

Regular Meeting #14 September 20, 2016

A Regular Meeting of Council convened in the Council Chambers at 7:09 p.m. in the presence of Mayor Steve Tessier, Councillors, Chief Administrative Officer, Dan Noseworthy, Town Clerk, Gail Pomroy, Director of Engineering and Public Works, Jennifer Norris, Director of Finance, Liz Davis, Director of Planning and Development, Elaine Mitchell, Director of Recreation and Leisure Services, Dave Tibbo, Fire Chief John Heffernan and Communications Coordinator, Kristina George.

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDAS AND MINUTES

a. Adoption of the Meeting Agenda for September 20, 2016

Resolution #16-330
Deputy Mayor George/Councillor Connors

Be it so resolved that the agenda of the meeting of September 20, 2016 be adopted as presented.

- carried unanimously

b. Adoption of the Meeting Minutes of September 6, 2016

Resolution #16-331
Councillor Youden/Councillor Tilley

Be it so resolved that the minutes of the meeting of September 6, 2016 be adopted as presented.

- carried unanimously

2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

3. VISITORS, PRESENTATIONS AND PETITIONS

a) Denley Moores Retirement

Mayor Tessier presented Denley Moores with a gift of appreciation in honour of his retirement. Mr. Moores has worked with the Public Works Department for 36 years.

CUPE Local 3034 also presented Mr. Moores with a retirement gift.

**4. RECOMMENDATIONS OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
(Chair, Councillor Darrin Bent)**

Transferred from Committee of the Whole Meeting #19

1. Request for Proposals - Flood Risk Policy and Regulations

**Resolution #16-332
Councillor Bent/Councillor Bursey**

Be it so resolved that the Town accept by proposal by Stantec to complete a flood risk policy and regulations at a cost of \$37,895.96 plus HST. Funds are available in account number 01-501-1000-5099.

- carried unanimously

Presentation of recommendations of meeting held on September 13, 2016

1. Request to Tender – Plotter/Scanner

**Resolution #16-333
Councillor Bent/Councillor Rowe**

Be it so resolved that approval be given to call tender for the purchase of a plotter/scanner.

- carried unanimously

2. Planning and Development Committee Meeting Report

Resolution #16-334
Councillor Bent/Councillor Connors

Be it so resolved that the recommendations/decisions made at the Planning and Development Committee Meetings of September 13, 2016, be accepted as presented.

- carried unanimously

The Planning and Development Committee Meeting Report of September 13, 2016, contains the following recommendations:

1. Crown Land – Indian Pond Drive, Seal Cove

Recommendation:

Be it so resolved that the Town indicate no objection to the application to acquire an area of Crown Land measuring 100 feet by 200 feet at the rear of 109 Indian Pond Drive, Seal Cove, for home gardening.

2. Order – 48 Readers Hill Crescent, Long Pond

Recommendation:

Be it so resolved that the Town arrange to have the work completed, in order to comply with the order issued on August 23, 2016, and the costs applied to the property account.

3. 986 Conception Bay Highway, Kelligrews

Recommendation:

Be it so resolved that the matter relating to 986 Conception Bay Highway, Kelligrews be sent to the Town's solicitor for legal action.

4. BIA Sidewalks – Route 60

Recommendation:

Be it so resolved that the permit fees and security deposit be waived for the sidewalk project on Route 60.

**5. RECOMMENDATIONS OF ENGINEERING AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
(Chair, Councillor Paul Connors)**

Transferred from Committee of the Whole Meeting #19

1. Tender #16-10 – 2016 Street Paving

Resolution #16-335

Councillor Connors/Deputy Mayor George

Be it so resolved that approval be given to award Tender #16-10 - 2016 Street Paving to Weir's Construction Ltd. in the amount of \$236,583.75, including tax. Funds are available in Capital Out of Revenue.

- 8 yeas
- 1 abstention (Rowe)
- motion carried

Councillor Rowe declared a conflict of interest with this matter as she has family who resides on one of the streets included. She vacated the Chamber at 7:15 p.m. and returned at 7:16 p.m.

2. Tender - Tilleys Road South Storm Upgrade

Resolution #16-336

Councillor Connors/Councillor Rowe

Be it so resolved that approval be given to award the tender for Tilleys Road South Storm Upgrade to Dexter Construction in the amount of \$1,071,790.80, pending government approvals. Funds are available in the project account.

- carried unanimously

6. RECOMMENDATIONS OF RECREATION AND LEISURE SERVICES COMMITTEE (Chair, Councillor Gerard Tilley)

Presentation of recommendations of meeting held on September 12, 2016

1. Recreation Complex – Shut-down 2016

Resolution #16-337
Councillor Tilley/Councillor Bursey

Be it so resolved that approval be given for the Recreation Complex to be shut down for annual maintenance beginning on Sunday, December 11, 2016 and re-opening as per the normal schedule on Monday, January 2, 2017.

