



PUBLIC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

August 22, 2023

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held in Chambers on August 22, 2023, at 4:34 pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT	STAFF PRESENT
Mayor Dave Aker	Dana Spurrell, Chief Administrative Officer
Councillor Jim Locke	Gerry Antle, Director of Planning, Engineering & Development
Councillor Isabelle Fry	Jason Collins, Director of Recreation and Community Safety
Councillor Bill Antle	Glen Dollimount, Director of Public Works
Councillor Chelsea Lane	Stephanie Hynes, Manager of Finance
Councillor Mark Rice	Lisa Warren, Acting City Clerk
Absent	Absent
Deputy Mayor Nicole Kieley	Cassie Pittman, Director of Corporate Services
	Arlene Mullins, Executive Assistant

Mayor Aker chaired the meeting.

23-08-428 Adoption of Agenda

Motion – Councillor Fry / Councillor Antle

RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

23-08-429 Lands Acknowledgement

Read by Mayor Aker

23-08-430 Adoption of Minutes

Motion – Councillor Lane/Councillor Rice

RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the public meeting held August 8, 2023, be adopted as presented.

Errors & Omissions: none

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

BUSINESS ARISING

23-08-431 Invoices for Approval

Councillor Locke clarified that the expense for TOK Transit, Taxi Trips 2023 are not for city staff. The taxi service is part of para transit. A taxi will be sent if the ride is cheaper than the Go Bus.

ACTION REPORT

The action report was accepted as presented.

PRESENTATIONS – None

CORRESPONDENCE - None presented.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SAFETY

23-08-432 Provision of Retail / Canteen Services RFP – Glacier Arena Recommendation to Award

Motion: Councillor Lane/Councillor Antle

RESOLVED THAT, approval to award the RFP for the Provision of Retail / Canteen Services for the Glacier Arena (Rinks 1 and 2) to Fireside Catering Limited, based on the bid for service provided and general terms agreed for the four (4) year contract - September 1, 2023 to August 31, 2027, with option to renew for additional two (2) years.

Question called – Motion carried unanimously.

23-08-433 Summer Day Camp Conclusion | Driver & Pedestrian Safety Reminder

The City's summer day camp concludes on Friday, August 25th. Parents and guardians are asked to remind their children to be watchful when walking near streets, remain on sidewalks and look both ways. Drivers and pedestrians should be as vigilant as ever, as children may be out around visiting parks and playgrounds enjoying the remainder of their summer months.

23-08-434 Summer Canoe & Kayak Program

The City's Summer Canoe & Kayak Program will finish on Friday, August 25th and there are a few days remaining for residents to visit the Power's Pond boathouse location, daily, to take advantage of this FREE program offering. The hours of operation for this week (weather dependent):

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday from 3:30 - 8:00 pm AND Friday from 12:30 - 8:00 pm.

Councillor Locke inquired if in the future, the canoe/kayak program could be extended in September. The Director of Recreation and Community Safety advised the program is linked with student grants and it is budgeted for this year to end in August, but he will look into it for next year.

23-08-435 Summer Concert Series – Friday, August 25th

The Summer Concert Series continues this week with a performance by Mackenzie Critch this Friday from 12:00-1:30 PM at Centennial Park

23-08-436 Registration Dates for Upcoming Fall Swimming Lessons and Fitness Programs

For the information of the public, the online registration dates for the upcoming fall swimming lessons and fitness programs are as follows:

- Aquatics Swimming Lessons: Mount Pearl Residents on Monday, August 28th, 5:00pm and Open registration on Wednesday, August 30th, 5:00pm
- Mount Pearl General Fitness Programs: Mount Pearl Residents on Tuesday, September 5th, 5:00pm and Open on Thursday, September 7th, 5:00pm
- Mount Pearl Seniors Independence Fitness Classes: Mount Pearl Residents on Tuesday, September 5th, 1:00pm and Open on Thursday, September 7th, 1:00pm

Residents are reminded to provide Proof of Residency where applicable. For additional information on the lessons and fitness programs, visit the City's website.

PLANNING, ENGINEERING AND DEVELOPMENT

23-08-437 83 Commonwealth Avenue (DA23-0352) Residential to Commercial Conversion – Commercial General Use Zone

Motion: Councillor Fry /Councillor Rice

RESOLVED THAT, approval to develop the property at 83 Commonwealth Avenue commercially for Office Use, and recommends approval as a Planned Development, pursuant to section 4.21 of the Mount Pearl Development Regulations, and in consideration of the nearby residential uses a Development Permit be issued subject to the conditions as set out by the following:

1. St. John's Regional Fire Department
2. City of Mount Pearl – Inspection Services
3. City of Mount Pearl – Finance Division
4. City of Mount Pearl – Planning Division, and

5. City of Mount Pearl Development Regulations 2010 and related requirements

Question called – Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Aker has requested a plan for the demolition of the house on this property be brought back to the next public council meeting.

