



**PUBLIC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
October 20, 2020**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held via video conference on October 20, 2020 at 4:30 pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Dave Aker  
Deputy Mayor Jim Locke  
Councillor Lucy Stoyles  
Councillor Isabelle Fry  
Councillor Bill Antle

STAFF PRESENT

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

**Mayor Aker chaired the meeting.**

20-10-381 Adoption of Agenda

Motion – Councillor Antle/Councillor Stoyles

RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-10-382 Adoption of Minutes

Motion – Deputy Mayor Locke/Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the public meeting held October 6, 2020 be adopted as presented.

Errors & Omissions: None noted.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

BUSINESS ARISING/ACTION REPORT

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

PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

20-10-383 International Stuttering Awareness Day

Mayor Aker signed a proclamation declaring October 22 as International Stuttering Awareness Day in the City of Mount Pearl.

CORRESPONDENCE           None presented.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

20-10-384 Mount Pearl Sport Alliance | Community Grant Program  
Final Installment Release 2020 Operating Grant

Motion – Councillor Fry/Councillor Antle

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to release the final installment of the Sport Alliance's 2020 operating grant, in the amount of \$20,000.00, to cover the Community Grants as specified, in accordance with their MOU with the City.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-10-385 Accessible Fitness Equipment  
Recumbent Stepper

Motion – Councillor Fry/Councillor Antle

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to award the supply and delivery of a Sci-fit Step, one (1) Recumbent Stepper, an accessible piece of fitness equipment, to Spartan Fitness; the lowest qualified bidder, in the amount of \$7,245.00 inclusive of HST.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-10-386 Development Permit Listing | October 5 – 16, 2020

Motion – Councillor Fry/Councillor Antle

RESOLVED THAT the development permits be approved as presented for the period of October 5 - 16, 2020.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-10-387 Building Permit and Occupancy Permit Listing | October 5 - 16, 2020

Motion – Councillor Fry/Councillor Antle

RESOLVED THAT building permits issued for the period of October 5 - 16, 2020, showing a total construction value of \$293,050.00 be approved, and further that the occupancy permit list be accepted as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

20-10-388 Proposed Change Order (RCO # 3) – 2020 Asphalt Renewal  
Old Placentia Road – TP20-033 – CPR20030

Motion – Councillor Stoyles/Deputy Mayor Locke

RESOLVED THAT Change Order #3 – Addition of Reflective 3M Dots to Old Placentia Road, for the area between Nelder Drive and Richard Nolan Drive, be approved in the amount of \$16,000.00 (including HST).

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-10-389 Proposed Amendments to City of Mount Pearl Snow Clearing Regulations  
Authority for Regulation of Clearing of Snow from Private Property

Motion – Councillor Stoyles/Deputy Mayor Locke

RESOLVED THAT the proposed amendments to the City of Mount Pearl Snow Clearing Regulations (as presented) be approved with staff to take appropriate actions for implementation, including notification to the Minister of the Department of

Environment, Climate Change and Municipalities, and the public via publishing of a Notice in The Pearl and the Newfoundland and Labrador Gazette.

It was noted that the following language will also be incorporated in the presented Regulations:

Parking Ban

3. During the period from the first day of December in each year to the thirty-first of March in the succeeding year, both days inclusive, no person shall park an unattended vehicle upon any highway within the City, or City owned land, between the hours of 1:00 AM and 8:00 AM.
4. No person shall park an unattended vehicle upon any highway or City owned land at any time during any weather event which requires City equipment to operate; and for 12 hours following the cessation of such an event.

The purpose of this amendment is to provide Council with the authority to regulate the clearing of snow from private property in order to increase safety on City streets during winter conditions, and to prevent damage to properties from inappropriate snow storage.

It was suggested that consideration be given to a communication campaign to ensure the public is aware of these changes.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-10-390 Recommended Change Order (RCO#1) –  
2020 Asphalt Crack Sealing – TP20-010 – CPR20006

Motion – Councillor Stoyles/Deputy Mayor Locke

RESOLVED THAT Change Order (RCO #1) for additional units of crack sealing work for the additional amount of \$10,108.00 (HST included) be approved, for a total contract cost of \$93,000.00 (HST included).

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-10-391 Recommended Change Order (RCO #5) – St. David’s Avenue Upgrading CP2 – CPR20001 - Modern Paving - Addition of 2” Water Service Line

Motion – Deputy Mayor Locke/Councillor Stoyles

RESOLVED THAT Change Order (RCO #5) to the St. David’s Avenue Upgrading - CP2 – CPR20001 contract awarded to Modern Paving, initially for the amount of \$851,245.24 (HST included), be approved for the addition of a 2” water service line at a cost of \$6,579.08 (including HST).

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-10-392 Public Works Update

Deputy Mayor Locke provided an update on public works services.

20-10-393 Capital Works Projects Update

Deputy Mayor Locke provided an update on various projects.

