

The Ninth meeting of the Fifteenth Town Council of the Town of Bay Roberts took place in the Town Hall with the following in attendance :

Councillor Clarence G. Mercer
Councillor Bill Seymour
Councillor Gerald Greenland
Councillor Dennis Brown
Councillor Walter Yetman
Town Clerk Shirley Hawe
Director Ron Delaney

Also present, Ms. Lillian Simmons, (the Compass), and Mr. David Dwyer Jr.

Regular meeting commenced at 7:35 p.m.

Mayor Glenn Littlejohn and Deputy Mayor Melvin Walsh were both absent due to prior commitments.

It was moved by Councillor Brown and seconded by Councillor Seymour that Councillor Greenland chair the meeting.

Motion Carried.

Adoption of Minutes

Councillor Greenland asked if there were any errors or omissions to the minutes of February 14th, 2006, which has been circulated with the agenda.

Page 1. Councillor Brown inquired about another meeting between the property owners of Arney's Pond Road.

This matter will be discussed under General Business.

Page 2. Councillor Mercer advised that a Heritage Advisory Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 6th and the issue with the old railway station building at the Recreation Complex will be discussed.

Page 3. Councillor Mercer inquired if the Fire Chief had met residents of Delaney's Road, C. B. Access Road, regarding their opposition to the proposed fire training facility on the Delfre Race Track.

Fire Chief Russell will be asked to give an update at the next regular meeting of Council.
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Page 6. Councillor Mercer inquired if a fire protection meeting with Port de Grave boat owners had taken place.

Fire Chief Russell will give an update at the next meeting of Council.

Page 8. Councillor Mercer inquired of the proposed meeting between the Tourism Committee, Green Committee, Gaia and the Town of Spaniard's Bay regarding future Arney's Pond projects.

Councillor Seymour will arrange a meeting regarding same.

Page 9. Councillor Seymour requested the motion regarding the publication of revenue and expenses for all major events, be voted on

It was moved by Councillor Mercer and seconded by Councillor Yetman that the motion be deferred until the next regular meeting of Council.
Motion Carried.

Councillor Mercer advised that the sign indicating a maximum gross vehicle weight for the bridge leading to the Trinity United Church cemetery in Shearstown has been tampered with. The sign should state 16,000 lbs.

It was decided that the sign is to be corrected.

It was moved by Councillor Seymour and seconded by Councillor Mercer that the minutes be adopted as presented.
Motion Carried.

General Business

Petition received from residents of Goose Pond Road requesting a two way stop sign or a yield sign be erected.

On behalf of residents, Mr. David Dwyer Jr., expressed safety issues with an intersection at top of Goose Pond Road and presented pictures of the area concerned. He stated that the Dept. of Hwy's were misinformed the road to the top of the hill was a private driveway and the road to Goose Pond was the main road which he feels is wrong and asks that a yield sign be installed.

It was moved by Councillor Seymour and seconded by Councillor Brown that the concerns of residents of Goose Pond Road be referred to the Public Works Committee, for further investigation.

Motion Carried.

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Mr. Dwyer asked if he could meet with the Public Works Committee and also, the Dept. of Works, Services & Transportation.

It was decided that the Town Manager will look into this.

Letter received from Ms. Donna Bennett, Bay de Grave Fire Protection Committee for the Towns of Clarke's Beach, South River, North River and the Local Service District of Makinsons, confirming acceptance of interim fire protection from the Bay Roberts Fire Dept., for a three (3) month period.

Ms. Bennett's letter to be placed on file.

Letter received from Mr. Dale Jarvis, Heritage Foundation of NL, requesting, once complete, an update on the boundary description of the Shoreline Heritage Walk so as to accurately list the Heritage Walk on the Canadian Register of Historic Places.

It was decided to keep note of Mr. Jarvis' request and give him a copy when amendments to the Municipal Plan are adopted regarding same.

Letter received from Ms. Sherry Bradbury, Ms. Shelly Bradbury and Mr. Trent Parsons, regarding snow clearing on Randilynn Place, off Pickett's Road.