- carried unanimously

2. Recreation and Leisure Services Committee

Resolution #16-338
Councillor Tilley/Councillor Youden

Be it so resolved that the recommendations/decisions made at the Recreation and Leisure Services Meeting of September 12, 2016 be accepted as presented.

- carried unanimously

Councillor Tilley advised that the Department of Recreation and Leisure Services would like to thank residents for participating in this year's Terry Fox Run. This event had nearly double the number of people as last year and over \$3000.00 was raised by residents to support Cancer Research. Congratulations to all runners.

Councillor Tilley advised that applications for the 2016-2017 Youth Advisory Council are now available. Applications are due Friday, October 7. This group has been a true asset to the community over the past number of years as they're a great tool to plan events tailored to the youth demographic. The YAC is also beneficial to youth to gain valuable organizational and event planning skills. Applications to join this committee are available on the Town's Website or by contacting the Department.

Councillor Tilley stated that he is happy to report a great turn out for the opening weeks in the Walking for Wellness Program. The numbers are continuing to grow each week. Residents can access the full walking schedule on the Town's website

or download the mobile application. He recommended residents to pick up next week's Newfoundland Herald for an article highlighting the program.

Councillor Tilley reported that both the Robert French Stadium and Conception Bay South Arena are in full swing. The ice is on both surfaces and there have been a large number of bookings. Minor Hockey and figure skating programs will commence the first week in October and the Junior Renegades will kick off the season with their home Opener on October 1st. The Department of Recreation and Leisure Services are also implementing some afternoon youth skates. Be sure to check the Town's website and social media for a full schedule for both facilities.

7. RECOMMENDATIONS OF FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE (Chair, Deputy Mayor George)

Presentation of recommendations of meeting held on September 13, 2016

1. Accounts Payable Cheque Register

Resolution #16-339
Councillor Rowe/Deputy Mayor George

Be it so resolved that approval be given to pay cheques totaling \$1,188,314.52 as per the Accounts Payable Cheque Register Report.

- carried unanimously

2. Ratification of Manual Cheques Previously Released

Resolution #16-340
Councillor Rowe/Councillor Connors

Be it so resolved that approval be given to ratify the payment of manual cheques previously released totaling \$29,461.45 as per the Manuel Cheque Register Report.

- carried unanimously

3. Capital Invoices

Resolution #16-341
Councillor Rowe/Councillor Connors

Be it so resolved that approval be given to pay capital cheques totaling \$679,848.06 as listed in the Financial Services Minutes of September 13, 2016.

- carried unanimously

4. Tender Call for Snow Clearing of Local Roads

Resolution #16-342
Councillor Rowe/Councillor Bent

Be it so resolved that approval be given to call a tender for the snow clearing of local roads for the 2016-2017 winter season and include an option to extend the contract for an additional two (2) years.

- carried unanimously

5. Donation – MNL Annual Convention

Resolution #16-343
Councillor Rowe/Councillor Connors

Be it so resolved that approval be given for a \$5,000 donation to Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador in support of the MNL Annual Convention being held October 6 – 8, 2016 in St. John's, NL. Funds are available in account #01-101-1000-7705.

- carried unanimously

6. Donation Request – Jeremy Cross Memorial Softball Tournament

Resolution #16-344
Councillor Rowe/Councillor Bursey

Be it so resolved that approval be given for a \$525 in-kind donation to Easter Seals Newfoundland and Labrador in support of the 1st Annual Jeremy Cross Memorial Softball Tournament being held on September 23, 24 and 25, 2016. Funds are available in account #01-101-1000-7705.

- carried unanimously

7. Clean Water and Wastewater Fund

Resolution #16-345
Councillor Rowe/Councillor Connors

Be it so resolved that Project No. 17-CWWF-17-00124 would not have been undertaken in 2016/17 or 2017/18 without federal funding.

- carried unanimously

8. Financial and Administrative Services Committee Report

Resolution #16-346
Councillor Rowe/Councillor Bent

Be it so resolved that the recommendations/decisions made at the Financial and Administrative Services Committee Meeting of September 13, 2016 be accepted as presented.

- carried unanimously

The Financial and Administrative Services Committee Report of September 13, 2016 contains the following recommendation:

1. Approval to Pay – Grand Concourse Authority – Maintenance Agreement

Recommendation:

Be it so resolved that approval be given to pay the Grand Concourse Authority for T’Railway Maintenance from January to August 2016 in

the amount of \$91,410.46. This is a budgeted item and funds are available in account 01-502-1000-7709.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM COMMITTEE (Chair, Councillor Kirk Youden)

Presentation of recommendations of meeting held on September 12, 2016

1. Economic Development and Tourism Committee Report

Resolution #16-347

Councillor Youden/Councillor Connors

Be it so resolved that the recommendations/decisions made at the Economic Development and Tourism Committee Meeting of September 12, 2016 be accepted as presented.

- carried unanimously

Councillor Youden expressed congratulations to Economic Development Coordinator, Krista Perry, for having a paper published in the "Papers in Canadian Economic Development Online Journal".

