

The Forty Fourth meeting of the Fourteenth Town Council was held in the Town Hall with the following in attendance:

Mayor Wilbur Sparkes
Deputy Mayor Glenn Littlejohn
Councillor Gerald Greenland
Councillor Perry Bowering
Councillor Dennis Brown
Councillor Melvin Walsh
Councillor Bill Seymour
Town Clerk Shirley Hawe

Also present, Fire Chief Clarence Russell.

Privileged meeting commenced at 6:45 p.m.

Fire Chief Russell tabled concerns regarding the Bay Arena capacity for the Spring Into Summer Concert.

Fire Chief Russell tabled concerns regarding fire hydrants.

It was moved by Councillor Greenland and seconded by D.M. Littlejohn that the fire hydrant concerns be referred to the Public Works Committee.
Motion Carried.

D.M. Littlejohn asked that the business park and aquatic facility discussion be deferred till the next Council meeting on May 25th.

Regular meeting commenced at 7:25 p.m.

Also in attendance, Mr. Ron Delaney, Director of Development, Tourism & Recreation.

Business Arising from Minutes

It was moved by Councillor Greenland and seconded by D.M. Littlejohn that the resolution requesting Council involvement in the 2004 Targa Rally be accepted based on the terms and any conditions provided by the Director of Development, Tourism & Recreation.
Motion Carried.

Mr. Bill Morrow is to be contacted regarding the land situation with Mr. Don Belbin.

D.M. Littlejohn suggested that a letter of congratulations be sent to Mr. Steve Robinson on his winning of a bronze medal at the 2004 World Professional Kickboxing Championships in Corfu, Greece.

General Business

Letter received from Ms. Pamela Norman requesting permission to move Curves facility to 70 Cross Road.

It was moved by Councillor Seymour and seconded by Councillor Walsh that approval be given, subject to all other regulatory departments.

D.M. Littlejohn abstained from discussion and voting.

Motion Carried.

Letter received from Mr. Tracy Butler requesting permission to operate a Computer Drafting business from 214-216 Shearstown Road.

It was moved by Councillor Greenland and seconded by D.M. Littlejohn that this request be published in the local newspaper.

Motion Carried.

Letter received from Mr. H. William Noseworthy of Newfoundland Design Associates Limited providing information regarding a site for the proposed Garbage Collection, Recycling and Composting Centre.

It was moved by D.M. Littlejohn and seconded by Councillor Greenland that this letter be placed on file.

Motion Carried.

Letter received from Mr. Eric C. Snow, Assistant Director of Education for the Avalon West School District, regarding Council's approval to contribute \$800.00 annually to the maintenance of the proposed sewerage treatment system at Ascension Collegiate.

It was moved by Councillor Greenland and seconded by Councillor Seymour that Mr. Snow's letter be deferred till the next meeting of Council on May 25th.

Motion Carried.

Letter received from Mr. Darin MacDonald regarding the curb stop situation on Heney's Pond Road.

It was moved by D.M. Littlejohn and seconded by Councillor Walsh that Mr. MacDonald 's request be referred to the Public Works Committee.

Motion Carried.

Letter received from the Property Committee of the Salvation Army regarding the development of land adjacent to the Salvation Army Citadel.

It was moved by Councillor Seymour and seconded by Councillor Bowering that the Salvation Army Property Committee's request be referred to the Public Works Committee.

Motion Carried.

Letter received from Ms. Leanne Combden, Policy Analyst for the Premier's Office regarding Council's concerns about a lack of increased funding for policing in NL.

Ms. Combden's letter is to be placed on file.

Letter received from Mayor Don Coombs regarding a Waste Management meeting of the Stakeholder Mayor's on May 10th.

D.M. Littlejohn asked that the Waste Management meeting results be deferred till the next meeting of Council on May 25th.

Letter received from Lieut. Karen Dawe, Battalion Adjutant of the C.L.B., inviting Council to attend their annual Spring Parade on May 16th at 2 p.m.

C.L.B. invitation to be placed on file.

Letter received from Captain Terry Feltham of the Salvation Army Bay Roberts Corps, requesting financial assistance for their 2004 Red Shield Campaign.

It was moved by Councillor Greenland and seconded by Councillor Seymour that Captain Feltham's request be referred to the Finance Committee.

Motion Carried.

Letter received from Ms. Kelly Sheppard, Mentoring Coordinator for the Big Brothers, Big Sisters of CBN, providing information about their organization.

It was moved by D.M. Littlejohn and seconded by Councillor Walsh that Ms. Sheppard's letter is to be placed on file.

Motion Carried.

Letter received from Mayor Oliver Rose, Chairperson for the Heart and Stroke Foundation's Mayor's March on Heart Disease, requesting Council's participation in this year's event.

D.M. Littlejohn suggested that all Council members become involved and that Mr. Ron Delaney will coordinate Council's participation in this event.

