



PUBLIC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
March 9, 2021

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held via video conference on March 9, 2021 at 12:30 pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Dave Aker
Councillor Lucy Stoyles
Councillor Isabelle Fry
Councillor Bill Antle

STAFF PRESENT

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

MEMBERS ABSENT

Deputy Mayor Jim Locke

Mayor Aker chaired the meeting.

21-03-105 Adoption of Agenda

Motion – Councillor Stoyles/Councillor Antle

RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

21-03-106 Adoption of Minutes

Motion – Councillor Fry/Councillor Stoyles

RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the public meeting held March 2, 2021 be adopted as presented.

Errors & Omissions: None noted.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

BUSINESS ARISING

21-03-107 Trails

The trails continue to be well utilized by the public and there seems to be an improvement in owners picking up after their pets.

ACTION REPORT

The action report was accepted as presented.

PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

21-03-108 World Lymphedema Day

Mayor Aker signed a proclamation declaring March 6, 2021 as World Lymphedema Day in the City of Mount Pearl.

21-03-109 Easter Seals Month

Mayor Aker signed a proclamation declaring March 2021 as Easter Seals Month in the City of Mount Pearl. Councillor Fry commented on the valuable support provided by Easter Seals NL and advised of the accessible playground planned for St. David's Park.

CORRESPONDENCE

None presented.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

21-03-110 Contract Recommendation - RFP-21-001
Community Centre Feasibility Study (Concept Design and Viability)

Motion – Councillor Fry/Councillor Antle

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to enter into an agreement with KPMG to conduct a Community Centre Concept Design and Viability Study, for the amount of \$45,000.00 (plus HST), with a completion date of April 7, 2021.

Discussion: Members of Council spoke on the benefit of the proposed community centre as it would provide a home for the senior community as well as service groups and other organizations. It was indicated that the Park Place Community Centre has outlived its usefulness and the feasibility study will consider size, location, and cost.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

21-03-111 Building Permit and Occupancy Permit Listing | February 22 – March 5, 2021

Motion – Councillor Fry/Councillor Antle

RESOLVED THAT building permits issued for the period of February 22 – March 5, 2021, showing a total construction value of \$352,500.00, be approved, and further that the occupancy permit list be accepted as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

CORPORATE SERVICES AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

21-03-112 Invoices for Approval

Motion – Councillor Antle/Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT the following invoices be approved for payment:

1	Central Square Software ERP Implementation	\$ 5,835.10
2	Central Square Software ERP Implementation	\$ 7,120.80
3	Central Square Software ERP Implementation	\$ 6,477.95
4	Arrow Construction Winter Damage Claim Payment	\$ 5,590.00
5	Kelloway Construction Monthly Cleaning Contract - January 2021	\$ 31,013.55
6	Municipal Assessment Agency Q1 2021 Assessment Fees	\$ 67,613.00
7	Cabot Ford Fleet Renewal - Ford Escape (Tender Award)	\$ 41,911.18

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11	Mills & Wright Landscape Architects Trails Wayfinding	\$ 37,221.48
	Total	\$ 328,516.60

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

21-03-113 Payment Register

The payment register dated March 4, 2021, totalling \$332,466.46, was accepted as presented.

INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

21-03-114 Recommended Change Order (CO # 1-6) – CBCL, and Change Order (CO # 4) – Vigilant Management: Kenmount Hill - Storm Outfall & Upgrades (Additional Design and Project Management Scope)

Motion – Councillor Stoyles/Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT the following change orders for the above noted project be approved:

- Change Order # 1 to 6 – to above-noted original contract award to CBCL, to complete the design work, in the amount of \$25,954.00 (HST included), which is within budget.
- Change Order # 4 – to above-noted original contract awarded to Vigilant Management to complete project management, in the amount of \$4,838.00 (HST included), which is within budget.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

21-03-115 Residential Wood Chipping and Mulching Program
2021 Recycling and Garbage Brochure

An update on the wood chipping and mulching program was presented, further information is available on the City website. Used primarily for curbside collection.

The 2021 Recycling and Garbage Brochure (distributed to residents) also includes updated information on the bulk garbage collection, rescheduled collection dates as a result of statutory holidays, etc. A bulk garbage collection will take place in the spring in accordance with the schedule after which residents can schedule an individual pickup at a cost of \$25.

21-03-116 Public Works Update

Councillor Stoyles provided an update on public works services.

21-03-117 Capital Works Projects Update

Councillor Stoyles provided an update on various projects.

21-03-118 Facility Maintenance and Inspections – Status Updates

Councillor Stoyles provided an update on facility maintenance and inspections.

NEW BUSINESS

21-03-119 Snowshoe and Ski Rentals

Councillor Antle advised that rentals have proven to be popular and provided information on the rental process. Further information is available on the City website.

21-03-120 Friday Fun with AAMP (Association for the Arts in Mount Pearl)

Councillor Antle encouraged residents to check out the Friday activities planned by AAMP.

21-03-121 Ministerial Association – A Vigil of Care and Hope

Councillor Antle advised that the Association has prepared a virtual prayer vigil entitled a “Vigil of Care and Hope” offering prayers of hope, care, and support.

21-03-122 Ross King Memorial Public Library

Councillor Antle advised that the Library has many daily activities and encouraged residents to check their website for further information.

21-03-123 Condolences – Simms

Councillor Stoyles extended condolences to the family and friends of Dennis Simms, brother of former Mayor Randy Simms. Mr. Simms had also served on the Appleton Town Council.

21-03-124 Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador (MNL)

Councillor Stoyles advised that registration was now open for the MNL Annual Symposium and AGM which will take place (virtually) May 6 – 8, 2021.

21-03-125 Canada Post – Community Mailboxes

Councillor Stoyles spoke of the recent meeting with Canada Post officials regarding community mailboxes. She commented on the problems experienced by residents accessing their mailbox, damages caused by snow clearing operations, use of sand as ice control. She noted that these problems have existed for years and although Canada Post committed to addressing them, they remain unresolved. She advised that Canada Post will consider requests for residents with mobility or other health issues that impacts their ability to access their mailbox and may be eligible for delivery accommodation. She indicated that the City will once again try to work with Canada Post, but she is skeptical of any improvement.

21-03-126 Congratulations – Debra Feltham

Councillor Fry extended congratulations to Debra Feltham (Feltham & Associates Chartered Professional Accountants) on her nomination for the 29th annual RBC Canadian Women Entrepreneur Award.

21-03-127 International Women's Day (IWD)

Councillor Fry spoke on International Women's Day noting this year's theme "From Challenge Comes Change". IWD marks the achievements of women and raises awareness about social, economic, cultural, and political inequities and hardships. She recognized the female members of Council and City staff with appreciation.

Mayor Aker also acknowledged International Women's Day and extended his appreciation for the support provided by the female members of Council and City staff. He too extended condolences to

former Mayor Simms on the passing of his brother, Dennis. He extended appreciation to the businesses and organizations that continue to support the health care workers by providing meals.

CAO Spurrell advised that staff is in the process of reviewing guidelines and will be ready to move to alert level 4 of the public health guidelines when direction has been provided by the Province.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:20 pm on a motion by Councillor Fry and seconded by Councillor Antle.

Chairperson

City Clerk