

January 28, 2015

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. Patrick Haire, Clr. Gordon Stone, Clr. Tony McCarthy, and Clr. Kathy Tetford.

Also in attendance were Lisa Carroll, CAO, Linda Chafe, Secretary/Accounts Receivable Clerk and Pat Hearn, Works Superintendent.

Minutes of regular meeting of January 7, 2015 were adopted as presented by motion of Clr. Stone and seconded by Clr. McCarthy.

Motion Carried. Unanimously ***Motion #15-008***

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

Business Arising

Fall Fair Dates

Clr. Tetford advised that the dates of September 24 to 27, 2015 for the Fall Fair at the Stadium.

Correspondence

Baccalieu Trail SPCA

Mayor Barnes tabled correspondence from the Baccalieu Trail SPCA requesting help to obtain some land in the Harbour Grace area to construct a shelter to house neglected, stray and abandoned animals.

Mayor Barnes advised Council they are waiting to hear back from Town's lawyer before proceeding with selling town owned land. CAO to advise Baccalieu Trail SPCA.

Defer till next Council Meeting.

NL Hydro-Take Charge

Mayor Barnes tabled correspondence from NL Hydro, Take Charge informing municipalities to submit proposals re: energy efficient upgrades to a town hall or municipal building for a chance to receive a grant of \$7,500.

Mayor Barnes advised that proposals had to be submitted by 4:00 p.m. Friday, January 30, 2015. Because of the time restraint suggested Office Assistant, Nancy Pike look into to see if a proposal could be submitted before the deadline.

Gov.NL-Fire & Emergency

Mayor Barnes tabled correspondence from Derek Simmons, Director of Fire Services/Fire Commissioner advising Municipalities that the application process for Fire Protection Vehicle Program and Firefighting Equipment Program must be completed by March 31, 2015.

Copy given to Fire Chief Raymond Verge to initiate. Clr. Blake to follow up on application and bring back to Council for approval.

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Amendments-Municipal Plan & Development	Mayor Barnes tabled correspondence from Arvo McMillan, MCIP Planning Consultant for the Town of Harbour Graces advising that
Regulations	a Public Briefing Session will take place on February 10, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. at the Harbour Grace Council Chambers re: proposed amendments to the Municipal Plan and Development Regulations. Mayor Barnes advised that it has been advertised in the local papers and also requests placing on Town's Web & Face Book page.
Pikes Road-Drainage	Mayor Barnes tabled correspondence from Jill Bennett re: drainage problem at Pikes Road and suggested the drainage problem needs to be addressed as water is slowly leaking into her residence. Mayor Barnes advised he was speaking with Works Superintendent who may have a solution. Defer to Capital & Public Works and Finance Committee Meeting.
Daelen Murphy-Donation	Mayor Barnes tabled correspondence from Daelen Murphy who is dealing with stage 4 neuroblastoma(cancer). Family and friends will be holding a benefit dance on Saturday, January 31, 2015 at the Fire Hall in Harbour Grace at 8:30 p.m.to help with the costs of her trips and other expenses and requests a donation. Referred to Finance Committee Report.
Tri Pen Ice Female Bantam	Mayor Barnes tabled correspondence from Kim Lannon, Manager for the Tri Pen Ice Female BantamAAA Hockey Club requesting a sponsorship/donation. Referred to Finance Committee Report.
Neil Shute-Stadium	Mayor Barnes tabled correspondence from Neil Shute, Head Coach for the CeeBees Peewee Rep 1 advising of an incident that took place on Friday, January 16 th , 2015 at the S.W. Moores Memorial Stadium. An assistant coach on his team slipped on the ice and fell back hitting his head. As a result of the slip he required medical attention at the Carbonear General Hospital. Mr. Shute requested that the Town install doors in the back of both the home and visitor's benches similar to the one that is in the penalty box so coaches do not have to travel across the ice. Mayor Barnes advised Council that former Council had signs erected stating that helmets must be worn when going onto the ice surface otherwise enter at your own risk. Stadium Facility Manager to make sure these signs are up. Deputy Mayor Williams to obtain costs to install doors in the back

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Neil Shute-Stadium of home and visitor's benches and bring back to Council.
CAO to advise Mr. Shute.

Greg Mercer-Water Mayor Barnes tabled correspondence from Mr. & Mrs. Greg Mercer concerning the problems they are with their well and the poor quality of water. They are unable to pay the initial cost of an artesian well and are requesting Council provide a well and increase their town bill so they can slowly pay the money back to Council. Mayor Barnes welcomed Mr. Mercer to the Council Chambers and Mr. Mercer proceeded to present his case.

Mr. Greg Mercer

Mr. Mercer advised he resides at 1 Tossey Place in the Thicket and has trouble with his well. When amalgamation took place residents were promised water to the Thicket and better roads. Every Council since has promised they would try and address the poor quality and periodically issue of no water in their wells. Residents have petitioned and spoke to each and every Councillor over the years to no avail. Mr. Mercer is unable to afford the cost of a new artesian well and requests Council help him by installing a new well and set up a payment plan for him to pay in back in installments. Mr. Mercer is carrying water from Bishop Cove Shore because his water isn't fit to drink.

Mayor Barnes thanked Mr. Mercer for addressing Council and advised the issue will be dealt with very soon.

New Business

Bookkeeping-Stadium Re: Letter from Stadium Manager concerning the Bookkeeping at the S.W. Moores Memorial Stadium.
Deferred to next Privileged Meeting.

