

Town of Carbonear
Regular Council Meeting, February 2, 2009
Minutes of a regular meeting of the Council of the Town of Carbonear
held in Council Chambers, February 2, 2009 at 7:30pm

Members Present: Mayor Sam Slade
Deputy Mayor Edward Slade
Councillors Jim Burden
Terry Emberley
John Comerford
Fred Earle

Members Absent: Councillors Gladys Mercer

Also Present: Town Clerk Cathy Somers
Town Administrator Cynthia Davis
Director of Operations & Public Works Brian O'Grady

Also Absent: Director of Recreation & Tourism Rob Button

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1. Calling of Meeting to Order
Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:33pm and welcomed everyone present at the meeting.

 2. Adoption of Minutes
 - a) January 26, 2009 Regular Meeting
Motion 09-019 **E. Slade / F. Earle**
Resolved that the minutes of the January 26, 2009 Regular meeting of council be adopted as presented.
Favour 6; Opposed 0; **Carried**
 - b) January 26, 2009 Privileged Meeting
Motion 09-020 **F. Earle / J. Comerford**
Resolved that the minutes of the January 26, 2009 Privileged meeting of council be adopted as presented.
Favour 6; Opposed 0; **Carried**

 3. Business Arising From Minutes
 - ▶ Councillor Earle asked if the application has been submitted for the new access for the second floor of the Rorke Museum.
Town Administrator advised it was referred to Rob for completion. He is working on it.
 - ▶ Councillor Earle inquired about the repairs to the traffic lights. Town Administrator advised that repairs were made to the walking light.
 - ▶ New traffic lights for the Goff Avenue/Columbus Drive/Forest Road

Town Administrator advised that the surveys have been prepared for the properties that need to be acquired by the Town. She will proceed to set up a meeting with the various property owners.

- ▶ Motions to be ratified from the January 26, 2009 Privileged Meeting.
Councillor Emberley declared a conflict of interest on both these motions and left the meeting.

Mayor Slade asked that Motion SPE 2009-01-26-001 be ratified.

Motion 09-021 **F. Earle / E. Slade**

Resolved that the Town of Carbonear adopt the Salary Scale for Part-time Lifeguards and Instructors at the Carbonear Swimming Pool for the period Jan.1, 2009 to July 1, 2010.

Favour 5; Opposed 0; **Carried**

Mayor Slade asked that Motion SPE 2009-01-26-002 be ratified.

Motion 09-022 **E. Slade / F. Earle**

Resolved that the Town of Carbonear fill the four existing sand boxes located in the following areas throughout town:

Long's Hill by Tom St. George's Property

Long's Hill by Kevin Forward's Property

Pondside Hill

Northcott's Lane.

Favour 5; Opposed 0; **Carried**

Brian advised that this work was completed this afternoon.

Councillor Emberley was called back into the meeting.

4. Delegations

No delegations present.

5.1 Correspondence, Permits & Development

a) Application to construct an accessory building at 118 Forest Road.
Reviewed by the Development Committee. Deferred for further investigation.

b) List of Permits #4255 - 4257.

Motion 09-023 **F. Earle / J. Burden**

Resolved that the Town of Carbonear approve the list of permits # 4255-4257 as presented to Council.

Favour 6; Opposed 0; **Carried**

5.2 Correspondence, Requiring Council's decision.

a) Resident, Request to remove tree from the street reservation in front of his property on Water Street east.

Referred to the Development Committee. Deferred for discussion in privilege with Council.

b) NL Heritage Foundation, Sample proclamation for Heritage Day 2009, Monday, February 16, and call for nominations for the 2009 Southcott Awards, deadline April 15, 2009. Rob to place call for nominations of website.

Town Administrator advised that the Carbonear Island Strategy Launch will be held

that day as well. There will be an open house at the Civic Centre. All Council members are invited to attend.

Mayor Slade read the sample proclamation.

Motion 09-024 **T. Emberley / E. Slade**

Whereas, the third Monday in February is recognized provincially as heritage Day; and

Whereas, Heritage Day is a time to reflect on the achievements of past generations and to accept responsibility for protecting our heritage; and

Whereas, our citizens should be encouraged to celebrate Newfoundland and Labrador's uniqueness and to rejoice in their heritage and environment; and

Whereas, in 2009, the residents of Newfoundland and Labrador will celebrate their rich and diverse heritage.

