

PUBLIC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
March 10, 2020

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, on March 10, 2020 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.

20-03-143 Adoption of Agenda

Motion – Councillor Stoyles/Councillor Power

RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-03-144 Adoption of Minutes

Motion – Deputy Mayor Locke/Councillor Ledwell

RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the public meeting held February 25, 2020 be adopted as presented.

Errors & Omissions: None noted.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

BUSINESS ARISING

20-03-145 Canada Post – Community Mailboxes

Councillor Stoyles advised that, in her opinion, the letter written under the Mayor's signature was unsatisfactory as it did not adequately describe the problems surrounding community mailboxes. She referenced previous meetings with Canada Post officials wherein Council was assured that the problems would be addressed. These problems include snow being pushed onto private property, damages to private property, snow being dumped in open space areas, access to trails blocked, and the use of sand for ice control. She reiterated her position that Council should have refused the implementation of community mailboxes.

Councillor Ledwell suggested that it may be beneficial for the City to meet with Canada Post officials as well as their snow clearing contractor.

Mayor Aker noted that Councillor Stoyles is welcome to draft a more strongly worded message for Council's consideration. He proposed that the issue be referred to the Infrastructure and Public Works Committee for further consideration. He further noted that it is unlikely that the community mailboxes will be removed.

Councillor Antle suggested that a joint approach with other municipalities and Canada Post may be helpful.

Councillor Fry advised that snow should be removed from the entrances to trails and the use of sand for ice control should be discontinued.

ACTION REPORT

The action report was accepted as presented.

PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

20-03-146 Easter Seals Month

Mayor Aker signed a proclamation declaring March as Easter Seals Month in the City of Mount Pearl. Claire McCarthy, the 2020 Easter Seals Ambassador, was in attendance and spoke on the significance of the proclamation.

20-03-147 Multiple Myeloma Awareness Month

Mayor Aker signed a proclamation declaring March as Multiple Myeloma Awareness Month in the City of Mount Pearl. Gary Cross, Multiple Myeloma NL, was in attendance and spoke on the significance of the proclamation.

CORRESPONDENCE

20-03-148 Eastern Health

A letter was presented from the President and CEO of Eastern Health, David Diamond, thanking the City for their assistance during the storm and the State of Emergency.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CORPORATE SERVICES AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

20-03-149 Invoices for Approval

Motion – Councillor Antle/Councillor Power

RESOLVED THAT the following invoices be approved for payment:

1.	Bell Aliant- Division of Bell (Telephone Services-Multiple Accounts-Jan)	\$ 6,281.93
2.	Black & McDonald (CPR18016-Progress Claim#8)	\$ 130,010.65
3.	Englobe Corp (CPR18005- Professional Services- Glendale Ave/Bradley Pl)	\$ 14,622.25
4.	Englobe Corp (CPR18006- Professional Services- Fourth St)	\$ 9,516.25
5.	Englobe Corp (CPR19020-Blackmarsh Road Upgrades)	\$ 6,468.75
6.	Eric Taylor Ltd. (Repairs to Guardrail on Topsail Rd)	\$ 15,525.00
7.	Jewer Bailey Consultant Limited (CPR19018-Arc Flash Studies- Various Buildings)	\$ 17,106.25