Councillor Youden advised that he had spoken at the recent event "Welcome Home Trilobite". Director of Recreation and Leisure Services. Riccardo Levi-Setti donated a 500 million year old fossil back to the Manuels River Natural Heritage Society.

Councillor Youden noted that nominations are open for the 2016 Bright Business Achievement Awards.

Councillor Youden stated that he had attended the grand opening of the Hopewell After School Program and welcomed them to the Town of Conception Bay South.

9. RECOMMENDATIONS OF FIRE, ENFORCEMENT AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE (Chair, Councillor Richard Murphy)

Presentation of recommendations of meeting held on September 13, 2016

1. Tender – Air Bag System

Resolution #16-348
Councillor Murphy/Councillor Tilley

Be it so resolved that approval be given to call tender for an air bag system.

- carried unanimously

2. Fire, Enforcement and Public Safety Committee Report

Resolution #16-349
Councillor Murphy/Councillor Rowe

Be it so resolved that the recommendations/decisions made at the Fire, Enforcement and Public Safety Committee Meeting of September 13, 2016 be accepted as presented.

- carried unanimously

10. OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Visions Employment

Councillor Youden advised that he attended the recent Visions Employment Board meeting. A report will be forwarded to the Financial and Administrative Services Committee.

Fire Chief Heffernan vacated the Chambers at 7:31 p.m.

11. NEW BUSINESS

Councillor Tilley

advised that Sgt. Ned Nugent Field will be closed until October 3, 2016 for upgrades.

Councillor Youden

requested that the streets included in the 2016 Street Upgrading Program be posted on the Town's website.

Councillor Rowe

stated that she enjoys the Walking for Wellness program and encouraged residents to attend tomorrow's walk starting at the Manuels River Hibernia Interpretation Centre.

Deputy Mayor George

referenced the transmission line being installed by Nalcor along Seal Cove Road. He stated that Councillor Murphy will address the matter however, he wanted to advise that in his opinion, if the Council of the day had its way, there would be no construction in Conception Bay South at all for this project. He added that even if Council disagreed, we had no power.

Councillor Bursey

stated that the Jeremy Cross Softball Tournament will be held this Friday, Saturday and Sunday. He encouraged residents to come out to support the event which is organized by the Easter Seals to raise funds for an inclusion park. The park will be built in St. John's but will be a regional facility.

expressed congratulations to Katarina Roxon who had won a gold medal at the Paralympics held in Rio.

advised that he current sits on the Economic Development and Tourism Committee, the Recreation and Leisure Services Committee

and the Planning and Development Committee. He invited residents with any comments or concerns to contact him.

Councillor Bent

reminded residents of Traffic Calming Consultation to discuss Chamberlains Road, Greeleytown Road, Lawrence Pond Road, Comerfords Road, Earlston Avenue and Haliburton Avenue. The consultation will be held from 6 – 8 p.m. on September 29, 2016 at Worsley Park.

encouraged residents to be patient while paving work is occurring throughout the town.

Councillor Murphy

stated that back in 2013, one of the first things he had to get involved in was the Dowdens Point site. In consultation meetings at that time, what was supposed to be a story board session turned out to be a Q&A session. He stated that during that evening, many spoke against the project. The message from the residents was that the grounding station was not wanted. From this meeting a citizens group was formed. He noted that Nalcor does not require permits or permissions from municipalities. Everyone thought the transmission line was to come from Soldiers Pond to Dowdens Point over land but instead they are being installed along the T’Railway. Residents along Seal Cove Road are upset as their view is now obstructed by the transmission lines. He stated that while he understands that the lines have to be installed, surely they could be underground. He stated that a statement by Nalcor indicated that this was the preferred option for the Town of Conception Bay South. This is due to the best of 3 bad options that were provided but the Town and residents did not want it to go there at all. Councillor Murphy requested the Mayor to write Nalcor to express our displeasure with the fact that they are ignoring the people’s wishes and desires.

Mayor Tessier

advised that a letter will be sent to Nalcor and requested the Chief Administrative Officer to set up a meeting with officials of Nalcor to discuss the matter. He stated that he does not like the way they tell us what they're doing rather than asking what we think.

Councillor Murphy

added that Nalcor has put out a safety advisory with respect to vandalism to the area. He stated that he does not condone this behaviour which could cause severe damage and possible injury. He requested those responsible to please cease.

Mayor Tessier

stated that the RNC issued over 170 speeding tickets in school zones last week. He expressed his appreciation to the RNC and stated that the onus is on the drivers to obey the rules of the road.

advised that the RNC are requesting people not to report illegal behaviour on Facebook but rather report it to the detachment.

advised that he and the Chief Administrative Officer will meet with the Chief and Deputy Chief of the RNC to discuss issues in the Town.

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Resolution #16-350
Councillor Rowe/Councillor Tilley

Be it so resolved that the meeting adjourn.

- carried unanimously

Steve Tessier
Mayor

Gail Pomroy
Town Clerk