- 23-08-438 952 Topsail Road – Xylo’s K9 Kingdom (DA23-0159) Kennel Use – Discretionary

Motion: Councillor Fry / Councillor Rice

RESOLVED THAT, the application be approved and that a Development Permit be issued subject to Section 7.21 of the Mount Pearl Development Regulations 2010, and subject to the conditions as set out by Planning, Engineering and Development, specifically conditions as outlined by the following:

1. St. John’s Regional Fire Department
2. City of Mount Pearl – Inspection Services, Municipal Enforcement Division
3. City of Mount Pearl – Finance Division
4. City of Mount Pearl – Planning Division, and
5. City of Mount Pearl Development Regulations 2010 and related requirements

Question called – Motion carried unanimously.

- 23-08-439 St. David’s Avenue Smart Accessible Playground (MSIS#17-CCR-20-00000) Contractor Change Order #6 and Credit Change Order #7

Motion: Councillor Rice / Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT, approval be given for Change Order #6 for \$1,552.50 (HST included) and Change Order #7 in the credit amount to \$850.00 (HST included) for a total change to the project in the amount of \$702.50 (HST Included).

Question called – Motion carried unanimously.

- 23-08-440 Building & Occupancy Permit Listing | July 31-August 11, 2023

Motion: Councillor Rice /Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT, the building permits issued for this period, showing a total construction value of \$522,950.00 be approved and FURTHER THAT the occupancy permit list be accepted as presented.

Question called – Motion carried unanimously.

- 23-08-441 Capital Projects Update

Councillor Rice provided an update on the following:

- Spruce Street and Roosevelt Street Upgrading
- Work on Farrell Drive and Olympic Drive
- Asphalt and Concrete Repairs
- New Pickle Ball Court at Stephen Thistle Park
- Moffatt Road Subdivision

CORPORATE SERVICES AND PUBLIC WORKS

23-08-442 Invoices for Approval

Motion: Councillor Locke/Councillor Antle

RESOLVED THAT, the following invoices be approved for payment:

1	Municipal Construction Asphalt	\$ 5,384.86
2	Provincial Fence Products Ltd Fence Repairs Ruth Ave Field	\$ 16,401.30
3	TOK Transit Paratransit Taxi Trips July 2023	\$ 20,735.03
4	TOK Transit Taxi Trips July 2023	\$ 11,094.03
5	United Rentals Repairs	\$ 14,182.10
	Total	\$ 67,797.32

Question called – Motion carried unanimously.

23-08-443 Payment Register

For the information of Council, the following payment register for August 9-22, 2023, totaled \$738,302.97.

23-08-444 Public Works Status Report

Councillor Locke provided an update on ongoing road, parks, and fleet maintenance as well as UTM service calls.

NEW BUSINESS

23-08-445 Congratulations

Councillor Lane congratulated the Mount Pearl Blazers Girls 14U AA Baseball Team for taking home silver during their Provincials in Corner Brook and the Mount Pearl Blazers Boys 13U AAA Baseball Team for winning gold at the Mount Pearl McDonalds Tournament.

23-08-446 Lost Pets

Councillor Fry reminded residents to check the City's website for lost pets. The City will post photos of any pets picked up.

22-08-447 Storm Preparedness

Councillor Locke reminded residents that with the upcoming storm season, to ensure their property is weather proofed, i.e., branches trimming, etc.

22-08-448 Congratulations – Hot Frost Heat Pumps

Councillor Locke congratulated the owners of Hot Frost Heat Pumps, Marlene and Wayne Hickey on being awarded Canada's Daikin Comfort Pro Dealer of the Year.

23-08-449 Street Jam August 25-27, 2023

Councillor Antle provided an update on the upcoming Street Jam happening August 25-27, 2023. Due to the ball hockey tournament taking place on the Glacier upper parking lot, there is no need for Old Placentia Road to be closed. There will be some parking onsite, resulting in minimum impact on the general public.

23-08-450 Salvation Army Celebration

Councillor Antle advised of the upcoming Salvation Army celebration taking place Sunday, August 27th between 3 pm – 5 pm in Powers Pond, Michener Avenue entrance. This is both a church/community event. There will be a bouncy castle, face painting, food, games etc. Canoes and kayaks are also available. Everyone is welcome.

23-08-451 Mount Pearl Soccer Association (MPSA) Super Soccer Saturday

Councillor Rice advised that the MPSA's Super Soccer Saturday takes place on Saturday, August 26 at the Smallwood Turf. The schedule will be posted on MPSA website.

23-08-452 Property Damage

Councillor Rice would like to advise residents if they witness any individuals damaging City property or any another property, please report it to the city's Municipal Enforcement Division or

call the RNC.

23-08-453 Construction Site Signage

Councillor Rice is asking residents to slow down while traveling through construction zones as there have been a couple of near misses. He asked that motorists please respect construction signage.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:11 pm on a motion by Councillor Locke and seconded by Councillor Lane.

Chairperson

City Clerk