The Forty Seventh 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 Manager Edwin Fradsham

Town Clerk Shirley Hawe

Director of Development Tourism & Recreation - Mr. Ronald Delaney

Also present, Mr. William G. Morrow, Q.C.

Privileged meeting commenced at 6:30 p.m.

Mr. Morrow gave an overview of his correspondence, dated May 12th, 2004, regarding Mr. Donald Belbin's title to property at Water Street.

It was unanimously decided that Mr. Morrow is to proceed (without prejudice) with an attempt to resolve this matter.

Privileged meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Regular meeting commenced at 7:30 p.m.

Also present, Lillian Simmons (the Compass), Beatrice & Laura Parsons.

Mayor Sparkes asked if there were any errors or omissions to the privileged and regular minutes of June 8^{th} , 2004 which had been circulated with the agenda.

Both minutes stand approved as presented.

Business Arising from Minutes

Councillor Greenland asked the Town Manager to contact Mr. Pat Farrell regarding the demolishing of the Moores building on the corner of Klondyke and Water Street.

Councillor Bowering advised that the Atkinson building on the corner of Love Street and Neck Road will soon be torn down. Also, there has been a good response with regard to the clean up of certain properties previously identified.

It was suggested that the Town Clerk write and congratulate Firefighters Geoff Roach and Glenn Bradbury on winning the Allan W. Golding Memorial for Bravery Award at the NL Association of Fire Chiefs and Firefighters Annual Convention in Corner Brook on June 26th.

Councillor Bowering asked that more "No Dumping" signs be erected throughout the Town and especially by the water supply area.

Councillor Greenland inquired if the water meters had been installed at specified businesses. Town Clerk advised that three water meters were reported installed.

Councillor Greenland inquired if the barking dogs situation at Badcock's Boulevard had been resolved. Town Manager advised that correspondence including anti-noise regulations had been sent to the dog owners.

Addition to Agenda

Councillor Concerns - Councillor Seymour re: Bishop's Road Intersection, Water Supply and S.E. Mercer Building.

General Business

Memo from D.M. Littlejohn to all stakeholder Mayors advising of a meeting on Wednesday, June 23rd regarding the future incinerator site and waste management.

D.M. Littlejohn requested Council's opinion on the direction to be taken with regard to future waste management.

Letter received from Mr. Peter Babb, Kyle Disposals Limited, regarding the lease of the former incinerator site at Harbour Grace.

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

Motion Carried.

News Release received from Ms. Sarah Thuring, Regional Coordinator, Greater Avalon Regional Waste Management Committee, regarding a meeting with municipal leaders on the proposed Waste Management System for the Avalon region.

It was moved by D.M. Littlejohn and seconded by Councillor Walsh that the news release of Ms. Thuring be placed on file.

Motion Carried.

Letter received from Mr. John Crane regarding his objection with the Games Arcade in Butlerville.

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

Motion Carried.

Letter received from Brian and Carla Parsons regarding ditch repairs on Goose Pond Road.

It was moved by D.M. Littlejohn and seconded by Councillor Seymour that the request of Mr. and Mrs. Parsons be referred to the Public Works Committee.

Motion Carried.

Letter received from Sam Mercer regarding a skateboarding park.

It was moved by Councillor Walsh and seconded by Councillor Brown that the request of Mr. Mercer be referred to the Recreation Department. Motion Carried.

Letter received from Mrs. Beatrice Parsons regarding the removal of garbage from around Butlerville bridge.

It was moved by D.M. Littlejohn and seconded by Councillor Seymour that the request of Mrs. Parsons be referred to the Public Works Committee.

Motion Carried.

Letter received from Tony and Marie Noseworthy regarding concerns with council garage property.

It was moved by Councillor Greenland and seconded by Councillor Seymour that the correspondence of Mr. and Mrs. Noseworthy be placed on file. Motion Carried.

Letter received from Beam Clothing Company seeking permission to operate a business at 22 Water Street.

It was moved by D.M. Littlejohn and seconded by Councillor Walsh that approval be given to operate a business office from 22 Water Street, subject to all other regulatory departments. Motion Carried.

