



**PUBLIC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**June 28, 2022**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held in Council Chambers on June 28, 2022, at 4:34 pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT	STAFF PRESENT
Mayor Dave Aker	Dana Spurrell, Chief Administrative Officer
Deputy Mayor Nicole Kieley	Janice Mullins, Manager of Human Resources
Councillor Isabelle Fry	Corey Harvey, Superintendent of Public Works
Councillor Bill Antle	Gerry Antle, Director of Planning Engineering & Development
Councillor Chelsea Lane	Jason Collins, Director of Recreation & Community Safety
Councillor Mark Rice	Stacey Pratt, Legislative Officer/City Clerk
Councillor Jim Locke	Arlene Mullins, Executive Assistant
	Absent
	Cassie Pittman, Director of Corporate Services
	Glen Dollimount, Director of Public Works

**Mayor Aker chaired the meeting.**

22-06-325 Adoption of Agenda

Motion – Councillor Lane/Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

22-06-326 Lands Acknowledgement

Read by Mayor Aker

22-06-327 Adoption of Minutes

Motion – Councillor Locke/ Deputy Mayor Kieley

RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the public meeting held June 14, 2022, be adopted

Errors & Omissions: - none noted

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

BUSINESS ARISING – none noted

ACTION REPORT

The action report was accepted as presented.

PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

22-06-328 Arthrogryposis Awareness Day

Mayor Aker signed a proclamation declaring June 30, 2022 as Arthrogryposis Awareness Day in the City of Mount Pearl.

Councillor Locke noted that City Hall was scheduled be lighted in blue. The CAO to confirm the scheduled lighting for June 30<sup>th</sup>.

CORRESPONDENCE None Presented.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

22-06-329 Welcome

Before beginning the Committee Reports, the Mayor welcomed and recognized the members of CUPE who were present for Public council.

PLANNING, ENGINEERING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

22-06-330 Two Guys Training – Change of Use Application 756-774 Topsail Road (Mount Pearl Square)

Motion: Councillor Fry/Councillor Rice

RESOLVED THAT, that the application by Two Guys Training to operate a Commercial School Use at 756-774 Topsail Road to operate a motorcycle training school on the rear parking lot of the existing commercial building known as Mount Pearl Square be declined on the basis of the city being in receipt of noise complaints relating to the business operations as per section 6.29 of the Mount Pearl Development Regulations 2010.

Councillor Antle noted the parking lot was closed, but when it reopened would other businesses be allowed to operate there. The PED Director noted this would depend on the type of business and an application would have to be submitted and then it would be determined if the request would fall within what is permitted for that zone. A change of use would come to Council for consideration.

Councillor Fry asked for clarification as this was considered a parking lot meant for parking and not operating a business. The PED Director noted that it would depend on the commercial use permit provided for the use of the facility, whether they could operate within that facility.

Councillor Antle asked if food trucks were allowed to operate in the parking lot. The PED Director noted that this was a different use and was permitted within the Mobile Canteen regulations.

Question called – Motion carried unanimously.

22-06-331 Easement for NF Power Upgrade to Three Phase Power, Parks Shed

Motion: Councillor Fry/Councillor Rice

RESOLVED THAT, approval be given for the easement and Contribution Agreement for Newfoundland Power.

The Mayor requested clarification on the Contribution Agreement. The PED Director noted this was an agreement whereby the easement would be transferred to NL Power's authority and was a zero dollar contribution agreement.

Councillor Locked asked if there were any adverse to parking or use of the yard. The PED Director noted there could be some impact if a permanent structure is placed there, but no impact on parking.

Question called – Motion carried unanimously.

22-06-332 2022 Gas Tax Application (revised to adjust for Topsail Road Sinkhole) Request for Approval to Proceed with Application Multiple Streets - Asphalt Renewal

Motion: Councillor Fry/Councillor Rice

RESOLVED THAT, approval be given to apply for 2022 Gas Tax funding for 'Multiple Streets - Asphalt Renewal', for the following locations – Topsail Road Emergency Storm Sewer Repairs, Mount Carson Avenue, Richard Nolan Drive, Worrall Crescent, Talon Place and Benson Place.

The Mayor abstained from the vote because he lives on Talon Place.

Question called - Motion carried unanimously by the 6 remaining Council members.

22-06-333 Building & Occupancy Permit Listing | June 13 – June 24, 2022

Motion: Councillor Rice /Councillor Lane

RESOLVED THAT, the building permits issued for the period of June 13 – June 24, 2022,

showing a total construction value of \$286,500.00 be approved, and further that the occupancy permit list be accepted as presented.

