

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, January 9, 2017

Members Present

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

Also Present

Town Manager J. Butt
Town Clerk D. Woolridge

Public in Attendance

One resident in attendance

Call to Order

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

*Adoption of Minutes:
Reg. Mtg. of Dec. 5, 2016*

Regular Meeting of December 5, 2016

Motion #17 - 01 White/Lee

Resolved that minutes of the regular meeting of December 5, 2016 be adopted as circulated. All in favour. Motion carried.

Councillor Foote arrived at this time.

Committee Reports:

a) Finance

1) Motion #17-02 Foote/Tobin

Resolved that general invoices of \$31,917.12 be approved for payment. All in favour. Motion carried.

2) Motion #17 - 03 Alexander/Lee

Resolved that Harvey Gale & Son Claim #2, Project Status #4 - Recreation Upgrades/Playground - in the amount of \$97,957.05 be approved for payment from the Projects Account. All in favour. Motion carried.

3) Motion #17 - 04 Tobin/White

Resolved that Atlantic Engineering Consultants Invoice No. 16 - 8345, Progress Billing #1 - Arena Fall Arrest System - in the amount of \$1725.00 be approved for payment. All in favour. Motion carried.

4) Motion #17 - 05 Alexander/Carroll

Resolved that Atlantic Engineering Consultants Invoice No. 16 - 8341, Progress Billing #2 - Town Hall Expansion - in the amount of \$13,605.88 be approved for payment from the Projects Account. All in favour. Motion carried.

5) Motion #17 - 06 Alexander/Tobin

Resolved that Atlantic Engineering Consultants Invoice No. 16 - 8342, Progress Billing #2 - Fire Hall Upgrading - in the amount of \$13,605.88 be approved for payment from the Projects Account. All in favour. Motion carried.

Councillor Foote was asked to leave the room at this point.

6) Motion #17 - 07 Alexander/Tobin

Resolved that On Grade Construction Invoice - Demolition Brake's Road - in the amount of \$2,875.00 be approved for payment. All in favour. Motion carried.

7) Motion #17 - 08 Tobin/Alexander

Resolved that On Grade Construction Invoice No. 104 - Excavator/Float (Sign Installation) - in the amount of \$205.28 be approved for payment. All in favour. Motion carried.

9) Motion #17 - 09 White/Lee

Resolved that On Grade Construction Invoice No. 127 - Delivery Salt/Sand - in the amount of \$186.88 be approved for payment. All in favour. Motion carried.

Councillor Foote was called back into the room.

8) Motion #17 - 10 Alexander/Lee

Resolved that BioMaxx Invoice #35216 - Flow Meter Purchase - in the amount of \$13,788.50 be approved for payment from Gas Tax Funding. All in favour. Motion carried.

Currently, 98.16% of taxes for 2015 have been collected and 97.31% of 2016.

b) Projects

Council was updated on the Town Hall Renovations. DMA is reviewing the design and the project will go to tender in a couple weeks. Construction will begin mid-February.

c) Fire Department

An email had been received from the Fire Chief with concerns about the Rescue Vehicle being outside, town employees not being permitted to attend medical calls, and firemen's driveways not being cleared. The Fire Chief will be asked to meet with council next Monday evening.

d) Stadium/Recreation

The Adult Skate on Tuesdays and General Skate on Saturdays are not being well attended due to the free Family Skates. The public will be advised that, if not better utilized, these time slots may be cancelled.

Councillor Carroll reported on minor hockey activity.

New Business

1) Motion #17 - 11 White/Lee (#16-182 ratified)

Resolved to go ahead with a regional board (for Animal Control Services) as presented by the town manager. All in favour. Motion carried.

2) **Offer to Purchase - 21C Farm Road**

Mayor Conway opened an offer to purchase that was received for 21C Farm Road for the amount of \$500.

Motion #17 - 12 Alexander/White

Resolved not to accept the offer to purchase. All in favour. Motion carried.

3) 4) 5) **Crown Lands Applications**

There were no objections to either of the three applications submitted to Crown Lands.

6) Overdraft Protection

Motion #17 - 13 White/Tobin

Resolved that we obtain an overdraft protection of \$75,000 at the Leading Edge Credit Union. All in favour. Motion carried.

7) Tender - Salt/Sander

Councillor Foote was again asked to leave the room.

Only one offer to purchase the Salt/Sander had been received.

Motion #17 - 14 Tobin/Alexander

Resolved to accept the offer to purchase the salt/sander on tender for \$1650 + HST from On Grade Construction. All in favour. Motion carried.

8) Plumbing Invoice

An invoice had been received from a plumbing company as a result of sewer issue incurred by a resident. The resident had hired the plumber who, in turn, had hired a contractor to excavate her yard. The problem was found to be on the Town's side in the end and was subsequently resolved. The resident feels the invoice is the Town's responsibility. It was the consensus of council that the Town is not responsible for the plumber's invoice to the resident.

Incoming Correspondence

1) A thank you card from Our Lady of Mercy for the donation of a turkey toward their Christmas dinner.

2) A thank you letter from the Ronald McDonald House.

3) A letter and Strategic Plan 2016-2021 from PMA.

4) A letter from the Department of Municipal Affairs advising the Gas Tax Committee has accepted our request to reduce the approval amount of the Road Upgrades Project by \$10,487 (approval amount now being \$5,713.00), and to cancel the Manhole Ring Installation Project.

5) A letter from the Department of Municipal Affairs re Municipal Recommendation Forms. Applicants for Crown Land are no longer required to obtain Municipal Recommendation Forms from their council. Registered applications will now be forwarded to the municipality as part of the Crown Lands referral process.

6) A letter from Canadian Wireless Telecommunications Association re the Recycle My Cell Program.

7) A letter from the Department of Municipal Affairs re Market Value Pricing Policy for Municipalities. A new leasing program will offer eligible municipalities the opportunity to acquire leases for Crown lands with varying options. The objective is to promoting economic activity within the province and support the growth and development of municipalities.

8) An email from Employment and Social Development Canada calling for nominations for Canada's Volunteer Awards.

9) An email from FCM concerning membership renewal invoices that will now be taxed.

10) A letter from Our Lady of Mercy Elementary requesting a monetary donation toward their trip to St. Louis, Missouri, to attend the World Festival Lego Robotics Competition.

Motion #17 - 15 Lee/Tobin

Resolved to commit to a donation of \$500.00 if the students go to the World Festival. Donation to come from funds budgeted for the Blueberry Festival. All in favour. Motion carried.

Privileged

The remainder of the meeting was declared privileged. Councillor Foote and the resident in attendance were asked to leave.

Discussion followed with regard to the course of action to be taken re Councillor Foote's sub-division. A legal document will be drafted stating conditions and deadlines for the roadwork.

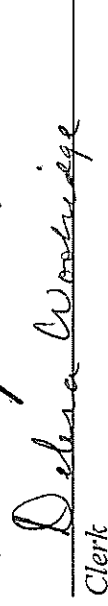
Adjournment

Motion #17 - 16 Lee/Carroll

Resolved that meeting do now adjourn to meet again on February 6, 2017. All in favour. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.


Mayor


Clerk