

The Fifty-Sixth 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

Also present, Ms. Lillian Simmons (the Compass), Mr. George Bishop, Ms. Susan Mercer and Mr. Carl Badcock.

Meeting commenced at 7:30 p.m.

Mayor Sparkes asked if there were any errors or omissions to the minutes of November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2004, which has been circulated in the agenda.

Minutes stand approved as presented.

Councillor Greenland inquired if Mr. & Mrs. Everett Mercer has been contacted regarding the issue surrounding a letter which was presented to Ms. Kim French.

D. M. Littlejohn stated that according to their son's knowledge everything is satisfactory, however, he will try again to contact Mr. & Mrs. Mercer to confirm this.

Councillor Bowering advised that he contacted Mr. Geoff Atkinson regarding the clean up of his building on the corner of Neck Road and Love Street. Some discussion took place regarding this matter and it was decided that Councillor Bowering will again approach Mr. Atkinson to have the building torn down.

Councillor Walsh asked, with regard to the Arney's Pond Road properties, that the Town Manager continue to try and make contact with the proper authorities to determine the accepted boundary for the high water mark and the reservations required around oceans.

Councillor Greenland asked that a complete list of the Priorities Action List be compiled for record.

D. M. Littlejohn advised that the list will be compiled, and also, to let him know if anyone has a preference to which of the top five action items they would like to be involved in.

Councillor Bowering advised that Mr. Ken House has received documentation from the environmental enforcement officer and some action is taking place regarding clean up.

Councillor Seymour inquired if any pavement was acquired for areas of Shearstown.

Town Manager advised that no suitable asphalt is available.

Concerns were raised regarding the development by Atlantic Grocery at Hope Avenue. These concerns included the early paving, conditions of the new relocated road of Andrew's Place and also, the width of the shouldering.

It was decided that the Town Manager write Mr. David Powell advising him of Council's concerns and also a copy be sent to Mr. Pat Farrell.

#### Additions to the Agenda

##### General Business:

Letter from Salvation Army Captain Terry Feltham re: Adjacent property development

Residential building application for Mr. Donald Bamford.

Residential building application for Jason and Lori McCue.

Councillor Walsh re: Land available for possible fill.

Councillor Seymour re: Loitering at the French Park, Coley's Point

Councillor Brown re: Public Library

Councillor Bowering re: Vandalism being done around town.

Due to conflict of interest, Mayor Sparkes left Council Chambers and meeting resumed at 9:50 p.m. with D. M. Littlejohn in the Chair.

#### General Business

Landowners in the Conservation Area of Bay Roberts East were present and inquired if any information or decisions has been made regarding the Conservation Area.

A meeting is to be arranged on December 7<sup>th</sup> with the Bay Roberts Heritage Society and the Heritage Advisory Board so as to get their opinion and comments regarding this issue. At that meeting, Council will inquire of the Bay Roberts Heritage Society and the Heritage Advisory Board, if they are willing to meet at a later date with the landowners.

Mayor Sparkes returned to the Council Chambers and resumed Chair at 8:15 p.m.

Letter received from Ms. Fiona Rushton regarding noise from the refrigerated container(s) parked on Water Street outside the fish plant opposite St. Matthew's Hall.

Town Manager advised that the container(s) has been moved.

It was decided that Ms. Rushton be advised of same, however, if this reoccurs to again contact the Council office.

Letter received from Ms. Melissa Jones regarding the Conservation Area of Bay Roberts East.

It was moved by D. M. Littlejohn and seconded by Councillor Greenland that Ms. Jones be informed that a special meeting of Council will be arranged for December 7<sup>th</sup> with the Bay Roberts Heritage Society and the Heritage Advisory Board to get their opinion and comments, as they did with the landowners, and a decision should be made sometime in the early new year. Motion Carried.

Letter received from Debbie Crane, Chairperson for the Annual Bay Roberts Lions Club Santa Claus Parade, requesting financial support for this year's parade which is being held on Saturday, December 4<sup>th</sup>.

It was moved by D. M. Littlejohn and seconded by Councillor Bowering that a donation of \$500.00 be made to the Annual Santa Claus Parade. Motion Carried.

Letter received from Mr. Thomas Noseworthy seeking permission to use land on the back of his home for a laydown location to store some trailer units and also, permission to erect a building 60' x 80' for doing some repairs when needed.

It was moved by D. M. Littlejohn and seconded by Councillor Seymour that Mr. Noseworthy's requests be referred to the Public Works Committee. Motion Carried.

Letter received from Ascension Collegiate requesting financial support for their annual Diplomas & Awards Night

It was decided that a donation of \$225.00 will be given.

Letter received from Mayor Don Coombs advising of a Labour Relations Seminar being presented by the Newfoundland and Labrador Employee Council.

