



PUBLIC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
June 1, 2021

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held via video conference on June 1, 2021, at 4:30 pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Dave Aker
Deputy Mayor Jim Locke
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

Mayor Aker chaired the meeting.

21-06-276 Adoption of Agenda

Motion – Councillor Fry/Deputy Mayor Locke

RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

21-06-277 Adoption of Minutes

Motion – Deputy Mayor Locke/Councillor Antle

RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the public meeting held May 18, 2021, be adopted as presented.

Errors & Omissions: None noted.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

BUSINESS ARISING

21-06-278 Composting Pilot Project

Councillor Antle advised that the participants in the composting pilot project attended the required workshop and, for the most part, all participants have collected their composter.

ACTION REPORT

The action report was accepted as presented.

PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

21-06-279 Hidradenitis Suppurativa (HS) Awareness Week

Mayor Aker signed a proclamation declaring June 7 – 13, 2021 as Hidradenitis Suppurativa (HS) Awareness Week in the City of Mount Pearl.

CORRESPONDENCE

None presented.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

21-06-280 Mount Pearl Sport Alliance – 2021 Operating Subsidy

Motion – Councillor Fry/Councillor Antle

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to release the second (final) installment of the Sport Alliance operating subsidy, in the amount of \$80,000.00, which is in accordance with their Memorandum of Understanding with the City.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

21-06-281 Family Child Care Use | 18 MacCarthy Crescent
DA20-0664 – Discretionary Use – Residential – Medium Density (RMD) Use Zone

Motion – Councillor Fry/Councillor Antle

RESOLVED THAT a discretionary application for a Family Child Care Use in a portion of the home at 18 MacCarthy Crescent be approved and a development permit be issued subject to Section 7.13 of the Mount Pearl Development Regulations 2010, and subject to the conditions as outlined by the Community Development Department.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

21-06-282 Family Child Care Use | 70 O’Flaherty Crescent
DA20-0664 – Discretionary Use – Residential – Medium Density (RMD) Use Zone

Motion – Councillor Fry/Councillor Antle

RESOLVED THAT a discretionary application for a Family Child Care Use in a portion of the home at 70 O’Flaherty Crescent be approved and a development permit be issued subject to Section 7.13 of the Mount Pearl Development Regulations 2010, and subject to the conditions as outlined by the Community Development Department.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

21-06-283 Development Permit List | May 17 - 28, 2021

Motion – Councillor Fry/Councillor Antle

RESOLVED THAT the presented development permits be approved for the period of May 17 - 28, 2021.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously

21-06-284 Building Permit and Occupancy Permit Listing | May 17 - 28, 2021

Motion – Councillor Fry/Councillor Antle

RESOLVED THAT building permits issued for the period of May 17 - 28, 2021, showing a total construction value of \$800,150.00 be approved, and further that the occupancy permit list be accepted as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

CORPORATE SERVICES AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

21-06-285 Invoices for Approval

Motion – Councillor Antle/Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT the following invoices be approved for payment:

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| 1 | City of St. John's Regional Water/Wastewater - 2020 adjustments for operating/capital expenditures | \$ 28,372.01 |
| 2 | City of St. John's April 2021 Tipping Fees | \$ 49,676.24 |
| 3 | EXP Services Inc. Power's Pond Oil Spill Biological Assessment | \$ 10,867.50 |
| 4 | Jewer Bailey Consultants Engineering Services - Glacier and Summit Centre mechanical systems | \$ 8,126.23 |
| 5 | MVT Canadian Bus Inc Gobus trips April 2021 | \$ 28,079.96 |
| 6 | North Atlantic Dyed Diesel | \$ 5,200.55 |
| 7 | North Atlantic Dyed Diesel | \$ 8,257.56 |
| 8 | North Atlantic Regular Unleaded | \$ 5,258.57 |
| 9 | North Atlantic Regular Unleaded | \$ 7,330.73 |
| 10 | North Atlantic Regular Unleaded | \$ 7,628.26 |
| 11 | Terra Nova Motors 2020 GMC Sierra 3500 | \$ 114,876.95 |
| | Total | \$ 273,674.56 |

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

21-05-286 Payment Register and Purchase Card Report

The payment register for the period of May 13 - 21, 2021, totalling \$895,431.25, as well as the purchase card report for March 2021, totalling \$245,842.00, were accepted as presented.

