

PUBLIC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
April 21, 2020

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held via video conference on April 21, 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.

20-04-227 Adoption of Agenda

Motion – Councillor Stoyles/Councillor Ledwell

RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-04-228 Adoption of Minutes

Motion – Councillor Antle/Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the public meeting held April 7, 2020 be adopted as presented.

Errors & Omissions: None noted.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

BUSINESS ARISING

20-04-229 Contract Award – TP-20-013
Multi-Year Agreement - Supply of Shirts, Shorts and Jackets
Mount Pearl Fitness Facilities Staff

In response to Councillor Ledwell, it was indicated that several businesses requested the tender specifications; the tender call was open for a three – four-week period, however, only one business chose to submit a bid.

ACTION REPORT

The action report was accepted as presented.

PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

None presented.

CORRESPONDENCE

None presented.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CORPORATE SERVICES AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

20-04-230 Invoices for Approval

Motion – Councillor Power/Councillor Antle

RESOLVED THAT the following invoices be approved for payment:

1.	Grand Concourse Authority (Membership Fee - 2020)	\$ 7,784.45
2.	Avalon Coal Salt & Oil (Road Salt - March 2020)	\$ 209,226.06
3.	DMC-Dallas Mercer Consulting (Occupational Health Services)	\$ 7,233.10
4.	Korn Ferry Hay Group Ltd. (Job Evaluation Training)	\$ 15,037.40

5.	Training Works (Employee Engagement & Retention Contract- 20%)	\$ 37,375.00
6.	Harvey & Company Limited (Unit # 729- Parts/Repairs)	\$ 10,235.62
7.	Harvey & Company Limited (Unit # 729 - Inspection, Parts/Repairs)	\$ 20,247.53
8.	Mills & Wright Landscape Architecture (Progress Billing 2)	\$ 13,386.00
9.	Brandt Tractor Ltd. (Unit # 648- Parts)	\$ 5,187.05
10.	MVT Canadian Bus, Inc. (Para Transit/Go Bus March 2020)	\$ 32,344.27
11.	Brandt Tractor Ltd. (Unit # 622- Diagnosis & Parts Replacement)	\$ 8,028.61
12.	St. John's Transportation Commission (Metrobus Service - March 2020)	\$ 108,002.61
13.	St. John's Transportation Commission (Metrobus Service - December 2019)	\$ 96,698.84
14.	St. John's Transportation Commission (Metrobus Service - January 2020)	\$ 78,889.93
15.	St. John's Transportation Commission (Metrobus Service - February 2020)	\$ 100,237.65
16.	City of St. John's (Regional Fire Services - January to March 2020)	\$ 1,388,231.73
17.	Jewer Bailey Consultants Limited (Electrical Consulting & Drawings- Summit/Pool)	\$ 5,520.01
18.	Clearwater Pools Limited (Dolphin Commercial C5 Pool Vacuum- Summit Center)	\$ 5,118.59
19.	Municipal Assessment Agency (2020 Assessment Fee- 2nd Quarter)	\$ 67,704.00
		\$ 2,216,488.45

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-04-231 Payment Register

The payment register for the period of April 9 – 17, 2020, totalling \$1,400,413.00, was accepted.

20-04-232 Request for Tax Consideration

Motion – Councillor Power/Councillor Antle

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to exempt 2020 business taxes, in accordance with the policy for charitable and non-profit organizations, for the following:

Name	Address	Type	Annual Amount
Alzheimer Society	833-839 Topsail Road	Business (100%)	\$3,193.81
CHANNAL	878 Topsail Road	Business (100%)	\$4,722.26
Waypoints	874 Topsail Road	Business (100%)	\$1,921.11
Mount Pearl · Paradise Chamber of Commerce	365 Old Placentia Road	Business (100%)	\$481.24
Iris Kirby House		Property (100%)	\$2,044.62
Visions Employment Inc	58 Glencoe Drive	Business (100%)	\$5,423.33

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-04-233 Foodbank Fundraiser

Motion – Councillor Antle/Councillor Power

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to provide a \$5,000 donation in support of the ongoing foodbank fundraiser organized by the community churches of Mount Pearl.

The Church of the Ascension will distribute the funding to the three food banks.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-04-234 Request for Proposals - RFP20-015
Design, Production, and Installation of Trails Wayfinding Signage System

Motion – Councillor Antle/Councillor Power

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to award RFP20-015 for the Design, Production, and Installation of a Trails Wayfinding Signage System to Mills and Wright, based on analysis of the submitted proposals and assignment of scoring. The total project budget is \$125,000.00.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

20-04-235 Notice of Motion
Amendment – Development Regulations 2010

Deputy Mayor Locke gave notice that in accordance with Section 39 of the City of Mount Pearl Act, RSNL 1990, C-16, and Council's public notification policy, he would, at a regular meeting of Council, move an amendment to the Mount Pearl Development Regulations 2010 that, if enacted, would:

1. In Section 11 – Use Zone Schedules, 11.12 Commercial – General (CG) Zone, under subsection 11.12.2, add "Personal Care Use" to the list of Discretionary Uses.