Therefore, I, Sam Slade on behalf of the Town of Carbonear, do hereby proclaim Monday, February 16, 2009 as Heritage Day, and call upon all citizens to celebrate the richness of our past and the promise of our future.

Favour 6; Opposed 0; **Carried**

- c) MRON Inc., Request for proclamation declaring February, 2009 as Supported Employment Awareness Month in the Town of Carbonear.

Mayor Slade read the sample proclamation.

Motion 09-025 **F. Earle / E. Slade**

Whereas Supported Employment Agencies, in partnership with Newfoundland and Labrador Association for Community Living, People First, Government, and Employers work together to provide support to individuals with intellectual disabilities to gain meaningful paid employment; and

Whereas An intellectual disability is a life long challenge affecting a persons's ability to live and work independently in a community as a full participating citizen. It is recognized that individuals with disabilities face unique barriers to employment.

Individuals may benefit from a variety of supports and services to help develop the skills and abilities necessary to prepare for, access, and maintain employment.

Partnerships between government, community groups, and individuals are encouraged to ensure that appropriate support services are developed and maintained; and

Whereas The Province of Newfoundland and Labrador is a vast province with its citizens spread far and wide, including citizens with intellectual disabilities who have the right to live, learn, work and otherwise participate in the full experience of community, as do other citizens. Supported Employment Agencies, Newfoundland and Labrador Association for Community Living, People First, Government, Employers, Individuals, and Families promote the message that we're "Making It Work" through the Supported Employment values-based training initiative currently being delivered throughout the province;

Therefore, I, Mayor Sam Slade, Declare February, 2009 as Supported Employment Awareness Month in the Town of Carbonear.

Favour 6; Opposed 0; **Carried**

5.3 Correspondence, Received and action taken

Council reviewed the following correspondence and action taken:

- a) NL Public Health Laboratory, Test results for water samples collected on January

- 19, 2009 at J. Bemisters. Results marked satisfactory. Test results placed on file.
- b) CAW, Request for support of their program, Re. Buy-Canadian, Build Communities.
Copied to Council for their consideration.
- c) TCP Health Foundation, Request for donation for the 20th Annual Telethon to be held October 4, 2009.
Referred to the Finance Committee.
Councillor Earle suggested that we request the TCP Health Foundation to host it here in the Town of Carbonear at the Civic Centre. Council agreed. Town Administrator to send letter of invitation to the TCP Health Foundation.
- d) NL Heart & Stroke Foundation, Information on Dress Red for Heart Program.
Copied to Council. Placed on file.
- e) Resident, Complaint, Re. Garbage Problems with garbage being put out five days before garbage pick up and littering the neighbouring property.
Copied to the Town Administrator and Director of Operations and Public Works for investigation.
Council inquired about delays in garbage collection and how these delays are communicated to the residents. Town Administrator advised that garbage collection delays or changes in schedules is the responsibility of the contractor through local radio ads. Town Administrator confirmed that there was a delay in the garbage collection today, due to a truck break down. The contractor advised that they were 4-5 hours behind schedule. Council also requested that the Town staff post any ads on the phone message at the office as well. If there are delays in the schedule, people without garbage boxes tend to have problems with garbage being torn up and scattered on their properties. Town Administrator advised that Council could consider changes to their regulations to have garbage covered as well. Councillor Comerford advised that there was an issue with the garbage on Northcott's Lane not being picked up. Town Administrator to investigate this concern. Council noted that our current garbage contractor has been very good to deal with.
- f) Carbonear Collegiate, Re. Request for donation to Fifth Annual Fund-raising Dinner and Auction on February 14th, 2009.
Referred to the Finance Committee.
Councillor Earle encouraged all Council members to attend if they have a free evening on Feb. 14th, 2009.

6. Committee Reports

a) Development Committee

Councillor Comerford presented the recommendations of the Development Committee.

Motion 09-026

J. Comerford / T. Emberley

Resolved that the Town of Carbonear proceed to have Reg Garland of Plantech to proceed to draft the necessary amendments to change the street reservations for Bond

Street and Highroad North from 30m to 20m.

