

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING, NOVEMBER 4, 2013

A regular meeting of the Bonavista Town Council was held on Monday, November 4, 2013, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. There were six members present namely Mayor Betty Fitzgerald, Deputy Douglas Robbins, Councillors Reg Butler, Beverly Dyke, Barry Randell 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 October 21, 2013, be adopted as read. Motion carried unanimously.

A discussion arose concerning the following Councillors' concerns:-

(1) Councillor Randell's concerns:-

- A. Work needing to be done on the Court House; i.e. roof, painting, etc. It was agreed for the Town Manager to check with our M.H.A. on this matter.
- B. Bonavista Institute for Cultural Tourism and courses at College of North Atlantic. It was agreed to have a meeting with Marilyn Coles Hayley to discuss matters at College of North Atlantic.

(2) Councillor Butler's concerns:-

- A. Dentist for Bonavista. It was stated that we may have a dentist to come to Bonavista on a part-time basis.

(3) Councillor Dyke's concerns:-

- A. Water problem near Christine Hayley's on O'Connell's Lane. It was agreed to check this matter out and try to rectify it.
- B. Water problem near Marie Blake's property on Windsor Place. It was agreed to check out this matter.

(4) Councillor Mouland's concerns:-

- A. Waste Management Committee. Councillor Mouland gave an update on Waste Management on the Bonavista Peninsula.

(5) Deputy Mayor Robbins' concerns:-

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- A. Bonavista not being mentioned specifically on weather forecast on VOCM.
- B. Condition of Old Railway Road from Beaver Pond to Chlorine House. It was agreed for the Town Manager to check out this matter.
- C. No water and sewer cut-offs from December 15, 2013, to March 15, 2014.
- D. Bonavista Area Dialysis Committee renting the Annex at The Garrick Theatre on December 12, 2013, to have a fundraiser. It was moved by Deputy Mayor Robbins and seconded by Councillor Randell to rent the Annex for this cause for a cost of \$200.00. Motion carried unanimously.

(6) Mayor Fitzgerald's concerns:-

- A. Water problem near June Hurley's. It was agreed for the Town Manager to check out this matter and take corrective measures.
- B. Water problem near Dennis Tremblett's. It was agreed for the Town Manager to check out this matter and take corrective measures.
- C. Splash Pad for land near Playground. It was agreed to get all necessary information on this matter so that a cost can be obtained and a decision made.

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

(1) Mayor Fitzgerald presented a new list of Committees for Council.

(2) Doctors for Bonavista. It was stated that we now have five doctors at the Bonavista Hospital.

(3) Municipal Plan Review for the Town of Bonavista. A lengthy discussion arose concerning zoning for area on Route 235 near Bulldog Construction Quarry. It was agreed for this area to be "Mixed Industrial/Residential." However, the existing quarries and salvage yard will remain and a covenant will have to be signed by land owners in this area who wish to develop land for residential use. There will be no water and sewer services provided by the town and noise, dust and unsightly properties, etc. on industrial land uses will have to be tolerated.

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 Moulard that these bills in the amount of \$216,109.44 be paid. Motion carried unanimously.

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(2) Brian Rolls requesting a write-off of Poll Tax from 2007 to 2013 in the amount of \$1,310.00 since he has been paying Property Tax at 39-41 John Cabot Drive since that time. It was moved by Councillor Dyke and seconded by Deputy Mayor Robbins to write off this Poll Tax for Brian Rolls since he has been paying Property Tax. Motion carried unanimously.

(3) Ron Hicks requesting a write-off of Property Tax for 12 Butt’s Lane for 2013 in the amount of \$94.55 since that property now belongs to the Bonavista Historical Society. It was moved by Councillor Butler and seconded by Councillor Randell to write off this tax in the amount of \$94.55 since the property now belongs to the Bonavista Historical Society. Motion carried unanimously.

(4) Phase III, Strathie’s Road Sub-division. Tenders were received to do Phase III of Strathie’s Road Subdivision as follows:-

Bulldog Contracting	\$366,806.15
Cougar Construction	381,331.61
Sweetland’s Aggregates	388,942.61
Newfound Construction	436,841.05

It was moved by Councillor Butler and seconded by Councillor Randell to write the Minister of Municipal Affairs requesting permission to borrow \$430,860.15 from Scotiabank in Bonavista to be repaid by Council over a period of five years to do this work. Motion carried unanimously. Engineering cost estimated at \$64,000.00.

(5) Letter of appreciation from Bonavista Mockbeggar Mudslashers Under 17 Ball Hockey Team for Council’s donation to them so that they could travel to Yarmouth, NS for the 2013 National Play-On Ball Hockey Tournament.

(6) Contract documents for footbridge reinstatements O’Connell’s Brook that were destroyed in Hurricane Igor. It was moved by Councillor Butler and seconded by Councillor Randell to sign these documents and return them to Nfld. Design Associates Ltd. for distribution. Motion carried unanimously.

(7) Statement of Revenues & Expenses for Cabot Stadium for October 2013.

(8) C. & M. Nfld. Inc. requesting permission to apply for Crown Land southwest of 56 Harris Street. It was agreed to give them permission to apply for this land to use for residential purposes.

(9) Christmas decorations for light poles along Roper Street from Walkham’s Bridge to Matthew Legacy Inc. It was agreed to give this consideration for another year.

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(10 Budget 2014. It was agreed for the Finance Committee to meet Wednesday, November 13, 2013, to discuss the Budget.

Since there was no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.