

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING, OCTOBER 24, 2011

A regular meeting of the Bonavista Town Council was held on Monday, October 24, 2011, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers. There were five members present namely Deputy Mayor Douglas Robbins, Councillors Barry Randell, John Norman, Lindsay Phillips and Paul Mouland. Also present at the meeting was the Town Manager Calvin Rolls. The meeting was presided over by the Deputy Mayor.

It was moved by Councillor Randell and seconded by Councillor Norman that the minutes of the meeting held on September 26, 2011, be adopted as read. Motion carried unanimously.

A discussion arose concerning the following Councillors' concerns:-

(1) Councillor Randell's concerns:-

A. Proposal by Ocean Choice International for a new steel structure plant on their property on Campbell Street. It was stated that Council agrees with this proposal in principle.

B. Paving 2012. It was stated that Michael Ryder Place and Wells' Road Extension need to be paved next year. It was agreed to do this pavement with Gas Tax Funds and to apply to Government accordingly next year for approval to have the remaining Gas Tax fund, approximately \$243,000.00, to do these roads.

C. Shoulder washouts on the Meade. It was agreed to advise Dept. of Transportation and Works that this problem needs to be rectified.

(2) Councillor Norman's concerns:-

A. Sidewalk near Norman Harris' building on Church Street. It was agreed to place sidewalks near this building next year at Council's expense.

B. 40 Week Program offered by Ability Employment in which we would pay 50% of the wages of an employee who needs supervision and they will pay the other 50% plus the wages of the Supervisor. It was agreed to avail of this program and to hire Colin Crewe to fill the position.

C. Landscaping around Cabot Stadium. It was agreed that the landscaping needs to be improved and more asphalt at the front of the Stadium. It was agreed to look at this matter in the spring.

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D. Nets that may pose an hazard to pedestrians on the Marginal Wharf off Alexander Road. It was agreed for the Town Manager to check with the Harbour Authority re this matter.

E. Dilapidated fence around Matthew Elementary School. It was agreed to write Vista Regional Office and request them to repair or remove this fence since it is in poor condition.

F. The Garrick Theatre. It was agreed to meet with David Bradley, Chairperson of the Bonavista Historic Townscape Foundation, to discuss the Theater and its future.

(3) Councillor Phillips' concerns:-

A. Nfld. Power pole removal and lane extension on Winsor Place. It was agreed to check with Nfld. Power re this matter.

B. Car wrecks around town. It was agreed to check on this matter. As for the old school bus owned by Barry Cooper, it was agreed to give him thirty days to have this removed or we will do it at his expense.

(4) Councillor Mouland's concerns:-

A. Old house belonging to Wayne Little on corner of Roper Street and Ayles' Road. It was stated that this old house needs to be removed because it is hazardous.

B. Minor Ballfield. The Recreation Committee of Council suggested that this ballfield should be used to extend on the existing playground since it is not used as a ballfield any more. Also, part of the ballfield could be used as a tennis court. It was agreed to investigate this matter further.

C. Bridge that was destroyed by Hurricane Igor near Loretta Hayley's over O'Connell's Brook. It was agreed to write Matthew Elementary and advise them that this bridge will be replaced by the Provincial Government in due course.

(5) Deputy Mayor Robbins' concerns:-

A. Flushing hydrants. It was stated that hydrants are flushed twice a year. It was agreed to try and do this in sequence to cause less inconvenience to the residents.

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B. Bonavista Day 2012. It was moved by Councillor Randell and seconded by Councillor Phillips to have Bonavista Day 2012 on July 27, 2012. Motion carried unanimously.

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

(1) Emergency Generator for Town Hall. It was agreed to check with our new M.H.A. re this matter to see if there are funds available under E.M.O.

(2) Marginal Wharf for Bonavista Harbour. It was agreed to keep working on this matter.

(3) Chair of Health Care Committee. It was agreed for Councillor Norman to chair this Committee since Glen Little has resigned from Council and is now our M.H.A.

(4) Scott Wheeler requesting a permit to erect an extension on his shed on John Cabot Drive in the Town of Bonavista. It was agreed to issue a permit for this extension.

A discussion then arose concerning the following:-

(1) Accounts Payable. The Town Clerk presented a list of bills for approval to pay. A copy of this list of bills is attached. It was moved by Councillor Randell and seconded by Councillor Mouland that these bills in the amount of \$51,156.74 be paid.. Motion carried unanimously.

(2) Quotes for Supply of Diesel Fuel and Furnace Oil for Town Hall and Cabot Stadium. Quotes were received as follows:-

North Atlantic -	Diesel Fuel	-	94.5 cents/litre
	- Furnace Oil	-	92.46 cents/litre
Ultramar	- Diesel Fuel	-	86 cents/litre
	- Furnace Oil	-	84 cents/litre

It was moved by Councillor Phillips and seconded by Councillor Randell to award the Supply of Diesel Fuel and Furnace Oil to Ultramar for the next five years commencing January 1, 2012, for the price quoted. Motion carried unanimously.

(3) Statement of Income and Expenses for Cabot Stadium for September 2011.

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(4) Liz Mifflin and Dene Holmes requesting a reduction in their Business Tax for 2011 for Mifflin's Tea Room since they are only open for four months. It was moved by Councillor Randell and seconded by Councillor Mouland to reduce this Business Tax by 50% since they are only open four months. Motion carried unanimously.

(5) By-Election 2012. As a result of the Provincial Election held on October 11, 2011, Councillor Glen Little was elected to the P.C. Party for Bonavista South and has submitted his resignation from Council. This leaves a vacant seat on Council. It was moved by Councillor Phillips and seconded by Councillor Norman to have Nomination Day to fill this vacancy on November 22, 2011, with Election Day set for December 13, 2011. Motion carried unanimously.

(6) Councillor to serve on the Discovery Regional Economic Development Board to replace Glen Little who recently resigned from Council to become the M.H.A. for Bonavista South. It was agreed that Councillor Norman should serve on this Board as the Town of Bonavista representative.

(7) Completion of road with recycled asphalt near Ernest Stead's property. Coastal Paving will do this road for \$8,654.56. It was moved by Councillor Randell and seconded by Councillor Phillips to have this road paved for the price quoted. Motion carried unanimously.

(8) Keith Parady requesting that his pay be increased from Incinerator Attendant rate to Heavy Equipment Operator rate since he is now required to operate an excavator as part of his duties at the dump site. It was agreed not to pay Keith Parady Heavy Equipment Operator rate.

Since there was no further business to be discussed, the meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.