Question called – Motion carried unanimously

22-06-334 Development Permit Listing | June 13 – June 24, 2022

Motion: Councillor Rice/Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT, the following development permits be approved for the period of June 13 – June 24 2022

<u>Development Permit #</u>	<u>Date of Issue</u>	<u>Company/Name</u>	<u>Type of Use</u>	<u>Civic Address</u>
DP22-0060	June 24, 2022	Golfshotz	Interior Renovations (Mezzanine)	181-183 Commonwealth Avenue
DP22-0118	June 24, 2022	Best Kind BBQ	Open Air Assembly Use	St. David's Park

Question called – Motion carried unanimously

22-06-335 Construction Update

Councillor Rice provided status update on the ongoing construction projects within the city.

CORPORATE SERVICES & PUBLIC WORKS

22-06-336 Invoices for Approval

Motion: Councillor Locke/Deputy Mayor Kieley

RESOLVED THAT, the following invoices be approved for payment:

1	Avalon Coal Salt & Oil 1,386.62 Tonnes Road Salt	\$ 173,222.81
2	Avalon Coal Salt & Oil 65.1 Tonnes Road Salt	\$ 8,132.59
3	City of St. John's April 2022 Tipping Fees	\$ 43,265.90
4	City of St. John's February 2022 Tipping Fees	\$ 38,747.90
5	City of St. John's Regional Fire Services Jan-June 2022	\$ 2,707,076.52
6	Lifeworks Monthly Fee June - August 2022	\$ 7,515.26
7	McInnes Cooper Professional Services	\$ 25,649.60
8	McInnes Cooper Professional Services	\$ 29,551.69
9	Pro Circuit Glacier Lighting Repairs	\$ 67,361.75
10	St. John's Transportation Commission March 2022 Transit Services	\$ 107,457.73

Question called – Motion carried unanimously.

22-06-337 Payment Register

For the information of Council, the following payment register for June 7 to June 21 2022, totaled \$ 1,639,181.99 and the purchase card report for April 26 to May 25, 2022 totaled \$480,859.83.

22-06-338 TP22-027 After Hours Answering Service

Motion: Deputy Mayor Kieley/ Councillor Locke

RESOLVED THAT, the contract for after-hours answering services – TP22-027 be awarded to the lowest qualified bidder, The Call Centre Inc. “Telelink”, for the bid amount of \$21,390.00 (HST included) per year, which is within operating account budget for this year and anticipated budgets for future years.

Question called – Motion carried unanimously

22-06-339 Public Works Status Update

Deputy Mayor Kieley provided an update on Public Works items such as fleet vehicles, roads, parks and UTM

RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SAFETY

22-06-340 Admiralty House Communications Museum | 2<sup>nd</sup> Installment 2022 Operating Grant

Motion: Councillor Antle/Councillor Lane

RESOLVED THAT, approval be given to release the second installment of the Admiralty

House Communication Museum's operating subsidy in the amount of \$45,000 as per the Memorandum of Understanding between the City and the Museum.

Question called - motion carried unanimously

22-06-341 Bus Service – Summer Recreation Programs 2022 – Tender Award (TP22-024)

Motion: Councillor Antle/ Councillor Lane

RESOLVED THAT, approval be given to award the Bus Services Summer Recreation Programs 2022 tender TP-22-024 to the lowest bidder, Executive Taxi Services, with a total cost of \$39,614.05, HST Included, which is covered within the Recreation and Community Safety's budget

Question called - motion carried unanimously

22-06-342 Canada Day Celebrations (July 1, 2022)

The City will provide a family friendly celebration of Canada's birthday on July 1st from 1- 3pm at St. David's Park. There will be multicultural food, live entertainment by The Fables, bouncy castles, cupcakes and more! Don't forget to wear your red and white! Let's celebrate our diverse country. Rainy day location is the Glacier Arena. The celebrations are FREE to attend! No registration required

22-06-343 2022 Battle of Beaumont Hamel – Wreath Laying Ceremony July 1, 2022

The Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 36's Beaumont Hamel Remembrance Ceremony will take place at 10:30am at the War Memorial at St. David's Park. There will not be a parade, however, there will be a march by the Royal Newfoundland Regiment with the placing of the colors followed by the Wreath Laying Ceremony. The Ceremony will be streamed live on the City's Facebook page.

NEW BUSINESS

22-06-344 2025 Summer Games

Councillor Fry attended the Canada Games Vision Session on June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022 noting that the municipalities are working together to host the 2025 Summer Games and are looking forward to welcoming visitors to the province.

22-06-345 Congratulations

Members of Council offered congratulations to Councillor Locke on his retirement as a teacher. Councillor Lane noted that he had inspired her to become a teacher.

