



April 15, 2024 – 4:00 PM

### Call meeting to order/adoption of agenda: -

A regular meeting of the Bonavista Town Council was held on Monday, April 15, 2024, at 4:05 p.m. in the Council Chambers. There were four members present; Councillors Nicole Abbott, David Hiscock, and Barry Randell were present in the Chambers. Mayor John Norman joined the meeting via videoconference. CAO Stephanie Lodge and ECHO Crystal Fudge were also present.

The meeting was presided over by the Mayor.

It was moved by Councillor Hiscock and seconded by Councillor Randell that the agenda of the meeting held on April 15, 2024, be adopted as read. Motion carried unanimously.

#### Delegations/Proclamations/Presentations: - None

#### Adoption of minutes: -

It was moved by Councillor Hiscock and seconded by Councillor Randell that the minutes of the meeting held on March 11, 2024 and March 25, 2024 be adopted as read with an amendment to Councillor Abbott's concern in the March 11<sup>th</sup> minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

#### Business arising from the minutes: - None

#### Committee Reports: -

<u>Public Works Committee Meeting</u>—Presented by Councillor Randell (see attached minutes)

It was moved by Councillor Hiscock and seconded by Councillor Randell to accept the quote from Toromont CAT for the purchase of a new front-end loader as presented under the Canoe Purchasing Program and to request an approval to borrow from the Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs in the amount of \$249,358 to finance the loader over a 5-year term, 10-year amortization period. Motion carried unanimously.

All recommendations presented in the report were agreed upon by Council.

#### **Administrative Notes: -**

- ➤ AEC workers start date It was decided to request a May 13, 2024 start date and to arrange a call with AEC to discuss the flower planting arrangement that was implemented last year.
- ➤ 2024 MNL Conference— This year, the conference is being held in Gander on Nov 7-9. Any Councillors that would like to attend should contact the CAO.
- ➤ Royal NL Regiment Memorial High School Hockey Tournament Sponsor it was moved by Councillor Randell and seconded by Councillor Abbott to sponsor the Royal NL Regiment Memorial High School Hockey Tournament in the amount of \$250.00. Motion carried unanimously.



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Front office update – interviews are being held the week of April 22, 2024 to fill the casual/call-in position.

#### Finances: -

- 1. A list of bills for approval to pay was presented. A copy of this list of bills is attached. It was moved by Councillor Randell and seconded by Councillor Hiscock that these bills in the amount of \$241,092.92 be paid. Motion carried unanimously.
- 2. The Cabot Stadium Statements of Income and Expenses for March were reviewed, and no issues were noted.

#### Permits:-

> A summary of permits was presented for information/review purposes.

### Correspondence:-

From	Date	Regarding	Action/Resolution
All Saints Bonavista	Apr. 4, 2024	Donation	It was moved by Councillor Abbott and seconded by Councillor Randell to donate \$1,141.58 to the Bonavista & Area Food Bank to help cover the costs of relocation. Motion carried unanimously.
Royal Newfoundland Constabulary Association	tabulary		It was decided not to support this initiative as the Town supports the local RCMP detachment.
Ronald McDonald House	Apr. 3, 2024	Donation	It was moved by Councillor Hiscock and seconded by Councillor Abbott to donate \$500.00 to the Ronald McDonald House Charity. Motion carried unanimously.
Canadian Cancer Society	April 2024	2024 Donation	The town will donate to the local Cancer Relay for Life.
Terry Fox Foundation	April 2024	Request to support Cancer Research	The Town will partner with Matthew Elementary since they are an organized contributor of this charity.
CBDC	April 2024	Board of Directors Volunteer Position	N/A
Municipal Assessment Agency	March 20, 2024	Update	N/A
Betty Fitzgerald	March 21, 2024	Concern re: recent meeting	N/A – Council is not aware of any such comments being made.
Bonavista-Trinity Minor Hockey Association	March 25, 2024	Donated ice time	It was moved by Councillor Hiscock and seconded by Councillor Randell to donate 10 hours of ice time to BTMHA. Motion carried unanimously.



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Silver Wings Figure Skating Club	March 22, 2024	Donated ice time	It was moved by Councillor Hiscock and seconded by Councillor Abbott to donate 10 hours of ice time to Silver Wings Figure Skating Club. Motion carried unanimously.
Talamh Eisc Construction Controls (Kevin Durdle)	April 5, 2024	Assistance for housing development	DEO to follow up on request.