CORPORATE SERVICES AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

20-10-394 Invoices for Approval

Motion – Councillor Antle/Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT the following invoices be approved for payment:

1.	Afonso Group Limited (CCTV inspection for OPR Work)	\$ 13,545.58
2.	Battlefield Equipment Rentals (Steam Pressure Washer)	\$ 7,472.13
3.	Bell Aliant (Monthly Telephone Services- Sep 2020)	\$ 5,504.68
4.	City of St. John's (Robin Hood Bay Tipping Fee- September 2020)	\$ 52,942.46
5.	City of St. John's (Water Consumption - August 2020)	\$ 236,541.54

6.	Community Sector Council Newfoundland & Labrador (Volunteer Action Plan Development)	\$ 7,333.00
7.	Hickman Motors Limited (Pickup Trucks)	\$ 112,970.25
8.	Keep Cool Refrigeration & A/C (HVAC Contract Payment)	\$ 8,088.77
9.	Kelloway Construction Ltd. (Cleaning Services, Multiple Locations September 2020)	\$ 31,013.55
10.	Municipal Assessment Agency (Assessment Fee- Fourth Quarter)	\$ 67,704.00
11.	Vigilant Management Inc (Street Upgrading Glendale Ave.- Progress Billing July 2020)	\$ 15,556.02
12.	Vigilant Management Inc (Street Upgrading Glendale Ave.- Progress Billing June 2020)	\$ 5,634.30
13.	Vigilant Management Inc (Street Upgrading Glendale Ave.- Progress Billing May 2020)	\$ 5,889.36
14.	St. John's Transportation Commission (Transit Service-September 2020)	\$ 104,800.52
		\$ 674,996.16

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-10-395 Payment Register

The payment register for the period of October 1 - 15, 2020, totalling \$546,158.68, was accepted as presented.

20-10-396 Façade Improvement Recommendation

Motion – Councillor Antle/Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT a façade improvement grant be approved for Automotive Supplies Ltd., 1062 Topsail Road, as follows:

Applicant	Project Criteria Score (out of 100)	Project Cost	Amount Requested	Recommended Grant Amount
Automotive Supplies Ltd. 1062 Topsail Road	92	\$140,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$7,500.00

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

20-10-397 Rotary Firefighter of the Year Award

Councillor Fry advised that a group of firefighters were recognized for responding to the situation that unfolded following an avalanche in the Outer Battery during “Snowmageddon”, January 2020, which sent snow crashing into a home. The group was honoured by the Rotary Club of St. John’s with the 2020 Firefighter of the Year Award. Congratulations were extended to Fire Captain Barry Burke, Firefighter Sean McCarthy, Firefighter Patrick Morgan and Firefighter Cory Reid for their extraordinary efforts. Deputy Mayor Locke noted that the firefighters had extended appreciation to the snowplow operators of St. John’s and Mount Pearl for their efforts in getting them to the site.

20-10-398 Northeast Avalon Joint Council (NEAJC) – Virtual Meeting

Councillor Fry advised that representatives from Pipe Down NL attended the recent NEAJC meeting. Pipe Down NL, a coalition of community groups and concerned citizens, have successfully brought the issue of loud vehicle noise to the attention of the Province and the RNC. It was understood that the Province and the RNC have pledged through a combination of regulatory changes and additional enforcement and fines to address this problem.

20-10-399 Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) – AGM

Councillor Fry advised that she attended the FCM virtual AGM; she acknowledged President Garth Frizzell and Past President Bill Karsten.

20-10-400 International Economic Development Council (IEDC) Awards

Councillor Fry advised that the City has been recognized with 5 Excellence in Economic Development Awards from the IEDC; information on these awards was

presented. Congratulations were extended to the City's Economic Development and Marketing Team.

20-10-401 Best in Mount Pearl Awards

Councillor Fry advised that nominations were now open for the Best in Mount Pearl Awards, deadline November 6. Further details are available on the City website, she encouraged residents and community groups to submit a nomination.

20-10-402 Small Business Week

Councillor Fry provided information on Small Business Week and the ongoing contest, deadline October 23.

20-10-403 Girl Guide Cookies

Councillor Fry advised that the 17<sup>th</sup> Mount Pearl Pathfinder Unit are selling Girl Guide cookies online and encouraged residents to place an order.

20-10-404 FCM Board of Directors

Members of Council extended congratulations to Councillor Fry, as well as Deputy Mayor Trina Appleby (Torbay), on their election to the FCM Board of Directors. They join MNL President Mayor Sheila Fitzgerald, who already holds a seat on the Board.

20-10-405 International Economic Development Council (IEDC) Awards

Councillor Antle advised that the City won 3 Gold Awards, a Silver Award as well as a Bronze Award and provided the details on each. He extended congratulations to staff, council, businesses, and residents who played a role in achieving this outstanding recognition.

20-10-406 Sport Alliance Bingo

Councillor Antle advised that he along with Councillors Stoyles and Fry helped sell tickets at the Sport Alliance bingo – a fundraiser for minor sport groups.



20-10-407 Trails – New Signs

Councillor Antle commented on the new signs placed at some of the entrances to the trail system. He reminded users – cyclists and walkers – to be mindful of each other.

20-10-408 Richard Levandier Softball Field

Councillor Antle noted that the sod laying is completed on the field and it appeared a good job was done.

20-10-409 Nutrition App Propsre

Deputy Mayor Locke extended congratulations to co-founders Colin Hunt and Jonathan Young, co-founders of the nutrition app Propsre, which won the Startup Summer Showdown (a prize package consisting of cash and in-kind services valued at over \$50,000). The contest, an initiative of Propel, the leading online accelerator, provides a new startup venture with services and some cash to start working on their idea.

20-10-410 Best Wishes – Carole Gillingham

Council extended best wishes to Ms. Gillingham, Manager of Engineering Services, who has resigned to take a new position elsewhere.

Councillor Stoyles also congratulated Councillor Fry and the Economic Development staff. She noted that applications for the Best in Mount Pearl Awards can be done manually as well as online. She encouraged residents and organizations to submit a nomination.

Mayor Aker extended appreciation to Deputy Mayor Locke for serving in the Mayor's chair for the past 3 months and to Council for the work done this past summer.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:20 pm on a motion by Councillor Stoyles and seconded by Deputy Mayor Locke.

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Chairperson

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City Clerk