

PUBLIC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

October 2, 2012

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, on October 2, 2012 at 4:15 pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Randy Simms
Deputy Mayor Jim Locke
Councillor Lucy Stoyles
Councillor John Walsh
Councillor Paula Tessier
Councillor Dave Aker
Councillor Andrew Ledwell

STAFF PRESENT

Michele Peach, Chief Administrative Officer
Stephen Jewczyk, Director, Planning & Development
Jason Silver, Director, Corporate Services
Gerry Antle, Director, Infrastructure & Public Works
Jason Collins, Director of Community Services
Gail Sexton, Human Resources Assistant

STAFF ABSENT

Mona Lewis, Deputy City Clerk

Mayor Simms chaired the meeting.

12-10-674 Adoption of Agenda

Motion – Councillor Walsh/Councillor Ledwell

RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

12-10-675 Adoption of Minutes

Motion – Deputy Mayor Locke/Councillor Stoyles

RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the public meeting held on September 18, 2012 be adopted as presented.

Errors & Omissions: None noted.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

BUSINESS ARISING/ ACTION REPORT

No business arose from the previous minutes. The action report was accepted as presented.

12-10-676 Detonators

Council was advised that permits are required from the Provincial Government to transport detonators.

PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

12-10-677 Fire Prevention Week

Mayor Simms signed a proclamation declaring October 7 – 13 as Fire Prevention Week in the City of Mount Pearl. In attendance for the signing was Inspector Cara Pardy and Superintendent Byrne.

Inspector Pardy advised of the various activities planned for the week and encouraged residents to participate in the activities and to also visit their station.

She also noted that “Fire Chief for the Day” is scheduled for November 1st.

12-10-678 World Breastfeeding Week

Mayor Simms signed a proclamation declaring October 1 – 7, 2012 as World Breastfeeding Week in the City of Mount Pearl. In attendance for the signing were Bev Clarke – VP Community & Children’s Services, Josephine St. Croix – Parent & Child Coordinator – Eastern Health, Cynthia Cadigan and son Rowan Durdle, age 8 months.

Bev Clarke advised of the various activities that were planned for this week. She also thanked Council for their support.

CORRESPONDENCE

None presented.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT

12-10-679 Automated Garbage Collection Project

Council was advised that the garbage cart delivery is scheduled to start approximately October 8, 2012 and it is anticipated that it will take a week for delivery to all residents. It was also noted that a door knocker will be provided as well with instructions on how to use the carts. Residents were advised that if they are going to be out of town for an extended period of time, that they should

contact the Public Works Department to have delivery of their carts delayed until they return.

12-10-680 Tropical Storm Leslie

Council was advised that this is the final week for the picking up of trees and debris left from Tropical Storm Leslie.

It was also noted that the bulk garbage schedule will finish this week for the remainder of the year.

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

12-10-681 Oktoberfest Craft Fair
October 8, 2012

The annual Oktoberfest Craft Fair will be held on Thanksgiving Day, Monday, October 8th, from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm at the Reid Community Centre. Further details are available on the City's website.

12-10-682 Fire Prevention Parade
October 6, 2012

The St. John's Regional Fire Department will be holding its annual Fire Prevention Parade on October 6th starting at 10:00 am in accordance with the specified route through Mount Pearl.

12-10-683 Mount Pearl Sport Alliance
Nominations for 2012 Annual Athletic Award

The Mount Pearl Sport Alliance is seeking nominations for the 2012 Annual Athletic Awards. The awards program is to recognize and honor outstanding contribution to sports in Mount Pearl, with awards being given to the top Female and Male Athletes, Team, Coach and Executive of the Year. For athletes and teams this designation is for 18 years and over, or for younger athletes competing at a senior level. Further information is available on the Mount Pearl Sport Alliance website (www.mpsportalliance.ca). The deadline for nominations is November 15th.

12-10-684 Memorial Sea Hawks Soccer
Team Gushue Soccer Turf Field
September 29 & 30, 2012

Reference was made to the University (Memorial Sea Hawks and the University of PEI Panthers) soccer tournament held on the Team Gushue Turf Field this past weekend.

