

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING, SEPTEMBER 22, 2014

A regular meeting of the Bonavista Town Council was held on Monday, September 22, 2014, at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. There were seven members present namely Mayor Betty Fitzgerald, Deputy Mayor Douglas Robbins, Councillors Beverly Dyke, Barry Randell, Reg Butler, Paul Moulard and Rodney Gray. Also present at the meeting was the Town Manager Calvin Rolls. The meeting was presided over by the Mayor.

It was moved by Councillor Randell and seconded by Councillor Gray that the minutes of the meeting held on August 26, 2014, be adopted as read. Motion carried unanimously.

A discussion then arose concerning the following Councillors' concerns:-

(1) Councillor Gray's concerns:-

A. Old boats that are on the slipway in Harbour Pond and need to be removed belonging to Earl Noble and Tom Fisher. Councillor Gray asked if Council could remove the boats. It was agreed that we cannot remove these boats — it is the owners' responsibility.

(2) Councillor Randell's concerns:-

A. Sunken bricks in sidewalks on Church Street. It was agreed that they will have to be repaired or filled in because they are potentially dangerous for pedestrians.

B. Curbs for Dennis Tremblett, Wayne Fisher and Kenneth Stagg to prevent water problems. It was agreed to get these done.

C. Water and Sewer for Route 235. It was agreed that the Water Tower is a first priority for Municipal Capital Works and then Water and Sewer for Route 235.

(3) Councillor Butler's concerns:-

A. BARDA Building. Government Services will inspect the building next week to see if it needs to be removed.

(4) Councillor Dyke's concerns:-

A. Targa. Feedback was mostly positive; however, there was some negativity.

B. Water problem near Marilyn Randell's on Roper Street. It was agreed for the Town Manager to look at this matter.

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(5) Councillor Mouland's concerns:-

A. Water problem for Edgar Marsh since we put a catch basin on "The Meade". It was agreed to meet with Mr. Marsh on this matter when Dept. of Transportation and Works visit us to look at this area.

B. Land for Ground Search and Rescue to put a building on. It was agreed to check this matter out with respect to the area near the Stadium.

C. Randell's Road needing upgrading. It was agreed that this road needs major repair work.

(6) Deputy Mayor Robbins' concerns:-

A. Marine Center. It is in deplorable shape to look at and needs repairs. It was agreed for Councillors to look at this for the next Council meeting.

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

(1) Lindsay Phillips filling in his land on Phillips' Lane to build a house on and wanting Council to extend water and sewer services in this area. It was moved by Councillor Mouland and seconded by Deputy Mayor Robbins to give Mr. Phillips material to extend this line. However, the installation must be at his expense and the road extension must be done by him to our satisfaction. Motion carried; however, Councillor Gray was contrary to the motion.

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 Butler and seconded by Councillor Dyke that these bills in the amount of \$21,836.52 be paid. Motion carried unanimously.

(2) Statement of Revenues and Expenditures for August 2014 for Cabot Stadium.

(3) Nathaniel Duffett requesting Council to sponsor him in this year's Tri Pen Osprey Major Midget Hockey by advertising in their Annual Booklet. Ads cost \$100.00 for ¼ page to \$250.00 for full page. It was agreed not to support this cause at this time.

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(4) Letter from Sheldon Stringer, Phys. Ed Teacher re poor condition of Softball Field and asking when it is going to be restored to a playing condition. After a lengthy discussion it was agreed that this ballfield must be restored early next year.

(5) Randy Murphy requesting water and sewer facilities to his property at 7 - 9 Meade Hill Road so that he can erect a 4 unit seniors residence on that property. It was agreed that water and sewer services will have to be done at his expense.

(6) Rapid Notify. To get this service it will cost \$4,550.00 U. S. annually. The service includes an 800 number for emergencies, messages to all phones, e-mails and text, etc. It was agreed to discuss this matter at the next Council meeting.

(7) Harry Stagg requesting permission to erect a pre-fabricated home on his property on Benny's Road where his father's house used to be. It was moved by Councillor Butler and seconded by Councillor Dyke to issue a permit for this house. Motion carried unanimously.

(8) Canadian Union of Postal Workers requesting Council to pass a Resolution to ask the Federation of Municipalities to request the Federal Government to properly consult with the public about what kind of postal service they need before allowing Canada Post to make major changes to the Postal Service. It was agreed to make a Resolution to this effect.

(9) Aleksandrs Gallery of Fine Arts requesting a reduction in Business Tax for 2014 since they will only be open six months. It was moved by Councillor Randell and seconded by Councillor Moulard to reduce Business Tax for Aleksandrs Gallery of Fine Arts to the minimum Business Tax of \$150.00 since they are only open six months. Motion carried unanimously.

(10) Dr. Sally Ball requesting permission to open a local crafts art shop in an existing building on her property on Moses Point Lane. This business will be opened in 2015 and will be seasonal from June 15 to September 15. It was moved by Deputy Mayor Robbins and seconded by Councillor Randell to issue an occupancy permit for this business. Motion carried unanimously.

Since there was no further business to be discussed, the meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.