

Town of St. George's  
Regular Council Meeting

Minutes of a regular meeting of the council  
of the Town of St. George's, held in the  
Town Hall, August 11, 2014

*Present*

Mayor D. Conway  
Deputy Mayor A. Tobin  
Councillors: F. Alexander  
S. Lee  
C. Foote  
E. Carroll

*Also Present*

Town Manager R. Chant  
Town Clerk D. Woolridge

*Call to Order*

Mayor Conway called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

*Adoption of Minutes:*

*Regular Mtg. of July 7, 2014*

**Regular Meeting of July 7, 2014**

Motion #14 - 70 Foote/Lee

Resolved that minutes of the regular council meeting of July 7, 2014 be adopted as circulated. All in favour.  
Motion carried.

*Committee Reports:*

*a) Finance*

Motion #14 - 71 Alexander/Tobin

Resolved that general invoices of \$25,185.24 be approved for payment. All in favour. Motion carried.

*b) Projects*

Motion #14 - 72 Foote/Tobin

Resolved that we reallocate the \$230,000 that was approved for the Artificial Ice Project to the Softball Field Upgrades (\$38,000), Playground Expansion (\$117,500), maintenance on existing wells (\$48,984.00), and the remaining money to be used for preliminary work on finding a fifth well (\$25,516.00). All in favour. Motion carried.

*c) Fire Dept.*

The Fire Department will be looking into gaining access to Courthouse Road for the winter months.

*d) Stadium/Recreation*

The Blueberry Festival was successful again this year.

A discussion followed on possibly removing the memorial located near the RecPlex and putting a plaque inside the building. Ray and Mayor Conway will meet with the parents to discuss the proposal.

An incident was reported to the RCMP when someone tried to go up the bank in a truck and tore up the grass. Charges would affect this person's chances of obtaining future employment.

Motion #14 - 73 Tobin/Foote

Resolved that the Town not press charges against this person but that alternative measures be taken, along with a letter of apology from the individual. All in favour.  
Motion carried.

Motion #14 - 74 Alexander/Foote

Resolved that we advertise the position of Stadium/Rink/Bowling Alley Attendant for general duties and maintenance. All in favour. Motion carried.

Some councillors will meet to draw up a job description.

*e) Roads*

Motion #14 - 75 Alexander/Lee

Resolved that we allocate the next four years' Gas Tax Funding toward road improvements in the Town of St. George's. All in favour. Motion carried.

*Building Applications*

**1) Land on Farm Road**

A sketch was tabled submitted by persons intending to buy property on Farm Road and inquiring as to availability of water and sewer services. Ray was directed to advise them to submit a building application with a proper plot plan for council's review at the next meeting. Water and sewer can be provided at the source with cost to be determined. It was suggested that the connection fee of \$1,000 should apply to a maximum of 100 feet from our main to the boundary and cost shared 50/50 beyond that distance.

*New Business*

**1) Crown Land Application - Path End**

Motion #14 - 76 Tobin/Alexander

Resolved that application for Crown Land at Path End be approved. All in favour. Motion carried.

**2) Crown Land Application - Flat Bay Brook**

Motion #14 - 77 Tobin/Foote

Resolved that application for Crown Land to provide an extension to existing property in Flat Bay Brook be approved. All in favour. Motion carried.

**3) Manager's Salary**

The town manager was asked to leave the room at this time.

Motion #14 - 78 Lee/Alexander

Resolved that we offer the town manager the same increase that was offered to the union employees of 3%-3%-3%-3% for the next four years (to be considered on a yearly basis); RRSP Benefits to remain as is. All in favour. Motion carried.

Ray was called in. After some discussion as to what he was looking for, he was asked to leave again.

Motion #14 - 79 Alexander/Lee

Resolved that we rescind the previous motion and offer the town manager 5% the first year, 3% the second year, 3% the third year, 3% the fourth year; and continue to match his present RRSP contributions (to be considered yearly and retroactive to January 1). All in favour. Motion carried.

Ray then returned to the meeting.

#### **4) Clarification - 217 & 219 Main Street**

A letter was received from a resident requesting clarification on whether council considered the lane between 217 & 219 Main Street to be a public lane, private road or a right of way, and what the services will be with regard to maintenance, snowclearing, etc. as he intends to build a house at 217. The resident also stated a name would be important as other lanes the same width have names.

After discussing the issue, Ray was directed to write the resident stating that if he intends to develop the lane, to submit a development plan and put in the proper applications for council to review.

#### **4) Tenders - Old Equipment**

Several tenders had been submitted for the 1992 John Deere 544 Loader and 2006 GMC Sierra Pickup Truck with snow plow and salt spreader. The highest bid received for the loader was \$25,600.00, highest bid for the truck was \$9,000.00. The town clerk was instructed to review the tenders and bid securities; tenders will be awarded at the next meeting.

#### **6) Demolition Order - Sullivan's Lane**

Motion #14 - 80 Alexander/Tobin

Resolved that a demolition order be issued for a house at 15 Sullivan's Lane. All in favour. Motion carried.

#### *Other Business*

The wells will be "superchlorinated" next week and then the water will be pumped out. Hopefully, this will solve the problem. Residents will be advised to conserve the water during this time.

#### *Incoming Correspondence*

1) Memo from President Churence Rogers of Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador re Membership Mid-Year Update.

2) Request for donation as a prize in the annual Toby Colombe Memorial Run. Council approved a \$25 gift card from Walmart.

3) A Circular to Municipalities from Steve Kent, Minister of Municipal and Intergovernmental Affairs, re Remote Meeting Attendance and Youth Representatives.

4) A letter from Cluney Mercer, Assistant Deputy Minister of the Municipal Engineering and Planning Branch of the Department of Municipal and Intergovernment Affairs, inviting applications for the 2015/2016 Municipal Capital Works Program. Deadline is October 17, 2014.

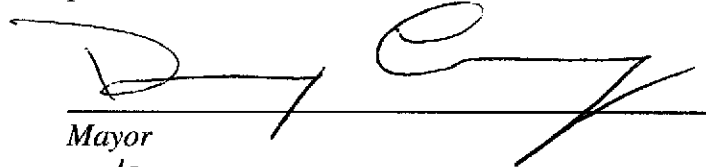
5) An invitation from the Gravels Development Group Inc. inviting mayor and council to join them in the Centennial celebrations for Our Lady of Mercy Heritage Church, August 29-31, 2014.

6) A letter from Karen Legge, Assistant Deputy Minister, Municipal Support, Department of Municipal and Intergovernmental Affairs, advising that our request for financial assistance for a water investigation on the town's

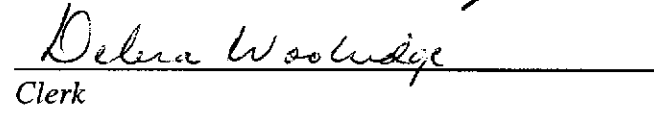
wells has been denied under the Special Assistance Program. We may consider applying under the Municipal Capital Works Program in the fall.

*Adjournment*

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m. to meet again on Tuesday, September 2, 2014 at 7 p.m.

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*Mayor*

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*Clerk*