



PUBLIC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

June 18, 2024

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held in Chambers on June 18, 2024, at 4:30 pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT	STAFF PRESENT
Mayor Dave Aker	Dana Spurrell, Chief Administrative Officer
Deputy Mayor Nicole Kieley	Jason Collins, Director of Recreation and Community Safety
Councillor Jim Locke	Catherine Power, Manager of Development and Planning
Councillor Isabelle Fry	Cassie Pittman, Director of Corporate Services
Councillor Bill Antle	Glen Dollimount, Director of Public Works
Councillor Mark Rice	Stephanie Walsh, Legislative Officer/City Clerk
Councillor Chelsea Lane	Ann Picco, Executive Assistant
	Absent
	Gerry Antle, Director of Planning, Engineering & Development

Mayor Aker chaired the meeting.

24-06-313 Adoption of Agenda

Motion – Councillor Rice / Councillor Lane

RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

24-06-314 Lands Acknowledgement

Read by Mayor Aker.

24-06-315 Adoption of Minutes

Motion – Councillor Fry / Councillor Antle

RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Public Meeting held June 4, 2024, be adopted

as presented.

Errors & Omissions: None

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

BUSINESS ARISING - None

ACTION REPORT

The action report was accepted as presented.

PRESENTATIONS – None presented.

PROCLAMATIONS - None

CORRESPONDENCE - None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CORPORATE SERVICES AND PUBLIC WORKS

24-06-316 Invoices for Approval

Motion: Councillor Lane / Councillor Rice

RELOLVED THAT, approval be given for payment of the following invoices:

1	Armour Lock & Security Systems Ltd Repairs to Broken Window & Window System Supplied & Installed & Glacier	\$ 12,046.25
2	City of St John's Water Wastewater March 2024	\$ 181,504.45
3	City of St John's Water Consumption for April 2024	\$ 226,182.99
4	Fireside Catering Focus on Youth Awards Dinner	\$ 11,212.50
5	Mclnnes Cooper Professional Services	\$ 6,532.58
6	Mclnnes Cooper Professional Services	\$ 8,323.26
7	St John's Transportation Commission Transit Service Cost May 2024	\$ 102,604.24

8	Stewart McKelvey <i>Professional Services</i>	\$ 16,691.67
9	The Idea Factory <i>Come to Life Video</i>	\$ 11,500.00
10	Urban Flooring Contractors Ltd <i>Ross King Library Supply & Install Carpet</i>	\$ 5,347.50
	Total	\$ 581,945.44

Question called – Motion carried unanimously.

24-06-317 Payment Register

For the information of Council, the payment register for May 30-June 12, 2024, totaled \$263,212.25.

24-06-318 Travel Requests for Councillors Antle, Fry, Locke, Rice – 2024 Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador Conference, Gander, NL-November 7 – 9, 2024

Motion: Councillor Rice / Councillor Lane

RESOLVED THAT, travel requests by Councillors Antle, Fry, Locke, and Rice to attend the 2024 Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador Conference in Gander from November 7-9, 2024, be approved.

Question called – Motion carried unanimously.

24-06-319 December 31, 2023 Financial Statements – PSAB Compliant Financial Statements and Management's Statement of Compliance

Motion: Councillor Rice / Councillor Lane

RESOLVED THAT, the PSAB Compliant Financial Statements and Management's Statement of Compliance report by BDO Canada LLP, for the year ended December 31, 2023, be approved.

Question called – Motion carried unanimously.

24-06-320 Public Works Status Report

A status update was provided for Public Works. Work continues on roads including asphalt repair, litter clean up, sidewalk and street sweeping, maintenance holes and catch basin repairs, lawn repairs, and bulk garbage collection. Work continues on landscape prep work, maintenance of sports fields, Team Gushue Baseball field

upgrades, and parks and open space mowing. Phase #3 of the Urban Forestry Plan is underway in the Team Gushue Complex and Branscombe Pond Trail upgrades are ongoing. Inspections on all heavy-duty trucks are ongoing and service and maintenance continue. An update was provided on UTM general calls and water levels at BBBP.

PLANNING, ENGINEERING & DEVELOPMENT

24-06-321 2024 Material Testing and Inspection Services Standing Offer (TP-24-001) – Contract Recommendation

Motion: Deputy Mayor Kieley / Councillor Antle

RESOLVED THAT, the contract for 2024 Materials Testing and Inspection Services Standing Offer be awarded to the lowest qualified bidder, AllNorth Consultants, for the bid amount of \$175,302.55 (HST Included).

Question Called – Motion carried unanimously.

24-06-322 Olympic Drive Resurfacing – Request for Approval to Proceed-Contemplated Contractor Change Order #5-Variations in Quantities / Change Order #7-Replacement of Traffic Light Sensors (Traffic Loops)

Motion: Deputy Mayor Kieley / Councillor Rice

RESOLVED THAT, Change Order #5, Variations in Quantities and Change Order #7, replacement of Traffic Light Sensors (Traffic Loops) payable to Farrell's Excavating, in the amount of \$55,512.08 (HST Included) be approved.

Question Called – Motion carried unanimously.

24-06-323 2024 Asphalt and Concrete Services – Contract Recommendation

Motion: Deputy Mayor Kieley / Councillor Antle

RESOLVED THAT, the contract for 2024 Asphalt and Concrete Services be awarded to Dexter Construction for the bid amount of \$528,791.28 (HST included).

Question called – Motion carried unanimously.

24-06-324 Canada Community-Building Funds Funding for Community Centre

Motion: Councillor Antle / Deputy Mayor Kieley

RESOLVED THAT, the City of Mount Pearl submit its Capital Investment Plan to the Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs for Canada Community-Building Funds in the amount of \$2,281,297.23 plus HST for the Design and Construction of the New Community Centre.

