



PUBLIC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
March 19, 2024

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held in Chambers on March 19, 2024, at 4:30 pm.

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

Mayor Aker chaired the meeting

24-03-129 Adoption of Agenda

Motion – Councillor Fry /Councillor Lane

RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as presented

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

24-03-130 Lands Acknowledgement

Read by Mayor Aker

24-03-131 Adoption of Minutes

Motion –Councillor Locke /Councillor Rice

RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the public meeting held March 5, 2024, be adopted as presented.

Errors & Omissions: none

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

BUSINESS ARISING – None

24-03-132 Life Skills Slow Cook Classes

Councillor Locke attended the first class with his grandson and was very impressed. They both had a great time. There are 3 classes remaining including tonight. The cost is only \$10, which includes all the ingredients. For further details please check the City’s website.

Councillor Locke thanked the Director and staff of the Recreation and Community Safety Department for organizing this event.

ACTION REPORT

The action report was accepted as presented.

PRESENTATIONS – None presented

PROCLAMATIONS

24-03-133 Purple Day for Epilepsy

The Mayor signed a proclamation declaring the month of March 26, 2024 as Purple Day for Epilepsy in the City of Mount Pearl. Alicia Legge, Community Information Officer with Epilepsy Newfoundland and Labrador attended with Cynthia Callanan and spoke to the proclamation and the importance of bringing awareness.

CORRESPONDENCE - None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CORPORATE SERVICES AND PUBLIC WORKS

24-03-134 Invoices for Approval

Motion: Councillor Lane/Councillor Rice

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

1	Action Car & Truck Steel Dump Insert	\$ 5,610.85
2	Advocate Printing Mount Pearl Magazine	\$ 6,817.20
3	Amtruck Limited Rental Truck	\$ 10,695.00
4	Aquam Aquatic Specialist Inc Pool Cleaner	\$ 5,583.92

5	Athletica Sport Systems Custom Glass Glacier	\$ 9,065.22
6	Avalon Coal Salt and Oil Ltd Road Salt	\$ 424,364.05
7	Cansel Printer	\$ 9,464.44
8	City of St John's Tipping Fees January 2024	\$ 50,077.90
9	Clearwater Pools Grates for Pool at Summit	\$ 6,198.50
10	Fairview Investments Limited Rental of Tandem Trucks for Snow Removal	\$ 69,862.50
11	Pinchin Ltd Management Grade Haz Mat at Old Pool	\$ 7,164.50
12	Randolph Rose Collection Various Bronze Statues for Playfields US \$16,600 converted CAN\$	\$ 23,050.18
13	St John's Transportation Commission Gas for Accessible Bus Trips for Dec 2023	\$ 5,207.05
14	Vohl Inc Parts for Loaders	\$ 6,991.32
	Total	\$ 640,152.63

Question called – Motion carried unanimously.

24-03-135 Payment Register and Purchase Card Report

For the information of Council, the following payment register for February 29-March 13, 2024, totaled \$1,604,969.04. The Purchase Card Report for January 26 – February 25, 2024, totaled \$743,802.80.

24-03-136 Request for Travel to the Urban Municipalities Committee Meeting (UMC) for Mayor Aker – Pasadena, NL April 5 – 6, 2024

Motion: Councillor Rice /Councillor Lane

RESOLVED THAT, approval be given for Mayor Aker to attend the UMC Meeting in Pasadena, NL from April 5-6, 2024.

Question called – Motion carried unanimously

24-03-137 Public Works Status Report

Councillor Rice provided a status update for public works noting the primary focus is on snow clearing and ice control as work continues with snow removal from City streets, sidewalks,

cul-de sacs and fire hydrants. He advised that trail grooming is ongoing as the weather conditions allow and that the service and maintenance of fleet is also ongoing.

RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

24-03-138 Focus on Youth Awards

For the information of the public, nominations are now being accepted for the Focus on Youth Awards. The public is encouraged to nominate a deserving youth in the community and acknowledge their contributions and accomplishments. For more information, please contact the City's Community Events Coordinator.

24-03-139 Mount Pearl Artistic Swimming (Synchro) Provincials March 22-24, 2024 | Cancellations of City Programming and Recreational Swims

The Mount Pearl Artistic Swimming (Synchro) will be hosting Provincials from March 22nd - 24th at the Summit Pool and will involve some cancellations of programming and recreational swims. These will be posted on the City's website and shared on social media.

24-04-140 End of Season Skating

The winter/spring public skating season is coming to an end. The following dates will be the last skates:

Monday General Evening Skate concludes Monday, March 25th

Noon & Parent & Tot Skate concludes Thursday, March 28th

Family Skate concludes Sunday, March 30th

The regular skating schedule will resume in September 2024 and will be posted on the City's website for all skate start dates.

24-03-141 Spring Swimming Lessons – Registration

The registration dates for spring swimming lessons (April 7th to June 8th) are scheduled for Monday, March 25th at 5:00 pm for Mount Pearl residents and on Wednesday, March 27th at 5:00 pm for non-residents. Registrations will take place online only.

24-03-142 Spring Fitness Programs – Registration

The registration dates for spring programs, general fitness and Seniors Independence fitness classes would begin on March 26th for residents and March 28th for non-residents and all information is posted on the City's website.

24-03-143 Summer Day Camp & Park Patrol Positions

For the information of the public, summer employment applications for Summer Day Camp and Park Patrol positions are available on the City's website. The closing date for Summer Day Camp applications is noted as April 5th and the closing date for Park Patrol applications is

April 26th, 2024.