8.	Keep Cool Refrigeration & A/C (Replace Overhead Radiant Heater- Mechanic Workshop)	\$ 7,040.24
9.	MDB Insight Inc. (Donovan Business Park Reimagination -Final Invoice 20% of total fee)	\$ 12,101.73
10.	Mills & Wright Landscape Architecture Inc. (Feasibility Study for Future Development of Mount Pearl City Center)	\$ 10,487.14
11.	MVT Canadian Bus Inc. (Para Transit Service- January 2020)	\$ 45,056.83
12.	North Shore Roofing Ltd. (Emergency Repair to Old Pool Roof)	\$ 5,591.30
13.	Newco Metal & Auto Recycling (Snow Removal Operation- January 2020)	\$ 10,971.00
14.	Pacific Tier Solutions Incorporation (Licensing Fee Book King- April1- March 31, 2020)	\$ 12,871.67
15.	Procircuit Electrical Inc. (Heater Breakers- Leisure Pool)	\$ 6,211.27
16.	RICOH Canada Inc. (Laserfiche Annual Licensing Fee)	\$ 31,681.35
17.	Saunders Equipment Limited (TP-19-038- Municipal Tractor)	\$ 172,471.25
18.	SNC Lavalin Inc. (CPR19022- Building Condition Assessment- Period Ended September 2019)	\$ 44,937.69
19.	SNC Lavalin Inc. (CPR19022-Professional Services period ended October 30, 2019)	\$ 27,687.40
20.	SNC Lavalin Inc. (CPR19022- Building Condition Assessment- Period Ended January 2020)	\$ 6,921.85
21.	Kelloway Construction Ltd. (Cleaning Services Multiple City Facilities- Feb)	\$ 31,013.55
22.	Cimco Refrigeration (Safety & Calibration Repairs & Inspection- Glacier)	\$ 25,070.95
23.	Reefer Repair Services (Repair & Inspection- Unit#572)	\$ 17,823.36

24.	EastChem Inc. (TP-19-003-Pelletized Lime)	\$ 18,543.75
		\$ 686,013.41

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-03-150 Payment Register and Purchase Card Report

The payment register for the period of February 24 – March 4, 2020, totalling \$2,282,612.06, was accepted. The purchase card report for the period of January 6 – February 5, 2020, totalling \$19,737.94 was also accepted .

20-03-151 RFP-19-047 Workplace Environment, Employee Engagement and Retention

Motion – Councillor Power/Councillor Antle

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to award RFP-19-047, the delivery of professional human resources services related to employee engagement and workplace restoration, to Training Works for a total contract value of \$162,500.00 (plus HST).

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

20-03-152 31st Annual Focus on Youth Awards
 Nominations Deadline Extended

For the information of the public, the deadline for nominations for the Focus on Youth Awards has been extended to March 25, 2020. Further information is available on the City website.

20-03-153 Family Cross Country Ski Rentals | Powers Pond

Ski rentals are available on Sundays at the Powers Pond boathouse until March 28 (weather permitting) from 10am to 2pm.

20-03-154 Hypo Half Marathon | March 22, 2020

For the information of the public, the Running Room's Annual Hypothermic Half Marathon is scheduled for Sunday, March 22, and the route includes some Mount Pearl streets. St. John Ambulance, race marshalls and the RNC will be assisting with this event.

20-03-155 Glacier Arena Closures
During Home Show | March 25 – 30, 2020

For the information of the public, there will be some cancellations at the Glacier due to the Home Show taking place March 25 – 30, 2020. Further information is available on the City website.

20-03-156 Summer Day Camp & Park Patrol Positions

For the information of the public, the summer employment application for summer day camp and park patrol is available on the City's website. Closing date for applications is April 3, 2020.

20-03-157 Breakfast with the Easter Bunny
Saturday, April 11, 2020 | Reid Community Centre

For the information of the public, there will be a breakfast with the Easter Bunny on Saturday, April 11, from 8:30 to 10:30am at the Reid Community Centre. Further details are available on the City website.

20-03-158 Development Permit List
February 24 – March 6, 2020

Motion – Deputy Mayor Locke/Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT the development permit list be approved as presented for the period of February 24 – March 6, 2020.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-03-159 Building Permit and Occupancy Permit Lists

Motion – Deputy Mayor Locke/Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT building permits issued for the period of February 24 – March 6, 2020, showing a total construction value of \$726,500.00, be approved and further that the occupancy permit lists be accepted as presented.

Discussion: Councillor Ledwell requested confirmation that the appropriate allocation of parking spaces had been determined when the occupancy permit had been issued for Heavy Weights. Referred to Director Collins for follow up and clarification.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

20-03-160 Capital Project to Continue Topsail Road Asphalt Renewal in 2020 Utilizing Gas Tax Allotment

Motion – Councillor Stoyles/Councillor Ledwell

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to advance the Topsail Road Asphalt Renewal (i.e. mil/fill) capital project using the City's gas tax allotment, at an estimated cost of \$1,504,712.87. The area identified is from Corisande Drive to Farrell Drive.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-03-161 Contract Recommendation
Glacier 1 – CP2 – HVAC Upgrades – Tender MA12163

Motion – Councillor Stoyles/Councillor Ledwell

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to award Tender MA12163 for the Glacier 1 – CP2 – HVAC Upgrades project to H & R Mechanical Supplies Ltd., the lowest qualified bidder, in the amount of \$245,818.95 (HST included).

