



PUBLIC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
May 5, 2020

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held via video conference on May 5, 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.

20-05-057 Adoption of Agenda

Motion – Councillor Stoyles/Councillor Ledwell

RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-05-058 Adoption of Minutes

Motion – Councillor Fry/Deputy Mayor Locke

RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the public meeting held April 21, 2020 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.

PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

20-05-059 Mental Health Week
 World Ovarian Cancer Day
 Economic Development Week

Mayor Aker signed the following proclamations:

Mental Health Week	May 4 – 10
World Ovarian Cancer Day	May 8
Economic Development Week	May 4 - 9

CORRESPONDENCE

None presented.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

20-05-060 Contract Recommendation – 2020 Street Markings (Line Painting)
 TP20-012 (CPR20005)

Motion – Councillor Stoyles/Councillor Ledwell

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to award the 2020 Street Markings (Line Painting) contract to Provincial Pavement Markings Inc. (PPM), as the lowest compliant bidder at the bid amount of \$387,625.90 (HST included).

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-05-061 Contract Recommendation
 2020 CCTV Inspection Services – TP-20-021

Motion – Councillor Stoyles/Councillor Ledwell

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to award the 2020 Video Inspection Services contract to Afonso Group Ltd., the lowest, compliant bidder at the bid amount of \$34,183.00 (HST included).

As required, work will be assessed, and quantities will be adjusted in the field and costs will be applied to the construction projects for which the inspections are required.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-05-062 Request for Change Order – Design Consultant RCO #1
Watermain, Sanitary and Storm Sewer, Asphalt, Curb and Sidewalks
CP-2 – St. David’s Avenue – CPR20001
Additional Design Fee - St. David’s Avenue

Motion – Councillor Stoyles/Councillor Ledwell

RESOLVED THAT RCO #1 – additional design fee for Dillion Consulting be approved in the amount of \$1,943.50 (HST included).

Particulars of Change Order - Drawings for St. David’s Avenue required some minor adjustment due to the addition of water and sewer extension for the connection of the proposed washrooms included with the smart accessible playground project, as requested by the City.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-05-063 Kenmount Hill – CP-3 – CPR10926 - Water System Assessment, Engineering
Services Proposal and Request for Change Order RCO#1 (Additional Scope)
Water Tower Upgrades

Motion – Councillor Ledwell/Councillor Stoyles

RESOLVED THAT the Kenmount Hill Water System Assessment Engineering Services Proposal for \$6,325.00 (including HST) and the Request for Change Order RCO#1 - (additional scope) fee for CBCL in the amount of \$2,300.00 (including HST), be approved for a total amount of \$8,625.00 (including HST).

Particulars of Change Order -

- the option of adding a new dedicated supply line from the pumphouse to the water tanks; to review the hydraulic design and sizing of the required supply line; and
- the initial scope was to provide a hydraulic assessment of the pumps.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-05-064 Contract Recommendation - Kenmount Hill CP-5 – CPR19028
Topsail Road Storm Sewer Assessment and Outfall Upgrading

Motion – Councillor Ledwell/Councillor Stoyles

RESOLVED THAT further to Council Minute # 20-04-205, approval be granted to award to CBCL Limited as the lowest compliant proponent, for the adjusted amount of \$64,388.50 (HST included) for the above referenced project.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-05-065 Public Works Update

Councillor Ledwell provided an update on public works services.

20-05-066 Capital Works Projects Update

Councillor Ledwell provided an update on various projects.

CORPORATE SERVICES AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

20-05-067 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 Fee - March 2020)	\$ 32,230.52
2.	City of St. John's (Wastewater Flow - January to March 2020)	\$ 147,525.49

3.	City of St. John's (Water Consumption - March 2020)	\$ 226,092.40
4.	Harvey & Company Limited (Unit 725, Vehicle Inspection and Repairs)	\$ 8,921.30
5.	Hickman Motors Limited (Battery Powered Electric Vehicle)	\$ 51,890.30
6.	Insight Canada Inc. (Licensing Fee - Adobe Creative Cloud)	\$ 5,640.41
7.	Pro Circuit Electrical Inc. (Electrical Investigation & Work - Summit Centre)	\$ 7,946.50
8.	Pro Circuit Electrical Inc. (GFCI Installation Progress Payment #1 - Summit Centre)	\$ 5,633.91
9.	Toromont CAT (Unit 635, Repairs)	\$ 5,934.17
10.	North Atlantic Petroleum (Propane- Depot)	\$ 5,715.67
11.	North Atlantic Petroleum (Dyed Diesel- Depot)	\$ 5,961.74
12.	North Atlantic Petroleum (Regular Gas- Depot)	\$ 6,546.95
13.	SNC Lavalin Inc. (CPR19002- Professional Services Ended Aug 2019)	\$ 5,212.03
14.	Kelloway Construction Ltd. (TP-17-007-Cleaning Services Multiple City Facilities-April 2020)	\$ 31,013.55
15.	Babb Sales & Services (Silicone Wrist Bands & Printable Cards- Summit Centre)	\$ 8,360.50
		\$ 554,625.44

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-05-068 Payment Register

The payment register for the period of April 22 – May 1, 2020, totalling \$2,512,406.01 was accepted.

