

**PUBLIC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**April 19, 2016**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, on April 19, 2016 at 4:15 pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Randy Simms  
Deputy Mayor Jim Locke  
Councillor Lucy Stoyles  
Councillor Paula Tessier <sup>(1)</sup>  
Councillor Dave Aker  
Councillor Andrew Ledwell

STAFF PRESENT

Stephen Jewczyk, Director, Planning & Development  
Jason Silver, Director, Corporate Services  
Gerry Antle, Director, Infrastructure & Public Works  
Jason Collins, Director, Community Services  
Mona Lewis, Deputy City Clerk

MEMBERS ABSENT

Councillor John Walsh

STAFF ABSENT

Michele Peach, Chief Administrative Officer

<sup>(1)</sup> Arrived when noted

**Mayor Simms chaired the meeting.**

16-04-228     Adoption of Agenda

Motion – Councillor Stoyles/Councillor Ledwell

RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

16-04-229     Adoption of Minutes

Motion – Councillor Aker/Deputy Mayor Locke

RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the public meeting held on April 5, 2016 be adopted as presented.

Errors & Omissions: None noted.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

BUSINESS ARISING

16-04-230     Citizen of the Year

Council extended congratulations to 2015 Citizen of the Year Emma Thornhill as well as other nominees. Appreciation was extended to Kinsmen Richard Levandier who was recognized for his service to the community and as such, the softball field at the Team Gushue Complex was named in his honour.

**(1) Councillor Tessier arrived at 4:20 pm.**

ACTION REPORT

The action report was accepted as presented.

PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

No presentations.

CORRESPONDENCE

None presented.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CORPORATE & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

16-04-231     Invoices for Approval

Motion – Councillor Ledwell/Councillor Stoyles

1.	Avalon Coal Salt & Oil (Road Salt)	\$ 73,395.52
2.	Avalon Ford Sales Limited (UTM Cargo Van per GPA)	\$ 35,833.43
3.	Carlson Stanley Ltd (Frosty Festival)	\$ 12,183.72
4.	Harvey & Company Limited (Excavator)	\$ 118,714.70
5.	JW Lindsay Enterprises Limited (Gymnastics Facility PP#7)	\$ 387,878.38
6.	Onx Enterprise Solutions (IT Equipment)	\$ 5,977.85

7.	Opus International Consultants (Asset Management Program)	\$ 45,384.59
8.	St. John's Transportation Commission (Metrobus Services Feb/16)	\$ 90,633.02
9.	Bae-Newplan Group (Reid Centre Upgrades)	\$ 31,426.43
10.	DMG Consulting Limited (Street Upgrading)	\$ 85,869.62
11.	DMG Consulting Limited (Street Upgrading)	\$ 26,708.40
12.	JMJ Construction (Minor Baseball Field PP#2)	\$ 59,663.32
13.	Municipal Assessment Agency (Second Quarter Assessment Fees)	\$ 70,602.00
	Total	\$ 1,044,270.98

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

16-04-232 Tax Deferral – Low Income Earners

Motion – Councillor Ledwell/Councillor Stoyles

RESOLVED THAT the following tax deferral be approved in accordance with Council's policy for low income earners:

Account #	Amount Deferred
7194	\$2,745.69

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

16-04-233 Capital Investment Applications - Gas Tax Funding

Motion – Councillor Ledwell/Councillor Stoyles

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to submit the Capital Investment Applications to the Department of Municipal Affairs for Gas Tax Funding for the following:

<u>Project</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>
St. David's Park Redevelopment	\$ 222,000
Replacement of City Bleachers & Canopies	\$ 469,000
Library Upgrades	\$ 434,259
Holden Street Trail Extension	\$ 27,000

Pedestrian Bridge Rehabilitation	<u>\$ 160,000</u>
	\$1,312,259

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

16-04-234 Professional Development & Training  
MNL Symposium - May 5 - 7, 2016  
Mayor Simms & Councillor Stoyles

Motion – Councillor Ledwell/Councillor Stoyles

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted, in accordance with the Professional Development & Training Policy, for Mayor Simms and Councillor Stoyles to attend the MNL Symposium being held in Gander, May 5 – 7, 2016.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

16-04-235 Canadian Parks & Recreation Association  
Canadian Parks Summit, Director of Community Services

Congratulations were extended to Jason Collins, Director of Community Services, on being selected to participate in the Canadian Parks Summit. The Summit – “Connecting Canadians with Parks and Open Spaces” was held in Canmore, Alberta from April 11 – 14.

16-04-236 Easter Day Camp Update

Congratulations were extended to the Community Services Department on another successful Easter Day Camp which saw 72 participants.

16-04-237 Spring Session Swimming Lessons  
On-Line Registration

For the information of the public, the spring session swimming registration will open on Monday, May 2 at 5:00 pm for Mount Pearl residents and Thursday, May 5 at 5:00 pm for non-residents.

16-04-238 Summer Day Camp  
On-Line Registration

For the information of the public, the summer day camp registration will open on Monday, May 16 at 5:00 pm for Mount Pearl residents and Thursday, May 19 at 5:00 pm for non-residents.

INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

16-04-239 Contract – St. David’s Park Re-Development MA9695

Motion – Councillor Tessier/Councillor Aker

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to award the St. David’s Park Re-Development contract to the lowest qualified bidder, Redwood Construction Ltd., for the bid amount of \$2,209,065.00 (HST included).

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

16-04-240 Contract – Reid Centre Interior Renovations TP-16-002 (MIGA#17-MYCW-15-00071)

Motion – Councillor Aker/Councillor Tessier

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to award the Reid Centre Interior Renovations contract to the lowest qualified bidder, J&T Construction Limited, for the bid amount of \$1,287,424.01 (HST included).

