

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, May 4, 2015

*Members Present*

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

*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 Meeting of April 6, 2015*

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Motion #15 - 42 White/Tobin

Resolved that minutes of the regular council meeting of  
April 6, 2015 be adopted as circulated. All in favour.  
Motion carried.

*Business Arising*

Mayor Conway informed council that Dr. Chyla is in the  
clinic until the end of May. The nurse practitioner will start  
out west this coming Monday.

The Department of Highways informed Ray that they will  
replace the sign on the TCH for the St. George's turn-off as  
soon as the paving is done.

*Committee Reports:*

*a) Finance*

Motion #15 - 43 Tobin/Foote

Resolved that general invoices of \$26,897.18 be approved  
for payment. All in favour. Motion carried.

*b) Projects*

Council was updated on the sewer treatment project.

*c) Fire Dept.*

Acknowledgement was received from Fire and Emergency  
Services of applications submitted for financial assistance  
under the Firefighting Equipment Program and Fire  
Protection Vehicle Program.

*d) Stadium/Recreation*

Councillor Carroll informed council that two summer  
students have been approved for Parks/Rec. Discussion  
followed on the recent problem with the stadium roof (ice  
build-up and leaking in the bowling alley) and the  
feasibility of an energy audit.

*e) Roads*

Harview's Lane, Harview's Lane Extension and Sullivan's  
Lane was discussed. The previous estimate to upgrade was  
\$200,000. Councillor Alexander suggested re-calling the  
tender.

*Building Application*

Motion #15 - 44 Tobin/Carroll

Resolved to grant a permit to the applicant for a patio and a  
fence. All in favour. Motion carried.

## *New Business*

- 1) **Clean-Up Week**  
Clean-up week will be from May 11 - 15 this year.
- 2) **Outside Workers**  
Two positions will be posted internally:  
Labourer/Operator/Lead Hand and Labourer/Operator (to replace Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent of Public Works) “under the confines of the contract.”
- 3) **Crown Lands Application - Bivalve Harvesting and Aquaculture**  
A Municipal Recommendation Form for Crown Land Applications Within Municipal and Planning Area Boundaries was received for an application for a bivalve harvesting and aquaculture license for St. George’s Bay.

Motion #15 - 45 Alexander/Tobin

Resolved that the project for bivalve harvesting and aquaculture be given approval to move forward. All in favour. Motion carried.

- 4) **Community Garden/Compost Training**  
The community garden will consist of approximately one-half acre behind the post office. The College of the North Atlantic has agreed to clear the land and backfill with material from our pit. The only cost to the committee would be overnight security for the equipment. How-to-Compost Training will take place at the RecPlex on May 21, 2015.

- 5) **Signage - Come Home Year**  
Council agreed to pay for two “Welcome to St. George’s Come Home Year 2015” signs to cover the existing welcome signs at both entrances to the town.

## *Other Business*

Councillor White informed council that the Qalipu Mi’kmaq First Nation Indian Band and the Canadian Red Cross are partnering to provide disaster management training on May 8 as part of the National Emergency Preparedness Week. Deputy Mayor Tobin will attend on behalf of council.

## *Incoming Correspondence*

- 1) Thank you card from Appalachia High for the donation to Safe Prom 2015.
- 2) MNL - Members Handbook and 2015 Members Cards.
- 3) Stephenville Theatre Festival - list of the productions for their 37<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Season and a request for sponsorship.
- 4) Department of Municipal & Intergovernmental Affairs re the 2014 Consolidated Financial Statement Template available on their website. Financial statements must be submitted before June 30 and must now include a copy of the Management Letter and the aged receivables listing for property taxes receivable as of December 31, 2014.
- 5) Barachois Search & Rescue with their annual request for assistance in covering the cost of their cellphones.

Motion #15 - 46 Tobin/Alexander

Resolve that we donate the \$785.08 to cover the cost of the cellphones. All in favour. Motion carried.

6) Dept. of Municipal/Intergovernmental Affairs - informing us that the Department is considering the revision of the definition of "building height" from the *Development Regulations* in municipal plans and asking for comments and suggestions.

7) A letter and photos from residents of Pellys Lane re ongoing issues with water buildup at the end of their driveway.

Motion #15 - 47 Foote/Carroll

Resolved that we go ahead and get the necessary work done to remedy the situation.

In favour:

Mayor D. Conway  
Deputy Mayor A. Tobin

Councillors: A. White, S. Lee,  
G. Carroll, C. Foote

Opposed: Councillor F. Alexander

Abstaining: 0

Motion carried

8) An email and photos from a resident of the new subdivision on Farm Road concerning access to his property being impassable due to the melting snow. Because the road has not been turned over to the Town, the developer was notified and he rectified the situation.

9) A letter was received from Epilepsy Newfoundland and Labrador thanking us for signing the proclamation making March 26 Purple Day.

10) A letter and a copy of the Newfoundland and Labrador Electoral Districts Boundaries Commission's Notice of Proposal and Public Sitings from Diane Blackmore, Chief Administrative Officer.

11) *See Committee Reports: c) Fire Dept.*

12) A message from the Minister of Municipal and Intergovernmental Affairs, Keith Hutchings, proclaiming May 6 as Municipal Awareness Day, as well as an information package from Mayor Churence Rogers, President of MNL.

13) A Media Release from MP Judy Foote re support measures to public safety officers by the future Liberal Government.

*Adjournment*

Motion #15 - 48 Tobin/Alexander

Resolved that meeting do now adjourn to meet again on June 1. All in favour. Motion carried.



Mayor



Clerk