CORPORATE SERVICES COMMITTEE

12-10-685 Professional Development & Training - Director of Community Services
 2012 PRO Aquatics Conference and Trade Show

Motion – Deputy Mayor Locke/Councillor Aker

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted, in accordance with the Professional Development & Training Policy, for the Director of Community Services to attend the Aquatics Conference and Trade Show taking place in Huntsville, Ontario, from November 7-9, 2012.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

12-10-686 Invoices for Council Approval

Motion – Deputy Mayor Locke/Councillor Aker

RESOLVED THAT the following invoices be approved for payment:

1.	Lighting & Traffic Systems Ltd. (installation of traffic controller at Topsail Rd/Corisande Dr)	\$ 16,996.58
2.	British Group of Companies (printing Activity Guide)	\$ 9,325.84
3.	Marco Services Limited (CP3 Payment No. 4 - Reid Centre Expansion)	\$ 2,177,340.69
4.	Weir's Construction Ltd. (CP2 Progress Claim #6 - Mount Carson Upgrade)	\$ 377,184.33
5.	Modern Paving Ltd. (CP1 Progress Claim #3 - 2011 Street Upgrading)	\$ 665,196.72
6.	Lighting & Traffic Systems Ltd. (upgrading of traffic system at Topsail Rd/Dunne's Rd)	\$ 5,646.75
7.	Kelloway Construction Ltd. (cleaning services - August 2012)	\$ 11,959.16
8.	Lighting & Traffic Systems Ltd. (repairs to light pole in City Hall parking lot)	\$ 6,567.45
9.	City of St. John's (water consumption for July 2012)	\$ 188,862.33
10.	City of St. John's (water consumption for August 2012)	\$ 171,168.19
11.	Award Flooring (installation of flooring - Track & Field)	\$ 10,618.61
12.	St. John's Transportation Commission (Service Cost August 2012)	\$ 80,085.80
13.	City of St. John's (Landfill Usage August 2012)	\$ 37,491.82

	Total	\$ 3,758,444.27
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Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

12-10-687 Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador (MNL) Conference

Motion – Deputy Mayor Locke/Councillor Walsh

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted for Councillor Aker to attend the Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador's 62nd Annual Conference and Trade Show being held in Gander, NL from October 4-6, 2012, in accordance with Council's Professional Development Policy.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

PLANNING AND LAND USE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

12-10-688 Proposed Mount Pearl Development Regulations Amendment No. 9, 2012
Mobility Impaired Parking Spaces Amendment – 103-5-235
Consistency of Development Regulations with Government Legislation

Motion – Councillor Aker/Councillor Ledwell

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to adopt the Mount Pearl Development Regulations Amendment No. 9, 2012 (Mobility Impaired Parking Spaces Amendment) as follows:

1. Amend Section 2- Definitions, by adding the following definition in the list of definitions:

"Designated Mobility Impaired Parking Space" means a parking space designated for motor vehicles used by persons with a mobility impairment."

2. Amend Section 9 — Off-Street Parking and Loading Regulations, by adding the following section after Section 9.3:

9.4 Designated Mobility Impaired Parking Spaces

For any development where parking spaces for person with disabilities, are required pursuant to the Building Accessibilities Regulations under the Building Accessibility Act (Newfoundland and Labrador), such spaces shall be provided on the basis of one (1) parking space per lot or four percent (4%) of the total number of required parking spaces provided on the lot, whichever is greater, and such parking space or spaces shall be designated and marked in accordance with the Designated Mobility

Impaired Parking Regulations under the Highway Traffic Act (Newfoundland and Labrador) and the Building Accessibilities Act.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

12-10-689 Seaboard Liquid Carrier Limited
Proposed Discretionary Use – DA12-00677
Above-Ground Diesel Storage Tank – 31 Allston Street

Motion – Councillor Aker/Councillor Ledwell

RESOLVED THAT a development application to install an above ground storage tank for diesel fuel with 75,000 litre capacity and associated dispensing unit in rear of the existing building at 31 Allston Street be approved and a development permit issued subject to the following:

1. Mount Pearl Development Regulations
2. City Inspector's commentary
3. St. John's Regional Fire Department requirements
4. Government Services Centre requirements
5. Pollution Prevention Division requirements
6. Submission of emergency / spill response plan

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

12-10-690 Notice of Motion
Amendment – Mount Pearl Development Regulations 2010

Councillor Aker gave notice that in accordance with Section 39 of the City of Mount Pearl Act, 1988 and in accordance with Council's public notification policy, he will, at a regular meeting of Council, move an amendment to the text of the Mount Pearl Development Regulations 2010 that, if enacted, will:

Address a number of anomalies within the Development Regulation with respect to reflecting the amendments to the Development Regulations, and to correct typographic errors and numerical references within the regulations.

The purpose of the proposed amendment is to clarify a number of matters within the regulations that are not substantive changes to the main body the regulations but are deemed as housekeeping amendments with respect to grammar, reference to sections, correction to zoning symbols and identification of amended sections within the development regulations.