Favour 6; Opposed 0; **Carried**

Motion 09-027

J. Comerford / F. Earle

Resolved that the Town of Carbonear grant municipal approval for a permit for Concord Paving Ltd. for a Rock Quarry Permit at Route 70 Carbonear at Clarkes Road Intersection.

Favour 6; Opposed 0; **Carried**

Motion 09-028

J. Comerford / F. Earle

Under the authority of Section 16 of the Urban and Rural Planning Act 2000, the Town Council of Carbonear adopts the Town of Carbonear Development Regulations Amendment No. 16, 2009.

Favour 6; Opposed 0; **Carried**

b) Works Committee

Councillor Burden noted that some items were discussed and recommended to be further discussed in privilege with Council.

Also, some other items have been investigated and will be reported on by the Director of Operations and Public Works.

Councillor Burden presented the following recommendation from the Works Committee.

Motion 09-029

J. Burden / E. Slade

Resolved that the Town of Carbonear adopt the proposed Street Light Installation Standards Policy Number W.11 as prepared by the Town Administrator.

Favour 6; Opposed 0; **Carried**

Mayor Slade asked if there would be any financial implications with the existing street lights, due to the implementation of this policy.

Town Administrator advised that there should be no financial implications as a result of the implementation of this policy. The policy does not state that there has to be a street light installed on every second pole.

7. Reports from Town Administrator and Department Heads

a) Town Administrator

Report previously copied to Council, any questions can be addressed to the Town Administrator.

Councillor Emberley asked about the complaint received on the barking dog, and if the letter was written to the dog owner. Town Administrator advised the letter was sent to the dog owner.

Councillor Comerford advised that the Fire Dept. AGM is next Wednesday, All council members are urged to attend. Advise Councillor Comerford if you will be attending.

Councillor Earle asked if the letter has been sent to the Carbonear Hospital. Town Administrator advised that she has not yet sent that letter.

Draft copy of Fire Department Regulations provided to Council members as well. To be reviewed in a privileged meeting of Council.

b) Director of Operations and Public Works

Report previously copied to Council, any questions can be addressed to him.

Delivery of new dump truck, should be end of February.

Heating system in Theatre - Director of Operations and Public Works to obtain additional quotes. The repairs must be completed as soon as possible, as the Revue starts tomorrow evening.

Motion 09-030

F. Earle / J. Comerford

Resolved that the Town of Carbonear proceed with the supply and installation of a new duct heater in the theatre at a cost not to exceed \$3,677.38 plus HST.

Favour 6; Opposed 0; **Carried**

Councillor Burden noted that he had some complaints regarding the clean up after the last couple of snowstorms has been slower than usual. The reason for this delay, as Brian explained is due to the fact that we have three pieces of equipment not working. Councillor Earle inquired that if we have a major storm, we have made contact with local contractor for extra equipment as well if needed. Brian confirmed that extra equipment is available through a local contractor if needed.

Deputy Mayor Slade asked if we dig up all water leaks this time of year. Brian indicated that we do not, only if there is a concern with people losing their water completely, if not, it is deferred until the spring. We repair only what is absolutely necessary.

8. Finance

a) List of Operating Invoices, totaling \$2,478.09

Motion 09-031

T. Emberley / J. Burden

Resolved that the Town of Carbonear approve for payment the list of operating expenditures totaling \$2,478.09 as presented to Council.

Favour 6; Opposed 0; **Carried**

9. Regulations

None listed.

10. General Business

- Councillor Earle indicated that Town of Hr. Grace has been selected to the top 5 for Hockeyville. He encourages everyone to cast as many votes as possible to support this regional facility.

Discussed. Town Administrator to write letter to Mayor Coombs and his council and wish them luck in their pursuit for the title, Kraft Hockeyville 2009.

- Councillor Earle indicated that with the federal budget that has been presented in the news, he feels the quickest way for Carbonear to obtain funding for projects would be to complete the project using Gas Tax Funding.

He also noted that some other proposals for recreation dollars is on a 50/50 funding basis.

Mayor Slade noted that personally speaking, he was very disappointed in the federal budget and hopes that our Liberal representatives vote against the budget.

11. Notices of Motion

No notice of motions were filed.

12. Adjournment

Motion 09-032 to adjourn at 8:34pm.

J. Comerford / J. Burden

Favour 6; Opposed 0; **Carried**

Mayor Sam Slade

Cathy Somers, Town Clerk