



MINUTES

PUBLIC COUNCIL MEETING
July 15th, 2008

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held in the Council Chambers, Town Hall on July 15th, 2008 at 7:30 p.m.

Members Present

Mayor Robert Codner
Deputy Mayor Mary Thorne-Gosse
Councillor Mike Byrne
Councillor Jim Cantwell
Councillor Peggy Roche
Councillor Carol Ann Smith
Councillor Ralph Tapper

Staff Present

Dawn Chaplin, CAO/Town Clerk
Jacquie Berkshire, Executive Clerk
Ron Fleming, Director of Operations & Public Works

Regrets

Brian Winter, Develop. & Plan. Officer

Meeting was chaired by Mayor Codner.

Others

See Attached.

154-08 **Adoption of Agenda**

Motion – Councillor Smith/Councillor/Byrne

RESOLVED THAT the Agenda be adopted as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

155 - 08 **Adoption of Minutes**

Motion – Councillor Cantwell/Councillor Roche

RESOLVED THAT the Minutes be adopted as presented with the following change:

CORRESPONDENCE

- *Email from Leigh Muething – FYI*
- *Correspondence from Eason's Water Delivery – FYI*

156-08 Motion – Deputy Mayor Thorne-Gosse/Councillor Cantwell

- **RESOLVED THAT** all Town Fire Hydrants be used for Emergency and Town purposes only until a Town Policy is developed.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

- *Correspondence from Canadian Union of Postal Workers – FYI – Councillor Byrne asks if he is in a conflict of interest. Members of Council state he is not. He then provides an overview/rationale for the letter.*

157-08 Motion – Deputy Mayor Thorne-Gosse/Councillor Roche

RESOLVED THAT the Town of Torbay support CUPW's Resolution to send a letter to the Canada Post Corporation Strategic Review opposing deregulation of Canada Post and insisting that the Government hold public hearings and properly consult with the true owners of Canada Post – the public.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

- *Correspondence from Wellness Coalition Avalon East – FYI*
- *Association of Engineering Technicians & Technologists of NL Inc. – FYI*

BUSINESS OUTSTANDING

Depot Petition presented to Council on June 16, 2008 – *B/F*

Correspondence - Georgina Brown – *Deferred to the Development Committee. B/F*

Correspondence – Ron Walsh – *Deferred to the Development Committee. B/F*

Correspondence re: Proposed Development Regulations Amendments No.'s 10 and 25 for Moores Valley Road – *Letter forthcoming within the next 7-10 days. B/F*

Strategic Planning Session – *Awaiting on feedback on Council's availability – B/F*

Excess Gravel on North Pond Road - *Complete*

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Capital Works/Public Works/Roads Street Lighting

158 – 08 Motion – Councillor Cantwell/Deputy Mayor Thorne-Gosse.

RESOLVED THAT the Town redirect \$300,000.00 from the Multi Year Capital Works Project # 2005701 – Depot to Project # 2005705 – Water and Sewer resulting in a revised funding of \$1,000,000.00 for Project # 2005701 and \$1,203,158.36 for Project # 2005705.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

159 – 08 Motion – Councillor Cantwell/Deputy Mayor Thorne-Gosse.

RESOLVED THAT the Town redirect \$200,000.00 from the Multi Year Capital Works Project # 2005701 – Depot to a new Project – 2008 Road Improvements and Paving (Project Number to be determined) resulting in a revised funding of \$900,000.00 for Project # 2005701.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

160 – 08 Motion – Councillor Cantwell/Deputy Mayor Thorne-Gosse.

RESOLVED THAT the Town have the Water and Sewer Pumping and Processing Equipment upgrades and repairs completed as per the report submitted by Newfoundland Design. Project to be tendered under the Multi Year Capital Works Project # 2005705 – Water and Sewer.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

161 – 08 Motion – Councillor Cantwell/Deputy Mayor Thorne-Gosse.

RESOLVED THAT the Town have Newfoundland Design complete and Asphalt and Water and Sewer Inventory to meet PSAB 3150 requirements at an approximate cost of \$3000.00.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

161 – 08 Motion – Councillor Cantwell/Deputy Mayor Thorne-Gosse.

RESOLVED THAT the Town Award the Tender for the Purchase of one (1) Sport Utility Vehicle to the low Bidder, Royal Garage, in the amount of \$23,299.40. Price includes trade of the 2004 Two Wheel Drive Ford Ranger Pickup truck valued at \$5000.00.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

Building Applications

163 – 08 Motion – Councillor Cantwell/Councillor Smith.

RESOLVED THAT the Building Application Report dated July 10, 2008 be adopted as presented with the exception of Application No. 8729-08 being deferred to the next Council Meeting. B/F

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

164 – 08 Motion – Councillor Cantwell/Councillor Roche.

RESOLVED THAT the Crown Land Application Report dated July 11, 2008 be adopted as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

Financial Report

165– 08 Motion – Councillor Cantwell/Deputy Mayor Thorne-Gosse.

RESOLVED THAT Financial Report for June 30-July 10, 2008 be adopted as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

166 – 08 Motion – Deputy Mayor Thorne-Gosse/Councillor Roche.

