



**PUBLIC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
November 26, 2019**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, on November 26, 2019 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
Councillor Bill Antle

STAFF PRESENT

Gerry Antle, Director of Infrastructure and Public Works
Jason Collins, Director of Community Development
Cassie Pittman, Acting Director of Corporate Services
Mona Lewis, City Clerk

STAFF ABSENT

Steve Kent, CAO

Mayor Aker chaired the meeting.

19-11-818 Adoption of Agenda

Motion – Deputy Mayor Locke/Councillor Stoyles

RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

19-11-819 Adoption of Minutes

Motion – Councillor Ledwell/Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the public meeting held November 12, 2019 be adopted as presented.

Errors & Omissions: Minute 19-11-805 – Pumpkin Parade - Councillor Stoyles requested that her comments include that the performers were “wet down” as a precaution prior to their performance.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

BUSINESS ARISING/ACTION REPORT

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

PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

None presented.

CORRESPONDENCE

None presented.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CORPORATE SERVICES AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

19-11-820 Invoices for Approval

Motion – Councillor Antle/Councillor Power

RESOLVED THAT the following invoices be approved for payment:

1.	City of St. John's (Robin Hood Bay Tipping Fees - Oct)	\$ 45,620.82
2.	City of St John's (St. John's Regional Fire Dept July - Dec 2019, \$449,714.74/month)	\$ 2,698,287.96
3.	Crane Supply (Tweedsmuir Place - Waterline)	\$ 5,268.15
4.	Eastern Audio (Hackathon - AV)	\$ 8,752.16
5.	Electro Mechanical (Zamboni Batteries)	\$ 25,210.13
6.	Harvey & Company Limited (Repair/Maintenance Unit 571)	\$ 13,575.74
7.	Murray's Landscaping Services (Maintenance per RFP)	\$ 7,742.38
8.	Murray's Landscaping Services (Maintenance per RFP)	\$ 11,953.30
9.	MVT Canadian Bus Inc. (Go Bus Transit October 2019)	\$ 73,048.46
10.	MDB Insight Inc. (Reimagination - Donovan's, Interim Payment)	\$ 10,891.65
11.	MDB Insight Inc. (Reimagination - Donovan's, Interim Payment)	\$ 16,337.48

12.	North Atlantic Petroleum (Gas -Depot)	\$ 10,887.95
13.	Protek Industries (Cold Patch)	\$ 5,796.00
14.	Provincial Fence Products Limited (Fence Repair per Tender)	\$ 22,844.81
15.	St. John's Transportation Commission (Metrobus Services October 2019)	\$ 102,698.70
16.	Modern Paving Limited (Partial Payment – Asphalt and Concrete Work)	\$ 307,538.21
	TOTAL	\$ 3,366,453.90

Discussion: Council was advised of the increase in tipping fees that will take place over the next five years. The benefit of recycling (environment and resulting reduction in fees) and the importance of educating the public, particularly school-age children, was raised.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

19-11-821 Payment Register

The payment register for the period of November 9 - 22, 2019, totalling \$937,039.03, was accepted.

19-11-822 Tax Deferral – Low Income Earners

Motion – Councillor Power/Councillor Antle

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

Account #	Amount Deferred
5773	\$1,284.64
5943	\$1,458.10
7187	\$1,399.49

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

19-11-823 Uncollectible Account (No. 9807)

Item deferred to allow for further investigation into the account to ensure the business did not reopen under a different name.

19-11-824 RFP-19-041 Mount Pearl City Centre

Motion – Councillor Power/Councillor Antle

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to award RFP-19-041, Mount Pearl City Centre, to Mills and Wright for the project estimated cost of \$139,000.00.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

19-11-825 Mount Pearl Frosty Festival Inc.
Memorandum of Understanding – 2019 - 2022

Motion – Councillor Fry/Deputy Mayor Locke

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to execute the Memorandum of Understanding between the City and Mount Pearl Frosty Festival Inc., for the period of August 1, 2019 to April 30, 2022, which includes the provision of an annual operating subsidy in the amount of \$35,000.00.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

19-11-826 Mount Pearl Lions Club Santa Claus Parade
Saturday, December 7, 2019

For the information of the public, the annual Lions Club Santa Claus Parade takes place on Saturday, December 7, commencing at 10:00 am with a new route ending on Smallwood Drive. Further details are available on the City's website or by contacting the Lions Club at 368-6186. Appreciation was expressed to the Lions Club for their efforts.

19-11-827 Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony
Saturday, December 7, 2019

For the information of the public, the annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony takes place on Saturday, December 7, at 6:30 pm, Centennial Park. Newtown Elementary Grade 4 school choir will lead in singing favorite Christmas carols and the Mount Pearl Air Cadets will be performing. Further details are available on the City's website.

