



## PUBLIC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

**May 16, 2023**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held in Chambers on May 16, 2023, at 4:30pm.

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

### Mayor Aker chaired the meeting.

23-05-251 Adoption of Agenda

Motion – Councillor Locke/ Councillor Lane

RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

23-05-252 Lands Acknowledgement

Read by Mayor Aker

23-05-253 Adoption of Minutes

Motion – Councillor Fry/Deputy Mayor Kieley

RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the public meeting held May 2, 2023 be adopted as presented.

Errors & Omissions: none

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

BUSINESS ARISING

23-05-254 Youth Week May 1 – 7, 2023

Councillor Fry asked for an update on item 245 of the May 2, 2023 minutes. The Superintendent of Municipal Enforcement acknowledged the success of the activities offered such as Karaoke, paint night, a Nerf party, and pool and ping pong tournaments. He noted participation was up with 25-30 participants for each event. The Superintendent of Municipal Enforcement noted, however, that the baseball tournament was postponed and would go ahead a little later this year.

ACTION REPORT

The action report was accepted as presented.

PROCLAMATIONS

23-05-255 National Public Works Week

Mayor Aker proclaimed the week of May 21 – 27, 2023 as National Public Works Week in the City of Mount Pearl.

Council members spoke to the importance of public works and the public works services and programs within the City. Council extended thanks to public works employees for their efforts in ensuring the efficient operation of the City. They acknowledged the planned activities for the week and encouraged participation.

23-05-256 International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia – May 17, 2023

Mayor Aker proclaimed May 17 as International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia in the City of Mount Pearl.

Council members spoke to the importance of the proclamation to bring awareness and continued change for the rights and equality of the LGBTQ+ Community. They also spoke of resources in the community such as Quadrangle NL and Gay Straight Alliances within schools, which help to create a community of acceptance and support.

PRESENTATIONS – None

CORRESPONDENCE - None presented.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CORPORATE SERVICES AND PUBLIC WORKS

23-05-257 Invoices for Approval

Motion: Councillor Locke/Deputy Mayor Kieley

RESOLVED THAT, the following invoices be approved for payment:

The Committee recommends that the following invoices be approved for payment:

1	MacNab, Fagan & Murphy Professional Services	\$ 9,207.63
2	Omnigo Software IT Services	\$ 6,796.18
2	Perfect Day Professional Services	\$ 10,062.50
4	SolidCAD License Fees	\$ 5,573.93
5	St John's Transportation Commission Go Bus Fees 1st Qtr 2023	\$ 20,907.00
6	Toromont Cat Loader Parts	\$ 52,230.98
	<b>Total</b>	\$ 104,778.22

Question called – Motion carried unanimously.

23-05-258 Payment Register and Purchase Card Report

For the information of Council, the following payment register for April 27 – May 10, 2023, totaled \$ 710,892.38, and the purchase card report for March 2023 totaled \$217,930.16

23-05-259 Request for Tax Consideration

Motion: Councillor Locke/Deputy Mayor Kieley

RESOLVED THAT, approval be given to exempt 2020-2021 business taxes, in accordance with the policy for charitable and non-profit organizations, for the following:

Name	Address	Type	Annual Amount
TaskforceNL	21 Glencoe Drive	Business (100%)	\$32,643.48

Question called – Motion carried unanimously

23-05-260 Request for Travel – Councillor Lane- FCM Toronto, ON May 25 -28, 2023

Motion: Councillor Locke/Deputy Mayor Kieley

RESOLVED THAT, approval be given for Councillor Lane to attend the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Annual Conference in Toronto, ON, for May 25-28, 2023, which is within budget.

Question called – Motion carried unanimously

23-05-261 Request for Travel – Councillor Lane – PWX San Diego, CA August 27 – 30, 2023

Motion: Councilor Locke/Deputy Mayor Kieley

RESOLVED THAT, approval be given for Councillor Lane to attend the Public Works Expo (PWX) in San Diego for August 27-30, 2023, which is within budget.

Question called – Motion carried unanimously

23-05-262 Request for Professional Development – Director Dollimont – 2023 Water and Recycling Expo, Mississauga, ON September 26 – 27, 2023

Motion: Deputy Mayor Kieley/Councillor Locke

RESOLVED THAT, approval be given for the Director of Public Works, Glen Dollimont to attend the 2023 Waste and Recycling Expo in Mississauga on September 26-27, 2023.

Question called- Motion carried unanimously

23-05-263 Request for Professional Development – Director Pittman - Future of Work Series on June 6-7, 2023 Chicago, IL

Motion: Deputy Mayor Kieley/Councillor Locke

RESOLVED THAT, approval be given for the Director of Corporate Services, Cassie Pittman, to attend the Future of Work Series on June 6-7, 2023, in Chicago, IL

Question called – Motion carried unanimously

23-05-264 Low Risk Investments

Motion: Deputy Mayor Kieley/Councillor Locke

RESOLVED THAT, approval be given for the City to invest allocated but unspent city funds in guaranteed investment certificates up to a maximum of \$10M to ensure that allocated but unspent cash is working harder to fund city expenditures on behalf of taxpayers.

The Mayor noted this was not a commitment to invest \$10M but rather authorization to the CAO and CS Director to invest up to this amount.