12-10-691 Development Permits

Motion – Councillor Aker/Councillor Ledwell

RESOLVED THAT development permits issued for the period of September 17 – 28, 2012 be accepted as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

12-10-692 Building Permits

Motion – Councillor Aker/Councillor Ledwell

RESOLVED THAT building permits issued for the period of September 14 - 28, 2012, showing a total construction value of \$500,000.00, be approved as presented.

ENGINEERING SERVICES COMMITTEE

12-10-693 Update of Multiplex

Council was provided with an update on the status of the Multiplex project advising that at the end of September the project was approximately 18% complete.

Mayor Simms advised that a request was made to the Corporate Services Department (IT Manager) to check out the possibility of having a web cam erected on site, so that the project can be viewed by the public throughout the construction process.

NEW BUSINESS

12-10-694 Dinner Theatre – Church of the Good Sheppard

Councillor Stoyles advised of a Dinner Theatre and dance, sponsored by the Church of the Good Sheppard, taking place at the Reid Community Centre on October 13, 2012 at 7:00. Tickets are \$50 each and dinner entertainment will be performed by Amy House and dance music by Dave Lewis.

12-10-695 Development at Parkdale Ridge

Councillor Walsh advised that he had a call from a resident of Avery Place inquiring about the status on the development in the area. The Director of Planning and Development advised a meeting was held recently with the developers and there were a number of outstanding matters to be addressed. It was noted that building permits will be issued for the next phase next week. Construction will continue for the next while but a timeframe of when the construction will be completed cannot be determined at this time.

12-10-696 Access to Team Gushue Bypass Road

Councillor Walsh advised that a resident inquired whether there would be an access to the Team Gushue Bypass Road from Avery Place and the Director of Planning and Development advised that there will be no access. Councillor Walsh requested a copy of a map for this area.

12-10-697 Gas Prices in Mount Pearl vs. St. John's

Councillor Walsh advised that he received a phone call from a resident of Mount Pearl who was concerned about possible gouging at the gas stations in Mount Pearl. The resident advised that gas was selling by as much as 4.9 cents higher in Mount Pearl at some stations in St. John's and when he approached one Mount Pearl gas station owner about the difference, the owner advised that it was market driven. He then noted that other gas stations in Mount Pearl were charging the same price for gas but within minutes of being approached their prices had been adjusted to 4.9 cents lower.

12-10-698 Northeast Avalon Regional Economic Development Board

Councillor Ledwell updated Council on the progress of the Northeast Avalon Regional Economic Development Board since their loss of funding from the Provincial and Federal governments. They are proceeding with activities and are holding a municipal consultation session at the Comfort Inn on October 24th from 5 to 9 p.m. and invited all Council to attend.

12-10-699 Compliments to Staff

Deputy Mayor Locke advised that he received a lot of compliments from residents regarding the great and expeditious job that the staff of the Infrastructure and Public Works Department did on the cleaning up of the debris from Hurricane Leslie. The Director of Infrastructure and Public Works was asked to relay the message to all staff.

12-10-700 Employee Recognition Awards Night

Deputy Mayor Locke expressed appreciation to the organizing committee of the Employee Recognition Awards Night. It was a great night with great entertainment and also congratulations to all of the award recipients.

12-10-701 Blue Zone Parking

Councillor Tessier reminded residents to respect the blue zone parking areas.

12-10-702 Flower Pots

Councillor Tessier advised that she has received many compliments on the flower pots placed around the City this year and how they enhanced the beauty of the

City. Because of the beautiful weather, the flowers are continuing to be maintained and are still in bloom, which is very unusual for this time of year in Mount Pearl.

12-10-703 Open House – Condominiums – Park Avenue

Councillor Aker advised that he attended an open house last night regarding the proposed condominium apartment buildings for 166 Park Avenue. There were a lot of good comments made in relation to this proposal. This issue will be brought to the next Committee meeting for further discussion.

12-10-704 Soccer Team

Councillor Aker advised that three soccer teams (Under 16) are participating in a national tournament and wished them well.

12-10-705 CBC Radio

Councillor Aker advised that there will be a Planning Officials panel on the CBC Morning Show on Friday, October 5th and the Director of Planning and Development, Stephen Jewczyk, will be participating.

12-10-706 Seniors Independence – Afternoon Tea

Councillor Stoyles reminded Council of the Seniors Independence Afternoon Tea taking place tomorrow afternoon. Councillor Stoyles will be out of town and sends her regrets to the group.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:30 pm on a motion by Councillor Aker and seconded by Councillor Stoyles.

Chairperson

Human Resources Assistant