24-03-144 Summer Day Camp Registration

For the information of the public, the registration for Summer Day Camp will commence on Tuesday, May 7th for Mount Pearl residents and Thursday, May 9th for non-residents. Note that registration is online only, and space is limited.

PLANNING, ENGINEERING & DEVELOPMENT

24-03-145 2 Stapleton Road – Former Pool Underground Storage Tank Removal | Contractor Change Order # 3 -Corrected Motion

Councillor Antle/ Councillor Rice

Public Council minute number 24-02-081 from February 20, 2024, contained a typographical error in the amount of change order #3. The correct amount was stated in the Planning, Engineering and Development Committee report presented to Council for consideration but the error appeared in the recommendation and motion. The typographical error stated the amount as \$21,318 (HST included). The correct amount is \$23,138 (HST included).

RESOLVED THAT, approval be given for Change Order # 3 - Phase II Environmental Site Assessment in the amount of \$23,138.00 (HST Included), payable to Pinchin Ltd.

Question called – Motion carried unanimously.

24-03-146 Building Permit Listing | February 12-23, 2024

Motion: Councillor Antle /Councillor Rice

RESOLVED THAT, the residential and commercial building permits issued for this period, showing a total construction value of \$32,350.00, be approved.

Question called – Motion carried unanimously.

24-03-147 Development Permit Listing February 12-23, 2024

Motion: Councillor Antle /Councillor Rice

RESOLVED THAT, that the following Development Permits be approved as presented for the period of February 12-23, 2024:

Development Permit #	Date of Issue	Type of Use	Civic Address
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DP23-0665	February 20, 2024	Ancillary Building	20 Sagona Avenue
DP23-0658	February 20, 2024	Change of Use	15 Merchant Drive

Question called – Motion carried unanimously.

24-03-148 Capital Projects Update

Councillor Rice provided an update on the City's capital projects highlighting the tenders and RFPs that have been issued or will be issued for the 2024 construction season. He also advised of the construction projects in Spring 2024 which includes Farrell Drive (Nash Crescent to Holden Street), Birch Avenue & Spruce Avenue and Carroll Drive.

Both Councillors Fry and Locke would like residents to be provided sufficient notice of any construction taking place in their area.

NEW BUSINESS

24-03-149 Epilepsy Newfoundland and Labrador – Storytime & Easter Egg Hunt
Mount Pearl Public Library

Councillor Lane advised that the Epilepsy Newfoundland and Labrador will be holding a Storytime & Easter Egg Hunt at the Mount Pearl Public Library taking place on Saturday, March 23rd at 10:30 am. All are welcome.

24-03-150 Association for the Arts in Mount Pearl (AAMP) – Senior's Painting

Councillor Lane advised that AAMP will be holding a Senior's Painting on Monday, March 25th from 1:30 pm – 4:00 pm at The Annex, 365 Old Placentia Road. This event is open to all seniors for an afternoon of painting, socializing and snacks included.

24-03-151 Kinette Club of Mount Pearl – Ladies Night Out

Councillor Lane advised the Kinette Club of Mount Pearl will be holding a Ladies Night Out on Thursday, May 23 at the Reid Centre. The event is being hosted by Sheila Williams.

24-03-152 Senior's Independent Group (SIG) – St. Paddy's Luncheon

Councillor Fry attended the SIG's St. Paddy's luncheon where there was delicious Irish stew and dancing to great music.

24-03-153 Mount Pearl-Paradise Chamber of Commerce Best In Business Awards

Councillor Fry congratulated the Mount Pearl-Paradise Chamber of Commerce on the great work they do and seeing the networking among the businesses, and also organizing the Best in Business Awards.

24-03-154 Memories of the Frosty Festival Book

Councillor Fry extended her congratulations to the Admiralty House for putting together the “Memories of the Frosty Festival Book”

24-03-155 St. Paddy’s Day Tailgate Party

Councillor Fry thanked the staff of the Recreation and Community Safety department for hosting a successful St. Paddy’s Day Tailgate Party. Everyone of all ages had so much fun.

24-03-156 Easter Bunny Breakfast and Brunch

Councillor Locked advised residents that the Easter Bunny Breakfast and Brunch is sold out.

24-03-157 Powers Pond Easter Egg Hunt

Councillor Locke advised residents of the upcoming Powers Pond Easter Egg Hunt taking place from March 25-30,2024. Prizes and event details will be announced this week on social media.

24-03-158 Trivia at Landwash Brewery – In Aid of Community Food Pantries

Councilor Antle advised residents of Trivia at Landwash Brewery taking place Friday, March 22 at 7:30 pm in aid of the Mount Pearl Community Food Pantries. The event will be hosted by John Riche.

24-03-159 Saltwire

Councillor Antle is concerned for the future of Saltwire which are the owners of The Telegram. Newfoundland and Labrador could lose their local newspaper, The Telegram. Most people don’t read the paper anymore but there is a digital subscription for \$2 a month. Councilor Antle is encouraging residents to support The Telegram.

24-03-160 Condolences

Councillor Antle extended his condolences to the family and friends of Amelia (Millie) Loder. Millie passed peacefully away on March 15th, 2024.

24-03-161 Mount Pearl Lions Club – Dessert and Silent Auction Night

Councillor Rice advised residents that the Mount Pearl Lions Club will be holding a Dessert and Silent Auction Night in support of the 284 Marconi Sea Cadets. This event will be taking place on April 8th from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm at the Park Place Community Centre. Tickets are \$10 at the door.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:22 pm on a motion by Councillor Fry and seconded by Councillor Rice.

Chairperson

City Clerk