Question called – Motion carried unanimously.

24-06-325 Building and Occupancy Permit Listing | May 20 – May 31, 2024

Motion: Councillor Antle / Deputy Mayor Kieley

RESOLVED THAT, the residential and commercial building permits issued for this period, showing a total construction value of \$1,501,849.50 be approved, and further that the occupancy permit list be accepted as presented.

Question called – Motion carried unanimously.

24-06-326 Capital Projects Update

An update on the City's capital projects was provided highlighting the tenders and request for proposals for June. Also advised of the construction projects that are ongoing.

RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

24-06-327 Wreath Laying Ceremony

The Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 36's Wreath Laying Ceremony will take place at 10:30am on June 30, as opposed to July 1 this year, at the War Memorial at St. David's Park.

24-06-328 Association for the Arts in Mount Pearl (AAMP) | 2024 Operating Grant

The Committee reviewed the Association for the Arts in Mount Pearl's 2023-2024 activities report, and financial statement report and recommended releasing their 2024 operating grant in the amount of \$10,000, based on the current MOU with the City and the future activity plans for the Association.

24-06-329 Bus Services – Summer Recreation Programs 2024 – Tender Award

Motion: Councillor Locke / Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT, the Bus Services Summer Recreation Programs 2024 tender be awarded to the lowest bidder, Executive Taxi Service Limited with a total cost of \$44,514.05, HST

included, which is covered within the Recreation and Community Safety's budget.

Question called – Motion carried unanimously.

24-06-330 Upcoming Registration Dates | Swimming Lessons and General Fitness Programs

The swimming lessons registration will take place on Monday, June 17th at 5pm for Mount Pearl Residents and on Wednesday, June 19th at 5pm for open registration.

The Fitness General Programs registration will take place on Tuesday, June 25th at 5pm for Mount Pearl Residents and open registration will take place on Thursday, June 27th at 5pm.

Information can be found on the City's website.

NEW BUSINESS

24-06-331 Safe Seniors Walk

Councillor Fry thanked and congratulated Municipal Enforcement and Park Patrol for their guidance and assistance at the first Safe Seniors Walk event on June 13th at Powers Pond. The next is taking place on June 27th at Sunrise Trails.

24-06-332 Mount Pearl Seniors Independence Group

Councillor Fry congratulated the group for another successful season, advising that she is looking forward to working with the new executive in the Fall. She noted their value, as the group are actively engaged in the community,

24-06-333 Mount Pearl Sports Alliance – Sports Hall of Fame and Athletic Awards

Councillor Locke congratulated all award recipients during the Sports Hall of Fame Ceremony on June 13th.

24-06-334 Last Day of School 2023-2024

Councillor Locke reminded everyone to be extra cautious driving during the summer months as our youth are out of school. Watch for children, pedestrians, and cyclists.

24-06-335 FCM Convention

Councillor Locke highlighted events/sessions that took place during the conference, including municipal growth framework, legislation protection for elected officials as it relates to harassment and abuse, and the City of Edmonton's adoption of Vision Zero, a

traffic management and planning to prevent serious injury and fatalities.

Deputy Mayor Kieley commented on the Vision Zero initiative, noting impacts to families and communities, and her support of this work.

Mayor Aker congratulated newly elected FCM Board, wishing them well as they represent municipalities at the national level.

Councillor Rice discussed stories of harassment told by municipal elected officials during Convention, noting the difficulty it must be to endure in the community where you live.

Councillor Rice further discussed the importance of housing and infrastructure. He visited the FCM Trade Show events, promoting infrastructure and vision of affordable housing, smaller homes built of poly material.

24-06-336 National Indigenous People's Day

National Indigenous People's Day is June 21st. Deputy Mayor discussed that this is a day of observance, reflection and celebration. She noted the importance to talk about negative effects of colonization, and understand impacts on our communities and Indigenous populations. Celebrate the impact of indigenous voices on culture and arts in our community. Deputy Mayor encouraged everyone to participate in events held by First Light.

24-06-337 Team Gushue Baseball Field Upgrades

Councillor Antle discussed the City's baseball field, encouraging everyone to visit.

24-06-338 Knights of Columbus 50th Anniversary

Councillor Antle discussed the upcoming 50th Anniversary celebrations on Saturday, June 22nd. He suggested the City send a letter of congratulations.

24-06-339 Tree Re-Planting

Councillor Rice discussed a good news story from the Public Works Director as it relates to development and replanting of trees. A developer reached out to the City earlier this year requesting the removal and replanting of trees. Parks staff removed thirty-five trees and replanted at the Team Gushue Complex. Going forward, it was suggested to consider removal and replanting of trees, a great community minded and environmental protection initiative for the City.

24-06-340 Special Olympics Year End Celebrations

Councillor Lane advised she attended the Special Olympics Celebrations and noted their accomplishments over the year. They continue to participate in many sports events throughout the Summer.

24-06-341 Mount Pearl Scouts

Councillor Lane thanked the Scouts for building forty bird houses for our City parks, advising it is a great initiative.

24-06-342 Team Gushue Contract Award

For public awareness, Mayor Aker discussed traffic and traffic management while work is ongoing on the new community center. As per contract, to ensure safe access and exiting to/from facilities and events at the Team Gushue Sports Complex, the City is in constant communication with the contractor and are monitoring as well. There may be delays during water and sewer line installation but it will be minimal. Mayor thanked citizens for their feedback and understanding, noting it is only for the short term. Most sitework will be completed long before next year's summer games take place.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:28 pm on a motion by Deputy Mayor Kieley and seconded by Councillor Locke.

Chairperson

City Clerk