#### **Notice of Motions:**

None

### Councillors' Concerns: -

#### Mayor Norman's concerns: -

- 1. Chemotherapy Services at Bonavista Hospital Mayor Norman would like further information around why chemo is not being offered at the health facility and a timeline on when the services will be returning. An update will be requested.
- 2. Water tower removal CAO stated that a Request for Information has been released by the Department of Infrastructure to gauge interest and cost estimates.
- 3. CNA graduation A Councillor will attend this event on May 16 on behalf of Council.
- 4. Scotiabank Mayor Norman would like a meeting with the VP of Scotiabank to discuss the offer submitted by the Townscape Foundation. CAO is engaging with Venture Credit Union and Royal Bank in Trinity regarding a transfer of the Town's loans.
- 5. Physician recruitment Recruitment efforts are ongoing and Mayor Norman is continuing to engage with a prospective physician who has full intentions of relocating to work at the Bonavista Centre at the completion of his training.
- 6. Mayor Norman has concerns regarding a lack of support, understanding and protection from MNL and Municipal Affairs with regards to the new legislation. CAO will arrange a meeting with MNL to discuss what actions they are taking on behalf of Municipalities.

### Councillor Hiscock's concerns: -

- 1. Councillor Hiscock gave a summary of some changes in the new legislation (accommodation tax, water & sewer fee, poll tax, ticketing, etc.)
- 2. Tax sales ECHO stated these should be posted this summer.
- 3. Town Map ECHO stated the new town maps have arrived and will be distributed this season.
- 4. Sidewalks Councillor Hiscock stated the replacement of the brick needs to be finished this year.

#### Councillor Abbott's concerns: -

- 1. Streetlights on Hospital Road DEO to look at the dark area and the placement of the lights and report back to the Public Works Committee.
- 2. Councillor Abbott highlighted some recent accomplishments of Youth in our Community. Three divisions won a banner at the Provincial Tournament, Silver Wings Skating Club held their annual



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ice show, skaters and coaches attended NL Winter Games and the Discovery Collegiate Girls Hockey Team is attending the Royal Newfoundland Regiment Memorial High School Hockey Tournament.

- 3. The Recreation Committee is gauging interest for adult recreation in the Community.
- 4. The Pre-K program at Matthew Elementary has begun.
- 5. The Recreation Committee has been awarded three student job positions for the upcoming season.

#### Councillor Randell's concerns: -

- 1. Pasture Fence repair This will be completed when the Summer Crew starts work.
- 2. Sidewalk repair Councillor Randell would like to see an early start to replacing the sidewalk bricks.
- 3. Lower Mockbeggar Road needs to be graded. This will be passed to the DEO.
- 4. Paving Route 235 this work will be starting this week. Councillor Randell will contact MHA Craig Pardy to advocate extending paving down through Church Street.

Since there was no further business to be discussed, it was moved by Councillor Randell that the meeting be adjourned at 5:35 pm. The next meeting will be held May 6, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

Stephanie Lodge, CAO/Clerk

### Town of Bonavista Bills Presented for Approval Council Meeting April 15, 2024

	Vendor	Department	Description	Amount
1	Orkin	Office other	Orkin Aire	21.85
2	Marsh's Taxi	Rds	Deliveries	69.00
3	Municipalities NL	Office other	Eastern Regional Meeting	150.00
4	Bell Aliant	Fire	Phones	214.57
5	Bell Aliant	Museum	Phones	65.73
6	Bell Aliant	Office	Phones	358.80
7	C&C Distributors	Various	Diesel, furnace oil	11,267.10
8	Craig's Locksmith	Fire	Service call, parts	6,210.00
9	Credit Recovery	Office other	Collections	134.60
10	Dicks & Co.	Office	Supplies	607.04
11	Dicks & Co.	Office	Supplies	505.99
12	Dricon Sealers	Rds	Traffic Paint	1,200.00
13	Foodland	Office other	Supplies	352.21
14	Raymond Guy & Sons	w/s	Deliveries	231.84
15	Morgan Printing	Office	Supplies	243.80
16	Newfoundland Power	Streetlighting	Streetlighting	9,945.80
17	Orkin	Legacy	Pest Control	201.83
18	Orkin	Sanitation	Pest Control	595.98
19	Telus Communications	Rds	Vehicle Surveillance	423.66
20	Toromont	Rds	Parts	1,470.70
21	JT Swyers	Fire	Supplies	287.63
22	Toromont	Rds	Parts	202.37
23	Vardy Villa	Sanitation	Garbage Collection	21,390.00
24	Toromont	Rds	Parts	510.57
25	Toromont	Rds	Parts	531.31
26	Toromont	Rds	Travel - repairs	1,965.35
27	Vista Safety Training	Rds	Training	6,693.00
28	Vista Safety Training	Fire	First Aid	1,288.00
29	Workplace NL	CEEP	Assessment	6.00
30	Workplace NL	Office other	Assessment	16,093.91
31	Biomaxx	w/s	1st Quarter payment	4,134.93
32	Brenntag	w/s	Chlorine, cylinder	11,182.30
33	Cdn. Public Works Assoc.	rds	Spring conference registration	345.00
34	Xylem Canada	w/s	Submersible pump	10,086.19
35	Richard Power	Office other	Gas tax audit	1,035.00
36	Cal LeGrow	Office other	Insurance renewal	74,319.40
37	Irving Oil Limited	w/s	Gas	386.85
38	Municipalities NL	Office other	Municipal Symposium Registration	350.00
39	Credit Recovery	Office other	Collections	4.60
40	Discovery Global Geopark	Office other	Annual Membership	100.00
41	Mills Pittman Twyne	Office other	Professional Fees	516.75
42	NL Power	Streetlighting	Streetlighting	9,944.40
43	Telus Communications	Rds	Vehicle Surveillance	423.66
44	RFS	Office other	Copier lease	563.45