It was moved by Councillor Yetman and seconded by Councillor Seymour that this request be referred to the Planning & Development Committee for review and recommendation.
Motion Carried.

Letter received from Ms. Susan Mercer on behalf of Maxwell and James Mercer requesting a meeting with Council to further discuss their Arney's Pond Road concerns.

It was moved by Councillor Yetman and seconded by Councillor Seymour that a meeting will be arranged by the Planning & Development Committee.
Motion Carried.

Letter received from Mr. Tolson Parsons and Ms. Gail Parsons requesting permission to provide a taxi service to the Town and also, to display the Town Logo on their taxi.

It was moved by Councillor Seymour and seconded by Councillor Mercer that permission be given to Mr. and Mrs. Parsons, operate a taxi service.
Motion Carried.

It was moved by Councillor Mercer and seconded by Councillor Yetman that permission will not be given to Mr. and Mrs. Parsons to display the Town Logo on their taxi.
Motion Carried.

Letter received from Mr. Tyrone Buckle, 606 Motorsports, seeking permission to operate a small automobile dealer's lot at 38-40 Conception Bay Highway.

It was moved by Councillor Brown and seconded by Councillor Mercer that Mr. Buckle be referred to our correspondence of February 15th, 2006, which stipulations that there will be no inventory held or vehicle sales from 38-40 Conception Bay Highway.
Motion Carried.

It was suggested that Mr. Buckle submit a proper business application including detailed drawings outlining parking

Letter received from Mr. John D. Scott, Multi Materials Stewardship Board, regarding the Household Hazardous Waste Program

It was moved by Councillor Mercer and seconded by Councillor Yetman that Mr. Scott's letter be referred to the Green Committee for recommendation
Motion Carried.

Letter received from Minister Jack Byrne, Dept. of Municipal Affairs, asking Council to encourage Municipal Administrators to attend the NLAMA 34th Annual Convention and Trade Show in Corner Brook.

Minister Byrne's letter to be placed on file.

Residential Building Application received from Mr. Gerard Gregory for 135-137 Cross Roads.

It was moved by Councillor Seymour and seconded by Councillor Brown that approval be given Mr. Gregory to build a residence at 135-137 Cross Roads, subject to all Municipal Development Regulations and all other regulatory departments.
Motion Carried.

Letter received from Ms. Jocelyn Power seeking written support for the Portnoy family.

It was moved by Councillor Brown and seconded by Councillor Mercer that a letter of support be issued.
Motion Carried.

Letter received from the Janeway Children's Hospital Foundation seeking financial support for the 2006 Annual Telethon.

It was noted that financial support for the Janeway will be covered in the Finance Committee report later in this meeting.

Copy of letter from Mr. Roland Butler, M.H.A., to Mr. Fabian Manning, M.P., regarding the two Russian vessels docked at the community wharf.

It was moved by Councillor Mercer and seconded by Councillor Yetman that Mayor Littlejohn write Mr. Manning regarding same, and also, a copy of this letter and future correspondence be sent to the Bay Roberts Harbour Authority.

Motion Carried.

InfoNote received from NLFM advising of an agreement reached with the provincial government for allocation of federal gas tax funding.

Town Manager will give briefing regarding same at next meeting of Council.

CBN Joint Councils Association minutes of February 23rd were presented for discussion.

Invitation to attend the opening of Slade's Funeral Home on the C. B. Access Road this Sunday, March 5th.

Councillor Brown noted that a complimentary ticket is available for the MUN Alumni - Baccalieu Trail Chapter JD Eaton Award Tribute Dinner honouring award recipient, Calvin Butt, on March 3rd at the Bay Roberts Lions Club.

Director's Report

Director Delaney gave a report covering his various departments.

- ? Baccalieu Trail Tourism Association will be launching a new initiative for this area on May 6th which is titled the Baccalieu Cultural Careers and Talent Showcase. Bay Roberts will be a major host for 100 - 150 delegates from the Baccalieu Trail and St. John's areas and the event will be facilitated at Amalgamated Academy. More information regarding same will be provided at the next meeting of Council.
- ? A letter will be sent to the zone board, M-RON, expressing disappointment with their advertising for office space in the Carbonear area only.

