MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING, SEPTEMBER 6, 2011

A regular meeting of the Bonavista Town Council took place at 6:30 p.m on September 6, 2011, in the Council Chambers. There were six members present namely Mayor Betty Fitzgerald, Deputy Mayor Douglas Robbins, Councillors Barry Randell, Lindsay Phillips, John Norman 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 Councillor Phillips and seconded by Councillor Norman that the minutes of the meeting held on August 15, 2011, be adopted as read. Motion carried unanimously.

A discussion arose concerning the following Councillors' concerns:-

(1) Councillor Randell's concerns:-

- A. Paving. Councillor Randell asked about the status of this year's Paving Project with Gas Tax Funds.
- B. New water main from Long Pond. Councillor Randell wanted to know the status of this project since \$1,000,000.00 has been allotted to this project for this year.
- C. Ads for Community Enhancement Project for people who need hours and are not working at O.C.I., Port Union. It was agreed to post this ad.

(2) Councillor Norman's concerns:-

- A. Problems with proposed boardwalk between Walkham's Bridge and Matthew Legacy. The Harbour Authority are questioning this proposal by the Bonavista Historic Townscape Foundation.
- B. R.C.M.P. foot patrol to try and help cut down on vandalism in town. It was agreed to check with the R.C.M.P re this matter.
- C. Condition of property of Bell Aliant on Forbes Street. It was agreed to write Bell Aliant and ask them to clean up their property since it is deplorable.
- D. Condition of dump road after Woodco Enterprises Ltd. completed their contract. It was stated that the road is deplorable and it was agreed to check with the engineers re this matter to make sure this problem is corrected.
- E. Horses defecating around town when riders are out riding them. It was stated that this needs to be eliminated.

(3) Councillor Phillips' concerns:-

- A. Deplorable condition of Route 235 in Canaille where it was washed out by Hurricane Igor. It was stated that there is a dust problem and this area needs to be completed immediately.
- B. Paving cuts around town when water and sewer services are being done.
 Councillor Phillips would like to see more supervision when this work is being done.

(4) Councillor Mouland's concerns:-

A. Michael Ryder and The Stanley Cup Visit. Councillor Mouland thanked Council and the Committee for their support when the Stanley Cup came to Bonavista. The event was a success.

(5) Deputy Mayor Robbins' concerns:-

- A. Donation to Kenneth Cole Trust Fund. It was agreed to see what other communities are doing before a decision is made.
- B. Monument on White Rock. Deputy Mayor Robbins wanted to know the status of the plaque that was on White Rock
- C. Littering around town. It was agreed to place an ad on cable asking people to avoid littering and clean up any dog droppings that occur when they are walking their dogs around town.
- D. Renovations to Town Hall. It was agreed to have our engineers visit Bonavista next week to discuss these renovations.

(6) Mayor Fitzgerald's concerns:-

A. Homelessness on the Bonavista Peninsula. Colin Holloway of the Rural Secretariat would like to meet with Council at the next Council meeting to discuss this matter. It was agreed to meet with him at the next Council meeting.

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

(1) Letter from Keith Ashfield, Minister of Fisheries and Oceans, stating that the Marginal Wharf for Bonavista Harbour is priority for Small Craft Harbours next year.

A discussion then arose concerning the following:-

- (1) Accounts Payable. The Town Clerk presented a list of bills for approval to pay. A list of bills is attached. It was moved by Deputy Mayor Robbins and seconded by Councillor Randell that these bills in the amount of \$212,962.04 be paid. Motion carried unanimously.
- (2) Letter from Fred Kirby, Dept. of Natural Resources, requesting Council approval for Bulldog Contracting Ltd. to drill, blast, crush, rip and screen materials in their pit off Route 235 three kilometers south of Bonavista. It was agreed that Council has no problem with this activity provided it poses no threat to neighbouring properties.
- (3) Letter from C.U.P.E. Local 1839 requesting an increase in truck usage fees from \$15.00 per day to \$25.00 per day. It was agreed to refer this to the Finance Committee to discuss before the next Budget is done.
- (4) Letter from Brian Wright, 8 Canaille Road, requesting reimbursement of his \$600.00 pavement cut downpayment since the area where his pavement cut was done was destroyed and eventually replaced by Emergency Funds under Hurricane Igor. It was agreed to reimburse this \$600.00 since the above circumstances surrounded this water and sewer service pavement cut.
- (5) Royal Nfld. Constabulary Association requesting Council to place an ad in their 25st. Annual Crime Prevention Guide where the focus this year is elder abuse. Ads cost from \$225.00 to \$1,850.00. It was agreed not to avail of this advertising at this time.
- (6) Gladys Butler requesting Council to fill in a well on her property at 60 Red Point Road. It was agreed to do this.
- (7) Statement of Income and Expenses for Cabot Stadium for August 2011.
- (8) Road paving with recycled asphalt. A quote was received from Coastal Paving as follows:-

Lane near Scott Phillips'
Bayview Hill Road Extension
Marsh Road near Glen Templeman, Jr.'s
Road to Ernest Stead's

\$6,505.41 Tax Included \$4,508.70 Tax Included \$1,059.38 Tax Included \$6,678.50 Tax Included It was moved by Councillor Randell and seconded by Councillor Phillips to pave these roads with recycled asphalt as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Since there was no further business to be discussed, the meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.