

PUBLIC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
October 10, 2017

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, on October 10, 2017 at 4:30 pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Dave Aker
Deputy Mayor Jim Locke
Councillor Lucy Stoyles
Councillor Andrew Ledwell
Councillor Isabelle Fry
Councillor Andrea Power

STAFF PRESENT

Steve Kent, CAO
Jason Silver, Director, Corporate Services
Gerry Antle, Director, Infrastructure & Public Works
Jason Collins, Director, Community Services
Julia Schwarz, Manager, Planning & Inspections
Mona Lewis, Deputy City Clerk

MEMBERS ABSENT

Councillor Bill Antle

STAFF ABSENT

Peter Howe, Director, Planning & Development

Mayor Aker chaired the meeting and welcomed the returning and new members of Council.

It is noted that the election of Deputy Mayor took place at the Swearing in Ceremony of Council on October 3, 2017 and Councillor Locke was elected to the position.

17-10-489 Adoption of Agenda

Motion – Councillor Stoyles/Councillor Ledwell

RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

17-10-490 Adoption of Minutes

Motion – Deputy Mayor Locke/Councillor Power

RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the public meeting held on September 12, 2017 be adopted as presented.

Errors & Omissions: None noted.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

BUSINESS ARISING /ACTION REPORT

17-10-491 Fence Condition
 5 Montgomery Street

It was confirmed that the order had been issued to address the condition of the fence at 5 Montgomery Street; a two-week time frame provided from the date of issue. A site visit was conducted and a subsequent report will be presented at a future Committee of the Whole meeting.

17-10-492 Condition of Properties -18, 41, and 43 Munden Drive
 Liberty Housing

Council was advised that action was taken to address the deficiencies of the above noted properties with one item remaining to be actioned. It was indicated that the Housing Co-op has engaged a contractor to complete the work.

ACTION REPORT

The action report was accepted as presented.

PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

17-10-493 Proclamation – Fire Prevention Week

Mayor Aker signed a proclamation declaring October 8 – 14, 2017 as Fire Prevention Week in Mount Pearl.

In attendance was Fire Inspector John Stamp who spoke on the significance of the proclamation and provided information on planned events. It was suggested that a fire drill be held for employees located at City Hall.

17-10-494 Proclamation – International Week of Service for Sight

Mayor Aker signed a proclamation declaring October 19 – 15 as International Week of Service for Sight in Mount Pearl. Members of the Mount Pearl Lions Club were in attendance.

17-10-495 Proclamation – Children’s Vision Month

Mayor Aker signed a proclamation declaring October as Children’s Vision Month in Mount Pearl. Dr. Trudy Metcalfe, Vice President, NLAO, was in attendance and spoke on the significance of the proclamation.

CORRESPONDENCE

None presented.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CORPORATE & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Mayor Aker advised that the Co-Chairs of the Corporate & Community Services Committee were Councillors Ledwell and Power. Deputy Mayor Locke is the alternate member.

17-10-496 Invoices for Approval

Motion – Councillor Ledwell/Councillor Power

RESOLVED THAT the following invoices be approved for payment:

1.	Afonso Group Limited (Sewer Liner - 36 Penmore Dr)	\$ 6,741.88
2.	Afonso Group Limited (Sewer Liner - 11 Giles Pl)	\$ 11,571.88
3.	Bruce Enterprises Limited (Anchor Bolts For Traffic Lights)	\$ 6,656.20
4.	CBCL Limited (Water/Storm Sewer Upgrades Roosevelt, Roland, St. Andrews)	\$ 26,450.00
5.	CBCL Limited (Kenmount Hill Servicing Study)	\$ 8,883.75
6.	CBCL Limited (Professional Svcs Sewer Cross Connection Study)	\$ 17,852.60
7.	City of St. John's (Robin Hood Bay Landfill August/17)	\$ 40,867.82
8.	City of St. John's (City's Portion of Fire Dept Cost Oct/17)	\$ 410,340.02
9.	City of St. John's (Water Consumption Sept/17)	\$ 203,614.62
10.	Costco (Tables for Glacier)	\$ 10,464.97
11.	DMG Consulting Limited (Commonwealth/Sunrise Upgrades Ending Sept 1/17)	\$ 6,046.13
12.	DMG Consulting Limited (Topsail/Blackmarsh Upgrades Ending Sept 1/17)	\$ 31,992.94
13.	Econolite Canada Inc. (Traffic Controllers)	\$ 80,797.11
14.	Econolite Canada Inc. (Traffic Controllers)	\$ 88,958.25

