

***FINANCE, COMMUNICATIONS & PLANNING***  
***JANUARY 6, 2009***

Meeting called to order at 4:05 pm by Cr. Russell.

<u>IN ATTENDANCE</u>	Chairperson	F. Russell
	Mayor	F. Best
	Deputy Mayor	L. Browne
	CAO	R. Hiscock
	Town Clerk	M. Blackmore

INVOICES Invoices in the amount of \$92,191.50 presented for payment.  
RECOMMENDATION: The invoices as presented be approved.

BUSINESS ARISING

CONTRACT - RON  
FOUGERE ASSOCIATES Discussion around the contract for Ron Fougere Associates and the request for payment for design work based on the new contract value.  
RECOMMENDATION: This request is something Council and our staff is not familiar with and therefore, the Committee suggested that a letter be written to Municipal Affairs requesting their opinion on the issue prior to signing the contract and paying the extra charge.

NEW BUSINESS

HERITAGE SOCIETY  
REQUEST FOR FUNDING Request received from the Heritage Society to be reimbursed for their cost of \$2,500 for restoration work on the cemetery in Shoal Harbour.  
RECOMMENDATION: That this be approved.

COMMUNITY VET  
HOSPITAL Correspondence received from the Community Vet Hospital requesting information on taxes on a proposed building they are planning to construct this spring. The Committee felt that without the assessed value this was impossible to provide.  
RECOMMENDATION: That the CAO and Town Clerk meet with the owners to try and obtain enough information on the building to provide calculations based on different scenarios.

NEWFOUNDLAND  
BROADCASTING CO Correspondence received from Newfoundland Broadcasting Company requesting a letter of support for their application for renewal of their licence with CRTC.  
RECOMMENDATION: That Council provide a letter of support.

HERITAGE SOCIETY

LETTER OF SUPPORT

Request from the Heritage Society for Council to provide a letter of support for their application to the 2009 Benjamin Moore Community Restoration Program. They are applying to receive a grant towards the restoration of the railway cars.

RECOMMENDATION: That Council provide a letter of support for this project.

TWIN TOWNS SENIORS

REQUEST FOR GRANT

Correspondence received from the Twin Towns Seniors requesting an increase in their annual grant from \$1,000 to \$3,000 for 2009.

RECOMMENDATION: That the annual grant be increased to \$1,500 for 2009 and that a suggestion be made to the club to act on Council's recommendation to approach groups and organizations in town to rent out a space, for a modest fee, for their meetings, eliminating their cost for building upkeep and operation cost.

WRITE OFFS

Write offs in the amount of \$742.90 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.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 5:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Frazer Russell, Chairperson