

# PUBLIC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES October 12, 2021

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held in the Council Chambers on October 12, 2021, at 4:30 pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT	STAFF PRESENT
Mayor Dave Aker	Dana Spurrell, Chief Administrative Officer
Deputy Mayor Nicole Kieley	Jason Collins, Director of Community Development
Councillor Jim Locke	Gerry Antle, Director of Infrastructure and Public Works
Councillor Isabelle Fry	Stacey Pratt, City Clerk
Councillor Bill Antle	Arlene Mullins, Executive Assistant
Councillor Chelsea Lane	Janice Mullins, Manager Human Resources
Councillor Mark Rice	ABSENT -Cassie Pittman, Director of Corporate Services

## Mayor Aker chaired the meeting.

Introduction of new Council and Staff

## 21-10-529 Adoption of Agenda

<u>Motion</u> – Deputy Mayor Kieley/Councillor Antle

RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

#### 21-10-530 Adoption of Minutes

<u>Motion</u> – Councillor Fry/Councillor Locke

RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the public meeting held September 21, 2021, be adopted as presented.

Errors & Omissions: None noted.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

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#### **BUSINESS ARISING**

None Identified

#### **ACTION REPORT**

None presented

## PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

None presented

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

MAA Call for Nominations – Urban and Avalon Region Directors – referred to COTW

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

#### 21-10-531 Gas Tax 2019-2024 Funding Project Update

ESD recommends that the funding amount of \$263,576.72, remaining from the 2014-2019 Gas Tax Funding Program, be transferred to the 2019-2024 Gas Tax Funding Program and the associated projects be closed.

Motion -Councillor Fry/Councillor Rice

RESOLVED THAT: Funding be transferred and associated projects closed

<u>Discussion:</u> Council asked for explanation of the item. Director Antle confirmed the administrative process of moving balance of unused funding from 2014 -2019 forward to 2019-2024 program noting all programs completed for 2014-2019, either under budget and/or requiring less budget than initially identified for the projects. Balance forward is in addition to current 2019-2024 funding.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

#### 21-10-532 Recommended Purchase – Utility Terrain Vehicle (UTV)

The Department recommends purchase of the UTV from the supplier with the lowest quote, NL Kubota Limited, at a price of \$38,642.43 (including HST). The cost for this equipment could be accommodated with the 2021 Fleet budget

Motion – Councillor Fry/Councillor Rice

RESOLVED THAT UTV vehicle be purchased.

<u>Discussion:</u> Council inquired about additional staffing and bridge accessibility on trails for the new vehicle. It was noted that trail bridges would need to be widened. Current staff would be utilized and the new groomer would be a back up to the current for continuous operation. If resources are available, expansion of trail grooming can be explored.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

## 21-10-533 The following change orders are submitted for consideration:

C.O. No.	Description	Total (Inc. HST)
1	Topsoil and sod placement Area is 200 square meters at a	\$4,140.00
	unit price of \$18.00 per square meter.	
2	Additional Sections for Manhole-0071. The new chamber	\$5,326.80
	was required to be raised 2m.	
3	Supply and installation of rigid insulation between the watermain and storm sewer main at Farrell Drive.	\$233.45
4	Extra Chamber on Farrell Drive to Realign Storm Sewer. This	\$12,907.60
	was required to reroute the storm sewer.	
5	Project quantities that are tracking to be over the tendered	\$21,344.00
	quantity, including curb ad gutter, sidewalk and asphalt.	
6	The removal and reinstatement of the driveway at #907	\$16,804.93
	Topsail Road as a result of construction impacts.	
7	Installation of pumped concrete below the headwall to replace the granular materials.	\$2875.00
	Total:	\$63,631.78

Motion - Councillor Fry/Councillor Rice

RESOLVED THAT the change orders noted above be approved.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously

#### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

## 21-10-534 <u>23 Truxtun Place – Family Child Care Use (Discretionary Use) Children's Birthday</u> Party

The Committee recommends approval of the discretionary use application by property owner of 23 Truxtun Place to operate a family child care use within a portion of the dwelling at 23 Truxtun.

Motion – Councillor Antle/Councillor Lane

RESOLVED THAT the application for the family child care be approved.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously

#### 21-10-535 Annual Safety Skeleton – October 31, 2021

The annual safety skeleton will take place on Sunday, October 31st. The City's Municipal Enforcement Officers will patrol the streets within Mount Pearl to ensure safety is being followed, while giving treats to those seen

#### 21-10-536 <u>Annual Pumpkin Parade</u> – St. David's Park ~ November 1, 2021

The annual pumpkin parade is planned for Monday, November 1st from 6-8pm. Residents are invited to bring their pumpkins to help light up the night at the Park. All pumpkins will be collected and composted after the event compliments of the City of Mount Pearl.

#### 21-10-537 Development Permit List – Sept 20 – Oct 8, 2021

Development Permit #	Date of Issue	Company/Name	Type of Use	Civic Address
DP21-0529	Oct 5, 2021	Keystone Builders	Development of 2nd Floor (3 Tenant Spaces)	1 Olympic Drive
DP21-0589	Oct 7, 2021	Astrid & Lily Save the World	Open Air Assembly	1 Arena Road and Associated Areas

The Committee recommends that the building permits issued for the period of September 20 to October 8, 2021, showing a total construction value of \$1,367,300.00, be approved, and further that the occupancy permit list be accepted as presented.