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-03-162 Contract Recommendation
2020 Asphalt Crack Sealing – TP20-010

Motion – Councillor Stoyles/Councillor Ledwell

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to award Tender TP20-010 for the 2020 Asphalt Crack Sealing project to Crown Contracting Inc., as the lowest qualified bidder, in the amount of \$82,892.00 (HST included)

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-03-163 Contract Recommendations for Vehicles and Equipment
Mechanical Service Truck – TP19-044
Battery Powered Electric Vehicle – TP20-006
Three Half-Ton 4-Wheel-Drive Pickup Trucks – TP20-008
Two Medium Duty Salt Trucks – TP20-003
Three Front-End Loaders – TP20-009

Motion – Councillor Ledwell/Councillor Stoyles

RESOLVED THAT the following contracts be awarded as outlined:

Mechanical Service Truck – TP19-044

It is approved that the contract be awarded to Terra Nova GMC Buick, for the bid amount of \$114,876.95 (HST included), which is within the Vehicle Fleet budget for 2019.

Battery Powered Electric Vehicle – TP20-006

It is approved that the contract be awarded to Hickman Motors Limited, for the bid amount of \$51,890.30 (HST included), which is within the Vehicle Fleet budget for 2020.

Three Half-Ton, 4-Wheel-Drive Pickup Trucks – TP20-008

It is approved that the contract be awarded to Hickman Motors Limited, for the bid amount of \$112,970.25 (HST included), which is within the Vehicle Fleet budget for 2020.

Two Medium-Duty Salt Trucks – TP20-003

It is approved that the contract be awarded to Reefer Repair Services (2015) Ltd., for the bid amount of \$459,997.70 (HST included), which is within the Vehicle Fleet budgets for 2019 (first truck) and 2020 (second truck).

Three Front-End Loaders – TP20-009

It is approved that the contract be awarded to Reefer Repair Services (2015) Ltd., for the bid amount of \$954,473.55 (HST included), which is within the Vehicle Fleet budget for 2020.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-03-164 Winter Maintenance and Public Works Update

Councillor Ledwell provided an update on winter maintenance and public works activities.

20-03-165 Capital Works Projects Update

Councillor Ledwell provided an update on various projects.

NEW BUSINESS

20-03-166 Community Sector Council – Volunteer Luncheon

Councillor Power advised that she attended the annual volunteer luncheon held to kick off Volunteer Week which is being celebrated April 19 – 25, 2020. She extended appreciation to the many volunteer organizations that do so much for the community. Congratulations were extended to honorary co-chairs for Volunteer Week 2020 - Melissa Royle Critch and Greg Smith.

20-03-167 Sport Alliance Hall of Fame and Awards

Members of Council extended congratulations to the Sport Alliance Hall of Fame inductees and recipients of the Athlete and Coach of the Year awards.

20-03-168 YWCA Women of Distinction Awards

Councillor Power advised that she attended the Women of Distinction Awards ceremony held to recognize women who have excelled in their fields and empowered others. She noted that Councillor Stoyles had the honour of presenting the Public Sphere Award to recipient Leila Beaudoin. Congratulations were also extended to Bernice Morgan who received the Lifetime Achievement Award.

20-03-169 City Centre Renewal Plan

Councillor Power spoke on the City's "Find Your Centre" initiative – a comprehensive planning project that aims to develop a long-term vision for the city centre. There will be a workshop and open house at City Hall on March 25, from 6 – 8 pm to hear from residents and stakeholders.

20-03-170 Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA)

Councillor Antle provided highlights of the recent BOMA real estate forum particularly the increase in commercial and industrial growth.