21-05-287 RFP-21-015 - Workplace Conflict Management

Motion – Councillor Antle/Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to award RFP-21-015, Workplace Conflict Management, to TRIAD Conflict Management and Consulting, in the amount of \$40,000.00 (plus HST).

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

2021 Municipal Election

21-05-288 Datafix Contract

Motion – Councillor Antle/Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to enter into a new 4-year agreement with DataFix (Comprint Systems Inc.) for the provision of an Election Management System and Optional Modules, including Vote by Mail, at a cost of \$41,700.00 (plus HST).

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

21-06-289 Nomination of Candidates

Motion – Councillor Antle/Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT in accordance with section 14(4) of the *Municipal Elections Act*, approval be granted to conduct the nomination of candidates between the hours of 9 AM and 4 PM on August 24 and 25, 2021.

Nominations will be held at City Hall. Candidates are asked to contact the Returning Officer to arrange an appointment.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

21-06-290 Advance Poll

Motion – Councillor Antle/Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT in accordance with section 26 (1) of the *Municipal Elections Act*, approval be granted to hold an advance poll on September 18, 2021, between the hours of 8 am – 8 pm.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

21-06-291 Recount

Motion – Councillor Antle/Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT in accordance with section 61 (1) of the *Municipal Elections Act*, it is approved that for the election of councillors, when the difference in the number of votes received between the defeated candidate with the highest number of votes and the candidate elected with the lowest number of votes, is less than 10, the defeated candidate may request that the Returning Officer conduct a recount of the ballots cast in the election.

AND FURTHER THAT in accordance with section 61 (2) of the *Municipal Elections Act*, it is approved that for the election of mayor, the second-place candidate, whereby the difference in the number of votes received does not exceed 10, may request that the Returning Officer conduct a recount of the ballots cast in the election.

Any previous motions related to this section of the Act are repealed.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

Vote By Mail Regulations will be presented for Council's consideration following a review by the Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs.

INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

21-06-292 Contract Recommendation – RFP-21-010 - 2021 Asphalt and Concrete Services

Motion – Deputy Mayor Locke/Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to award RFP-21-010, Asphalt and Concrete Services contract, to the lowest, qualified bidder, Modern Paving Ltd., for the amount of \$507,246.24 (HST included).

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

21-06-293 Contract Recommendation – Janitorial Services, City Buildings - TP-21-016

Motion – Deputy Mayor Locke/Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to award TP-21-016, Janitorial Services for City Buildings contract, to the lowest, qualified bidder, Philrobben Janitorial Ltd., for the amount of \$360,654.67 (HST included).

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

21-06-294 Tennis Courts - LED Lighting Upgrade

Motion – Deputy Mayor Locke/Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to proceed with an LED lighting upgrade for the St. David's tennis courts, to be undertaken by the City's electrical contractor, for the amount of \$71,030.42 (HST included).

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

21-06-295 MYCW 2020-2023 Proposed Project Listing

Motion – Deputy Mayor Locke/Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to proceed with the following projects and locations for application under the Multi Year Capital Works 2020-2023 Funding Program:

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| Wyatt Boulevard (Full Replacement) |
| Farrell Drive (Topsail – Evans; Full Replacement) |
| Farrell Drive Pumphouse Upgrades (Building and Underground upgrades) |
| First Street (Section from #17 First Street-Glendale; Full Replacement) |
| Kean Place (Full Replacement) |
| Jacqueline Road (Full Replacement) |

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

21-06-296 Proposed Projects for 2021 Gas Tax – CPR21005

Motion – Deputy Mayor Locke/Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT the following locations be approved for the 2021 Gas Tax improvements:

Proposed Project Locations:

- Park Avenue - Note: Camera inspection to be completed to determine the condition of storm sewer, which affects upgrading amount.
- Remainder of Topsail Road (Corisande Drive to Paradise Overpass).
- Corisande Drive/Clyde Avenue intersection improvements.
- Dunn's Road Bridge rehabilitation.
- Commonwealth Avenue Bridge rehabilitation.
- Bragg Crescent repair where required.
- Remainder of Old Placentia Road (Richard Nolan Drive to Commonwealth Avenue) – upgrades to asphalt and sidewalks identified from inspection.