RESOLVED THAT all bills be paid to avoid interest.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

Personnel & Training Committee – *Nothing to report.*

Recreation

Councillor Tapper reported that the Recreation Committee met on Monday, July 14, 2008 regarding the Recreation Master Plan. Tract Consulting provided a comprehensive report. CAO to speak with Tract. This will then go to the Finance Committee for recommendation then back to Council.

Councillor Tapper also reported on Tidy Towns. The judges will be in Town on August, August 7th, 2008. The Committee has another meeting scheduled for Wednesday, July 16th, 2008. The Agenda is currently being put together. He advised that this year Torbay is up against Labrador City, Gander and Corner Brook. There will be a newsletter sent out to residents shortly.

Strategic Planning Committee

Deputy Mayor Thorne-Gosse advises that an email will be forwarded to all Councilors in an effort to poll them for their availability for a Strategic Planning Session over the summer months. **B/F**

Development Committee

The Development Committee has a meeting scheduled for Monday, July 21, 2008.

Regional Waste Management Committee

Mayor Codner reported that there has been no Waste Management meeting since the last update he provided to Council.

Councillor Smith asked if curbside pickup could be considered for next year's bulk garbage collection. She advised she had numerous calls from people who asked if this could be done as they could not arrange to get their items to the drop off. She felt it was something that the Town should investigate in detail.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL

By-Pass Road

Councillor Tapper reported that he had heard the first Tender was awarded but deferred. He was advised that the selection was about a month late. As well Council understands that there will be considerable aggregate required and there was concern that this would come from the Town's pit however this is not in fact true.

Additionally the mayor advised there will be at least two (2) more Tenders called over the next month or so.

Communications – Nothing to report.

St. John's Region Regional Plan

It was reported that a meeting is being schedule within the next couple of weeks.

LIAISON COMMITTEES

Arena

Deputy Mayor Thorne-Gosse reported that there was a meeting held on Thursday, July 10, 2008. Arena Manager, Glenn Sturge has negotiated a Contract for the Clock. The meeting Agenda was mainly committee members and sub committees reporting back to the committee as a whole of their work. There will be an ad in the Evening Telegram on Saturday, July 19, 2008 for several positions at the Arena. There are projected overruns i.e. street lights. The opening of the Arena is still scheduled for September 5th, 2008 with the Official Opening scheduled for late October.

There was also discussion about the "mess" on the side of the road in front of the building site. It was suggested that the Committee speak with the Developer as to whether this can be cleaned up.

Capital Coast Development Alliance – Nothing to report.

Chamber of Commerce - Nothing to report.

Environment – Nothing to report.

Heritage

Councillor Byrne reported that Chair Jeff Green, Curator, CAO and himself met on July 3, 2008 to discuss administrative operations of the Museum. He advised that Curator, Maureen Power talked about the Open Doors Program and the benefits to the Town and the Museum. The cost to sign up

is \$50.00 and the committee gave the Curator the go ahead for the project. There is also a strategic planning meeting planned for Saturday.

Hillside Festival

Councillor Smith advised there was nothing to report on the Hillside Festival. Deputy Mayor Thorne-Gosse asked if anything can be done with respect to the Neighborhood Challenge, and other events that have been historically associated around the Torbay Days/Hillside Festival.

North East Avalon Joint Council – Nothing to report.

School – Nothing to report.

Torbay Volunteer Fire Department

CAO advised that she has been provided with July 23, 24 and 25 as dates available for a meeting. Deputy Mayor Thorne-Gosse stated the agreement between the two (2) towns remained unsigned.

Tourism

Councillor Roche advised that she has distributed the Happenings guide around to various tourist sites. The Boat Tours and Crab Boil Up will be held this coming weekend July 19 & 20 from Tappers Cove. The Farmers Market is scheduled for September and the possibility of putting an ad in the Northeast Avalon Times. Mount Pearl has been contacted with respect to borrowing their tenting. She also put out a request for anyone wanting to volunteer.

Urban Municipalities Committee

Deputy Mayor Thorne-Gosse reported that the next meeting will be held the first week of September.

Webpage

Councillor Byrne advised that work on the new website is moving forward the design is almost complete and departments have been contacted to provide information to be imputed into the site. August is still scheduled for the launch of the new site.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Codner - Pass

Deputy Mayor Thorne-Gosse

Deputy Mayor Thorne-Gosse commented on the Spring/Summer 2008 Newsletter which was circulated to residents this week.

RESOLVED THAT the town replace/upgrade the Town's computer server with current provider.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

168 – 08 Motion – Mayor Thorne-Gosse/Councillor Cantwell

RESOLVED THAT the town advertise for the disposal of the Fire Department's Cherokee vehicle as is where is.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

Councillor Byrne - Pass

Councillor Cantwell

Councillor Cantwell spoke to the change in garbage collection when there are holidays. It was advised by Director of Operations & Public Works that there is no garbage collection Monday's so when a holiday falls on a Monday collection isn't affected however with the recent Canada Day holiday which fell on a Tuesday garbage collection was off the normal schedule. It was asked if the service provider was obligated to advise residents of any changes and Director of Operations & Public Works advised they are not.

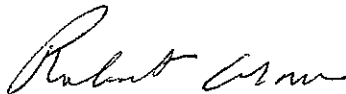
Councillor Roche - Pass

Councillor Smith - Pass

Councillor Tapper - Pass

ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m. on a motion by Councillor Cantwell and seconded by Councillor Smith.



Mayor



CAO/Town Clerk