Letter and Minutes received from Ms. Sarah Thuring, Regional Coordinator for the Greater Avalon Regional Waste Management Committee regarding discussion on the new waste management system being planned for this region.

D.M. Littlejohn gave an overview of the waste management presentation. The Committee is looking at having the Dog Hill location up and running by the year 2010. A wet/dry garbage collection system is being proposed with residents separating their garbage wet from dry. The capital cost of the project is 40 million dollars. The rate per ton is cheaper with sorted waste. More information can be accessed from their web site www.avalonwaste.com.

Letter received from Ms. Tammy Beahm, Persons with Disabilities Advisory Council Inc., requesting a letter of support which will be used to help procure federal funding for their project that will assist in the removal of barriers to community inclusion throughout the Baccalieu Trail and also, requesting financial support for this project in the form of a yearly operating grant.

It was moved by Councillor Greenland and seconded by D.M. Littlejohn that a letter of support be written, and also, their request for financial support will be referred to the Finance Committee.
Motion Carried.

Invitation received from the Canadian Cancer Society regarding the provincial launch of the Relay For Life event.

Mr. Ian Flynn attended this launch as a representative of Council.

Letter received from Mr. Basil Ryan, Chief Operating Officer for the Atlantic Association of Community Business Development Corporations, regarding the proclamation of CBDC Day and also, inviting Council to attend an "Open House" on May 12th in recognition of their first annual CBDC Day.

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Letter received from Mr. James Kean, Chairperson for the Trinity / Conception Chapter of Crime Stoppers, thanking Council for it's support.

It was moved by D.M. Littlejohn and seconded by Councillor Seymour that Mr. Kean's letter be placed on file.

Motion Carried.

Letter received from Mr. Adam Ainsworth, Canada Falun Dafa Association, requesting a proclamation to their association on the occasion of their 12th anniversary.

It was moved by D.M. Littlejohn and seconded by Councillor Walsh that the request of Mr. Ainsworth be placed on file.

Motion Carried.

Info Note received from NLFM regarding a meeting to discuss ferry services/issues between all municipalities and the Transportation Minister, Honourable Tom Rideout.

It was moved by D.M. Littlejohn and seconded by Councillor Walsh a letter be sent to NLFM outlining Council's concerns regarding ferry services.

Motion Carried.

Info Note received from Deputy Mayor Sam Stack regarding the Avalon Director Update from the Avalon Regional meeting of April 28th.

Letter and Minutes of the Conception Bay North Joint Councils Association were tabled.

It was decided that the issues raised by the CBN Joint Councils will be deferred till the next meeting of Council on May 25th.

Letter received from Mr. Peter Partington, Regional Chairman for the Municipality of Niagara, regarding a forum for Canadian Municipalities International Awards for Liveable Communities.

It was moved by D.M. Littlejohn and seconded by Councillor Seymour that Mr. Partington's letter be placed on file.

Motion Carried.

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Letter received from Mayor Michael Power requesting support for his bid for the office of Third

Vice-President at the Annual Conference for the Federation of Canadian Municipalities in Edmonton.

Mayor Sparkes will vote on behalf of Council.

Letter received from Mr. Arthur Dominix, Canadian Training Institute, requesting permission to perform some work, including moving some of the topsoil to plant grass at the front of his building, on his property, 38-48 C. B. Access Road. He is also seeking permission to move the unscreened topsoil from 38-48 C. B. Access Road to property at Jack's Hill and then screen this topsoil at Jack's Hill.

Some discussion ensued regarding the dust situation at 38-48 C. B. Access Road and means to alleviating it, and also, Mr. Max Mercer is to check on whether or not the Canadian Training Institute is operating without a permit at Jack's Hill.

It was moved by Councillor Greenland and seconded by Councillor Bowering that the Public Works Committee had met privately with Mr. Dominix and asked him to put in writing his intentions regarding both sites (38-48 C. B. Access Road and Jack's Hill). As of yet, he has not complied with this request, so therefore, until Mr. Dominix submits in writing his intentions, no further requests of Mr. Dominix regarding 38-48 C. B. Access Road and Jack's Hill, will be entertained.

Motion Carried.

Application received from Andrew and Nicole Mercer requesting permission to build a residence at 91-97 Neck Road, Coley's Point.

It was moved by Councillor Greenland and seconded by Councillor Bowering that approval be given Mr. & Mrs. Mercer to build a residence at Neck Road.

Motion Carried.

Application received from Wayne and Michelle Russell requesting permission to build a residence at French's Road, Country Road.

It was moved by Councillor Bowering and seconded by Councillor Seymour that approval be given Mr. & Mrs. Russell to build a residence at French's Road, with the stipulation that no town services will be provided beyond the main road (Country Road).

Motion Carried.

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Application received from Ms. Yvonne Squires requesting permission to build a residence at Lot #75, Badcock's Boulevard, Valleyview Subdivision.