20-03-171 Chamber of Commerce – Mayor's Outlook Presentation

Councillor Antle and Deputy Mayor Locke commented on the Mayor's presentation noting it was well received by the business community. Appreciation was extended to staff on their involvement in the presentation.

20-03-172 Pop-Up Lunch Fundraiser – Morris Academy

Councillor Antle advised that the recent fundraiser was a great success.

20-03-173 Community Supper

Councillor Antle advised that the Community Supper will be held on March 11 and hosted by the Park Avenue Pentecostal Church.

20-03-174 Northeast Avalon Joint Council (NEAJC)

Councillor Antle advised that the NEAJC is meeting on March 11, hosted by the City of St. John's.

20-03-175 Paws for MS Dog Walk

Councillor Antle advised of an upcoming fundraiser – Paws for MS – being held on May 3.

20-03-176 'Paws 4 Stories' Program

Councillor Antle advised of a reading program taking place at the Library on March 18 and every Saturday there is a story time at 3 pm.

20-03-177 Focus on Youth Awards

Councillor Ledwell encouraged members of the public to submit a nomination for a Focus on Youth Award.

20-03-178 International Women's Day

Councillor Ledwell congratulated Councillors Stoyles, Fry and Power for their participation in the event on International Women's Day as well as recognizing the contribution of the female staff.

20-03-179 Congratulations – Brad Gushue Team

Councillor Stoyles extended congratulations to the Brad Gushue Curling Team on winning the Tim Hortons Brier.

20-03-180 Community Sector Council – Volunteer Luncheon

Councillor Stoyles commented on today's kickoff luncheon to Volunteer Week. She also provided information on the Go Getters NL program, a pilot project funded by the Canada Service Corps and hosted by the Community Sector Council. The project is to increase community service and attract underrepresented youth (in this instance it was MUN students) who are not typically involved.

20-03-181 Condolences – Noseworthy

Councillor Stoyles extended condolences to Debbie Noseworthy on the passing of her husband, Arthur Haynes.

20-03-182 Special Olympics Canada Winter Games

Councillor Stoyles extended congratulations to the Special O athletes who participated in the Canada Winter Games and brought home over 50 medals.

20-03-183 Women of Distinction

Councillor Stoyles also commented on the Women of Distinction Awards, noting that she had received an award in 2003.

20-03-184 Curling – Joel Krats

Deputy Mayor Locke extended congratulations to Joel Krats on being named to Canada's team that will compete at the next world junior curling championships being held in Beijing, China in 2021. It was requested that a letter of congratulations be forwarded to Joel under the Mayor's signature.

20-03-185 Special Olympics Canada Winter Games

Councillor Fry also extended congratulations to all the athletes with special mention to the Mount Pearl Floor Hockey Team and other athletes who brought home medals.

20-03-186 Seniors Independence Group

Councillor Fry advised that the Seniors Independence Group will be hosting at St. Patrick's Day lunch at the Reid Centre on March 11.

20-03-187 Marlins Swim Team

Councillor Fry advised that the Marlins Swim Team is holding a fundraising dance on March 14 at the Reid Centre.

20-03-188 First United Church

Councillor Fry advised that the First United Church is hosting an Irish stew supper on March 20.

20-03-189 Annual Volunteer Night and Mount Pearl Minor Hockey Hall of Fame

Councillor Fry advised that the Minor Hockey Association will be holding their annual volunteer night social as well as the Hall of Fame inductees' ceremony on March 21. Congratulations were extended to the inductees.

20-03-190 Church of the Good Shepherd

Councillor Fry advised that the Church of the Good Shepherd is hosting a jiggs dinner on March 23.

20-03-191 Campia Gymnastics

Councillor Fry advised that the Campia Gymnastics spring recreational class registration is ongoing and also that an Easter Camp is being offered.

20-03-192 Mount Pearl-Paradise Skating Club

Councillor Fry advised that the Club's annual ice show will be held on April 11.

Mayor Aker extended appreciation to Rogers for televising today's council meeting. He congratulated the recipients of the athletic awards; the Hall of Fame inductees; Team Gushue Curling Team and the Special O athletes.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:50 pm on a motion by Councillor Fry and seconded by Councillor Antle.

Chairperson

City Clerk