Other Locations Identified during Initial Inspections:*

- Richard Nolan Drive repair where required.
- Crocker Place.
- Luther Place.
- Barbour Place repair where required.
- Glencoe Drive (near 5 Glencoe Drive and former Sears building).
- Grant's Court.

*These areas will be addressed in order of inspection ranking and remaining budget.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

21-06-297 Public Works Update

Deputy Mayor Locke provided an update on public works services including reference to the ongoing line painting as well as to the additional line markings and increased signage in the area of the Smallwood Drive/Park Avenue crosswalk.

21-06-298 Capital Projects Update

Deputy Mayor Locke provided an update on various projects.

21-06-299 Facility Maintenance and Inspections – Status Updates

Deputy Mayor Locke provided an update on facility maintenance and inspections.

NEW BUSINESS

21-06-300 Line Painting

Deputy Mayor Locke advised that positive feedback has been received from residents regarding the ongoing line painting.

21-06-301 Waterford River Clean Up

Deputy Mayor Locke extended appreciation to members of the Mount Pearl Lions Club, Rotary Club of Waterford Valley, and City staff who participated in the Waterford River Clean Up. He encouraged residents to pick up litter in their neighbourhoods, parks, and open space areas. The City provides garbage bags, gloves and pick up of the litter collected.

21-06-302 Congratulations – Ashford Sales

Members of Council extended congratulations to Ashford Sales on their 50th anniversary in business.

21-06-303 Johnny & Mae's

Councillor Fry extended congratulations to Kyle and Alicia McKenna, on the opening of their food truck, Johnny & Mae's, located in the Church of the Good Shepherd parking lot.

21-06-304 Nia on the Rock

Councillor Fry advised that the Association for the Arts and Admiralty House are hosting workouts, Nia on the Rock, on Wednesdays on the Admiralty House grounds. Further information is available on the Admiralty House website.

21-06-305 Roaming Animals

Councillor Fry led the discussion on problems associated with roaming dogs and cats, i.e., other dogs being attacked, cats causing damage to gardens. The City has regulations in place and residents should contact animal control or the municipal enforcement division to report nuisance animals. Violation notices as well as tickets can be issued, and animals impounded. A suggestion for improved signage stating that animals are to be leashed was also made. Residents were reminded that it was their responsibility to be in control of and responsible for their pets. It was noted that the municipal enforcement division is currently following up on reported complaints regarding untethered dogs.

21-06-306 Seniors Independence Group

Councillor Antle advised that the Seniors Independence weekly bingo takes place on Wednesday afternoons at the Reid Community Centre.

21-06-307 Ross King Memorial Public Library

Councillor Antle advised of a change in the hours of operation at the Library. Further information is available on their website.

21-06-308 Milestone Birthdays

Councillor Antle extended best wishes to Mr. Charles Starkes who recently celebrated his 99th birthday.

21-06-309 Chamber of Commerce – Mayor’s Outlook

Councillor Antle advised that the Annual Mayor’s Outlook (virtual) event is scheduled for June 3, 2021.

Mayor Aker advised that his Outlook presentation would include the City’s strategic planning process, outlook for the City’s future and economic base.

Mayor Aker also extended congratulations to Herb Jenkins on becoming an Honourary Life Member of the Mount Pearl Soccer Association and to Ashford Sales on their 50th anniversary.

He also advised of a request for an outside court for the game of pickle ball. Referred to Community Services staff for follow up and report back to Council via the Community Services Committee.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:55 pm on a motion by Councillor Fry and seconded by Councillor Antle.

Chairperson

City Clerk