19-11-828 Moffatt Road Phase 7
 Marlay Construction

Motion – Deputy Mayor Locke/Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT a subdivision application by Marlay Construction Limited to develop Phase 7 of the Moffatt Road Subdivision for the development of 54 single dwelling lots be approved, and a development permit and agreement be issued subject to the following conditions:

- Newfoundland Power requirements;
- St. John's Regional Fire Department requirements;
- Inspection, Finance and Engineering Services requirements;
- Development meeting Moffatt Road Comprehensive Development Scheme 2008 goals, objectives and policies;
- RMD Use Zone requirements;
- Canada Post requirements; and,
- Signing of a Subdivision Development Agreement.

Discussion: It was noted that the proposal was for the development of 63 single dwelling lots, however, 9 of those lots are fronting on the proposed cul-de-sac which are not located in an area that can currently be approved as this area is in the Comprehensive Development Area (Kenmount Hill) which is currently not approved for development. Therefore, this phase will include approval of only 54 lots.

Council was advised that there were some minor deficiencies to be addressed related to the previous phases.

It was noted that this may be an indication that the housing market was improving, and it was suggested that Mr. Chris Janes, CMHC, be invited to meet with Council early in the new year to provide an update.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

19-11-829 Development Permit List

Motion – Deputy Mayor Locke/Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT the development permits be approved as presented for the period of November 12 to 22, 2019.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

19-11-830 Building Permit and Occupancy Permit Lists

Motion – Deputy Mayor Locke/Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT building permits issued for the period of November 12 to 22, 2019, showing a total construction value of \$462,900.00 be approved, and further that the occupancy permit list be accepted as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

19-11-831 Contract Recommendation
Wood Chipper – TP19-042

Motion – Councillor Stoyles/Councillor Ledwell

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to award the contract for a wood chipper, TP19-042, to Atlantic Tractor Trailer and Equipment, for the bid amount of \$29,641.25 (HST included), which is within available 'vehicle fleet' budget.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

19-11-832 Contract Recommendation
Water and Sewer Utility Maintenance Van – TP19-028

Motion – Councillor Stoyles/Councillor Ledwell

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to award the contract for a water and sewer utility maintenance van, TP19-028, to Hickman Chrysler, for the bid amount (gas engine) of \$95,953.70 (HST included), which is within available 'vehicle fleet' budget.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

19-11-833 Contract Recommendation
Municipal Tractor – TP19-038

Motion – Councillor Stoyles/Councillor Ledwell

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to award the contract for a municipal tractor, TP19-038, to Saunders Equipment Ltd., for the bid amount of \$172,421.25 (HST Included), which is within available 'vehicle fleet' budget.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

19-11-834 Public Works Maintenance Update

Councillor Ledwell provided an update on public works operations.

19-11-835 Capital Works Update

Councillor Ledwell provided an update on upcoming capital works projects.

19-11-836 Request for Change Order Approval (RCO #02) – CPR19-020
Blackmarsh Road Upgrading Phase 2
Repairs for Grading/Paving - 753 Blackmarsh Road

Motion – Councillor Ledwell/Councillor Stoyles

RESOLVED THAT the following change order be approved for the CPR19-020 - Blackmarsh Road Upgrading Phase 2 contract:

Description	Value (HST Included)
Current Construction <i>Contract Price</i>	\$1,199,634.10
Change Order #02 - Repair of driveway grading issues created due to widening of Blackmarsh Road, at 753 Blackmarsh Road, work to include fill, grading, and paving as required.	\$10,235.00
Proposed Revised Contract Value	\$1,209,869.10

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

19-11-837 O'Donel High School – Graduation Ceremony

Deputy Mayor Locke advised that he recently attended the ceremony for O'Donel High School graduates. He extended congratulations to all, noting their academic and community achievements.

19-11-838 Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador (MNL) – Annual Conference

Deputy Mayor Locke commented on the presentations by City staff at the MNL annual conference as well as the City's resolution (banning studded tires) which ultimately didn't pass. Congratulations were extended to Carole Gillingham (Manager of Engineering) and Cassie Pittman (Acting Director of Corporate Services) on their respective presentations on design build and the hackathon.

19-11-839 Food Drive

Members of Council extended appreciation to the Minor Hockey Association, other community groups, volunteers and those who supported the recent Food Drive. The efforts of Pauline Noble and Dave Edney on the 10th anniversary of this event were also acknowledged. Councillor Ledwell requested that a letter of appreciation be forwarded to them from the Mayor's office.

19-11-840 Condolences – John Nolan

Members of Council extended condolences to the family and friends of John Nolan. Mr. Nolan's many contributions to the community were acknowledged with much appreciation.

19-11-841 MNL Conference and Leadership Summit for Women

Councillor Fry spoke on the value of the MNL Conference, particularly the preceding Women's Summit. She congratulated Mayor Carol McDonald (Portugal Cove-St. Phillips) and Mayor Kelly Nash-Power (Branch) who respectively received the Women's Inspiration Award and the first MNL Women's Achievement Award. It was requested that a letter of congratulations be forwarded to each from the Mayor's office.