Question called – Motion carried unanimously

23-05-265 Proposed Purchase and Installation of Accessible Bus Shelter in 2023

Motion: Deputy Mayor Kieley/Councillor Locke

RESOLVED THAT, that approval be given for Pro Circuit Electrical Inc. to supply and deliver one wheelchair accessible bus shelter in the amount of \$18,083.18 (including HST), which is within budget.

Question called – Motion carried unanimously

23-05-266 Energy Efficiency Grant Program Recommendation

Motion: Deputy Mayor Kieley/Councillor Locke

RESOLVED THAT, that approval be given to award a grant of \$5,000.00 to VOAR-Seventh Day Adventist to contribute to the cost of their energy efficient LED light project at their property at 1043-1047 Topsail Road, which meets the criteria of the Energy Efficient Grant Program to reduce the city's carbon footprint.

Question called – Motion carried unanimously

23-05-267 Public Works Status Report

Deputy Mayor Kieley provided a Public Works update, highlighting items such as Bulk Garbage, on-going repairs resulting from snow clearing, summer season preparations, the commemorative bench and tree program, and fleet repairs. The Deputy Mayor also noted that Canada Post has started clean up around community mailboxes.

PLANNING, ENGINEERING AND DEVELOPMENT

23-05-268 Building & Occupancy Permit Listing | April 24 – May 5, 2023

Motion: Councillor Fry/Councillor Rice

RESOLVED THAT, the building permits issued for this period, showing a total construction value of \$2,927,014.00, be approved and FURTHER THAT the occupancy permit list be accepted as presented.

Question called – Motion carried unanimously.

Motion: Councillor Rice/Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT, the following permit listing be approved as presented for the period of April 24 – May 5, 2023.

<b>Development Permit #</b>	<b>Date of Issue</b>	<b>Company/Name</b>	<b>Type of Use</b>	<b>Civic Address</b>
DP23-0046	April 27/23	The Window Shop	New Building and associated site work	1082 Topsail Road
DP23-0120	May 2/23	Clean Cut Services NL	Home Office	65 Roosevelt Ave
DP22/0577	May 4/23	Family Child Care Use	Home Based Business	20 Whelan Ave.

Question called - Motion carried unanimously

23-05-270 Capital Projects Update

Councillor Rice provided an update on the following Capital Projects:

<b>Location</b>	<b>Scheduled Completion Date</b>
Spruce Avenue Infrastructure Upgrades	August 30, 2023
Old Placentia Road – Pedestrian Underpass Remediation	June 25, 2023
Smart Accessible Playground	July 15, 2023

RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SAFETY

23-05-271 Summer Day Camp Registration 2023

A reminder to the public of the summer day camp registration that will take place (online only) for Mount Pearl residents on Tuesday, May 30 at 5:00 pm; and for non-residents on Thursday, June 1 at 5:00 pm. Further details are available on the City website..

NEW BUSINESS

23-05-272 Focus on Youth Awards

Council members acknowledged the Focus on Youth Awards taking place on May 17 at the Glacier. Council also congratulated the nominees and thanked those who nominated them.

The Mayor and CAO acknowledged the hard work of the Events Coordinator, Rosie Stead, and staff for the planning and logistics of coordinating this event each year

23-05-273 Jersey Barriers -Stapleton Road

Councillor Rice thanked Public Works for installation of barriers on Stapleton road and noted that the residents had reached out via email to thank the City for placing the barriers.

23-05-274 Congratulations

Councillor Lane congratulation Mount Pearl Senior High student, Ava Antle, on receiving two National Acting Awards at the Canadian Model and Talent Convention placing Second Runner up and First in her respective categories.

23-05-275 Mount Pearl Minor Hockey Association (MPMHA)- Year-End Banquet

Councillor Fry and other members of Council attended the year-end banquet and extended congratulations and thanks to the MPMHA for all their volunteer work in organizing the event and for a successful year of hockey for the players.

23-05-276 Mount Pearl Senior High Robotics Team

Councillor Locke extended congratulations to the Mount Pearl Senior High Robotics Team on their second win in the regional ROV competition noting the team will now travel to the international competition in Colorado in June.

23-05-277 Municipal Awareness Week

Councillor Locke thanked residents for their entries in the 'Show Us Your Mount Pearl' photo contest held during Municipal Awareness Week and noted that the winning photo was submitted by Krista Fagan.

23-05-278 Find Your Centre – Kiosk at 29 Forest Avenue

Deputy Mayor Kieley announced that the first kiosk had been completed and was ready to be installed at 29 Forest Avenue. She noted the location was strategically chosen for City-hosted events, markets and activities to attract residents, visitors and tourists to Mount Pearl. She advised the City would be issuing a call for vendors this week, and once a vendor was selected, the City would host an event in June to unveil the kiosk and promote the area as a destination along the trailway.

23-05-279 Pickleball

Councillor Antle reminded residents to register for Pickleball and noted the sport is popular in Mount Pearl and available times are quickly booked.

23-05-280 National Composting Week

The Mayor acknowledged this week as National Composting week and invited the Corporate

Services Director to speak to the composting program offered by the City. The Director reported this was the third year that the program has been offered in the City. She advised that residents would have to participate in training available either in person, with the session led by MMSB or in an online self-paced session in order to purchase a compost bin.

ADJOURNMENT

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

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Chairperson

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City Clerk