15.	Everbridge, Inc. (Mass Notification License Fee)	\$ 6,823.75
16.	Executive Taxi Limited (Summer Transportation Programs)	\$ 31,590.50
17.	Farrell's Excavating Limited (Road Gravel)	\$ 5,168.25
18.	J&T Construction (Reid Centre Interior Renovations)	\$ 5,502.75
19.	Lateral Innovations (Extended Warranties Trucks 727,728,729,730,732)	\$ 13,852.90
20.	Onx Enterprises Solutions (5 Year License Support Agreement for Wireless Access Points for Free Wi-Fi at City Facilities)	\$ 10,344.03
21.	Onx Enterprises Solutions (Cloud Management - Wireless Access Points for Free Wi-Fi at City Facilities)	\$ 9,774.89
22.	RICOH Canada Inc. (Civic File Scanning)	\$ 15,716.28
23.	Rona Inc. (Soccer Goals)	\$ 9,128.70
24.	Royal Garage Limited (MEO Pickup)	\$ 39,131.05
25.	SME Limited (Storage Units for Parks Yard)	\$ 9,200.00
26.	St. John's Transportation Commission (Metrobus Svcs August/17)	\$ 100,664.20
27.	Staples Advantage Canada Inc. (Desks for Summit/Reid Ctr)	\$ 8,849.94
28.	Bae-Newplan Group (Infiltration Study Prof Svcs)	\$ 7,848.75
29.	ESRI Canada Ltd (Web Launch Kit for ArcGIS Online)	\$ 7,024.41
		\$ 1,231,858.57

Discussion: It was requested that the Committee consider tabling the cheque register at future public council meetings.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

17-10-497 Tax Deferral – Low Income Earners

Motion – Councillor Ledwell/Councillor Power

RESOLVED THAT the following tax deferrals be approved in accordance with Council's policy for low income earners:

Account #	Amount Deferred
7445	\$ 1,602.30
13214	\$ 2,034.20
6261	\$ 1,249.92
14889	\$ 1,171.28

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

17-10-498 Signing Authority

It was indicated that the signing officers for the Glacier and City accounts are the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, CAO, Director of Corporate Services and City Clerk. The City's internal policy requires two signatures (either the Mayor or Deputy Mayor and second signature being either the CAO, Director of Corporate Services or City Clerk).

17-10-499 Christmas at the Glacier
October 18 – 22, 2017

For the information of the public, the 2017 Christmas at the Glacier is celebrating 25 years of crafts and art in Mount Pearl. The craft fair will run from Wednesday, October 18 to Sunday, October 22. For more information on the five day show, please call 745-9627 or visit www.christmasattheglacier.com.

It was confirmed that there is currently a permanent "no parking" section on Olympic Drive and during large scale events at the Glacier, the opposite side is designated temporary "no parking". It was suggested that during these events, a parking permit be provided to affected households to permit visitors on-street parking privileges. Municipal enforcement was requested to patrol frequently.

INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Mayor Aker advised that the Co-Chairs of the Infrastructure & Public Works Committee were Deputy Mayor Locke and Councillor Fry. Councillor Stoyles is the alternate member.

17-10-500 Public Works Maintenance Updates

An update on public works maintenance activities was provided.