Discussion: A summary of the interior renovations was presented. It was confirmed that chair samples are being considered by Community Services staff for the Seniors Independence events. It was noted that the facility will close during renovations and re-open in September for the fall programs.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

16-04-241 Bay Bulls Big Pond – Water Levels

The most recent report of the water level at Bay Bulls Big Pond was presented. Residents were reminded that a conservation order is in effect year round and to be mindful of water consumption.

With respect to the Water Conservation Order, it was clarified that hand watering of lawns with a watering can or hose with an automatic shutoff nozzle was permitted at any time. It was suggested that the ban on the washing of parking lots also include residential driveways. It was requested that the IPW Committee review the various conditions of the Order in conjunction with the Regional Water Committee.

16-04-242 Project Update

It was noted that the Gymnastics Facility is approximately 95% complete with an anticipated completion date of May 2016. Council commented on their recent tour of the facility noting that Campia Gymnastics will be taking over the facility this summer. Reference was made to the Campia gymnastics fundraiser; further details are available on their website [www.campia.ca](http://www.campia.ca).

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

16-04-243     Karwood Contracting  
Extension of Development Permit - 33-39 Municipal Avenue

Motion – Deputy Mayor Locke/Councillor Ledwell

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to extend, for a period of one year, the development permit issued for a proposed seniors development at 33-39 Municipal Avenue subject to the previous terms and conditions.

Discussion: Council commented on the length of time it's taking this project to commence construction and expressed concern with extending the development permit for another year given the number of seniors waiting for housing. It was noted that the circumstances of the appeal filed against the project attributed to some of the delay. It was indicated that the developer has advised that the project is to commence in June. It was suggested that the extension be granted to August 31, 2016.

Motion to Amend Original Motion: Councillor Aker/Councillor Stoyles

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to extend the development permit to August 31, 2016.

Discussion: Councillor Ledwell was not in favour of reducing the one year extension given the importance of the development and in recognition of the current financial situation. It was suggested that a meeting be held with the developer advising of Council's desire to having the project proceed on a timely basis and to completion.

Question called on amended motion. Motion carried with Councillor Ledwell voting against the motion.

Question called on original motion as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

Councillor Aker presented a point of clarification noting that in the past he has declared a potential conflict of interest because he is employed by the Newfoundland & Labrador Housing Corporation (NLHC), however, the Appeal Board determined that he wasn't in conflict because NLHC is a nonprofit organization.

16-04-244     2016 Census

For the information of the public, the 2016 Census will commence on May 1. Further details are available on the City's website.

16-04-245     Development Permits

Motion – Deputy Mayor Locke/Councillor Ledwell

RESOLVED THAT development permits issued for the period of April 4 - 15, 2016 be approved as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

16-04-246     Building Permits

Motion – Deputy Mayor Locke/Councillor Ledwell

RESOLVED THAT building permits issued for the period of April 4 - 15, 2016, showing a total construction value of \$254,500.00, be approved as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

16-04-247     City of Mount Pearl  
Admiralty House Annex - Building Extension  
365 Old Placentia Road

Motion – Deputy Mayor Locke/Councillor Ledwell

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to issue a development permit to construct a building extension to the existing Admiralty House annex building at 365 Old Placentia Road subject to the following conditions:

1.     Site work including paving and curbing of gravel parking shall be completed within two years
2.     St. John's Regional Fire Department conditions
3.     Bell Aliant
4.     Newfoundland Power
5.     City Inspector's conditions
6.     Engineering Services Division conditions
7.     Planning Services conditions
8.     Development meeting Mount Pearl Development Regulations 2010

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

16-04-248     International Pink Day

Mayor Simms, Deputy Mayor Locke and Councillor Tessier commented on the success of the Day of Pink Dialogue coordinated by the Youth Action Team with student representatives from the senior high schools. They acknowledged the

input gathered was enlightening and will be taken into consideration as the City moves forward into the future.

16-04-249 Kinette Club

Councillor Stoyles advised that Kinette Club President Sherry Snow has been elected Deputy Governor and requested that a letter of congratulations be forwarded to her.

16-04-250 Citizen of the Year

Members of Council extended appreciation to the Kinsmen Club as well as City staff for organizing the annual Citizen of the Year event.

16-04-251 Masonic Park Nursing Home

Members of Council expressed their disappointment with the recent announcement that Masonic Park Nursing Home would be closing. Mayor Simms advised of discussions held today's date with Eastern Health, David Diamond, who provided information about the rationale to close the facility. It was agreed that a letter would be written to the Minister of Health outlining Council's position (copy to be provided to members of council for review prior to being released).

16-04-252 Winter Maintenance – Public Works

Councillor Tessier advised that night shifts have finished, however, in light of the pending storm; the day shift staff will be extended to cover snowclearing operations. Residents were reminded that the Snowclearing Regulations stipulate that parking on the street is not permitted during a storm or 12 hours thereafter.

16-04-253 Celebrity Karaoke – Fundraiser

Councillor Aker extended congratulations to the Kinsmen & Kinette Clubs for hosting a successful fundraiser (celebrity karaoke) this past weekend.

16-04-254 Inclusive Communities Summit

Mayor Simms advised that he attended the Summit and committed to the challenge by Sarnia Mayor Mike Bradley to become an inclusive community.

16-04-255 Big Brothers/Big Sisters – Bowling Fundraiser

Mayor Simms advised that he participated in the recent Big Brothers/Big Sisters Wii bowling fundraiser.



ADJOURNMENT

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

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Chairperson

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Deputy City Clerk