

**PUBLIC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**February 11, 2014**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, on February 11, 2014 at 4:15 pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Randy Simms  
Deputy Mayor Jim Locke  
Councillor Lucy Stoyles  
Councillor John Walsh  
Councillor Paula Tessier  
Councillor Dave Aker  
Councillor Andrew Ledwell

STAFF PRESENT

Michele Peach, Chief Administrative Officer  
Stephen Jewczyk, Director, Planning & Development  
Jason Silver, Director, Corporate Services  
Gerry Antle, Director, Infrastructure & Public Works  
Jason Collins, Director, Community Services  
Mona Lewis, Deputy City Clerk

**Mayor Simms chaired the meeting.**

14-02-070     Adoption of Agenda

Motion – Councillor Aker/Councillor Tessier

RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

14-02-071     Adoption of Minutes

Motion – Councillor Stoyles/Councillor Ledwell

RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the public meeting held on January 28, 2014 be adopted as presented.

Errors & Omissions: None noted.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

BUSINESS ARISING/ACTION REPORT

No business arose from the previous meeting. The action report was accepted as presented.

## PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

### 14-02-072 Heritage Day

Mayor Simms signed a proclamation declaring February 17, 2014 as Heritage Day in the City of Mount Pearl.

Deputy Mayor Locke highlighted the City's ongoing oral history project, commenting on the interviews that have taken place and the work that has been accomplished.

## CORRESPONDENCE

None presented.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

#### 14-02-073 Mount Pearl Sport Alliance Sports Hall of Fame 2013 & Athlete of the Year Awards Ceremony

Congratulations were extended to the 2013 inductees into the Hall of Fame and the Athletic Awards Finalists and Winners. A complete list of finalists and winners is available on the Sport Alliance website [www.mpsportalliance.ca](http://www.mpsportalliance.ca). The 2013 Hall of Fame inductees are:

Paul Boland  
Mike Mooney  
Dan Maher  
Mary Holloway  
Gerry O'Brien

#### 14-02-074 Frosty Festival – February 6 – 15, 2014

It was noted that the Frosty Festival is ongoing and residents were encouraged to take part in the many events. Further information is available on the Festival website ([www.frostyfestival.ca](http://www.frostyfestival.ca)). Appreciation was extended to the Frosty Festival Committee, volunteers, community groups, sponsors, partners, businesses and staff who make this event possible. The Frosty After Dark was highlighted as it was a new event that looks to be very entertaining.

14-02-075 Tim Horton Children's Camp  
Tatamagouche, NS  
Mount Pearl PEARL Program

Council was advised that two participants in the PEARL Program will be attending the Tim Horton Children's Camp in Tatamagouche, Nova Scotia in July. Appreciation was extended to Sunrise Ventures (Operator of Tim Horton's in Mount Pearl) for this opportunity and their continued support.

14-02-076 St. John Ambulance – Council NL Service Agreement  
January 1, 2014 – December 31, 2018

Motion – Deputy Mayor Locke/Councillor Stoyles

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to enter into a Service Agreement with St. John Ambulance – NL Council Inc, for the period of January 1, 2014 – December 31, 2018 (5 years) and to release the annual fee for service for 2014 in the amount of \$3,000.00.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

CORPORATE SERVICES COMMITTEE

14-02-077 Request for Tax Consideration

Motion – Councillor Aker/Councillor Tessier

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to exempt 2014 property taxes, in accordance with Council's past practice, and 2014 business taxes in accordance with Council's policy for charitable organizations, for the following:

Name	Address	Type	Annual Amt
The Salvation Army Mount Pearl Citadel	18 Senate Crescent	Property (100%)	\$1,706.44
Columbus Centre	25 Moores Drive	Property (60%)	\$2,836.72
Parkdale Manor	65 Park Avenue	Property (60%)	\$2,936.62
Masonic Park	117 Mount Carson Ave	Property (60%)	\$68,558.93
Freemason Hall	115 Mount Carson Ave	Property (60%)	\$10,801.44
Freemason Hall	115 Mount Carson Ave	Business (100%)	\$26,253.50