Letter received from Alec G. Henley & Associates Limited requesting a business occupancy permit to operate a financial advisors business at 265 Conception Bay Highway.

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

Motion Carried.

Letter received from Thomas and Pamela Roberts requesting permission to operate Spic & Span Cleaners from 6 Butler Drive.

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

Motion Carried.

Application received from Lloyd and Isabella Fry seeking permission to build a residence at 9 Sparkes Place.

It was moved by D.M. Littlejohn and seconded by Councillor Bowering that approval be given. Motion Carried.

Application from Mr. Gordon Littlejohn requesting permission to build a residential dwelling at Pepper's Place.

It was moved by D.M. Littlejohn and seconded by Councillor Walsh that approval be given. Motion Carried.

Application from Mr. Mark D. Smith requesting permission to build a commercial building at 114-116 Conception Bay Highway.

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

Motion Carried.

Application from Mrs. Beatrice Parsons requesting permission to build a commercial building (for Arcade) at 70 Butlerville Road.

It was moved by Councillor Bowering and seconded Councillor Walsh that approval be given as per plot plan provided and subject to all other regulatory departments. Also, ample parking must be made available.

Motion Carried.

Letter received from Mr. Darrell Parsons requesting financial support for the Bay Roberts Minor Baseball.

It was moved by D.M. Littlejohn and seconded by Councillor Walsh that Mr. Parsons request be referred to the Finance Committee.

Motion Carried.

RCMP Trinity - Conception District Annual Report for 2003 was tabled along with a letter from Staff Sgt. John C. Bishop requesting the Mayor's presence at a meeting with other community mayors in this district regarding policing matters and to be held in Carbonear on September 22nd.

Mayor Sparkes will attend this meeting and the Annual Report is to be placed on file.

Letter received from Deputy Mayor Herbert Brett regarding NLFM Policy Initiatives.

Letter to be placed on file.

Memo received from FCM regarding platform calls for new partnership.

Letter to be placed on file.

Information received from NLFM regarding options on what Council wants from the annual convention and which location will best meet the convention objectives.

It was moved by Councillor Walsh and seconded by Councillor Brown that option one be accepted. Option One - Status Quo, rotate annually between Gander, Corner Brook and St. John's.

Motion Carried.

Committee Reports

Councillor Greenland gave a report from the Public Works Committee.

It was moved by Councillor Greenland and seconded by Councillor Seymour that the Town property at Delaney's Avenue be surveyed and divided into individual lots and then sold. A portion is to be kept for a small play area and green space, and also, 25% of anticipated revenue from the sale of these lots is to be allocated to the Recreation Department for maintenance of other existing playgrounds.

Motion Carried.

It was recommended that the Town Manager contact a member of the Salvation Army Property Committee inquiring of their satisfaction regarding the improvements to date with the development of the land adjacent to the Salvation Army Citadel on Water Street.

It was moved by Councillor Greenland and seconded by Councillor Walsh that approval be given to Mr. William J. Brown to build a residential, personal and private use only, storage garage at First Pond Road with the stipulation that there is to be no outside storage and the storage garage is built in accordance with Mr. Brown's submitted application which states the construction and side yard measurements. Before construction of proposed storage garage commences, all vehicle wrecks and debris is to be removed from property. The permit to build the storage garage will be revoked if these conditions are not adhered to.

Motion Carried.

Councillor Brown abstained from voting due to conflict of interest.

It was moved by Councillor Greenland and seconded by Councillor Bowering that Mr. Darin MacDonald be advised that Council is not responsible for installing a curb stop at his property. The land developer always provides water & sewer service to the property at the time of the development, however in this case, the existing problem was created by the division of the original property by Mr. William Barrett. A solution to Mr. MacDonald problem should be worked out between Mr. Macdonald and Mr. Barrett. If a new service is required, it can be provided, at Mr. MacDonald's cost.

Motion Carried.