45	Orkin	Office other	Orkin Aire	21.85
46	NL Power	Light Bill	Light Bill	10,751.07
47	C&C Distributors	Various	Diesel, furnace oil	8,249.29
48	Ellis Gas & Convenience	Fire	Gas	51.65
49	Raymond Guy & Sons	w/s, rds	Deliveries	209.30
50	Battlefield	rds	Filters	307.31
51	Battlefield	w/s	Chlorine, soda ash	16,110.05
52	Bonavista Flowers & Gifts	Office other	Flowers	89.62
53	Crewe's Garage	Rds	Truck maintenance	1,916.43
54	Fire House Service & Supply	Fire	Parts/repairs	422.88
55	Dicks & Co.	Office	Supplies return	- 134.34
56	Marsh's Taxi	Rds	Deliveries	23.00
57	JT Swyers	Office	Supplies	78.64
58	Mercer's Marine	Rds	Gloves, boots	871.92
59	Mercer's Marine	Rds	Gloves	13.08
60	Mercer's Marine	Stadium	Boots, jacket	459.33
61	RNFLDR Memorial Hockey	Office other	Bronze sponsorship	250.00
62	David Hiscock	Office other	MNL Meetings - Clarenville	228.00
63	Crystal Fudge	Office other	PMA Conference - Gander	168.00
64	Stephanie Lodge	Office other	PMA Conference - Gander	1,026.60
65	David Hiscock	Office other	UMC meetings - Pasadena	1,076.65
66	Darrin Hicks	w/s	Water/wastewater workshop - Gander	439.60
67	Kirk Way	rds	Water/wastewater workshop - Gander	439.60
68	Sandra O'Connor	Museum	Training - GFW	871.90
69	Mitchell Russell	Fire	Training - Trinity	57.90
70	PKs Restaurant	w/s, office	Meals - overtime	132.42
71	Employee	Office other	compassion gift	50.00
72	Employee	Office other	compassion gift	50.00
73	Cabot Stadium	Stadium	Reimburse funds received for advertising space	230.00

241,092.92



**PUBLIC WORKS** 

### **APRIL 12, 2024 – 10:00 AM**

A meeting of the Bonavista Town Council Public Works Committee was held on Friday, April 12, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers. Councillor Barry Randell was in attendance. Also present at the meeting was Kirk Way, Director of External Operations (DEO) and Stephanie Lodge (CAO/Clerk).

Councillor Randell called the meeting to order.

The following items were discussed, and recommendations were made to present to Council as a whole:

**New Wheel Loader** – Last payment on the 2014 loader loan is October 2024. A replacement will need to be ordered soon for a Fall arrival.

Recommendation: Obtain a quote from Canoe to purchase (with trade) a CAT Loader with snow bucket.

New Pick-Up Truck - The 2013 town pickup truck is in bad shape and needs replacement.

<u>Recommendation</u>: To finance the purchase of a new pickup truck. Three Quotes should be obtained.

**Heavy Equipment Operator** – A replacement position will be needed in the next few weeks.

<u>Recommendation</u>: To post the job when the formal resignation is received.

**Old Diesel Engine in Pumphouse** – Since the new generator has been installed at the pumphouse, the old diesel engine is no longer required. The Town has no use for it.

Recommendation: To invite tenders for the sale of the engine.

**Summer Crew Start Date** – Due to the good weather, many projects can be started early this year (pasture fence, sidewalks, BBQ hut, etc.)

Recommendation: Summer crew to start on April 23, 2024.

#### Management update:

- a) Seawall CAO stated there is currently warranty work being completed on the seawall. DEO to reach out to Mayor Norman to discuss.
- b) Policies A discussion arose around internal policies that need to be developed and implemented.

#### Councillor Concerns-

Councillor Randell would like the replacement of the sidewalk bricks to happen this season. A discussion arose around the condition of provincial roads. Councillor Randell to reach out to MHA Craig Pardy to discuss.

Since there was no further business to be discussed, the meeting was adjourned at 10:49 a.m.