

Regular meeting of Council opened at 7:30 P.M. with Mayor Terry Barnes presiding. In attendance were Deputy Mayor Sonia Williams, Clr. Hayward Blake, Clr. Gordon Stone, Clr. Tony McCarthy, Clr. Kathy Tetford and Clr. Patrick Haire.

Mayor Barnes requested a moment of silence for all those who have passed away.

Also in attendance were Acting Town Clerk, Sean O'Brien, Linda Chafe, Secretary/Accounts Receivable Clerk and Pat Hearn, Works Superintendent.

Minutes of regular Council Meeting of May 4, 2016 were adopted as presented by motion of Clr. McCarthy and seconded by Clr. Stone with the following correction on page 2 under heading New Arena-Naming should read motioned by Deputy Mayor Williams and seconded by Clr. Stone to accept the proposal from Mark Reynolds right for the naming of the new stadium pending negotiation with Mike Adam and Council's final approval.

Motion Carried. Unanimously **Motion #16-105**

Business Arising from Minutes

New Arena-Naming

Motioned by Deputy Mayor Williams and seconded by Clr. Stone to accept the proposal from Mark Reynolds right for the naming of the new stadium pending negotiation with Mike Adam and Council's final approval.

Motion Carried. 1 Nay Clr. Blake- 6 Ayes **Motion #16-106**

Correspondence

Charles Adams-Southside W/S

Mayor Barnes tabled correspondence from Charles Adams, 242 Southside Road concerning the extension of water and sewer to Southside Road. Mr. Adams was advised by Council twenty-six months ago that Council would investigate the costs associated with this water and sewer extension and requests what are the estimated costs for this project.

Acting Town Clerk to write Mr. Adams and advise that Council has not stopped working to have an extension of water and sewer to Southside

St. Francis School-Donation

Mayor Barnes tabled correspondence from Don Coombs, School Council Chairperson for St. Francis School requesting a donation in support of sponsorship for scholarships at their annual award ceremony.

Motioned by Clr. Tetford and seconded by Deputy Mayor Williams to donate \$100.00 to the sponsorship of scholarships for St. Francis School. Motion Carried. Unanimously **Motion #16-107**

Derek Moore-Home Based Business

Mayor Barnes tabled correspondence from Derek Moore requesting permission to open a home based business at 12 Harvey Street for the purposes of Conceptual Architectural Drawings.

Acting Town Clerk to advise Mr. Moore that a notice must be published to advertise application as "Discretionary Use" at applicant's cost.

Wayne McCarthy-Glover Rd. Garbage

Mayor Barnes tabled correspondence from Wayne McCarthy advising Council of garbage left in the carpool parking area on Glover Road, in ditches on Jamie's Way and also contractor's garbage left around the new stadium on Line Road. Mr. McCarthy filled six large garbage bags however this is only a small part and a temporary fix as the responsibility lies with every resident not to litter and take pride in our