19-11-842 Hall of Fame – Mount Pearl Soccer Association

Members of Council extended congratulations to David Bailey and Jonathan Kelly who were inducted into the MPSA Hall of Fame.

19-11-843 Chamber of Commerce – Rocket Bakery

Councillor Fry commented on the Chamber's recent business mixer held at Rocket Bakery.

19-11-844 Chamber of Commerce – Best in Business Awards

Councillor Fry provided information on the Chamber's Best in Business Awards and encouraged the public to nominate a business. Further details are available on the Chamber website.

19-11-845 Ross King Memorial Public Library

Councillor Fry encouraged members of the public to check out programs being offered at the Library.

19-11-846 Frosty Festival

Councillor Fry advised of Frosty Festival volunteer opportunities. Further information is available by contacting Jennifer Letto, Director of Volunteer Services.

19-11-847 Snow Clearing Regulations – On Street Parking Ban

Councillor Fry advised that on street parking is not permitted from December 1 – March 31, between the hours of 1:00 AM and 8:00 AM, or during a storm and for 12 hours thereafter.

19-11-848 Canada Artistic Swimming 2020 Olympic Team

Councillor Power advised that the Team will be at the Summit Centre (pool) on Thursday, November 26, 4:30 – 7:00 pm. Training sessions are being offered as well as displays of their talent.

19-11-849 Marlins Swim Club

Councillor Power provided an update on the recent swim meet.

19-11-850 Canadian Tire Para Hockey Cup

Councillor Power advised that the 2019 Canadian Tire Para Hockey Cup tournament is being held at the Paradise Double Ice Complex in early December. Further details are available on the Hockey Canada website. She noted that Paralympic silver medalist and former Mount Pearl student, Liam Hickey, will be playing.

19-11-851 Ross King Memorial Public Library – Board

Councillor Antle provided further details on programs offered at the Library, noting that the library is the third busiest in the province.

19-11-852 Donovan's Business Park – Brainstorming Sessions

Councillor Antle advised of some of the information gained at the recent brainstorming sessions held with Donovan's business owners. These sessions were a follow up to the survey and intended to gather input for future improvements to the park.

19-11-853 Salvation Army – Christmas Kettles

Councillor Antle noted that the Salvation Army Christmas Kettle Campaign has commenced.

19-11-854 Church of the Ascension – Concert

Councillor Antle advised that the Church of the Ascension Parish is hosting a Christmas concert on November 29 featuring The Secrets musical group.

19-11-855 Rocket Bakery

Councillor Antle advised that Rocket Bakery is holding their grand opening on Wednesday, November 27.

19-11-856 Donovan's Business Park

Councillor Stoyles advised that one of the ideas suggested at the session was for the placement of a bus shelter for employees who use the bus.

19-11-857 Service Award

Councillor Stoyles extended congratulations to Deputy Mayor Locke who had been recognized at the MNL Conference for his 12 years of service in municipal government.

19-11-858 Snow Clearing Regulations – Parking Ban

Councillor Stoyles advised that although the parking ban will be in place as of December 1, municipal enforcement will be cognizant of the Christmas season.

19-11-859 Condolences – Agnes Whelan

Councillor Stoyles extended condolences to the family and friends of Agnes Whelan. She noted that employee Wayne Heath was the brother-in-law of Ms. Whelan.

19-11-860 Condolences – Edward Peddle

Councillor Stoyles extended condolences to the family and friends of Edward Peddle. She acknowledged Mr. Peddle's daughter Valeria and her husband, Calvin Smith.

19-11-861 Best Wishes – Former Mayor Randy Simms

Councillor Stoyles extended best wishes to former Mayor Simms as he awaits surgery. It was requested that a get-well message be forwarded from the Mayor's office.

19-11-862 Provincial Scholarship Program

Councillor Stoyles extended congratulations to the Mount Pearl high school graduates who were recipients of a scholarship through the Provincial Government Scholarship Program. A list of the recipients is located on the Provincial Government website (news releases).

19-11-863 Royal Newfoundland Constabulary – Mount Pearl Satellite Office

Councillor Stoyles advised that counter service at the RNC satellite office in Mount Pearl has been suspended for some time. She expressed concern that Council had not been informed and noted the inconvenience for residents. Matter referred to Community Development for follow up.

Mayor Aker advised of the launch of the Safe Exchange Zone (orange-painting parking spaces designated as a safe place for people to meet, exchange product and cash safely). He noted that

there was a zone on the lot at the Mount Pearl RNC satellite office. Appreciation was extended to Municipal Enforcement Officer Danielle Greavette for her efforts with this initiative.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Chairperson

City Clerk