It was moved by Councillor Greenland and seconded by Councillor Bowering that Ms. Ivy Mercer Pynn be advised that the drainage ditch on the adjacent property is draining in the opposite direction from her property. If there are no objections from neighbouring property owners, Council will have the ditch running east from those neighbouring properties cleaned out during regular maintenance work.

Motion Carried.

It was moved by Councillor Greenland and seconded by Councillor Bowering that Mr. Tony Mercer be advised that Council will preform the required work to improve the drainage in his area of Cleary's Lane which will consist of cut and fill of the existing right of way. This work will be carried out during our summer works maintenance program. Motion Carried.

It was moved by Councillor Greenland and seconded by Councillor Bowering that Mr. James Evans be advised that his request to have the Old Methodist Lane paved cannot be adhered to due to the fact that only one house is serviced there at this time. Mr. Evans request will be revisited if and when additional houses are built and serviced on that lane. Motion Carried.

It was recommended that the Fire Chief be advised that all fire hydrants are working and also, four additional hydrants have been installed at a cost of \$6,000.00 each. If the Fire Chief experiences any further problems, he should immediately contact the Works Superintendent and forward a copy to the Public Works Committee.

Regarding the request of Donald and Mildred Hunt to have a gutter opened. There is a minimum grade on the ditch, however, the Works Superintendent will make every effort possible to help alleviate their problem.

It was suggested that the Town Manager make further contact with Mr. Adrian Simmonds regarding the traffic congestion at the Tim Horton's drive thru.

It was suggested that the Town Clerk advise Keith and Joan Dwyer of Councils decision regarding the former playground at Delaney's Avenue.

It was moved by Councillor Greenland and seconded by D.M. Littlejohn that the former Country Road playground land be sold.

Motion Carried.

General maintenance work which includes topsoil and greening will be carried out at Arney's Pond and Goose Pond Road.

It was suggested that the Town Manager contact Mr. Donald Mercer regarding ownership of land across from the 50+ Club.

It was suggested that the Town Manager contact Mr. Stan Moores regarding the tonnage capacity of specific bridges and the proper signs be posted on each bridge.

It was moved by Councillor Greenland and seconded by D.M. Littlejohn that Mr. Wayne Parsons be contacted and advised that he is to resolve the situation as discussed and agreed to at a meeting attended by Councillor Greenland, Councillor Bowering and Mr. Parsons. Motion Carried.

Councillor Greenland advised that membership is up for the Tourism Committee.

Councillor Walsh gave a report from the Urban Municipalities Committee.

At the last meeting of the UMC, a number of issues were discussed some of which included:

- the Multi Materials Stewardship Board has taken over (in the interim) tire recycling in the province. Presently there is no market for tire crumbs, the collection fee of \$3.00 stayed the same and the Gov't depots may be used as temporary storage sites. The situation of over 350,000 tires being stored in Stephenville, will be looked into.
- a presentation on solid waste management was made by the Dept. of Environment covering the recycling of cardboard which presently makes up 30% of waste in landfills.
- a presentation by Mr. Gerald Merrigan, EDM, with the Marine & Mountain Zone Board, which included the availablity of three Economic Development officers to all towns in the region.
- the NLFM has stuck a committee to investigate the clawback of MOG from 14 towns and to help find a better way to finance towns.
- municipal taxation is in the hands of the Gov't., it's already been passed and now has to go to the Dept. of Justice and municipalities to review the by-laws and ensure they are put it place.
- a presentation by a German based company on an alternative way of disposing of solid waste similar bio-green.
- assessment fees are increasing to \$26.00 starting in January 2005.

Mr. Ron Delaney gave the Director's Report.

- the summer program started this week with approved funding covering an eight week period at 40 hours per week.
- the beautification of the town has now begun.
- the Visitor's Pavilion is now open for the tourist season.

Councillor Concerns

Councillor Seymour requested that "no entry" and yellow arrows and lines be painted on the road at the intersection of Bishop's Road and Track Road.

Also, the guard rail east of Mercer's Cycle Shop be repaired and the former property of S.E. Mercer be spruced up.

Also, water conservation should be reiterated to the public as often as possible.

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