Port Union. Councillor Phillips wanted to know what the latest is on this matter. It was stated that Community Enhancement Project funds will be made available for these workers.

At 6:35 p.m. Councillor Norman retired from the meeting.

(3) Condition of BARDA Building on Station Road. It was stated that this building may be sold in the near future.

(4) William Clench requesting permission to erect a shed on his property on Ward Crescent sixteen feet from the center line of the road. It was moved by Councillor Phillips and seconded by Deputy Mayor Robbins to issue a permit for this shed. Motion carried unanimously.

A discussion then arose concerning the following:-

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(1) Accounts Payable. The Town Clerk presented a list of bills for approval. A copy of this list

of bills is attached. It was moved by Councillor Phillips and seconded by Councillor Mouland that these bills in the amount of \$76,026.37 be paid. Motion carried unanimously.

(2) Letter from Save Our People Action Committee (SOPAC) requesting Council to pass a resolution for the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador to implement a moose vehicle collision reduction strategy. It was agreed to discuss this matter at the next Council meeting.

(3) Letter from Roger and Sally Ball requesting Council support for a JCP Project they wish to undertake to improve the St. Joseph's Burial Gardens on Chapel Hill. It was agreed to support this project through the Bonavista Historical Society.

(4) Brad Ledrew requesting permission to erect a patio and a pool deck on his property at 5 Chapel Hill Road in the Town of Bonavista. A letter from George Chalker, Executive Director, Heritage Foundation of Nfld. & Labrador concerning this matter was presented to Council. They request that the deck that has been built in front of the property at 5 Chapel Hill Road be removed since it violates an agreement with them. It was agreed that permits can be issued for this patio and pool deck provided the pool deck is behind the house.

(5) Statement of Income and Expenses for Stadium for May 2011.

(6) Request from Jerry Russell for a reduction in Business Tax for 2010 and 2011 for The Russell House since they are only open seasonally. It was moved by Councillor Phillips and seconded by Councillor Mouland to reduce his Business Tax by 50% since they are only open seasonally. Motion carried unanimously.

(7) MNL Annual Convention 2011 to be held in Corner Brook from November 2 - 5, 2011. It was agreed to register all Councillors who want to go to this Convention and the Town Manager and Town Clerk.

(8) Vincent and Joan Laprinzi, Oceanside Cabins and Oceanview Restaurant, requesting a reduction in taxes for 2011 since they were closed down for eight months because of damage they sustained as a result of Hurricane Igor. It was moved by Councillor Phillips and seconded by Councillor Mouland to reduce 2011 Business Tax for Oceanside Cabins and Oceanview Restaurant by 50% since they were closed down for a considerable time due to Hurricane Igor. Motion carried unanimously.

(9) Letter from Hon. Tom Hedderson, Minister of Transportation and Works, re section of John Cabot Drive near Brown's Hill intersection being paved by them in the near future.

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(10) Letter of approval for Bell Mobility to erect a cellular phone tower on property at 2 - 14

Coster Street. It was agreed to advise Bell Mobility that approval is given for this tower without public notice since the only thing near is the cemeteries.

(11) Bonavista Historic Townscape Foundation Inc. requesting the town to support them in their effort to keep the Archivist position held by Crystal Fudge in the amount of \$15,000.00. It was moved by Councillor Phillips and seconded by Deputy Mayor Robbins to support the Bonavista Historic Townscape Foundation in this request. Motion carried unanimously.

(12) Request for donation for Cabot Loop Regional Games. It was moved by Councillor Phillips and seconded by Councillor Moulard to donate \$250.00 to this cause. Motion carried unanimously.

(13) Town Maps. It was moved by Councillor Moulard and seconded by Councillor Phillips to order 10,000 maps for \$2,467.00 plus tax. Motion carried unanimously.

(14) Run For Shelter organized by Fred Cuff to raise funds for the Kenneth Cole Family who lost their house in a fire. It was agreed to support this project.

(15) Sealer for asphalt on Fire Hall Parking Lot. It was moved by Deputy Mayor Robbins and seconded by Councillor Phillips to have this parking lot sealed at a cost of \$597.37. Motion carried unanimously.

(16) Contract Documents between Contractor and Engineer for Solid Waste Landfill Upgrade. It was moved by Deputy Mayor Robbins and seconded by Councillor Moulard to sign these documents signed and initialed where necessary. Motion carried unanimously.

Since there was no further business to be discussed, the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.