

August 25, 2009

Meeting called to order at 4:35 pm by Mayor Best.

IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor	F. Best
Deputy Mayor	L. Browne
Councillor	B. Bailey
	E. Müller
	F. Russell
	B. Strong
	P. Tilley
CAO	R. Hiscock
Director of Public Works	R. Smith
Town Clerk	M. Blackmore

MINUTES

MOTION: 09-121 Cr. Strong/Cr. Bailey

BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of Council held on August 11, 2009 be adopted as presented.

IN FAVOUR 7 - CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING

DOC CENTRE/SHOPPING
CENTRE PARKING LOT/
RAILWAY BUILDING

Council felt that these three issues should be removed from the agenda as they are now at the legal stage.

EVENTS CENTRE
UPDATE

CAO reported that the Events Centre continues to progress on schedule with pouring of the floor completed this past week. He also informed Council that the Transition Committee is now meeting on a weekly basis to deal with issues that may arise.

WASTE MANAGEMENT

Meeting of the Isthmus Committee scheduled for this evening in Arnold's Cove.

TERMS OF REFERENCE
RECREATION
COMMITTEE

CAO reported that a draft copy of the Terms of Reference for the new Recreation Committee will be presented for review at the next Finance Committee meeting.

TOWN SIGN - TCH

Director of Public Works reported that the sign on the TCH will be removed and repaired this week.

WINTER TOURISM
REPORT

CAO gave an overview of the work done to date on the Winter Tourism Project.

TRAFFIC STUDY

ACOA FUNDING

CAO reported that the application for the Traffic Study was done and sent in however, it was not received by ACOA. A new application to be prepared and forwarded to ACOA.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Thank You Note From SPCA - re the Town's Policy on the Use of Animals for Entertainment.

NEW BUSINESS

DATE FOR

ADVANCE POLLS

MOTION: 09-122 Cr. Strong/Cr. Russell

BE IT RESOLVED that two Advance Polls, September 19th and September 26th, to be held for the upcoming Municipal Election.

IN FAVOUR 7 - CARRIED

LIQUOR LICENSE

EVENTS CENTRE

MOTION: 09-123 Cr. Strong/Cr. Bailey

BE IT RESOLVED that Council apply for a Liquor License for the Events Centre.

IN FAVOUR 7 - CARRIED

IMMIGRATION WEBSITE

Cheque received from Government for \$10,000 to create an Immigration Website. CAO was asked to arrange a public forum and invite local immigrants to provide input into the Website.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

BEAUTIFICATION &

NATURAL

ENVIRONMENT

MOTION: 09-124 Cr. Tilley/Cr. Bailey

BE IT RESOLVED that Council accept Government funding in the amount of \$6,333, to help support the Town's Torch Relay celebration on Saturday, November 14, 2009.

IN FAVOUR 7 - CARRIED

ECONOMIC

DEVELOPMENT

D.M. Browne gave an overview of the information session that was held in Clarendville this week on the Hebron Project. She informed Council that a Project Description is available should anyone want to review it.

PUBLIC WORKS

MOTION: 09-125 Cr. Bailey/Cr. Strong

BE IT RESOLVED that the report given on the meeting held on August 19, 2009 and recommendations therein be accepted.

IN FAVOUR 7 - CARRIED

TENDER AWARD
HARBOUR DRIVE

Due to the enormous increase in tender prices, tenders received far exceeded cost estimates as well as the Government funding approval. Lengthy discussion held on how to proceed with the scope of work.

MOTION: 09-126 Cr. Bailey/Cr. Russell

BE IT RESOLVED that subject to the Approval to Award from Government, Council will hereby award the tender for Harbour Drive in the amount of \$1,770,268.74, HST included, and Strong's Lane in the amount of \$302,867.69, HST included, to Cougar Engineering, Manitoba Drive to be removed from the scope of work until remaining funding is approved by Government and Gladney Street to be removed entirely from the tender.

IN FAVOUR 7 - CARRIED

FINANCE,
COMMUNICATION
& PLANNING

MOTION: 09-127 Cr. Russell/D.M. Browne

BE IT RESOLVED that the report given on the meeting held on August 18, 2009 and the recommendations therein be accepted.

IN FAVOUR 7 - CARRIED

TAX COLLECTIONS

Lengthy discussion held on tax collections and the high receivables still owing this late in the year. Council suggested that an extensive collections blitz be carried out immediately to collect the outstanding taxes before year end.

DONATION POLICY

CAO reviewing the Donation Policy and changes will be made in conjunction with the 2010 budget.

NOISE REGULATIONS

Draft copy of Noise Regulations circulated for Council's review. Changes as noted will be made and brought back to the next meeting of Council for adoption.

SPEED SIGNS

Director of Public Works was asked to post 40 km speed signs and School Zone signs on Huntley Drive.

VEHICLE
SPEEDING ISSUES

MOTION: 09-128 Cr. Tilley/D.M. Browne

BE IT RESOLVED that a meeting be arranged with the RCMP to discuss enforcement issues in this area.

IN FAVOUR 7 - CARRIED

BARRICADES ON NEW
SUBDIVISIONS

Discussion on the need for new subdivisions that are not yet built on, to be barricaded daily after construction concludes. CAO suggested that this be discussed as part of the new Town Plan.

ELECTION POSTING

ON WEBSITE

Cr. Tilley advised Council that he has a section set up on the Town's Website to inform the public of happenings with regards to the election.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: 09-129 Cr. Russell/Cr. Strong

BE IT RESOLVED that the meeting be adjourned at 5:40 pm.

IN FAVOUR 7 - CARRIED

Mayor

Town Clerk