It was decided that Council's preference is for 2 evening sessions and will confirm attendance when the dates for the seminar are provided.

Letter received from Clyde and Marlene Hussey requesting financial support for their daughter, Melissa, to help assist her in representing Newfoundland and Labrador in the 2005 Skate Canada BMO Eastern Challenge to be held in Mississauga, Ontario, on December 1<sup>st</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup>, 2004.

It was moved by D. M. Littlejohn and Councillor Bowering that Mr. & Mrs. Hussey's request be referred to the Finance Committee for further review.  
Motion Carried.

Letter received from Captain Terry Feltham of the Salvation Army regarding concerns with the adjacent property development, Marina Place.

It was moved by Councillor Greenland and seconded by D. M. Littlejohn that Captain Feltham's concerns be referred to the Public Works Committee for further investigation  
Motion Carried.

Application received from Mr. Donald R. Bamford seeking permission to build residence at 37 Shearstown Road.

It was moved by D. M. Littlejohn and seconded by Councillor Greenland that approval be given Mr. Bamford to build residence.  
Motion Carried.

Application received from Jason and Lori McCue seeking permission to build a residence at 11 Badcock Boulevard.

It was moved by Councillor Greenland and seconded by Councillor Seymour that approval be given Mr. & Mrs. McCue to build residence.  
Motion Carried.

News Release received advising that the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Detachment in Bay Roberts will now be open from 9:00 to 5:00 on Tuesday and Thursday. This is a change from a half day to a full day.

Councillor Walsh advised of a telephone call he received from Mr. George Seymour regarding seven acres of land he has for sale which has potential use for road fill.

The Public Works Superintendent will dig test holes on the site to determine how much fill is there.

Councillor Seymour advised of a noise, littering and loitering problem at the French's Park on Coley's Point.

The Public Works Superintendent will re-place the boulders across the entrance which had been moved aside.

Councillor Brown inquired of what part Council plays in funding the Public Library.

The Town Manager advised that Council no longer has an obligation to the library since it became a Regional Library.

Councillor Bowering asked that the vandalism to our playgrounds and public properties be publicized so people can be more aware of the damages being done and become more involved in reporting what they see to the R.C.M.P. and then let Council know about it so a follow up can be done to see what action was taken by the R.C.M.P.

#### Committee Reports

D. M. Littlejohn advised that the 2005 budget process is started and will be presented at the next meeting on December 14<sup>th</sup>.

D. M. Littlejohn presented a folder for Council to review which contains information on the Canadian Parks & Recreation Association National Conference and Trade Show he attended in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

D. M. Littlejohn gave an overview of a forum he attended on Monday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>, which regarded a discussion paper towards the formation of a provincial recreation policy by the Department of Tourism, Culture and Recreation and the Newfoundland and Labrador Parks/Recreation Association.

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Councillor Greenland gave a report from the Tourism Committee. The thirteen member

committee comprises of the following: Kim French, Jill Gosse, Ruth Murray, Kelly Morgan, Rick Snow, Irving Mercer, Agnes Butler, Bob Craig, Marion Badcock, Mike Flynn (Co-Chair), Clarence Mercer (Co-Chair), Ian Flynn (Program Officer) and Councillor Greenland.

Two sub-committees were formed (1) Beautification & Facilities (2) Marketing & Promotion. The opening ceremonies for the Visitor's Pavilion is scheduled for July of 2005. Also, sometime in the new year the Tourism Committee will put together a presentation which will include a wish list in order of priorities of things left to be done.

Councillor Bowering reminded Council of the Tree Lighting ceremony at the Veteran's Quay on Monday, November 29<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. Also, Klondyke Concert 2005 tickets are selling really well.

The Special Events Committee comprises of Derrick Ross, Geoff Roach, Don Perrett, Sandra Roach, Bill Dawe, Christine Bussey, Christine Bradbury, Bill Butler, Ian Flynn, Ron Delaney and Councillor Bowering.

Councillor Brown gave a report on Economic Development. The Committee has been asked by ACOA to indicate to them what stakeholders (businesses) are taking part in the trip to China. There will be a meeting at the Klondyke Hotel next week for the stakeholders involved.

#### Councillor Concerns

Councillor Brown suggested that the Bay Roberts Heritage Society and the Heritage Advisory Board be advised of a scheduled meeting for Tuesday, December 7<sup>th</sup>.

It was moved by Councillor Brown and seconded by Councillor Walsh that the Bay Roberts Heritage Society and the Heritage Advisory Board be notified of the scheduled meeting regarding the issue concerning the Conservation Area of Bay Roberts East.

Motion Carried.

It was moved by D. M. Littlejohn and seconded by Councillor Greenland that the meeting be adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Motion Carried.

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Wilbur Sparkes  
Mayor

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Shirley Hawe  
Town Clerk