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- ? Winter Carnival is ongoing with many events scheduled.
- ? Applications are being accepted for Citizen and Athletic of the Year, and also, Famous Son and Daughter Award. Will check into advertising regarding this.

Committee Reports

Finance

Councillor Brown gave a report on behalf of the Finance Committee.

It was moved by Councillor Brown and seconded by Councillor Yetman that the new Council Travel Policy referencing travel by own vehicle, travel by other means, overnight accommodations and meals, be adopted.
Motion Carried.

It was moved by Councillor Brown and seconded by Councillor Seymour that the Firefighters Curling Bonspiel representing NL be given a \$100.00 donation.
Motion Carried.

It was moved by Councillor Brown and seconded by Councillor Yetman that a \$500.00 donation be made to the Janeway Foundation which will cover all donation requests for 2006.
Motion Defeated.

It was moved by Councillor Yetman and seconded by Councillor Mercer that a \$500.00 donation be made to the Janeway Foundation divided as follows: \$250.00 for the Run for the Janeway and \$250.00 for the Annual Telethon.
Motion Carried.

The request for a donation by the NLSA Girls Soccer Tournament is denied due to there being no one on the team representing our town

Councillor Brown tabled a new Council Travel Policy for discuss at the next meeting of Council.

Tourism

Councillor Mercer gave a report on the Hospitality NL Convention he attended from February 9th -11th. Highlights as follows:

- ? Port Readiness Session re: cruise ship industry facts, program goals, program workshop description, overview and recommendations.
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- ? Dept. of Tourism, Culture and Recreation Event re: official launch of the 2006 NL tourism advertising campaign
- ? Keynote speaker, Mr. Bill Jackman re: innovation and doing things better than yesterday.
- ? Tourism Destination Management System re: data sourcing and marketing options.
- ? Working with travel media re: hosting tours for travel writers/photographers.

Councillor Mercer presented that Tourism Marketing Committee minutes of January 30th, the Tourism Committee minutes of February 13th and the Pigeon Inlet Steering Committee minutes of February 20th. Highlights as follows:

- ? Discussed possibilities to attract tourists, format of a multi-fold pamphlet and compiling a list of events and areas of interest.
- ? Possible parking space and signage for historic drinking brook in Butlerville.
- ? Awaiting cost analysis for Klondyke lighting project.
- ? Arney's Pond project has commenced including work on bridges for the Goose Pond walking trail.
- ? Thank you to Ian Flynn for entering the Illumination Parade in the contest, Winter Green Award - Try Something New Take 2, which we won.
- ? A list of properties have been identified which may include potential site for the Pigeon Inlet project. Site visits will be made.
- ? Tourism Committee is in the process of developing a presentation for Council covering past and future initiatives.

Economic Development

Councillor Brown reported that meetings are ongoing regarding the development of the Business CD and a soon to be settled on theme. Also, before the end of March, a luncheon will be arranged for all businesses in the town to get together so as to inform them on what Council is doing and obtain feedback on same.

Green Committee

Councillor Yetman presented minutes of February 22nd.

- ? Mr. Geoff Atkinson of the Green Depot discussed the programs and services available to the Town
- ? Various options were discussed, including a neighborhood recycling program as well as becoming involved in the Hazardous Waste Program through the Multi Materials Stewardship Board. Also, the option of a regional approach being more cost effective.
- ? Director Delaney will arrange a future meeting with members of MMSB.

Fire Department

It was moved by Councillor Yetman and seconded by Councillor Mercer that the 2005 Financial Statement for the Bay Roberts Fire Department be accepted.
Motion Carried.

It was decided to ask residents to shovel out fire hydrants near their property.

It was moved by Councillor Mercer and seconded by Councillor Seymour that Works Superintendent and plow operators be congratulated on the good snow clearing job thus far.
Motion Carried.

It was moved by Councillor Seymour and seconded by Councillor Mercer that the meeting be adjourned at 9:45 p.m.
Motion Carried.

Gerald Greenland

Shirley Hawe

Councillor

Town Clerk