20-05-069 Request for Tax Consideration

Motion – Councillor Antle/Councillor Power

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
Genesis Global Canada Inc.	85 Farrell Drive	Business (100%)	\$ 400.00
VOCM Cares Foundation	1195 Topsail Road	Business (100%)	\$1,058.92

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

20-05-070 70 Moffatt Road - DA20-0106
Side Yard Variance

Motion – Deputy Mayor Locke/Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT a 9% variance request that will reduce the required 2.4 metre major side yard to 2.19 metres to accommodate a single detached dwelling at 70 Moffatt Road be approved. The proposed development meets all other regulatory requirements of the subject use zone.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-05-071 Focus on Youth Awards
Banquet & Show – May 13, 2020 – Postponed

For the information of the public, due to COVID-19, the 2020 Focus on Youth Awards Ceremony (nominations for the 2019 competition year, January 1 - December 31, 2019) scheduled for May 13, 2020 has been postponed. An alternate program (celebrating youth, but in a new format) will be considered when school re-opens.

20-05-072 Building Permit and Occupancy Permit Lists
April 20 – May 1, 2020

Motion – Councillor Fry/Deputy Mayor Locke

RESOLVED THAT building permits issued for the period of April 20 – May 1, 2020, showing a total construction value of \$78,600.00, be approved and further that the occupancy permit list be accepted as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

20-05-073 COVID-19

Councillor Ledwell acknowledged that the curve appeared to be flattening and extended appreciation to staff, particularly front-line staff, who continue to provide the services that residents expect and deserve. He encouraged residents to continue to stay home if possible and follow the guidelines provided by the Department of Health.

20-05-074 National Day of Mourning

Councillor Fry acknowledged that the National Day of Mourning was held on April 28, noting that this year, more than ever, it was important to highlight the rights workers have to protect themselves.

20-05-075 International Firefighters Day

Councillors Fry and Power acknowledged that May 4 was International Firefighters Day and expressed appreciation for the valuable work they do.

20-05-076 Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador (MNL)

Councillor Fry commented on the informative (virtual) workshops and webinars offered by MNL.

20-05-077 Birthday Wishes – Councillor Ledwell

Councillor Power congratulated Councillor Ledwell on his 40th birthday.

20-05-078 Mother's Day

Councillor Power extended best wishes to all women who would be celebrating Mother's Day on Sunday.

20-05-079 Fundraiser – Foodbanks

Councillor Antle provided an update on the success of the ongoing fundraiser for the Mount Pearl foodbanks.

20-05-080 Sport Alliance – AGM

Councillor Antle extended congratulations to the newly elected executive of the Sport Alliance. It was requested that a letter of congratulations be forwarded under the Mayor's signature.

20-05-081 Regional Fire Services Committee

Councillor Antle advised that a fire advisory is in effect, however, contained fires such as firepits and chimineas are permitted in the City (no change). He noted that the fire ban issued by the Province also includes personal fireworks.

20-05-082 Northeast Avalon Joint Council (NEAJC) – Meeting Eastern Health

Councillor Antle advised of a meeting of the NEAJC with Eastern Health scheduled for May 6.

20-05-083 Meeting – Library Board

Councillor Antle provided an update of a recent meeting of the Library Board, noting that the library may not be opening until school resumes.

20-05-084 Spring Maintenance/Clean Up

Deputy Mayor Locke noted that clean-up operations are ongoing by the Public Works Department. He encouraged residents to take pride in their community by not littering and being responsible pet owners.

20-05-085 COVID-19

Deputy Mayor Locke reminded citizens to continue to be vigilant by taking the necessary precautions to prevent the transmission of the virus.

20-05-086 Condolences

Councillor Stoyles extended condolences to the family and friends of Kevin Simmons, Albert Clarke and Edward Hogan.

20-05-087 Kinette Club

Councillor Stoyles extended appreciation to the Kinette Club on their Hearts for Hope Campaign fundraiser.

20-05-088 Private Sewer Repairs

Councillor Stoyles advised that she did not support the suspension of private sewer repairs.

20-05-089 Smallwood Drive – Newfoundland Power

Councillor Stoyles outlined her frustration with the communication and process with respect to the Newfoundland Power project on Smallwood Drive (related to the replacement of the existing power poles and streetlights with new, and more, taller poles, and power distribution from the front yards rather than currently in rear yards). Councillor Fry also commented on the matter as well as Councillor Antle. Referred to the IPW Committee for further review.

20-05-090 Investigation – CAO Steve Kent

Councillor Stoyles advised that she will be contacting the Department of Municipal Affairs and Environment regarding the ongoing investigation of CAO Steve Kent.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:45 pm on a motion by Councillor Power and seconded by Councillor Antle.

Chairperson

City Clerk