

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, November 4, 2013

Members Present

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

Also Present

Town Manager R. Chant
Town Clerk D. Woolridge

The first portion of the meeting was declared to be privileged to discuss a personnel matter.

Call to Order

Mayor Conway called the open portion of the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m.

Adoption of Minutes:

Regular Meeting of October 7, 2013

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Motion #13 - 98 Foote/Tobin

Resolved that minutes of the regular council meeting of October 7, 2013 be adopted as circulated. All in favour. Motion carried.

Business Arising

Mayor Conway and Councillor White will attend the MNL Convention in St. John's this weekend.

Ray spoke with Dennis Dollimount re the dust problem in Seal Rocks. Mr. Dollimount intends to replace the culvert on Flintkote Road in the spring. The plant foreman for Teck Resources will meet with Ray on Wednesday.

Committee Reports:

a) Finance

1) Motion #13 - 99 Alexander/Foote

Resolved that general invoices of \$11,565.20 be approved for payment. All in favour. Motion carried.

2) This item is included in item 4.

3) Motion #13 - 100 Foote/Lee

Resolved that Keith Penney, Chartered Account, invoice of \$848.00 for the Audit of Gas Tax Funding Agreement be approved for payment from the Gas Tax Funding. All in favour. Motion carried.

4) Motion #13 - 101 Alexander/Lee

Resolved that exp. Inv. #173080, Prof. Services and Expenses to Sept. 27 for \$2,090.61 and West Coast Excavating & Equipment Co. Contract Pymt #2 for \$33,764.40, totaling \$39,606.61- Pressure Reducing Valve Bldg., Project Status Report #9 - be approved for payment. All in favour. Motion carried.

5) Motion #13 - 102 Alexander/Foote

Resolved that exp. Inv. #1389, Prof. Services and Expenses to Sept. 27 for \$21,477.99 and Whitestone Developments Inc. Contract Payment #3 for \$158,753.70, totaling \$197,870.99 - New Fire Hall, Project Status Report #16 - be approved for payment. All in favour. Motion carried.

b) Projects

Ray updated council on the progress of the Fire Hall. Paving has been done, siding is being applied. Contractors, etc., are aware of council's concerns re culverts and drainage ditches.

The PRV Building was commissioned last week, but hasn't been hooked up to our SCADA system yet.

Contract documents have been received for Tobin's lift station.

d) Stadium

The stadium opened on Nov. 1. Councillor Carroll informed council that 82 children have registered for CanSkate. Prices for rubber flooring will be looked at this week.

e) Roads

Paving has been completed for this year. Farm Road was fixed by Curnew's Construction while they were working in the area. Butt's Lane is in rough shape. Quotes will be requested from contractors and brought back to council.

Unfinished Business

Rules of Procedure

Motion #13 - 103 White/Lee

Resolved that council adopt the current Rules of Procedure. All in favour. Motion carried.

Contract Negotiations

Deputy Mayor Tobin, Councillor Lee, and Town Manager Chant met to discuss negotiations on Thursday. They will meet with the union representative in December.

New Business

1) Audit 2012

Adoption of the Audit for 2012 has been deferred until all councillors have a chance to review it.

2) Five-Year Plan

Some items suggested for the five-year plan included town hall renovations, covering the ditches, upgrading the softball field, sidewalk repairs, new sidewalks for Seal Rocks and Shallop Cove, etc. Members will give their ideas to Ray by Friday.

3) Quote - Snow Blade

Quotes of \$6779 for a 72" and \$7039 for an 84" snow blade have been received from Battlefield. The decision to purchase was put on hold.

4) Water Connection - Butt's Lane

This matter was discussed and will be decided at a later date.

5) Letter of Intent

A letter of intent was received from the Western Regional Waste Management to be signed by the mayor that the Town of St. George's is in agreement to enter/negotiate an operational contract with the WRSB to allow them to take over administrative operations of the St. George's sub-regional waste site. The Town of St. George's would continue to operate the waste site on their behalf on a breakeven basis with the WRSB determining tipping fees, etc.

Motion #13 - 104 Foote/White

Resolved that we accept the letter of intent and that the mayor sign on behalf of the Town.

In favour: Mayor D. Conway
Deputy Mayor A. Tobin
Councillors: C. Foote, A. White
Opposed: Councillors: F. Alexander, S. Lee, G. Carroll
Abstaining: 0
Motion carried

6) Tenders - Half-ton Truck

Ray was given the go ahead to call tenders for a half-ton truck.

Incoming Correspondence

1) Request for donation - Ronald McDonald House.
Council had already donated in May.

2) Nomination Form - Western Regional Service Board for Waste Management

Motion #13 - 105 Foote/Tobin

Resolved that Mayor Conway be nominated to be elected to the board. All in favour. Motion carried.

3) Circular from the Department of Municipal Affairs re Applications for Proposed 2014/15 Municipal Capital Works and 2014/15-2016/17 Multi Year Capital Works Programs.

4) Municipal Assessment Agency - Ballot - Western Director. Council agreed to vote for Lloyd Mushrow from Channel-Port aux Basques.

5) A letter from Steve Kent, Minister of Municipal and Intergovernmental Affairs, informing council of an increase in the municipal operating grant for 2014 to \$136,423.18, an increase of 18.1% over 2013.

6) A request from the Relocation Committee of McCallum to sign a petition or forward a letter of support from the Relocation Committee of McCallum to change the present 90% relocation percentage.

Motion #13 - 106 Alexander/Tobin

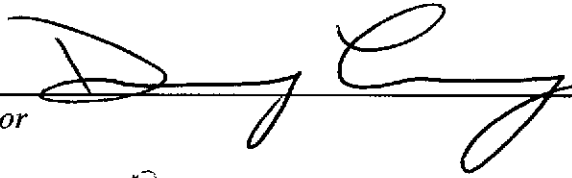
Council agreed to send a letter of support. All in favour. Motion carried.

Adjournment

Motion #13 - 107 White/Alexander

Resolved that meeting do now adjourn to meet again on December 2, 2013. All in favour. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:16 p.m.



Mayor

Debra Woolidge

Clerk