

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING, FEBRUARY 7, 2017

A regular meeting of the Bonavista Town Council was held on Tuesday, February 7, 2017, at 4:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers. There were six members present namely Mayor Betty Fitzgerald, Deputy Mayor Douglas Robbins, Councillors Beverly Dyke, Reg Butler, Barry Randell and Rodney Gray. Also present at the meeting was Town Manager/Clerk David Hiscock. 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 January 18, 2017, be adopted as read. Motion carried unanimously.

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

(1) Councillor Randell's concerns:-

- A. Snow Clearing of sidewalks on Church Street. It was agreed to try to arrange snow clearing of sidewalks on Church Street so as to keep overtime at a minimum.
- B. Meeting with the Minister of Advanced Education Skills & Labour, Hon. Gerry Byrne, re future of College of the North Atlantic in Bonavista. A delegation from Council met with Minister Byrne at the Confederation Building on January 24 re the College of the North Atlantic Campus and a positive response was received. Minister Byrne feels positive that the future of the College of the North Atlantic in Bonavista looks good. They will work with the College of the North Atlantic to keep the Bonavista Campus open.

(2) Councillor Dyke's concerns:-

- A. Hiring of Colin Crewe for general maintenance this summer mowing lawns, etc. around town. It was agreed to check with Fred Russell of Advanced Education Skills & Labour re this matter.
- B. Update on Ambulance Committee Activities. Councillor Dyke gave an update on the activities of this Committee.

(3) Deputy Mayor Robbins' concerns:-

- A. Orange Hall and Court House. What is the future of these buildings? What are they going to be used for: Who is going to do maintenance on the Court House? It was agreed that these questions need to be answered.

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(4) Mayor Fitzgerald's concerns:-

A Two people from Wales doing a documentary on Bonavista. They have been here for a month and the Mayor met with them several times. It was agreed for the Mayor to take them out for a meal before they leave.

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

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 Dyke that these bills in the amount of \$46,058.14 be paid. Motion carried unanimously.

(2) Bonavista Lions Club celebrating their 50th. Anniversary and requesting Council to place an ad in their booklet. Ads cost from \$15.00 for a quarter page to \$50.00 for a full page. It was moved by Councillor Gray and seconded by Councillor Butler to place a full page ad in this booklet for a cost of \$50.00. Motion carried unanimously.

(3) Signing Authority for the Town now that Calvin Rolls has retired. It was moved by Councillor Butler and seconded by Deputy Mayor Robbins that the new signing authority for the Town should be the Mayor or Deputy Mayor and the Town Manager/Clerk or the Confidential Secretary, Dianne Paul. Motion carried unanimously.

(4) Discovery Trail Ground Search & Rescue requesting support from Council when they build a new building near Cabot Stadium. It was moved by Councillor Dyke and seconded by Councillor Butler to support Ground Search & Rescue by paying for the insurance for their building and by paying the utilities for this building, provided a Memorandum of Understanding is signed that if for some reason the Ground Search & Rescue Committee should fold, the ownership of the building reverts to the Town of Bonavista. Motion carried unanimously.

(5) Tip-A-Vista Wellness Foundation requesting support from Council to help pay wages to operate the Exercise Room at the Federal Building. It was moved by Deputy Mayor Robbins and seconded by Councillor Randell to give the Tip-A-Vista Wellness Foundation \$650.00 per month commencing February 2017 until December 2017. These funds are to assist with wage expense to operate the Exercise Room at the Federal Building. Motion carried unanimously.

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(6) Miranda McCarthy of Marbella Cottage requesting a reduction in Business Tax for 2017 since they are only open for four months each year. It was moved by Councillor Randell and seconded by Councillor Butler to reduce Business Tax for Marbella Cottage for 2017 by 50% since they are only open seasonally. Motion carried unanimously.

(7) Statement of Revenues and Expenses for Cabot Stadium for January 2017.

(8) Carolyn Stagg requesting a reduction in her Business Tax for 2017 since they only operates her Massage Therapy Clinic one weekend per month. It was moved by Councillor Gray and seconded by Councillor Butler to reduce Business Tax for Ms. Stagg's Massage Therapy Clinic to \$150.00 which is the minimum Business Tax. Motion carried unanimously.

(9) Connie Street requesting a Business Tax reduction for Little Dairy King for 2016 and 2017 since they are only open seasonally each year. It was moved by Councillor Randell and seconded by Councillor Dyke to give Little Dairy King a 50% Business Tax reduction for 2016 and 2017 since they are only open seasonally. Motion carried unanimously.

(10) Bill 323 in the Federal Government creating a 20% tax credit for rehabilitation work done on designated historic places. It was moved by Councillor Butler and seconded by Councillor Randell to support this bill. Motion carried unanimously.

Since there was no further business to be discussed, the meeting adjourned with a prayer at 5:35 p.m.

BILLS FOR PAYMENT, COUNCIL MEETING, FEBRUARY 7, 2017

1.	Procom Data Services, Support Fee 2017	\$ 3,708.75
2.	MPT PLC Inc., lawyers fees - Barry Cooper Case	630.00
3.	Bonavista Area Chamber of Commerce, membership 2017 - Christmas Social- Mayor	85.00
4.	K. & D. Pratt, chemical supplies - W & S Maint.	109.25
5.	Marsh's Taxi, deliveries - S.C.	40.25
6.	Dicks & Co. Ltd., office furniture - 2 Chairs	616.81
7.	Valero, diesel fuel - S.C.	1,814.15
8.	Credit Recovery Ltd., collection cost - Dec. 2016	787.57
9.	Mercer's, clothing - Snow Clearing	316.31
10.	Nfld. Power, light bill - T. K. Kelloway Center	123.88
11.	Nfld. Power, light bills - January 2017	8,012.93
12.	Barry Randell, trip to St. John's - meeting re CNA	316.00
13.	Paul Mouland, trip to St. John's - meeting re CNA	60.00
14.	Modern Business Equipment Ltd., repairs - Postage Meter	143.75
15.	Reg Butler, trip to St. John's - meeting re CNA	316.00
16.	Calvin Rolls, trip to St. John's - meeting re CNA	60.00

17. Betty Fitzgerald, trip to St. John's - meeting re CNA	60.00
18. Douglas Robbins, trip to St. John's - meeting re CNA	60.00
19. David Hiscock, trip to St. John's - meeting re CNA	60.00
20. Betty Fitzgerald, reimbursement - supplies - Seniors Party - GHM	23.29
21. Dicks & Co. Ltd., office supplies	395.94
22. Petro Canada, gas - W & S Maint.	304.91
23. Nfld. Exchequer Account, salt & sand - S.C.	16,939.50
24. Transcontinental, ad - Office (Other)	57.50
25. Beverly Dyke, reimbursement supplies - Town Manager's Retirement	10.35
26. Bonavista Pharmacy, plaque Town Manager's Retirement	38.97
27. Harbour Quarters, meal - Retirement - Town Manager	462.62
28. Nfld. Power, street lighting - January 2017	9,604.41
29. Chaulk's Garage, repairs - pickup, Fire Truck	900.00
	\$ 46,058.14