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MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING, DECEMBER 12, 2016

A regular meeting of the Bonavista Town Council was held on Monday, December 12, 2016, at 4:10 p.m. in the Council Chambers. There were seven members present namely Mayor Betty Fitzgerald, Deputy Mayor Douglas Robbins, Councillors Beverly Dyke, Rodney Gray, Barry Randell, Paul Moulard and Reg Butler. Also present at the meeting was Town Manager Calvin Rolls. The meeting was presided over by the Mayor.

It was moved by Councillor Gray and seconded by Councillor Dyke that the minutes of the meeting held on November 28, 2016, be adopted as read. Motion carried unanimously.

A discussion arose concerning the following Councillors' concerns:-

(1) Deputy Mayor Robbins' concerns:-

- A. Houses for sale and unoccupied in Bonavista. Deputy Mayor Robbins expressed concerns about the large number of houses either for sale or unoccupied. It was agreed this will have financial repercussions for the town.
- B. Budget 2017. It was agreed to advise the public that the Budget is passed with no tax increases.

(2) Mayor Fitzgerald's concerns:-

- A. Tourist Committee of Council. It was agreed for the Tourism Committee of Council to check with the Bank to see what needs to be done to open a bank account.

A discussion then arose concerning the business arising out of the minutes.

A discussion then arose concerning the following:-

(1) Accounts Payable. The Chief Financial Officer/Town Clerk presented a list of bills for approval to pay. It was moved by Councillor Randell and seconded by Councillor Gray that these bills in the amount of \$36,338.56 be paid. Motion carried unanimously.

(2) Statement of Income and Expenses for Cabot Stadium for November 2016.

(3) J. & H. Best Enterprises Ltd. requesting a reduction in Business Tax for 2014, 2015 and 2016 for Oceanview Restaurant because they are only open seasonally. It was moved by councillor Gray and seconded by Councillor Dyke to reduce Business Tax for Oceanview Restaurant by 50% for 2014, 2015 and 2016 since they are only open seasonally. Motion carried unanimously.

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(4) Donation to Discovery Collegiate's Celebration of Excellence Ceremony for 2015/16. It was moved by Councillor Dyke and seconded by Councillor Mouland to donate \$1,000.00 to this Scholarship Fund. Motion carried unanimously.

(5) Discovery Regional Services Board update on Waste Collection for the Bonavista Peninsula. The household fee will be \$280.00 - \$300.00 which means that the Town of Bonavista will have to pay approximately \$500,000.00 per year. The current cost for garbage collection is \$250,000.00 per year. The proposal is to bill towns for 2017 and since they do not intend to start collections until July 2017 then to reimburse the towns for the first six months. They want a letter from Council to confirm commitment to work with the Discovery Regional Services Board on a regional collection. It was agreed to get more information before re respond to this request.

(6) Light-Up for Christmas Contest. It was agreed to have this contest again this year with prizes same as last year.

Since there was no further business to be discussed, the meeting adjourned with a prayer at 5:50 p.m.

BILLS FOR PAYMENT, COUNCIL MEETING, DECEMBER 12, 2016

1. Orkin, pest control 4 Henry's Lane	\$ 287.50
2. Brenntag, chlorine and soda ash - Water Treatment	7,235.44
3. Dicks & Co. Ltd., office supplies	132.80
4. Xylem, pump - W & S	4,076.24
5. Valero, furnace oil - Town Hall	458.61
6. Orkin, pest control - Dump	397.33
7. Brenkir, Fire Dept. Supplies	91.94
8. Newfoundland Power, street lighting - Nov. 2016	9,495.50
9. Mercer's Marine, clothing - Snow Clearing	426.72
10. All Parts Ltd., supplies - Roads	273.38
11. Petro Canada, gas - W & S Maint.	454.23
12. Xylem, W & S Materials	1,438.08
13. C. & E. Automotive Ltd., repairs - pickups - Roads	2,136.52
14. First Stop Ltd., gas - Roads, W & S Maint.	1,108.00
15. S. W. Mifflin Ltd., propane - Roads - S.C.	1,139.83
16. Battlefield Equipment Rentals, materials - Roads	13.74
17. State Chemical Cleaning Supplies - W & S, Office (Other)	457.00
18. Irving Oil Ltd., gas - Roads	251.73
19. Ellis Gas & Convenience, gas, etc. - Fire Dept.	67.07
20. Xylem, W & S Maint. Materials	2,782.25
21. Crewe's Garage Ltd., repairs - Dump Truck - S.C.	2,307.04
22. C. & C. Distributors, fuel - excavator - San.	587.39
23. Dicks & Co. Ltd., office supplies	72.40
24. Sameday, deliveries - W & S Maint., Stadium	160.70
25. Raymond Guy & Sons Ltd., delivery - chlorine & soda ash	487.12
	\$ 36,338.56