

Town of Carbonear
Regular Council Meeting, May 5th, 2008

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Council of the Town of Carbonear
held in Council Chambers, May 5th, 2008 at 7:30pm

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

Also Present: Town Clerk Cathy Somers
Town Administrator Cynthia Davis (absent at start of meeting)
Director of Operations & Public Works Brian O'Grady

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1. Calling of Meeting to Order
Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:34pm and welcomed everyone present at the meeting.

 2. Adoption of Minutes
 - a) April 28th, 2008 Regular Meeting
Motion 08-138 **F. Earle / E. Slade**
Resolved that the minutes of the April 28th, 2008 regular meeting of council be adopted as presented.
Favour 7; Opposed 0; **Carried**
 - b) May 1st, 2008 Privileged Meeting
Motion 08-139 **G. Mercer / E. Slade**
Resolved that the minutes of the May 1st, 2008 privileged meeting of council be adopted as presented.
Favour 7; Opposed 0; **Carried**

 3. Business Arising From Minutes
 - ▶ Motions to be ratified from the May 1st, 2008 privileged meeting of council.
Mayor Slade asked that Council ratify Motion SPE2008-05-01-001.
Motion 08-140 **F. Earle / J. Comerford**
Resolved that the Town of Carbonear defer lay off for M. Gear for another week until Council had an opportunity to review responsibilities that she would complete prior to commencement of Rorke Store Crib Work Project and until further information was received from the consulting engineers.

Favour 7; Opposed 0; **Carried**

4. Delegations

Fire Chief's Report moved to this section of the meeting.

Fire Chief Ron Garland and Fire Department members Keith Thomas, Tom Crawford and Jeff Squibb were the Fire Departments representatives in attendance at the meeting.

Mayor Slade invited Fire Chief Garland to proceed with his report to Council

Fire Chief Garland presented and read a letter of request to Council.

The letter requests that Council purchase an new aerial device with pumping capability that will replace the 1978 Aerial Ladder Truck, 30 years old and the 1984 GMC Pumper, 24 years old. The two other trucks could then be sold to offset the town's 20% share of funding for the new piece of equipment.

- ▶ Councillor Emberley asked how much would the piece of equipment cost and how long a reach does it have. Fire Chief advised it would have a 110 feet reach, and would cost between \$800,000 to \$1,000,000.
- ▶ Mayor Slade advised that a letter was written some time ago to request this piece of equipment through the Fire Commissioner's Office. However, the commitment could not be made to finance this piece of equipment until such a time when Council determined it would be more feasible to proceed with such a purchase.

Representatives of the Fire Department noted that the fire fighting equipment needs to be updated to continue to provide good fire fighting services within the municipality.

- ▶ Mayor Slade advised that Council will take this into consideration and contact the Fire Commissioner's Office on the matter.

5.1 Correspondence, Permits & Development

- a) Application to construct a single dwelling home at 46 Hoyles Road.
Reviewed by the Development Committee. Motion Recommended.

Motion 08-141

J. Comerford / F. Earle

Resolved that the Town of Carbonear approve a permit to construct a single dwelling home at 46 Hoyles Road, as per the application submitted, subject to the measurements of the proposed plan meeting the requirements of the Carbonear Municipal Plan and Development Regulations.

Favour 7; Opposed 0; **Carried**

- b) Application to construct a garage at 143 Forest Road

Reviewed by the Development Committee. Motion Recommended.

Motion 08-142

J. Comerford / F. Earle

Resolved that the Town of Carbonear advertise a variance for the garage size of 90.9 m² and approve a permit to construct a garage at 143 Forest Road as per the application submitted subject to receiving no objections to the variance

published on the application and subject to the requirements of the Carbonear Municipal Plan and Development Regulations.

Favour 7; Opposed 0; **Carried**

Town Administrator entered the meeting in progress.

- c) Application to acquire Crown Land just west of 147 Valley Road

Reviewed by the Development Committee.

Motion 08-143

J. Comerford / E. Slade

Resolved that the Town of Carbonear grant municipal approval of the Crown Land Application received for land adjacent to the west end of 147 Valley Road as per the application submitted.

Favour 7; Opposed 0; **Carried**

- d) Application to construct steel door and grate in Sidewalk in front of 232 Water Street.

Reviewed by the Development Committee.

Motion 08-144

J. Comerford / T. Emberley

Resolved that the Town of Carbonear issue a permit to install a steel plate in the sidewalk in front of 232 Water Street as per the application submitted.

Favour 7; Opposed 0; **Carried**

- e) List of Permits #4022 - 4034.

Council reviewed the list of permits, #4022 - 4034 as presented to Council.

