

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, July 6, 2015

*Members Present*

Mayor D. Conway  
Deputy Mayor A. Tobin  
Councillors: F. Alexander  
S. Lee  
C. Foote  
A. White  
G. 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 June 1, 2015*

**Regular Meeting of June 1, 2015**

Motion #15 - 61 Foote/Tobin

Resolved that minutes of the regular council meeting of June 1, 2015 be adopted as circulated. All in favour.  
Motion carried.

*Business Arising*

Mayor Conway updated council on the meeting with Western Health. The nurse practitioner will start on August 4. Western Health hopes to hire a second nurse practitioner along with three doctors on rotation.

The alarm systems have been ordered for the Town Hall, Fire Hall, and Maintenance Garage.

*Delegations*

Eight residents were in attendance with concerns about right-of-ways being blocked off to properties on Farm Road.

Mayor Conway informed them that we would get an independent surveyor to determine where the right-of-ways should be according to the cadastral map. Further development would be on hold until the ROWs are established.

*Committee Reports:*

*a) Finance*

1) Motion #15 - 62 Alexander/Foote

Resolved that general invoices of \$29,087.57 be approved for payment. All in favour. Motion carried.

2) Motion #15 - 63 White/Lee

Resolved that West Coast Excavating Claim No. 6 July 1- 31, 2014, Project Status Report #14 - PRV Building - in the amount of \$5,876.00 be approved for payment. All in favour. Motion carried.

3) Motion #15 - 64 Foote/Alexander

Resolved that exp. Services Inc. Inv. #192052, Project Status Report #16, Professional Services to Jan. 24, 2014 - St. George's Waste Water Treatment Plant - in the amount of \$3,884.97 be approved for payment. All in favour. Motion carried.

4) Motion #15 - 65 Alexander/Lee

Resolved that exp. Services Inc. Inv. #237467, Project Status Report #13, Professional Services and Expenses to Nov. 21, 2014 - Waste Water Treatment Plant - in the amount of \$7,394.91 be approved for payment. All in favour. Motion carried.

5) Motion #15 - 66 Foote/Tobin

Resolved that exp. Services Inc. Inv. #226738, Project Status Report #11, Professional Services and Expenses to Sept. 26, 2014 - Waste Water Treatment Plant - in the amount of \$5,729.48 be approved for payment. All in favour. Motion carried.

1) Motion #15 - 67 Foote/Tobin

Resolved to use total amount of Gas Tax money available to date for the Paving Project. All in favour. Motion carried.

2) Motion #15 - 68 Foote/White

Resolved that we borrow from the Leading Edge Credit Union \$74,835.08 for the Paving Project for a period of two years. All in favour. Motion carried.

3) Motion #15 - 69 Tobin/Lee

Resolved that we borrow from the Leading Edge Credit Union \$8,562.55 for the GST portion of the Paving Project for a period of one year. All in favour. Motion carried.

*d) Stadium/Recreation*

1) Motion #15 - 70 Foote/Lee

Resolved to provide a short-term loan of \$4,000 to the Blueberry Festival Committee until the GIC matures in August. All in favour. Motion carried.

2) Motion #15 - 71 Lee/Alexander

Resolved that funds from the GIC be transferred to the Blueberry Festival Committee's account when it matures in August (less the \$4,000 owed to the Town). All in favour. Motion carried.

*e) Roads*

1) Motion #15 - 72 Alexander/Tobin

Resolved to award the paving contract for Harview's Lane, Harview's Lane Extension, and Sullivan's Lane to Marine Contracting. All in favour. Motion carried.

2) Motion #15 - 73 Foote/Tobin

Resolved to accept the quote from Western Paving for two patches on Main Street. All in favour. Motion carried.

*Unfinished Business*

Some owners have been approached concerning the keeping of livestock on their properties.

*New Business*

1) **Farm Road**

Dealt with under *Delegations* above.

**2) Deep Freezers / Garbage Boxes**

A resident had expressed concerns about the dangerous practice of using deep freezers for garbage boxes. Ray will write the people concerned and put them on notice.

**3) Application for Quarry Permit**

A referral letter from the Department of Natural Resources was received for comments re an application for a quarry permit on Pitt Road.

Motion #15 - 74 Alexander/Tobin

Resolved that we approve the permit subject to all government department regulations. All in favour. Motion carried.

**4) Teck Taxes**

The town manager and three council members met with representatives of Teck Cominco last week. Teck will no longer be operating as of June 30. They would like to leave their building on the site to possibly attract other business if they could be exempt from taxes for 2016. If not sold within a year, they would remove it. This decision will be deferred until the next meeting so Ray can seek direction from Municipal Affairs.

**5) Petition - Residents of Courthouse Road**

A petition had been submitted from the residents of Courthouse Road who have been receiving little or no water pressure for some time. This matter was due to faulty gauges and has since been resolved.

**6) Dinner Theatre**

Plans to host a dinner theatre to commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the incorporation of the Town of St. George's inviting past and present council members, present employees, and spouses were discussed.

Motion #15 - 75 Foote/White

Resolved that we go ahead with the dinner theatre.

In favour:

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

Opposed:  
Abstaining: 0

Motion carried

*Other Business*

**Town Clean-up**

Three of our employees and three town students will be cutting grass, picking up garbage, etc., in the next couple weeks.

**Animal Control**

The subject of animal control and enforcement was discussed; and the possibility of combining with Stephenville Crossing for these services was put forward for thought.

*Incoming Correspondence*

1) A thank you card was received for our donation to the Heart and Stroke Foundation in memory.

- 2) A letter from a resident with concerns about access being cut off from her property to Farm Road. This matter was discussed under *Delegations*.
- 3) A letter from another resident claiming a portion of her property had been resold by the Town, then resold again. This also was discussed above.
- 4) A letter from a resident requesting permission to fill in a ditch in front of his property. As this property fronts on Main Street, the resident should submit the request to the Department of Highways.

*Adjournment*

Motion #15 - 76 Alexander/Tobin

Resolved that meeting do now adjourn to meet again on August 4, 2015. All in favour. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.



Mayor

*Debra Woodrige*

Clerk