Wayne McCarthy-Glover Rd.	community. He suggested Council erect signage to keep these areas clean. Acting Town Clerk to inform Mr. McCarthy that Council will have Works Superintendent erect "No Litter Signs" in the area and provide a garbage container. Council agreed that when the Town hires an enforcement officer the area will be policed.
Office of Information and Privacy Commissioner	Mayor Barnes tabled correspondence from the Office of Information and Privacy Commissioner outlining Section 39 which is mandatory exception, meaning that information that falls into this exception must be withheld. The Commissioner has interpreted this section many times and this document will help the public bodies determine if information is protected from disclosure by this section. Council requested that this particular legislation be familiarized by the office staff.
John White-Closure of Library	Mayor Barnes tabled correspondence from John White, Eastern Manager for Newfoundland & Labrador Public Libraries advising that Harbour Grace's Library is scheduled to close sometime in 2017-2018. The Newfoundland & Labrador Public Libraries is prepared to consider the transfer of these libraries, including the bookstock, furnishings and computers to municipalities, schools or other community groups to operate as volunteer public libraries after they are closed as NLPL sites. If Harbour Grace Town Council is interested in investigating the possibility of operating a volunteer public library, they request Council contact NLPL's Executive Director Andrew Hunt by e-mail at ahunt@nlpl.ca Clr. Blake advised Council he has spoken to the Library executive and is waiting to receive more details concerning operational options. Council will endeavor to develop a plan once more facts and figures are forthcoming.
Professional Municipal Administrators New Board of Directors	Mayor Barnes tabled correspondence from Professional Municipal Administrators welcoming and advising municipalities of the new Board of Directors for 2016/2017. Council requested that the new CAO become familiarized with the Professional Municipal Administration and possibility contact Vice-President Nigel Black.
Dept. of Municipal Affairs Funding-Resurfacer/Ice Edger	Mayor Barnes tabled correspondence from Paul Tucker, Director of Municipal Affairs Finance Division advising they are reviewing for consideration Council's request for funds for an ice resurfacer and ice edger.
Revised(2016)Budget Submission	Mayor Barnes tabled correspondence from David Clarke, Department of Municipal Affairs Analyst advising that Council's revised 2016 budget submission is complete and has revealed no material deficiencies. Council is encouraged to monitor its expenditures and revenue in relation to the budget on a regular basis throughout the year.

CBN Bulldogs Baseball

Mayor Barnes tabled correspondence from Neil Shute, President of the CBN Bulldogs Baseball requesting a donation to support their baseball tournament on the weekend of July 1-3, 2016.
Deferred to Finance Committee

NEW BUSINESS

CBN 2017 Team Canada
Special Olympics

Mayor Barnes informed Council that Sandra Smith of Carbonear and Crystal Young of Harbour Grace were among four Newfoundlanders and Labradorians named to Team Canada for the 2017 Special Olympics World Winter Games in Austria March 14-25.
Acting Town Clerk to write Ms. Young expressing what an honor to be chosen to participate with Team Canada and the Town congratulates her on her many achievements. Also advise Ms. Young that Council will entertain a request for financial support to help with her trip.

J.C.P. Grant-Trails

Mayor Barnes informed Council that Harbour Grace has been approved for a Job Creation Partnership grant of \$60,000.00. This money will be used to complete Phase I of a Trail system and improvements to our Train Station.

ACOA - Application

Clr. Stone informed Council that work has been completed on the ACOA application to request funding for Phase 11 for the trails.

Committee Reports

Capital & Public Works Committee

Town Depot-Expansion

Clr. Haire advised Council that a proposal to obtain property next to the Municipal Depot is being worked on in hopes to expand the Town Depot.

Signs-Harvey Street

Clr. Haire advised that the Works Superintendent has been working to obtain a permit from the Dept. of Transportation and Works to install a sign near the Splash Center on Harvey Street and a sign at the entrance to Harbour Grace. This process has been time consuming.

Finance Committee

Rat Problem

Clr. Tetford advised she had a number of calls from residents concerning a rat problem in their area.
After discussion Council agreed that the Work Superintendent spend funds from the regular operating budget to contact a company to address the rat problem in the affected areas.

Housing/Environment/Sanitation Committee

Culvert-Cost

Motioned by Clr. McCarthy and seconded by Clr. Haire to remove from our Building Application Form the culvert cost and charge at purchase price for culvert.
Motion Carried. Unanimously ***Motion #16-108***

May 18, 2016

Keith & Amanda Abbott

Re: Keith & Amanda Abbott's application to open a minor auto & glass repair business in his existing garage at 124 Thicket Rd.
Motioned by Clr. McCarthy and seconded by Clr. Haire that this area is zoned residential and under the Town Development Regulations this business is not permitted. Motion to Reject application
Motion Carried Unanimously ***Motion #16-109***

Economic Development/Tourism/Heritage Committee

Expropriation-13 Beach Hill

Clr. Blake requested that new CAO review process for expropriation of 13 Beach Hill with a goal to expropriate for the benefit of the Town.

