

The Fifty-Second 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
Economic Dev., Tourism & Rec. Director Ron Delaney

Also present, Lillian Simmons (the Compass), Margaret Ayad, Terri Lynn Tuttle, Gus & Heather French

Regular meeting commenced at 7:35 p.m.

Ms. Margaret Ayad, Organizing Committee Member, Baccalieu Trail Board of Trade, requested an opportunity to speak regarding the celebration of the 10th Anniversary of the Baccalieu Trail Hall of Fame. A Dinner and Excellence in Business Workshop will be taking place on October 18th. Ms. Ayad asked that Council prominently display framed picture tributes of previous and present Hall of Fame winners from this town. Also, Ms. Ayad requested that Council sponsor a table of six at a cost of \$200.00 which is to seat six citizens from our community who have been awarded membership in the Hall of Fame over the past ten years.

Mr. Augustus French and Mrs. Heather French requested an opportunity to speak regarding the suspension of their daughter, Kim French, from her job at the swimming pool.

Mrs. French expressed their concern with a letter of complaint that had been received at the Bay Roberts Swimming Pool regarding the behaviour of their daughter on August 16th. Mrs. French stated that this letter was given to Kim on the day of her suspension, Tuesday, August 17th, two days prior to when she planned to finish her summer job. In their opinion the suspension was handled very unprofessionally. Mrs. French asked that if the letter of complaint had nothing to do with the suspension, then why was it given to Kim. They cannot verify the signature on the letter of complaint and requested Council to look into this matter.

Ms. Terri Lynn Tuttle advised that she found the letter of complaint in her cubicle at the front counter and she handed the letter over to Ian Flynn, Program Officer. Also, pool policy doesn't require records to be kept on file as all participants are responsible for their own report cards.

Town Manager advised that the suspension of Kim from the swimming pool was based on the fact that she was documented as arriving late to work eight times over a period of seven weeks. Also, Kim had at least twice received a verbal reprimand prior to her suspension.

It was decided that Mr. Ron Delaney is to further investigate the matter of who wrote and signed the letter of complaint and report his findings at the next regular meeting of Council.

Mayor Sparkes thanked Mr. & Mrs. French and Ms. Tuttle for attending.

Mayor Sparkes asked if there were any errors or omissions to the minutes of August 24th, 2004, which has been circulated with the agenda.

Page 3; Correction to wording - Meeting for Tuesday, Sept 21st regarding zoning of Mad Rock should state meeting with landowners and not all interested parties as recorded.

Minutes stand approved as presented with amendments.

Business Arising from Minutes

Councillor Greenland asked if Bay Roberts Seafoods had installed the water meter.

Town Manager advised that the Works Superintendent had shut off the water about ten days ago to Bay Roberts Seafoods and it hasn't yet been turned back on.

Councillor Greenland asked if any progress had been made regarding the skateboard park.

Mr. Delaney advised that the skateboard park will be discussed as a budget item for 2005.

D. M. Littlejohn presented a report on a meeting he and the Town Manager had with Ms. Susan Mercer regarding concerns raised by various landowners at Mad Rock ie. liability issues, trespassing, etc., and that most of the landowners prefer not to sell or relinquish their rights to the land at Mad Rock.

D. M. Littlejohn and the Town Manager recommended 5 options for Council's consideration.

Option 1. Leave area zoned as is.

Option 2. Re-zoned to rural as in the previous plan.

Option 3. Purchase the serviceable land that meets Councils and other government department regulations. Some basic requirements would be 100 x 200 for a septic system. Have an independent appraiser assess land value.

Option 4. Re-zoned area to encompass only the serviceable land on Mad Rock side and leave all other land conservation as presently exists. Council could approve type of dwelling and do a new zoning of that area called Heritage.

Option 5. Expropriation.

Councillor Brown and Councillor Seymour, as Council representatives on the Heritage Advisory Board, expressed their disappointment in not being informed and asked to attend the meeting with Ms. Mercer.

Town Manager stated that Ms. Mercer requested the meeting be with the Executive Committee of Council.

A meeting with landowners at the Conservation Area of Bay Roberts East will be arranged for Tuesday, September 21st.

Councillor Greenland asked if Harbour International Limited had replied to our letter of August 25th regarding the water meter shut off.

Town Manager advised that no correspondence has been received.

General Business

Letter received from Ms. Rosaline Hynes, Conception Bay North AIDS Interest Group, extending thanks to the Town of Bay Roberts for the donation given for their Annual AIDS Walk that will take place on September 26th.

Regrettably, Council will not be able to attend the Annual AIDS Walk due to their prior commitment to the Relay for Life event which is taking place that same weekend.

Letter received from Mr. Roland Butler, M.H.A. acknowledging receipt of our letter dated August 12, 2004, which expressed our concern on the closure of the Human Resources, Labour and Employment office at Bay Roberts. Mr. Butler advises that his sources are saying that this move is only temporary and that by the end of September 2005, all income support services will only be offered from St. John's.

Letter received from Mr. Dan Herder regarding building applications at Mad Rock Road.

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

Motion Carried.

