

FINANCE, COMMUNICATIONS & PLANNING
FEBRUARY 17, 2009

Meeting called to order at 4:00 pm by Councillor Russell.

IN ATTENDANCE

Chairperson	F. Russell
Mayor	F. Best
Deputy Mayor	L. Browne
CAO	R. Hiscock
Town Clerk	M. Blackmore

DELEGATION

PERCY, DRODGE

A representative from Percy Drodge met with the Committee to discuss the mill rate for the proposed Veterinarian Clinic. It was felt that the current Professional Rate applied to a building and land of that size and value would impose an unnecessary hardship on the owner.

RECOMMENDATION: That the CAO review the possibility of applying a separate rate for this type of business and bring to the next Council meeting for consideration.

INVOICES

Invoices in the amount of \$77,347.94 presented for payment.

RECOMMENDATION: The invoices as presented be approved.

BUSINESS ARISING

FIRE DEPT PICK-UP

Funding for the Fire Department Pick-Up has been approved at the Provincial level and is now sent to the Federal Government for approval.

CONTRACT - RON

FOUGERE ASSOCIATES

CAO trying to arrange a meeting for sometime next week with Government representatives as well as representatives from Ron Fougere Associates.

TWIN TOWN SENIORS

Correspondence received from Twin Town Seniors requesting their annual grant and also requesting Council's assistance in finding a suitable building to hold their meetings.

RECOMMENDATION: That Council approve payment of the annual grant and the Town Clerk check with organizations in our Town to see if there would be space in their buildings that could be provided to the Seniors.

RESIGNATION

TAMMI PATEY

Correspondence received from Tammi Patey, Office Clerk, informing Council that she will be resigning her position on April 10th, as she is relocating.

CONTRACT RE

DUMPING FEES

Contract for the use of the Town's dump site was reviewed by the Committee.

RECOMMENDATION: That this be forwarded to Public Works for their review and recommendations.

AD - KINSMEN

BOOKLET

Correspondence received from the Kinsmen Club of Witless Bay requesting the Town do a welcome message in their convention booklet for their upcoming convention to be held in Clarendville as well as an ad be placed.

RECOMMENDATION: Mayor to do a message for their booklet and that an ad be done up and placed at a cost of \$50.

DEVELOPMENT

POSITION

The Committee discussed the Development Position again and whether or not we should re-advertise the position.

RECOMMENDATION: That this be given to the Public Works Committee for further consideration.

NEW COMPUTER

Quote received in the amount of \$1,599 for a computer that is capable of running the maps for the new town plan.

RECOMMENDATION: That this be approved.

WRITE OFFS

Write offs in the amount of \$1,188.53 presented for the Committee's review.

RECOMMENDATION: That the write offs as presented be approved.

INCOME REPORT

Income report presented and reviewed by the Committee.

MANAGEMENT

SALARIES

Salary increases for management positions was discussed.

RECOMMENDATION: That a 3% increase for all management positions be approved.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 5:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Frazer Russell, Chairperson