

The Forty-Eighth Meeting of the Fifteenth Town Council of the Town of Bay Roberts took place in the Town Hall with the following in attendance:

Mayor Glenn Littlejohn
Deputy Mayor Melvin Walsh
Councillor Gerald Greenland
Councillor Dennis Brown
Councillor Walter Yetman
Councillor Bill Seymour
Town Manager Edwin Fradsham
Town Clerk Shirley Hawe

Also present, Provincial Information and Library Resources Board officials, Mr. John White, Mr. Calvin Taylor and Mr. Sean Tetford.

Special meeting commenced at 6:30 p.m.

Discussion took place regarding the future of the Bay Roberts Public Library.

Special meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m. Messers White, Taylor and Tetford left the Chambers.

Regular meeting commenced at 7:15 p.m.

All above-noted council members present, including Ms. Lillian Simmons (the Compass).

Mayor Littlejohn asked if there are any errors or omissions to the minutes of September 12th, 2006, special and regular meeting.

Special Meeting -

It is noted that Councillor Greenland's name was inadvertently left of the list of council members in attendance. A correction will be made to both the special and regular meeting minutes.

It is noted that the wording of the motion regarding the Klondyke Concert was questioned on the basis that in the future the Town could partner with another group or other individuals as a Presents Sponsor.

Regular Meeting -

Councillor Brown inquired about the Klondyke causeway improvement grant.

Councillor Greenland advised that hiring is done and work has started on the Klondyke.

Deputy Mayor Walsh asked if there is any feedback from Messers x regarding the 20ft buffer zone at Delaney's Avenue.

Town Manager advised there is no feedback to date.

Councillor Greenland commended the efforts of Councillor Brown and Director Delaney on the success of the first Business Info Luncheon.

Mayor Littlejohn noted that positive comments have been received from the business community and thanked the Economic Development Committee for a great job.

Councillor Brown thanked all council members for attending the luncheon and noted that another one may be scheduled in November.

Councillor Brown referred to the Compass article regarding Messers x offer to purchase a 20ft buffer zone, as being misleading. The time lines indicated appear to be short when in fact the issue of selling a 20ft buffer zone to Messers x began in early April 2006. Councillor Brown requests the Compass to reflect the correct time lines regarding this issue and also, in future, if clarification is needed then it should be given by the Mayor, Town Manager or committee chairperson, and not an individual councillor. Councillor Brown suggests that councillors not publicly contradict motions which they had voted in agreement with during the meeting.

Councillor Seymour advised that he voted against the motion to remove the offer from the table because he felt that another week extension should be given in case the residents were out of town. Councillor Seymour asked if the town had the legal entitlement to sell the property in question.

Mayor Littlejohn agreed that if there are any known legal documents indicating other ownership, then, Councillor Seymour can try to acquire a copy of said papers.

Town Manager advised that both Messers x had indicated to him that they received notification of councils acceptance of their offer and they would come to the council office to complete the transactions before the deadline, however to date, neither one of them has done so.

Mayor Littlejohn spoke with Ms. X, Coley's Point Primary, regarding the locations for the proposed crosswalks. Town Manager will contact Ms. x

Mayor Littlejohn noted that the Trinity Conception Placentia Health Foundation Telethon phone schedule for council members is 6 - 7 p.m. and members are asked to be there by 5:30 p.m. Also, 9 individuals are required and council family members are invited to help fill the quorum.

Deputy Mayor Walsh inquired if further information is available regarding the Gas Tax Rebate.

Councillor Yetman noted that information on the Gas Tax Rebate will be covered during a seminar at the NLFM Convention.

Councillor Brown inquired about progress for the disposal of the two Lithuanian fishing vessels.

Mayor Littlejohn advised that an update will be provided at the next council meeting.

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Walsh and seconded by Councillor Yetman that the minutes of September 12th, 2006, be approved.

Motion Carried.

General Business

Email received from Mr. x advising that the Bay Roberts Heritage Society supports the retaining and restoring of the former railway station building and will work with all parties involved.

Correspondence received from Harbour International Limited providing details of their fish processing license. They intend to size, sort, package and freeze the species for which they are licensed and they have no plans to expand the level of processing beyond what they have indicated.

It was moved by Councillor Seymour and seconded by Deputy Mayor Walsh that the Executive Committee of Council put together an information package for residents in the immediate area regarding same.

Motion Carried.