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

14-02-078     Invoices for Approval

Motion – Councillor Aker/Councillor Tessier

RESOLVED THAT the following invoices be approved for payment:

1.	Spartan Fitness (Fitness Equipment)	\$ 5,192.35
2.	Grand Concourse Authority (Branscombe Pond Entrance Signs)	\$ 10,881.95
3.	Bae Newplan Group Limited (Park Place Flow Monitoring)	\$ 20,001.00
4.	Madsen Diesel & Turbine (Snow Dump Rental - Jan 2014)	\$ 5,650.00
5.	City of St. John's (Water Consumption - Dec 2013)	\$ 288,127.84
6.	Bae Newplan Group Limited (2011 Street Upgrading- ended Dec 31/13)	\$ 5,270.64
7.	Stantec (Project Management - Donovan's Business Park Improvements)	\$ 7,546.14
8.	Apex Construction Specialties Inc. (Repairs to chain link fence)	\$ 5,164.10
9.	Modern Heavy Civil Ltd. (Progress Payment # 5 - release of holdback street upgrading)	\$ 95,026.60
10.	Lighting & Traffic Systems Ltd. (Traffic Signal Maintenance - November 2013)	\$ 8,025.22
11.	Lighting & Traffic Systems Ltd. (Traffic Signal Maintenance - December 2013)	\$ 17,908.67
12.	Bae Newplan Group Limited (Professional Services Pearlgate Recreation Centre - Nov 27/13)	\$ 23,306.25
13.	Weir Construction Ltd. (Team Gushue Park Facility Improvements-Progress payment 1)	\$ 38,310.64
14.	Stantec (QC Services - Team Gushue Park Improvements Phase 1)	\$ 7,098.89

15.	Air Cooled Engine Services Ltd. (Emergency Generator)	\$ 39,550.00
	Total	\$ 577,060.29

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

14-02-079 Winter Snow/Road Report

An update on winter maintenance (salt usage, removal of snow from cul de sacs and fire hydrants, and pothole repairs) was provided.

14-02-080 Animal Control Report

The animal control report for the month of January was presented. Residents were reminded not to leave their pets outside during this extremely cold weather.

14-02-081 Storm Water Management (Infiltration Study of Municipal Basin)

Council was advised that BAE-Newplan has completed the door-to-door survey, 355 homes out of 391 were surveyed. Currently there are 89 homes with sump pumps; 68 are connected to the sanitary sewer; 2 are connected to the storm, 16 are discharging outside and 1 is pumping into a drain located in the house. The consultant will provide a formal report and recommendations in the next few weeks.

14-02-082 Multiplex Status

Council was advised that the Multiplex was approximately 88% financially complete.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

14-02-083 Mount Pearl Municipal Plan 2010 Amendment No. 8, 2014  
Mount Pearl Development Regulations 2010 Amendment No. 27, 2014  
(959-963 Topsail Road Amendment)

Motion – Councillor Ledwell/Councillor Walsh

RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the Urban and Rural Planning Act, the Mount Pearl Municipal Plan 2010 Amendment No. 8, 2014, and Mount Pearl Development Regulations 2010 Amendment No. 27, 2014 (959-963 Topsail Road Amendment) be approved as presented.

Discussion: The purpose of the amendment is to relocate the boundary between the Conservation and Mixed Use designation at 959 and 963 Topsail Road to coincide with the top of the slope of the subject properties.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

14-02-084 Professional Development & Training  
Livable Cities Forum – Building Resilient Communities

Motion- Councillor Ledwell/Councillor Walsh

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted, in accordance with the Professional Development & Training Policy, for the Director of Planning & Development to attend the Livable Cities Forum taking place in Vancouver from April 2 – 4, 2014.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

14-02-085 Notice of Motion  
Amendment – Mount Pearl Development Regulations 2010

Councillor Ledwell gave notice that in accordance with Section 39 of the City of Mount Pearl Act, 1988 and in accordance with Council’s public notification policy, he will, at a regular meeting of Council, move an amendment to the Mount Pearl Development Regulations 2010, that, if enacted, will:

1. Amend Section 11 – Use Zone Schedules, Subsection 19 Industrial – Light (IL) Zone, Subsection 2 Discretionary Uses, to include “Self-Service Storage Mall (Subject to Regulation 7.24)”

The purpose of this amendment is to permit the development of self-storage malls in light industrial use zones in the City.