Motion 08-145

E. Slade / F. Earle

Resolved that the Town of Carbonear approve the list of permits #4022 - 4034.

Favour 7; Opposed 0; **Carried**

5.2 Correspondence, Requiring Council's decision

- a) Resident, Concern with Family Doctor shortage in this area.

Mayor Slade advised that he received a complaint about a week or two ago, but this was the first time he has heard of this complaint. Since then, a letter has been received with the same complaint.

Mayor Slade suggested that Council write a letter to Eastern Health to determine what they are doing to address the shortage of family doctors in the area.

Council agreed. Town Administrator to prepare the letter.

5.3 Correspondence, Received and action taken

Council reviewed the following correspondence and action taken:

- a) Department of Environment and Conservation

RE. Burning Prohibition of Demolition Materials, Notifying municipalities that the burning of demolition waste from derelict structures such as old or abandoned houses, barns, shed, etc. is in direct contravention of Section 12 of the Air Pollution Control Regulations, 2004.

Copied to the Director of Operation and Public Works and the Enforcement Officer for their reference. Placed on file.

Mayor read the letter to Council.

Councillor Emberley indicated that you can come in and get a permit to burn in a steel drum, Town Administrator advised that certain stipulations are provided to the applicant as to what can be burned and what is required to be available on the property, etc.

- b) NL Lung Association, Request to make Canada Day Event smoke free, and offer to provide a box of 40 battery operated candles to use as a give-away item or prize at the municipality's Canada Day celebrations or other special event, as part of the Candles for Canada event.

Forwarded to the Director of Recreation and Tourism for his consideration in special events planning.

6. Committee Reports

a) Development Committee

Councillor Comerford presented the following recommendations from the Development Committee:

Motion 08-146

J. Comerford / G. Mercer

Resolved that the Town of Carbonear complete the Deed of Conveyance on Hiscocks Road extension and cul-de-sac.

Resolved that the Town of Carbonear advertise a discretionary use ad for the Home Based Business on 6 Hiscock's Road and approve the permit for the home-based business as per the application submitted, subject to receiving no objections to the discretionary use ad published on the application and in accordance with the Carbonear Municipal Plan and Development Regulations.

Resolved that the Town of Carbonear approve a permit to construct a detached garage at 6 Hiscock's Road subject to the location meeting the requirements for the setback from the cul de sac to correspond with the setback of the home and in accordance with the Carbonear Municipal Plan and Development Regulations.

Favour 7; Opposed 0; **Carried**

Motion 08-147

J. Comerford / G. Mercer

Resolved that the Town of Carbonear grant municipal approval to the application for domestic timber harvesting in the Island Pond Protected Public Water Supply Area as forwarded from the Department of Environment for municipal consideration.

Favour 7; Opposed 0; **Carried**

7. Reports from the Town Administrator and Department Heads

a) Town Administrator

Town Administrator advised that she copied her report to Council.

Any questions could be directed to her.

b) Director of Operations and Public Works

Brian reviewed his report with Council.

Deputy Mayor Slade asked when Valley Road would be graded. Brian advised this is being upgraded with some Class A and grading. Further repairs will be done under Chantal repairs.

Councillor Earle indicated that there are some problems with culverts along the roadway. Some of this work will be repaired under Chantal damages.

Councillor Mercer indicated that there is a lot of dredge material in the ditches along Council noted that ditches along LeMarchant Street need to be cleaned out.

Councillor Burden indicated ditches along Valley Road also need to be cleaned out. Ditching will be completed in both these areas.

Councillor Comerford asked about the cut by MainStreet. This will be repaired.

Line painting is being done by Dept of Transportation in other areas, Spaniards Bay, Whitbourne area. Hopefully, it will be completed in Carbonear earlier than it was last year.

We will be contracting out the Town's line painting. Cross walks to be completed first.

Councillor Earle asked about playground equipment.

When the ground dries up, the concrete will be poured, and the equipment can then be installed.

Councillor Comerford noted that there is glass along the sidewalk in front of the Bankers Pub building which needs to be cleaned up. Brian to have this cleaned up.

Below the North look out, there is a tremendous amount of garbage.

Council noted that there is garbage around the North side Look Out. Brian to arrange for clean up of the area and ensure garbage is picked up on a regular basis.

Councillor Mercer noted that there should be a schedule for clean up of these garbage containers throughout town.

Brian to implement a schedule.

9. Regulations
None

10. General Business
None

11. Notices of Motion
No notices of motions were filed.

12. Adjournment
Motion 08-148 to adjourn at 8:10 **E. Slade / F. Earle**
Favour 7; Opposed 0; **Carried**

Mayor Sam Slade

Cathy Somers, Town Clerk