Motion – Councillor Antle/Councillor Lane

RESOLVED THAT the permits be issued as requested

Question called. Motion carried unanimously

#### CORPORATE SERVICES AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

#### 21-10-538 <u>Invoices for Approval</u>

Motion – Councillor Locke/Deputy Mayor Kieley

RESOLVED THAT the following invoices be approved for payment:

1	Armour Lock & Safe	\$ 68,108.61
	City Buildings Card Access Control	
2	City of St. John's	\$ 252,806.74
	August 2021 Water Consumption	
3	City of St. John's	\$ 47,933.20
	August 2021 Tipping Fees	
4	Data Fix	\$ 14,950.00
	Voterview Election Management System	
5	Fougere Menchenton Architecture	\$ 9,890.00
	Professional Services - Splash Pad	
6	Lifeworks	\$ 7,515.27
	Quarterly Fee September 2021	
7	McInnes Cooper	\$ 9,120.17
	Professional Services	
8	MVT Canadian Bus	\$ 37,619.67
	August 2021 Gobus Transit Service	
9	Ren Technologies	\$ 8,045.04
	Data Centre UPS	 
	Total	\$ 455,988.70

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

#### 21-10-539 Payment Register

For the information of Council, the following payment register for September 20-September 23, 2021, totaled \$1,142,719.77.

#### 21-10-540 <u>Tax Deferral – Low Income Earners</u>

Motion - Deputy Mayor Kieley/Councillor Locke

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

Account #	Amount Deferred
11281	\$4,712.27

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### 21-10-541 Small Business Week

Members of council acknowledged Small Business week highlighting contests and information sessions for small business owners on the City's website. Noted was foreign direct investment roll out upgrade to Mount Pearl platform to enhance the City's support for existing small business.

## 21-10-542 <u>Congratulations - Kevin Walsh</u>

Councillor Antle congratulated Kevin Walsh of Mount Pearl Skating Club in receiving the Sport Alliance Awesomeness Award on October 7, 2021. Correspondence to be sent on behalf of the City

#### 21-10-543 Mental Health Taskforce

Councillor Fry noted Alex Taylor is fundraising Nov 13<sup>th</sup> at the Lantern on Barnes Road in aid of the Mental Health Taskforce

#### 21-10-544 Mount Pearl Minor Hockey

Councillor Antle noted Council members attended launch for <u>Hockey with Heart</u> on October 10<sup>th</sup>. A toonie drop on will be held on Nov 6<sup>th</sup> to raise money for local foodbanks

#### 21-10-545 Foodbank fundraisers

Councillor Lane noted a drive through food bank held at First Street United Church in support of Bridges to Hope held on October 9<sup>th</sup> Thanks given to the Church for its ongoing community support.

Councillor Lane also thanked teachers, staff and families of students, as well as students of O'Donnall Junior High, Newtown Elementary, St. Peter's Primary and Junior High for their food drive efforts during the week of Oct 5<sup>th</sup>

#### 21-10-546 Fall Craft Fair at the Reid Centre Oct 11th.

#### 21-10-547 Congratulations to MHA Paul Lane

Councillor Lane congratulated MHA Paul Lane for reaching 10 years as a Member of the House of Assembly.

## 21-10-548 Premier's Athletic Award

Councillor Lane congratulated the following athletes from Mount Pearl selected for the 2021 Premier's Athletic Award: Shae Le Devehat, Chase Tucker, Cole Tucker, Brooke Le Devehat, Terrie Hefford, Kaitlyn Hawco, Cecillia Martino, Morgan Harris, Megan Holden, Sarah Dawe

#### 21-10-549 Congratulations

Congratulations to Jim O'Toole newly elected Vice President for the Atlantic Provinces Firefighters Association.

Councillor Fry wished a happy 96<sup>th</sup> birthday to Joan O'Keefe, Hilcrest Estates

Councillor Fry congratulated newly elected Council members and any who put their names forward for the election and thanked the residents for their votes.

Mayor congratulated staff who helped with the election and swearing in ceremony and requested an Election Update Report from the CAO

#### 21-10-550 Truth and Reconciliation

Councillor Fry noted the following in honor of Truth and Reconciliation and Every Child Matters.

On September 30<sup>th</sup> – City Hall using orange lighting in support of indigenous children, families and communities on National Truth and Reconciliation Day.

On October 4<sup>th</sup> Members of council attended Sisters of Spirit event for missing murdered indigenous women, and gender diverse individuals. Noted was the 12 red dresses displayed and their significance

On Oct 8<sup>th</sup> Members of council attended Ribbon Ceremony at St. David's Park in Remembrance of the children who lost their lives in residential schools.

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#### 21-10-551 SeniorsNL

Councillor Fry noted the September 29<sup>th</sup> Seniors of Newfoundland and Labrador Annual meeting with guest speaker Dr. Jane Barrett. Noted was the increase in supports for seniors.

## 21-10-552 Ribbon Cutting ceremony for Pipers.

Mayor and Council members attended the grand opening of Pipers.

#### 21-10-553 Mount Pearl Chamber of Commerce

Councillor Locke acknowledged a new campaign launched by Mount Pearl COC "Buy Here Bys" to encourage residents to buy locally. The website is buyhereby.com

#### 21-10-554 World Mental Health Day

Councillor Fry acknowledged October 10<sup>th</sup> as World Mental Health day - Mental Health Care for All.

### 21-10-554 Budget 2022

Council encouraged residents to visit heymountpearl.ca website and participate in budget discussions. Also mentioned was the Citizen Reporting Tool to report city issues at mpcitizenreporter.ca Council encouraged residents to reach out.

#### <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:30 pm on a motion by Councillor Lane and seconded by Councillor Rice.

 Chairperson	City Clerk	