Mayor Aker noted that he had served on Council for 13 years with Councillor Locke. He noted Councillor Locke to be a team player and offered his sincere wishes for his

retirement.

22-06-346 Movie in the park.

Councillor Fry wanted to offer thank to staff for putting together the first movie in the park for the summer.

Councillor Rice noted that he and Councillor Fry had an opportunity to meet some of the park patrol and looked forward to seeing them out on the trails.

22-06-347 Vandalism

Councillor Fry wanted to remind residents to keep their car doors locked and advised residents to be diligent.

22-06-348 Admiralty House – Field Trip

Councillor Locke noted that he and a fellow teacher had taken a field trip to the museum with their classes. He noted the punk rock exhibit was very well done and worth seeing and that there were opportunities to play the instruments displayed. He also stated that students commented on the enthusiasm and knowledge of staff at the museum

22-06-349 End of School Year

Councillor Locke noted that school is finished for this year and the children were out for the summer and on bikes/scooters. He asked that residents look out for kids around play areas.

22-06-350 Mount Pearl Sports Alliance Hall of Fame Awards June 20

Councillor Locke offered congratulations to the Sport Alliance and the award recipients.

22-06-351 National Indigenous Peoples Day.

Deputy Mayor Kieley acknowledged June 21<sup>st</sup> as National Indigenous People's Day. She noted it was a time to for all Canadian's to recognize and celebrate the distinct cultures, heritage and contributions of Indigenous peoples.

22-06-352 Fireworks

Deputy Mayor Kieley reminded residents that fireworks were only permitted between dusk and 11 pm and spoke of the sensitivities of people and animals to the noise made by the fireworks.

Councillor Rice noted the safety tips for fireworks were listed on the city's website and asked that residents abide by the rules for fireworks.

Councillor Fry also spoke of the animals and people who are distressed by the fireworks. She asked to take away for discussion as to where the fireworks can be set off from a safety perspective.

22-06-353 Foodbank Drive – St. David's Field

Councillor Antle noted the Alex Taylor has organized a food drive on July 9<sup>th</sup> from 2 pm – 4pm at St. David's Field. He also noted that Alex and his band would play as well as some invited guests and the admission would be a donation for the food bank.

22-06-354 Shared Trailway

Councillor Antle reminded residents to be respectful and keep to the right when using the trails. He noted it is a shared trail system with walkers, joggers and bikers. He asked that residents keep e bikes to 20 km required on the trails.

22-06-355 Condolences

Councillor Antle offered condolences to the family of Paul Hibbs on the passing of their loved one.

22-06-356 Public Works Superintendent

Councillor Rice offered congratulations to the new Superintendent of Public Works.

22-06-357 Trail System

Councillor Rice also asked that residents to stay to the right and be respectful on the trails and noted bikes should have a bell.

The Mayor agreed that any bikes utilizing the trail system should have a bell. He noted that the city had given out bells in the past and suggested that park patrol give out bells to residents for bikes. He asked that the RCS Director bring back to committee to distribute bells on the trail via park patrol.

22-06-358 U15 and U16 Boys Atlantic Championship

Councillor Rice offered congratulations to the U15 and U16 boys soccer teams who played in the championship games June 23-26 in Nova Scotia.

22-06-359 Public Library Programing.

Councillor Lane informed the public that the Mount Pearl Public Library would be hosting TikTok inspired crafts on Thursday 1:30 pm for ages 12 and up.

22-06-360 Canoe and Kayak Program



Councillor Lane noted that the 2022 canoe and kayak free rental program and would run from July 11 to August 26<sup>th</sup> at Power's Pond.

22-06-361 Summit Pools Open.

Councillor Lane noted for the information of the public that the Summit pools were now open, and programming would proceed as scheduled.

22-06-362 Acknowledgement

The Mayor offered acknowledgement to the Manager of Human Resources as well as congratulations to the new Superintendent of Public Works who joined tonight's meeting.

22-06-363 Collective Bargaining

The Mayor noted that CUPE representatives and members were present earlier during the meeting. He stated the reason they were present was because the collective agreement was up and there was a possibility of strike action and disruption in services. He noted contingency plans were being made in the event of job action and stated the city wanted bargaining to continue to reach a fair and reasonable agreement with the workers. He also noted there was some progress to date, and he would like to see the parties continue to bargain. He wanted to advise public that they may see some things such as the nets pulled back at the sports field, but that these were part of the contingency. The Mayor noted it was important to have face to face meetings to reach a resolution and that council is focused on working for the residents and businesses of Mount Pearl and reaching a fair agreement for everyone.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:40 pm on a motion by Councillor Antle and seconded by Councillor Rice.

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Chairperson

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City Clerk