It was moved by Councillor Seymour and seconded by Councillor Bowering that approval be given Ms. Squires' to build a residence at Badcock's Boulevard.

Motion Carried.

Application received from Ms. Beatrice Bradbury requesting permission to build a residence at 11 South Road, Coley's Point.

It was moved by Councillor Greenland and seconded by Councillor Walsh that approval be given Ms. Bradbury to build a residence at 11 South Road.

Motion Carried.

Application received from Bay Roberts Dental Health Centre, Inc., seeking permission to build a commercial building at 368-416 C. B. Highway.

It was moved by Councillor Bowering and seconded by Councillor Seymour that approval in principle be given to Bay Roberts Dental Health Centre, Inc., pending their submission of proper engineering drawings outlining parking, and also, subject to all other regulatory departments.

Motion Carried.

Committee Reports

Mayor Sparkes and Councillor Seymour tabled an invitation from the Newfoundland Historical Society for Council members, guests and office staff to attend a reception at the Bay Roberts Lion's Club on Friday, June 4th at 8 p.m. Singing by Anita Best and readings by Bert Riggs pertaining to Bay Roberts' connection to the Labrador fishery. This symposium will also take place on Saturday, June 5th with presenters Sean Cadigan, Shannon Ryan, and Maudie Whelan and will include lunch at the Salvation Army Hall (\$6.00) and dinner at the Bay Roberts Lion's Club (\$10.00) with quest speaker Gordon Slade.

D.M. Littlejohn advised of the beautification and greening taking place at the Recreation Complex.

Councillor Greenland advised that the Tourism Committee met last week to review on goings issues and also, extended an invitation to anyone who would like to volunteer on that committee to contact Mr. Ian Flynn.

Councillor Bowering advised that tickets are selling really well for the Spring Into Summer Concert.

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Councillor Brown advised that a meeting will soon be arranged with Mr. George Lee regarding an update on moving toward phase 2 of the project with Zhoushan, China.

Councillor Walsh advised that there were three interviews for a potential candidate for firefighter but no decision has been made yet. The Fire Dept. is requesting that paving of the west end of the parking lot be considered. Also, the Fire Dept. has signs advertising that we are a member of the Community Net Project for youth and requests that these signs be displayed on or near the Welcome to Bay Roberts signs. Also, the Fire Dept. requests the deteriorated Fire Station sign be replaced with a new one. It was suggested that the Fire Dept. put this request in writing.

Councillor Walsh advised that he will be attending a UMC meeting arranged in June at Port aux Basques.

Councillor Walsh advised that the ramp and lights on the 50+ Club building need repairing.

It was moved by Councillor Bowering and seconded by Councillor Brown that the ramp and lights be repaired.

Motion Carried.

Mr. Ron Delaney gave a report on the progress with the swimming pool repairs and stated the overall condition of the pool including the deterioration of the back wall of the building. Vandalism has delayed the opening of the facility and security will be looked into for all Town facilities.

A VCR & TV has been purchased for the Visitor's Pavilion. Baccalieu Consulting is creating a 15 minute video of Bay Roberts profiling special features of interest to tourists.

Notices of Motion

Councillor Brown and Councillor Walsh presented drafts of the completed regulations sections of the Policies and Procedures Manual.

It was moved by D.M. Littlejohn and Councillor Greenland that approval be given to the completed regulations sections of the Policies and Procedures Manual.

Motion Carried.

Councillor Concerns

D.M. Littlejohn suggested that a meet and greet be arranged with members of the R.C.M.P. for this area. This meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, June 8th at 5:30 p.m.

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D. M. Littlejohn suggested that Mr. Delaney contact representatives with Dominion Supermarket and inquire if there are any plans in the near future to expand their operations.

Councillor Greenland suggested that the Public Works Committee arrange to meet with Mr. Adrian Simmonds to discuss the traffic situation in front of Tim Horton's.

Councillor Bowering provided pictures of properties and areas around town which are in desperate need of cleaning and tidying up.

It was moved by Councillor Walsh and seconded by Councillor Brown that owners of the sites identified as needing to be cleaned up, be written a letter advising that they are to clean up their properties as soon as possible to prevent further action being taken by Council.
Motion Carried.

It was moved by Councillor Seymour and seconded by Councillor Greenland that a meeting be arranged with the Dept. of Environment regarding prohibited dumping and other environmental concerns.
Motion Carried.

A meeting is arranged for Tuesday, June 18th with Ms. Rondine Hurherla of the Dept. of Environment. Mr. Hurherla will be taken to areas of concern and given information regarding known offenders. Also, Mr. Roland Butler, M.H.A. has been invited to attend this meeting.

It was moved by Councillor Greenland and seconded by Councillor Seymour that the meeting be adjourned at 9:05 p.m.
Motion Carried.

Wilbur Sparkes
Mayor

Shirley Hawe
Town Clerk