Letter received from Minister Jack Byrne, Dept. of Municipal Affairs, advising that approval has been given for a special assistance grant in the amount of \$25,000 to help offset the cost associated with the construction of a smoke house and training facility for the Conception Bay North area.

Letter received from Mr. x protesting a green space for Marina Place.

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Walsh and seconded by Councillor Yetman that Mr. x letter be referred to the Planning & Development Committee and the Recreation Committee for comment.
Motion Carried.

Letter received from the Kidney Foundation of Canada requesting a donation for their silent auction which is being held during the NLFM Convention in Gander.

It was decided that a \$50.00 donation will be made.

Letter received from the Dept. of Education regarding the establishment of a Skills Task Force to identify and develop strategies to ensure responsive training, education and supports are available to meet industry demands.

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

Notice received from the CBN Joint Councils Association advising that their next meeting will take place on Thursday, September 28th at 8:00 p.m. in Bryant's Cove.

Councillor Seymour will attend the CBN Joint Councils meeting.

Letter received from Ms. x advising that the International Second Cities Conference will be held in Corner Brook on October 11th - 13th.

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Walsh and seconded by Councillor Yetman that the Second Cities Conference notice be placed on file.
Motion Carried.

Members' Advisory received from FCM regarding submission calls for a long-term federal plan to fix municipal infrastructure.

Members' Advisory to be placed on file.

Letters received from Mr. Sam Stack, Ms. Deborah Quilty and Mr. Steve Kent seeking support for their candidacy for the position of Avalon Director of the Municipal Assessment Agency.

It was moved by Councillor Greenland and seconded by Deputy Mayor Walsh that Councillor Seymour will be our second voting delegate at the NLFM Convention in Gander.
Motion Carried.

Committee Reports

Finance

Mayor Littlejohn requested all Committee's to present their budget submissions at the next council meeting of October 12th.

Executive

Mayor Littlejohn tabled correspondence from Mr. x, Community Accounts Unit, covering population changes to their data base. The Economic Development Committee will review this correspondence and further issues regarding same.

Heritage

Bay Roberts Heritage Advisory Board minutes of September 19th were tabled.

It was decided to ask the Advisory Board to check into the process whereby the former railway station building could be declared an heritage structure.

Recreation

Councillor Yetman advised that a public meeting will be held on Thursday, October 12th, 7:30 p.m. at the Bay Roberts Lions Club, for discussion of the proposed multi purpose recreation complex.

Economic Development

Councillor Brown noted that a report will be presented at the next council meeting regarding the Harbour Authority and Port Readiness issue.

Fire Department

Deputy Mayor Walsh asked that a correction be made to an article in the Compass which stated that the Town of Cupids will receive fire protection from Bay Roberts Fire Department. Cupids is not one of the 4 towns receiving fire protection services from Bay Roberts. However, Cupids Fire Department is on the steering committee for the Bay de Grave Regional Fire Services.

Municipal Enforcement

Deputy Mayor Walsh tabled minutes of September 19th.

Deputy Mayor Walsh noted that the Special Events Committee will spearhead a prize giveaway campaign to encourage bicyclists to wear helmets. Also, illuminated trick or treat bags sponsored by the Special Events Committee and the Bay Roberts Fire Department, will be distributed to children for Halloween Night.

UMC

Deputy Mayor Walsh tabled minutes of August 4th for review. The next UMC meeting will take place at the NLFM convention in Gander.

Wetlands

Councillor Seymour noted that Ms. x, an active member of the Joint Management Committee, is in hospital and recovering from surgery. A get well card will be sent on behalf of council.

Miscellaneous

Mayor Littlejohn noted that Memorial University student, x, has submitted a copy of a business proposal and a 21 page report on the Town of Bay Roberts, which covers the future impact of tourism on the town in 2010. This survey is available for review by the Tourism and Economic Development Committees.

M-RON Annual General Meeting with Mr. Fabian Manning as guest speaker, will take place on Wednesday, October 11th, at 7:30 p.m. in Fong's Motel Conference Room. Deputy Mayor Walsh will attend.

Mayor Littlejohn noted questions that need to be put forward at the NLFM Convention, ie. increase in NLFM membership fees.

The Wilbur Sparkes Recreation Complex sign board is in place and the official unveiling date will be announced next week.

Councillor Seymour thanked council and staff for their donations for x. This will be presented at the hymn sing.

Adjournment

It was moved by Councillor Greenland and seconded by Councillor Seymour that the meeting be adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Motion Carried.

September 26th, 2006

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Glenn Littlejohn
Mayor

Shirley Hawe
Town Clerk