

MARCH 4, 2008

Meeting called to order at 4:30 pm by Mayor Best.

IN ATTENDANCE

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

WELCOME NEW CAO

Mayor Best extended an official welcome to Robert Hiscock the Town's new CAO.

MINUTES

MOTION: 08-025 D.M. Browne/Cr. Strong

BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of Council held on February 19, 2008 be adopted as presented.

IN FAVOUR 7 - CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING

SHOPPING CENTRE

PARKING LOT

No report. Should have something for the next meeting of Council.

STAFF ISSUES

Meeting with CAO to be arranged for next Tuesday to discuss staffing issues.

STRATEGIC PLAN

Deputy Mayor Browne asked that a focus meeting be arranged with staff to discuss issues around the Strategic Plan.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

BEAUTIFICATION &

NATURAL

ENVIRONMENT

No report.

ECONOMIC

DEVELOPMENT

No report.

PUBLIC WORKS

MOTION: 08-026 Cr. Bailey/Cr. Strong

BE IT RESOLVED that the report given on the meeting held on February 29, 2008 and recommendations therein be accepted.

IN FAVOUR 7 - CARRIED

??? MUNICIPAL SQ
NEW DWELLING

Request received, from the owner of the property located between 36 and 36A Municipal Square, for permission to erect a dwelling on that property. Council's concern is a sewer connection for this lot as the area is serviced with a communal septic system and Public Works is not certain that adequate provisions were made to accommodate this lot. The owner believes that there is a six inch line leading from the manhole and this new dwelling will be the only house connected to the manhole, however, it is Public Works understanding that the line from the manhole is a four inch line and that the connection may indeed be used for the existing dwelling.

MOTION: 08-027 Cr. Bailey/Cr. Russell

BE IT RESOLVED that the Director of Public Works have the manhole dug up to determine if there may already be one house tied into it and also to determine the size of the line feeding from the manhole. Should it be a four inch line only one house can be hooked to the manhole however, should it be a six inch line the two houses can be hooked to the manhole. Council will absorb the cost of excavation should they find the Developer's theory to be correct other wise the Developer will be responsible for the cost.

IN FAVOUR 7 - CARRIED

FINANCE,
COMMUNICATION
& PLANNING

Councillor Russell asked Council's opinion on Conflict of Interest as the minutes contain a tender award for a pick-up going to the low bidder of Clarenville Ford and that his son works there.

Council felt that this would not constitute a Conflict as all tenders are awarded to the low bidder providing all is in order.

MOTION: 08-028 Cr. Russell/Cr. Müller

BE IT RESOLVED that the report as given on the meeting held on February 26, 2008 and the recommendations therein be accepted .

IN FAVOUR 7 - CARRIED

REGIONAL EVENTS
CENTRE

Cr. Russell gave a report on the progress of the new Events Centre. Plans are in place for construction and equipment should be on site in April with construction commencing in May. He also reported that steel has gone up by 10% however, as the order was placed prior to the increase the company will maintain their bid price.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: 08-029 Cr. Russell/Cr. Strong

BE IT RESOLVED that the meeting be adjourned at 5:20 pm.

IN FAVOUR 7 - CARRIED