

**PUBLIC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**December 1, 2020**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held via video conference on December 1, 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  
Jason Collins, Director of Community Development  
Cassie Pittman, Director of Corporate Services  
Mona Lewis, City Clerk

**Mayor Aker chaired the meeting.**

20-12-469 Adoption of Agenda

Motion – Councillor Stoyles/Deputy Mayor Locke

RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-12-470 Adoption of Minutes

Motion – Councillor Fry/Councillor Antle

RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the public meeting held November 17, 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

20-12-471 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence

Mayor Aker signed a proclamation declaring November 25 – December 10, 2020 as the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence to prevent violence against women. By increasing awareness and helping others act on this issue means change is possible. Support is available including the domestic violence help line (1-888-709-7090), 24/7, across the province.

CORRESPONDENCE                      None presented

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

20-12-472 601 Old Placentia Road – DA20-0541  
Accessory Building on Existing Non-Conforming Residential Lot

Motion – Councillor Fry/Councillor Antle

RESOLVED THAT an application to construct a 7.92 metre x 7.92 metre (26' x 26') accessory building (detached garage) with a proposed height of approximately 5 metres (16') at 601 Old Placentia Road be approved, and a development permit be issued subject to Section 6.27 of the Mount Pearl Development Regulations 2010, and subject to the conditions set out by the Department of Community Development, specifically conditions outlined by the following:

1. City of Mount Pearl – Inspection Services, Municipal Enforcement Division
2. City of Mount Pearl – Finance Division
3. City of Mount Pearl – Planning Division, and
4. City of Mount Pearl Development Regulations 2010 and related requirements

Discussion: Councillor Stoyles advised that she did not support the application on the basis of the rear yard access and that the accessory building was not in keeping with the Portsmouth Close properties located on either side of the accessory building. Other members of Council noted that the concerns raised by the Portsmouth Close residents had been addressed by the property owner; he worked with staff to ensure the building blended in with the façade and streetscape of the neighbourhood.

Question called. Motion carried with Councillor Stoyles voting against the motion.

20-12-473 Development Permit Listing | November 16 - 27, 2020

Motion – Councillor Fry/Councillor Antle

RESOLVED THAT the development permits be approved as presented for the period of November 16 - 27, 2020.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-12-474 Building Permit and Occupancy Permit Listing | November 16 - 27, 2020

Motion – Councillor Fry/Councillor Antle

RESOLVED THAT building permits issued for the period of November 16 - 27, 2020, showing a total construction value of \$2,694,500.00 be approved, and further that the occupancy permit list be accepted as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

20-12-475 Contract Recommendation – TP20-038  
Supply and Delivery of High Capacity Oil Filtration Bypass System  
Climate Change Challenge Fund (CCCF)

Motion – Deputy Mayor Locke/Councillor Stoyles

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to award the contract for TP20-038 - Supply and Delivery of High Capacity Oil Filtration Bypass System - Climate Change Challenge Fund (CCCF), to Oil Filtration Systems, the compliant bidder, for the amount of \$147,113.75 (including HST), which is within budget.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-12-476 Request for Change Order – CO #15  
Temporary Water Connections Between Work Zones  
Street Upgrading Glendale Avenue, Bradley Place Phase 1 - CPR18005

Motion – Deputy Mayor Locke/Councillor Stoyles

RESOLVED THAT Change Order #15, to the contract for the underground temporary water connections as noted by Vigilant Management and reviewed by the Engineering Services Division, for the amount of \$15,019.00 (including HST) be approved.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-12-477 Public Works Update

Councillor Stoyles provided an update on public works services.

20-12-478 Capital Works Projects Update

Councillor Stoyles provided an update on various projects.

CORPORATE SERVICES AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

**Mayor Aker left the meeting during the presentation of the following item.**

20-12-479 Invoices for Approval

Motion – Councillor Antle/Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT the following invoices be approved for payment:

1	City of St. John's Wastewater July - September 2020	\$ 138,902.07
2	Crown Contracting Inc. Waterproofing Commonwealth Avenue Bridge Deck	\$ 5,520.00
3	Central Square Canada Software Property Tax Module	\$ 15,181.15
4	DMC - Dallas Mercer Consulting Flu Vaccine Clinics	\$ 5,727.00
5	H&R Mechanical Supplies Ltd. Glacier HVAC Work, Payment #2	\$ 39,349.72
6	Knightsbridge Robertson Surrette Professional Fees	\$ 19,532.73