The purpose of this amendment is to provide Council with the authority to consider an application for a proposed Personal Care Use building at 79-115 Mount Carson Avenue, located on the corner of Mount Carson Avenue and Larsen Street.

20-04-236 Development Permit List
April 6 – 17, 2020

Motion – Councillor Fry/Deputy Mayor Locke

RESOLVED THAT the development permit list be approved as presented for the period of April 6 – 17, 2020.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-04-237 Building Permit and Occupancy Permit Lists
April 6 – 17, 2020

Motion – Councillor Fry/Deputy Mayor Locke

RESOLVED THAT building permits issued for the period of April 6 - 17, 2020, showing a total construction value of \$75,800.00, be approved and further that the occupancy permit lists be accepted as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

New Item

20-04-238 National Volunteer Week

Councillor Fry advised that April 19 – 25 was National Volunteer Week. In celebration of its many volunteers, the City will highlight one volunteer daily on its social media platforms.

INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

20-04-239 Contract Recommendation - TP20-016
2020 Material Testing and Inspection Services

Motion – Councillor Ledwell/Councillor Stoyles

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to award the contract for 2020 Material Testing and Inspection Services to the lowest qualified bidder, Englobe Corp., for the bid amount of \$74,704.00 (HST included).

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-04-240 Public Works Update

Councillor Ledwell provided an update on essential services that are continuing under the Public Health State of Emergency.

Bulk Garbage

It was noted that the bulk garbage service has been suspended until further notice in an effort to reduce the spread of COVID-19. The resumption of services is under continual review and "standard operating procedures" are established to ensure the safety of our employees.

Recycling

It was noted that the recycling service resumed today's date. Extra trucks were dispersed in anticipation of increased volumes. To collect efficiently, containers were collected in one truck and fibre in another.

20-04-241 Capital Works Projects Update

Councillor Stoyles provided an update on various projects.

NEW BUSINESS

20-04-242 Condolences – Nova Scotia Tragedy

Members of Council extended their sympathy to the people of Nova Scotia who were impacted by this past weekend's tragedy. It was noted that the City's flags are flying at half-mast in honour of the victims. Condolences were extended to the family and friends of RCMP Cst. Heidi Stevenson who was killed in the line of duty.

20-04-243 Condolences – Greening

Councillor Stoyles and Deputy Mayor Locke extended condolences to the family and friends of Chris Greening.

20-04-244 Volunteer Week

Members of Council extended their appreciation to the City's many volunteers and organizations for their contributions to the wellbeing of the community. Councillor Stoyles also referenced the churches that have been posting services online during

the COVID-19 pandemic. She advised that Mass from St. Peter's Parish will be broadcast on NTV on Sunday, April 26, at 11 AM.

20-04-245 Frontline and Essential Workers

Councillor Ledwell extended appreciation to frontline and essential workers who continue to provide services during the COVID-19 pandemic.

20-04-246 Condolences – Morrissey

Councillor Fry acknowledged the passing of Margaret Morrissey and extended condolences to the Tee family.

20-04-247 Resumption of Services

Councillor Fry extended appreciation to staff for making the resumption of services such as recycling possible.

20-04-248 Birthday Greetings

Councillor Fry acknowledged that it was the Queen's birthday.

20-04-249 COVID-19 – Public Health Emergency

Councillor Power commented on the latest results (zero cases) and the suggestion to wear a mask to protect others in addition to maintaining other infection prevention and control practices. Information on the "Bridge the gApp" online resource to support mental wellness was provided.

20-04-250 Reminder to Pedestrians

Councillor Antle reminded residents to walk facing traffic while maintaining the recommended physical distance (6 feet.).

20-04-251 Reminder to Pet Owners

Councillor Antle reminded the public to be responsible pet owners and pick up after their animal. If a garbage receptacle was unavailable, bring it home for disposal.

20-04-052 Economic Development – Shop from Home

Councillor Antle advised that some businesses that continue to operate during COVID-19 are listed on the City's website.

20-04-053 Northeast Avalon Joint Council (NEAJC) – Meeting with Eastern Health

Councillor Antle advised that the next meeting between the NEAJC and Eastern Health will be held on April 22.

20-04-054 Garbage Receptacles

Deputy Mayor Locke asked residents to bring home their litter if a garbage receptacle is full or unavailable.

20-04-055 NL English School District

Deputy Mayor Locke advised of a recent update by the NL English School District.

20-04-056 COVID-19

Deputy Mayor Locke commented on the latest COVID-19 update by the Province and encouraged residents to continue to follow the advice provided by the Department of Health.

Mayor Aker extended condolences to the people of Nova Scotia, noting that the National Day of Mourning (April 28) will be recognized with a virtual candlelight vigil. He extended appreciation to all volunteers and reminded residents to follow the advice of health officials on staying safe during this pandemic.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:25 pm on a motion by Deputy Mayor Locke and seconded by Councillor Power.

Chairperson

City Clerk