It was moved by Councillor Greenland and seconded by D. M. Littlejohn that approval be given to sponsor a table of six at a cost of \$200.00 for the 10th Anniversary of the Baccalieu Trail Hall of Fame Dinner and Excellence in Business Workshop celebration
Motion Carried.

Letter received from Phillip & Helen Clarke expressing their interest in purchasing land owned by the Town of Bay Roberts and adjoining 76-90 Crossroads, Bay Roberts.

It was moved by Councillor Greenland and Councillor Walsh that Mr. & Mrs. Clarke's request be referred to the Public Works Committee.
Motion Carried.

Letter received from Mr. Eric Dawe, Avalon Coal, Salt & Oil Limited, regarding water services.

It was moved by Councillor Greenland and seconded by Councillor Seymour that Mr. Dawe's letter be referred to the Public Works Committee.
Motion Carried.

Letter received from Mr. R. David Moores, Harbour International Limited, regarding construction of a building attached to their existing cold storage structure.

It was moved by D. M. Littlejohn and seconded by Councillor Seymour that approval be given Harbour International Limited for the construction of the new extension on their existing cold storage structure, subject to all other regulatory departments. Permit cost is \$100.00.
Motion Carried.

Letter received from Ms. Elaine McArthur, P.Eng., Bae-Newplan Group Limited, regarding the water supply upgrading project and which outlines options for the piped interconnection of Big Pond to the lower part of the existing watershed.

It was moved by D. M. Littlejohn and seconded by Councillor Greenland that Ms. McArthur's letter be referred to the Public Works Committee.
Motion Carried.

Letter received from Fire Chief Clarence Russell requesting a donation for the Fire Safety for Kids Program.

It was moved by D. M. Littlejohn and seconded by Councillor Bowering that the Fire Chief's request be referred to the Finance Committee.
Motion Carried.

It was moved by D. M. Littlejohn and seconded by Councillor Walsh that the motion to refer the request of Fire Chief Russell for a donation, be rescinded.
Motion Carried.

It was moved by D. M. Littlejohn and seconded by Councillor Walsh that a \$330.00 donation be given for the Fire Safety for Kids Program
Motion Carried.

Letter received from the Spaniard's Bay Fire Department requesting an ad be purchased in their Fireman's Ball 30th Anniversary Celebration commemorative booklet.

It was moved by Councillor Seymour and seconded by Councillor Bowering that a half page ad be purchased at a cost of \$60.00.
Motion Carried.

Letter received from the Bay Roberts Renegades Ball Hockey Team requesting financial assistance in reaching their goal of becoming National A Champions.

It was moved by D. M. Littlejohn and seconded by Councillor Greenland that the request of the Bay Roberts Renegades Ball Hockey Team does not comply with Council's donation policy.
Motion Carried.

Avalon Director report received from Deputy Mayor Sam Stack and placed on file.

Letter received from Ms. Deborah A. Quilty announcing her candidacy in the upcoming NFLM election for the position of Avalon Director. Letter to be placed on file.

Info Note received from NFLM advising of the 2004 resolution regarding proceeds of the sale of crown lands. Info Note to be placed on file.

Letter received from Mr. Frank Galgay, St. John's Director, NFLM, requesting a donation for the NFLM's Annual Convention Eastern Night which takes place on Friday, October 8th at the Delta Hotel.

It was moved by Councillor Greenland and seconded by Councillor Seymour that a \$100.00 donation be given.
Motion Carried.

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Letter received from Mr. Mike Penney, Financial Secretary, Conception Bay North Fire Chiefs

Association, advising of a meeting on September 20th at the Fireman's Social Building, Harbour Grace, regarding municipal fire insurance ratings.

It was decided that Councillor Walsh will attend this meeting on behalf of Council.

Letter received from Minister Elizabeth Marshall advising of a reduction in the number of health care and community services boards in our province. The current 14 boards will be transformed into four regional integrated health authorities.

Letter of Minister Marshall to be placed on file.

Application received from Mr. Cory Hemeon seeking permission to construct dwelling at lot 73, Valleyview Subdivision.

It was moved by Councillor Greenland and seconded by Councillor Bowering that approval be given Mr. Hemeon to build residence at Valleyview Subdivision.
Motion Carried.

Mr. Pat Foley, Works Superintendent, submitted a water meter reading report covering readings from August 22nd to September 14th on the two Harbour International Limited water meters.

Committee Reports

Councillor Bowering advised that the TARGA Rally was a success. Eighty-seven cars participated with no incidents reported. There will be a get together for the volunteers who helped with the event.

Councillor Seymour advised that there is a Wetlands Stewardship Convention scheduled for October 1st - 2nd.

Councillor Concerns

Councillor Greenland advised that the right of way along Arney's Pond Road cannot accommodate ATV use during high tide.

It was decided that Council will take the legal route and the Town Manager will contact a local surveyor to get a professional opinion and to establish where the right of way is located.

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It was moved by Councillor Bowering and seconded by Councillor Greenland that the meeting be adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Motion Carried.

Wilbur Sparkes
Mayor

Shirley Hawe
Town Clerk