Committee Reports

Capital & Public Works Committee

Brent Hurdle-New Water Clr. Haire advised Council that Mr. Hurdle had an independent company give him a price to install a water line to his property on Woodville Road however it is not the Town's Policy for a private companies to put in water lines.
After discussion it was motioned by Clr. Haire and seconded by Deputy Mayor Williams to advise Mr. Hurdle of an estimated cost of approximately \$8,000.00 to install a new one inch water line to his curb stop.
Motion Carried. Unanimously ***Motion #15-009***

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Service NI

Clr. Haire advised Council that he had placed a call to Minister Kent concerning the wells in the Thicket and also placed a call with Service NL to check into the water quality.

Finance Committee

Daelen Murphy-Donation

Re: Benefit Dance for Daelen Murphy-request for donation.
Motioned by Clr. Tetford and seconded by Clr. Stone to donate \$50.00 to the Benefit Dance for Daelen Murphy.
Motion Carried. Unanimously *Motion #15-010*

Tri Pen Ice Female Bantam

Re: Donation to Tri Pen Ice Female Bantam
Motioned by Clr. Tetford and seconded by Deputy Mayor Williams to donate \$50.00 to Tri Pen Ice Female Bantam.

Motion Carried. Unanimously *Motion #15-011*

Deputy Mayor Williams left chambers at 7:55 P.M.

Tri Pen Triple A Midget

Re: Donation to Tri Pen Triple A Midget Team.
Motioned by Clr. Tetford and seconded by Clr. McCarthy to donate \$50.00 to Tri Pen Triple A Midget.
Motion Carried. Unanimously *Motion #15-012*

Deputy Mayor Williams returned to chambers at 7:56 P.M.

Well-Tossey Place

Finance Committee to look at of cost of well or water line to Tossey Place and will bring back estimates to Council.
Defer to Finance Committee

Housing/Environment/Sanitation Committee

Reynolds Management

A motion was made by Clr. Stone and seconded by Clr. Haire concerning Phase 1 of a Seniors Development for Reynolds Management, however; after discussion took place Clr. Stone and Clr. Haire withdrew their motion.

Economic Development/Tourism/Heritage Committee

Swim to the Kyle

Motioned by Clr. Blake and seconded by Clr. Stone to approve the dates of July 11 and 12, 2015 for "Swim to the Kyle".
Motion Carried. Unanimously *Motion #15-013*

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Human Resources/Parks & Recreation Committee

Slippery Roads

Deputy Mayor Williams advised a resident called her at 5:30 a.m concerning slippery roads. Deputy Mayor Williams suggested the possibility of making sand available to those resident as the sand trucks are not able to get to all residents immediately. Works Superintendent to look into.

Economic Development Officer

Motioned by Deputy Mayor Williams and seconded by Clr. Stone to re advertise the position of Economic Development Officer for the period of two weeks in the local paper. Clr. Stone to provide a draft for the advertisement.

Casual Laborers-List

Deputy Mayor Williams advised that extra staff is needed for outside workers and plans are to advertise. A list of casual workers for both Town and Stadium will be compiled.

Old Bank-Renovations

Motioned by Clr. Tetford and seconded by Clr. McCarthy to obtain quotes from C & E Electrical, Gerald Sullivan and Brent Hurdle to complete inside electrical work at the old Bank. Council gives CAO permission to hire electrician at a cost not to exceed \$6,000.00.

Motion Carried. Unanimously *Motion #15-014*

Fire Dept. Liaison

Fire & Emergency Measures

Clr. Blake advised that his committee is working on plans for Fire & Emergency Measures and hopes to have report completed by the summer.

Stadium Liaison

New Stadium

Deputy Mayor Williams advised that meetings took place for two days concerning the proposed new stadium.

Fall Fair-Stadium

Deputy Mayor Williams suggested she would like to have a spending cap in place for the Fall Fair Committee at the stadium and anything over cap has to be approved by Council.

Civic Events Liaison

Seniors Card Games

Mayor Barnes advised that the Seniors Cards games have started and are taking place at the Fire Hall.

Financial Report		Tabled
Public Works Superintendent Report	Tabled	
CAO Report		Tabled
Stadium Manager Report	Tabled	

Town Budget 2015 Mayor Barnes was advised by CAO that she has been in contact with the Town auditors and the Town Budget for 2015 should be finalized for the next Council meeting.

Councillor’s Concerns

Snow Clearing-Sanding Clr. Haire suggested residents have to realize that the Town’s equipment is unable to be everywhere at the same time during snow clearing or the sanding of roads. Unless it is an *emergency situation* residents should *not* telephone staff or councillors at 5:30 a.m. to have their road cleared.

Kildare Rd.-Parsons Rd. Clr. Haire suggested opening up the road running from the end of pavement at Kildare Road down to Parsons Road in Bears Cove.

Harvey Street Clr. McCarthy had a request from a resident to have the area between the Old Cable Building to Lee’s Lane near railway bed cleared.
Works Superintendent to look into.

Water Build Up Deputy Mayor Williams suggested there are many areas where water collects in the Town. Run off from Kitchen’s Hill, also across from Terra Nova Shoes and Pike’s Lane.
Works Superintendent to look into.

Ridley Hall Mayor Barnes questioned if letters have been sent to owners of Ridley Hall and Canadian Tire concerning the safety issues associated with these dilapidated structures.
CAO advised letters sent and they have until February 18, 2015 to reply.

Meeting adjourned at 8:27 P.M. by motion of Clr. Tetford and seconded by Clr. McCarthy
Motion Carried. Unanimously ***Motion #15-015***

Next scheduled meeting of Council is February 11, 2015 at 7:30 P.M. with privileged meeting at 6:00 P.M.

Confirmed:

Terry Barnes, Mayor

Clerk/CAO

Lisa Carroll, Town

DATE:
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