

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING, MARCH 11, 2013

A regular meeting of the Bonavista Town Council was held on Monday, March 11, 2013, at 4:40 p.m. in the Council Chambers. There were five members present namely Mayor Betty Fitzgerald, Deputy Mayor Douglas Robbins, Councillors Barry Randell, Lindsay Phillips and Paul Mouland. 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 Randell that the minutes of the meeting held on February 26, 2013, be adopted as read. Motion carried unanimously.

A discussion arose concerning the following Councillors' concerns:-

(1) Councillor Randell's concerns:-

- A. Dogs roaming. It was agreed to get the Dog Catcher on to try and rectify this problem. Councillor Randell also stated that there are dogs on the Boardwalk and this is prohibited.
- B. "Caution. Children Playing" signs on Smith Lane. It was agreed to have signs erected there as soon as possible.
- C. Financial Report for Garrick Theatre for 2012. Councillor Randell reported that the Finance Committee of the Bonavista Historic Townscape Foundation met and the financial report discussed. Also, the Budget for 2013 was presented at this time.

(2) Councillor Mouland's concerns:-

- A. Basketball/Tennis Court on Minor Ballfield. It was stated that work on this should start as early as possible in the spring.
- B. Ownership of land between Clayton Crewe's and the Playground on the Neck Road. It was agreed to investigate this matter more for the next Council meeting.

(3) Mayor Fitzgerald's concerns:-

- A. Loss of four jobs at Employment Services in Bonavista. Dept. of Advanced Education and Skills have decided to streamline their process and thus close the office of third party providers of Employment Services in Bonavista. It was agreed to get more information on this matter for the next Council meeting.

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- B. Dentist for Bonavista. It was stated that the prospects are not good to attract a dentist to the Bonavista area.

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

(1) BARDA building on Station Road. It was stated that we will know within a month what the future of this building is.

(2) Dialysis on the Bonavista Peninsula. It was agreed to continue the effort to have dialysis facilities on the Bonavista Peninsula.

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 Deputy Mayor Robbins and seconded by Councillor Moulard that these bills in the amount of \$21,821.62 be paid. Motion carried unanimously.

(2) Statement of Expenses and Revenue for Cabot Stadium for February 2013.

(3) Silver Wings Figure Skating Club requesting a donation of money or in-kind support. It was moved by Councillor Phillips and seconded by Councillor Moulard to give the Silver Wings Figure Skating Club ten hours of free ice time at Cabot Stadium. Motion carried unanimously.

(4) Robbins-By-The-Sea requesting a reduction in Business Tax for 2013 since they are only open during the summer months. It was moved by Councillor Randell and seconded by Councillor Phillips to reduce the Business Tax for Robbins-By-The-Sea by 50% since they are only open half the year. Motion carried unanimously.

(5) Puffins' Landing Bed & Breakfast requesting a reduction in Business Tax for 2013 since they will only be open six months this year. It was moved by Councillor Randell and seconded by Deputy Mayor Robbins to reduce Business Tax for Puffins' Landing Bed & Breakfast by 50% since they are only open six months. Motion carried unanimously.

(6) Bonavista Trinity Minor Hockey Association requesting a donation towards the cost of hosting a Bantam Tournament in Bonavista during Easter week. It was moved by Councillor Moulard and seconded by Councillor Phillips to give the Bonavista Trinity Minor Hockey Association ten hours of free ice time. Motion carried unanimously.

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(7) Town of Bonavista receiving a LifePak 500 automated External Defibrillator from the Dept. of Health & Community Services. It was moved by Councillor Randell and seconded by Councillor Phillips for the Mayor to sign the contract on behalf of the town in order to receive this defibrillator. Motion carried unanimously.

(8) Mamie Mouland's house on Fitzgerald's Lane. It was agreed to consider buying this house if it goes on the market since it is adjacent to the Town Hall and would enhance our property boundaries.

(9) D. W. Knight Associates meeting with Council to go over the Town Plan and in particular proposed changes that are being considered. It was agreed that this meeting should take place as soon as possible so that the new Town Plan can be completed. The next couple of weeks would be ideal.

Since there was no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.