17-10-501 Project Updates

An update on various ongoing projects was presented. It is anticipated that Ledrew Place and Municipal Avenue will soon be paved pending weather and contractor availability.

17-10-502 Field Bleacher Upgrades Track and Rugby Fields TP-17-020

It was noted that the tender for the remaining bleachers will be issued March 2018.

17-10-503 Traffic Signal Upgrading Project

Information on the traffic signal upgrading project was presented.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Mayor Aker advised that the Co-Chairs of the Planning & Development Committee were Councillors Stoyles and Antle. Councillor Ledwell is the alternate member.

17-10-504 Referral from the Town of Paradise
Proposed St. John's Urban Region Regional Plan Amendment

Motion – Councillor Stoyles/Councillor Ledwell

RESOLVED THAT a response be forwarded to the Town of Paradise advising that the City has no additional commentary beyond its letter of March 2, 2017 related to the proposed Town of Paradise Municipal Plan and Development Regulations Amendments.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

17-10-505 Referral from the City of St. John's
Request for Flanking Yard Variance – 212 Castle Bridge Drive

Motion – Councillor Stoyles/Councillor Ledwell

RESOLVED THAT a response be forwarded to the City of St. John's advising that the City of Mount Pearl has no commentary with respect to the above noted variance.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

17-10-506 Application for Variance
 22 Oxford Crescent

Motion – Councillor Stoyles/Councillor Ledwell

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted for a 4% variance to increase the maximum permitted accessory building floor area at 22 Oxford Crescent to 49.05 m² in order to accommodate and approve the application for an accessory building at 22 Oxford Crescent, subject to the conditions set out by the Planning and Development Department.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

17-10-507 Development Permits

Motion – Councillor Stoyles/Councillor Ledwell

RESOLVED THAT development permits issued for the period of September 11 – October 6, 2017 be approved.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

17-10-508 Building Permits

Motion – Councillor Stoyles/Councillor Ledwell

RESOLVED THAT building permits issued for the period of September 11 – October 6, 2017, showing a total construction value of \$2,941,750.00, be approved.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

17-10-509 Municipal Election

Each member of council respectively welcomed returning and new councillors; commented on a respectful campaign and extended appreciation to staff who organized the swearing-in ceremony. Councillor Fry further extended appreciation to all candidates who put their name forward in the municipal election.

Deputy Mayor Locke suggested that consideration be given to amending the regulations whereby the number of election signs on City property would be restricted to the six main entrances to the City. He further suggested that a process to expedite the counting of the ballots (i.e. use of a scanner) be considered.

Councillor Ledwell requested that the Provincial Government be once again asked to consider changes to legislation that would permit online voting.

17-10-510 Welcome – Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)

Members of council extended a welcome to Steve Kent, the City's new CAO.

17-10-511 Condolences

Councillor Stoyles extended condolences to the family and friends of Boyd Penney.

17-10-512 Condolences

Councillor Stoyles extended condolences to the family and friends of Lucy Gallant.

17-10-513 Octoberfest Craft Fair

Councillors Stoyles and Ledwell advised that the Octoberfest craft fair was well attended and extended appreciation to staff who organized the event.

17-10-514 Seniors Independence – Afternoon Tea

Councillor Stoyles advised that the Seniors Independence Group will be holding an "afternoon tea" on October 11, 2017.

17-10-515 Congratulations – Mayor

Councillor Ledwell extended congratulations to Mayor Aker on his inaugural chairing of the council meeting.

17-10-516 TD Tree Days

Councillor Fry recognized the recently held TD Tree Days event, noting with appreciation the corporate social responsibility by the TD Bank as well as the community spirit demonstrated by all who attended.

17-10-517 World Girls Hockey Weekend – October 6 – 8, 2017

Councillor Power provided information on the World Girls Hockey Weekend, an event held to celebrate and grow the female game.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:40 PM on a motion by Councillor Power.

Chairperson

Deputy City Clerk