Hr. Grace Redevelopment & Heritage Committee

Clr. Blake informed Council that the Harbour Grace Redevelopment & Heritage Committee have been working on a proposal to the NL Irish Connection as an expression of interest to host 40-50 people who will visit three different places in NL in late August 2017. Everyone pays their own way and it is a great way to bring activity to our Town.
Motioned by Clr. Blake and seconded by Clr. Tetford to approve and support the Harbour Grace Re Development & Heritage Committee submitting a proposal to the NL Irish Connection.
Motion Carried. Unanimously ***Motion #16-110***

Clean-Up

Clr. Stone advised that a date for cleanup will be posted on the Town's Web page.

Tidy Towns-August

Clr. Blake informed Council that the Town of Harbour Grace will be involved with Tidy Towns for the third year. The last two years we have come in second. Some criteria that we need to improve on is clean up. The judging for Tidy Towns takes place in August and each and every resident are encouraged to take part by helping to clean-up, and remove any excess garbage on their property.

Human Resources/Parks & Recreation Committee

CAO-Hired-Michael Saccary

Motioned by Deputy Mayor S. Williams and seconded by Clr. T. McCarthy to approve the hiring of Mr. Michael Saccary as Chief Administrative Officer/Town Clerk to commence employment on May 30, 2016. Pending a six month probationary period and provision of a satisfactory code of conduct.
Motion Carried. Unanimously ***Motion # 16-0111***

Enforcement Officer

Municipal Enforcement Officer advertised internally until May 27, 2016.

Deputy Mayor Williams left the chambers at 8:14P.M.

Civic Events Liaison

Senior's Card Games

Senior's card games on going every second Monday night at the Fire Hall.

Canada Day Celebrations

Mayor Barnes advised that a list of events for Canada Day celebrations will be posted on the Town's Web page as they become available.

Public Works Superintendent Report
Stadium Manager Report

Tabled
Tabled

Councillors' Information

MNL Symposium -Gander

Clr. Blake informed Council that he attended the MNL Symposium in Gander from May 5 - 7. Consensus at the Symposium was the disappointment with the 2016 Provincial Budget. Every municipality throughout the province has been affected and Harbour Grace will lose their Court House and Library. With all these cuts comes disinterest for individuals to get involved and run for election in their perspective municipalities. Motions were made for a press release to government voicing municipalities concerns over the budget.

Old Stadium

Clr. Blake suggested that the Old Stadium could be utilized as a processing plant rather than sending product off the Island to be processed.

Street Lights

Clr. Haire advised he met with NL Light & Power to discuss the rearranging of several street lights. Final approval is through Bell Aliant and NL Light & Power will discuss with Bell Aliant to have work completed.

Water St.-Speeding

Clr. Tetford requested that portable speed bumps be installed on Water Street between Lee's Lane and Terra Nova Shoes and others placed strategically around town to cut down on speeding.
Clr. McCarthy suggested more surveillance by the R.C.M.P. Works Superintendent to look into cost to purchase portable speed bumps.

Recycling Program

Clr. McCarthy requested a meeting with the recycling contractor before the next regular Council meeting at 6:00 P.M. to discuss its operations.

Court House-Library

Mayor Barnes advised that Clr. Blake and himself met with Minister Andrew Parsons and presented a proposal to government for ways to lower cost to keep the Court House in Harbour Grace. They agreed to give serious consideration to Council's proposal.

Summer Hours

Mayor Barnes advised the Office Summer Hours Schedule will start on June 6 until September 9 from 8:30P.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Meeting adjourned at 8:27 P.M. by motion of Clr. Stone and seconded by Clr. Tetford.
Motion Carried. Unanimously ***Motion #16-112***

Next scheduled regular meeting of Council is June 15, and July 13, at 7:30 P.M. with Councillors meeting at 6:00 P.M.

Confirmed:

Terry Barnes, Mayor

Sean O'Brien, Acting
Town Clerk

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