7	McInnis Cooper Professional Fees	\$ 11,020.45
8	McInnis Cooper Professional Fees	\$ 11,508.05
9	McInnis Cooper Professional Fees	\$ 6,511.89
10	McInnis Cooper Professional Fees	\$ 7,550.35
11	McInnis Cooper Professional Fees	\$ 6,564.11
12	McInnis Cooper Professional Fees	\$ 13,784.06
13	MVT Canadian Bus Paratransit/GoBus - October	\$ 42,334.09
14	PPM - Provincial Paint Markings Parking Lot Painting	\$ 11,127.40
15	PPM - Provincial Paint Markings Street Painting	\$ 88,150.26
16	TRACT Consulting Professional Fees, Smart Accessible Playground	\$ 9,776.15
17	Ignite Security Wi-Fi Antennae & Meraki MR License (3 years)	\$ 23,796.90
18	Sullivan Breen Professional Fees	\$ 6,452.50
19	Kelloway Contracting November Cleaning Services	\$ 31,013.55
20	Ignite Securities Glacier Wi-Fi Equipment/Updates	\$ 23,796.90
21	Central Square Canada Software Implementation Sessions	\$ 5,142.80
22	Reefer Repair Services AAVM and Snow Basket Upgrade	\$ 9,545.00
		\$ 532,287.13

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

**Mayor Aker returned to the meeting.**

20-12-480 Payment Register

The payment register for the period of November 18 - 26, 2020, totalling \$2,433,611.64, was accepted as presented.

20-12-481 2021 Schedule – Public Council Meetings

Motion – Councillor Antle/Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT the 2021 public council meeting schedule be approved as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-12-482 Tax Deferral – Low Income Earners

Motion – Councillor Antle/Councillor Fry

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

Account #	Amount Deferred
7187	\$1,399.49
6394	\$2,043.65

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

20-12-483 Hackathon

An update on the hackathon was presented. This year, the City hosted 50 participants forming 16 teams, all “hacking” away at a problem – environmental sustainability. Over three days, hackers worked to find innovative solutions to waste management, solving the problem presented to them: Using technology, how can we send less waste to our landfills? Congratulations were extended to the first-place team, R&Bx3, second place team HEXDump, and third place team, Earth Hackers. Councillor Stoyles suggested that the presentations be forwarded to the Eastern Waste Management as the information may be beneficial.

NEW BUSINESS

20-12-484 Best in Mount Pearl Awards

Councillor Stoyles advised that winners of the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Best in Mount Pearl Awards would be announced virtually on December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 pm. All members of Council extended congratulations to the nominees and appreciation to Sheila Williams for hosting the event.

20-12-485 Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)

Councillor Fry provided an update on the FCM regional caucus meetings that she along with Mayor Sheila Fitzgerald and Deputy Mayor Trina Appleby attended.

20-12-486 Snow Clearing Equipment

Councillor Fry advised that snow clearing equipment is ready to tackle the upcoming winter season.

20-12-487 Association for the Arts

Councillor Fry advised of the upcoming events organized by the Association. Further details are available on their Facebook page.

20-12-488 Home Deliveries

Councillor Fry spoke to the theft of packages, delivered by couriers, from residents' properties. Municipal enforcement officers have been made aware and the matter was brought to the attention of the RNC.

20-12-489 Lighting of St. David's Park

Councillor Antle advised that St. David's Park will be virtually "lit up" on December 6 and Christmas displays will be in place.

20-12-490 Birthday Greetings

Councillor Antle extended birthday greetings to resident Minnie Randell.

20-12-491 Community Supper

Councillor Antle advised that a takeout community supper is being planned.

20-12-492 Ross King Memorial Public Library

Councillor Antle advised that the Library is now accepting book donations.

20-12-493 Alexander Taylor

Councillor Antle extended appreciation to musician Alexander Taylor for his virtual fundraiser in support of The Gathering Place.

20-12-494 NLOWE 2020 Entrepreneur of the Year Awards

Councillor Antle extended congratulations to Afiya Altaf, Curry Delight, on winning the Momentum Award (NLOWE). It was requested a letter of congratulations be forwarded to Ms. Altaf. Deputy Mayor Locke also acknowledged Ms. Altaf and the business as a great member of the community.

20-12-495 On Street Parking Ban

In response to Councillor Antle, it was noted that the parking ban starts on December 1 in an effort to be proactive and prepared for snow and slippery weather which can happen quickly. The dates have been in place for many years and allows crews to maintain a high level of service.

20-12-496 Kinette Club – Turkey Drive

Councillor Stoyles advised that the Kinette Club is holding a turkey drive on December 12 at Sobey's and Dominion between 10 am and 4 pm.

20-12-497 Hackathon

Deputy Mayor Locke commented on the event and the ingenious of the ideas. Special mention was given to the 1<sup>st</sup> place winner R&Bx3 (Excess Connect) on their innovative proposal (an app that would notify small businesses of excess product that could be purchased at a reduced price).

Mayor Aker encouraged everyone to keep following the public health guidelines. He also extended congratulations to the Hackathon winners as well as appreciation to staff (Cassie Pittman, Lesley



Williams and Jeremy Schwartz) who worked diligently to put off the very successful event. He referenced the upcoming Best in Mount Pearl Awards as well as extended congratulations to Ms. Altaf on her NLOWE award.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:20 pm on a motion by Councillor Antle and seconded by Councillor Fry.

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Chairperson

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City Clerk