14-02-086 Notice of Motion  
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1. In Section 2 – Definitions, to define “wheelchair ramp” to distinguish it from “deck”, “veranda”,
2. In Section 6 – General Development Standards, revise the provisions relating to the location of wheelchair ramps on residential lots.

The purpose of this amendment is to permit projection of wheelchair ramps into all yards subject to conditions.

14-02-087     Notice of Motion  
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1.     Amend Section 7, Special Developments, by adding a new subsection dealing with flaglot development.
2.     Align the terminology used in the Municipal Plan and the Development Regulations in reference to flaglot developments.

The purpose of this amendment is to provide developers with development standards specific to flaglots and use identical terminology in both the Municipal Plan and the Development Regulations in sections where flaglots are discussed.

14-02-088     Development Permits

Motion – Councillor Ledwell/Councillor Walsh

RESOLVED THAT development permits issued for the period of January 27 – February 7, 2014 be accepted as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

14-02-089     Building Permits

Motion – Councillor Ledwell/Councillor Walsh

RESOLVED THAT building permits issued for the period of January 25 – February 7, 2014, showing a total construction value of \$2,850,000.00 be approved as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

REGIONAL SERVICES & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

No report presented.

TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

No report presented.

NEW BUSINESS

14-02-090 Campia

Deputy Mayor Locke advised that Campia Gymnastics is hosting the 2014 Frosty Flip gymnastics competition on February 15 – 16 at Mount Pearl Intermediate. Spectators were encouraged to attend and see some of the best gymnastics in Newfoundland & Labrador.

14-02-091 Snowclearing

Deputy Mayor advised of the positive comments he has received from residents with respect to the City's snowclearing efforts and extended appreciation to staff.

14-02-092 Northeast Avalon Regional Economic Development Board

Councillor Stoyles advised that the City has discontinued membership on the Northeast Avalon Regional Economic Development Board. She noted that the Board continues to exist following the loss of federal funding but is focusing on consulting work. Their work with smaller municipalities was acknowledged with appreciation.

14-02-093 Landscape NL – Provincial Awards of Landscape Excellence

Councillor Stoyles advised that she attended the National Awards of Landscape Excellence hosted by Landscape NL on January 29, 2014 at which Russell's Land Design was the recipient of the Award of Merit for Commercial Maintenance. It was requested that a letter of congratulations be forwarded to Mr. Russell.

14-02-094 Community Sector Council – Annual Volunteerism Luncheon

Councillor Stoyles advised that she attended the above noted event at which Dr. Andrew Furey was the guest speaker and named Honourary Chair for Volunteer Week 2014.

14-02-095 Lupus Workshop

Councillor Stoyles advised of a Lupus NL Information Session scheduled for February 27, 7:00 – 9:00 pm, Mount Pearl City Hall.

14-02-096 Cell Towers – Federal Government

Councillor Walsh commented on the recent Federal Government announcement that it will be improving the policy surrounding the construction of cell towers whereby municipalities are to be consulted on all tower installations and home owners are to be informed of planned consultations. Deputy Mayor Locke suggested that the



City's feedback include a recommendation for an improved visual (esthetic) structure.

14-02-097 Clean Up After Your Dog

Councillor Walsh reminded residents to clean up after their dog when using the trails, sidewalks and other open space areas.

14-02-098 Grade 9 Girls Basketball Team – Mount Pearl Intermediate

Councillor Walsh extended congratulations to the Grade 9 Girls Basketball Team who will be representing the Mount Pearl South region in the NL Winter Games. He noted that their coach advised that the group is a pleasure to train.

14-02-099 Frosty Festival

Members of council extended congratulations and appreciation to the Frosty Festival Board, volunteers and sponsors as well as the Community Services staff.

14-02-100 National Day of KINdness – Kin Canada

Councillor Tessier advised that Kin Canada Clubs are taking part in the annual National day KINdness on February 22, 2014 by undertaking small acts of kindness. She encouraged all residents to participate.

14-02-101 “Reason for the Rink” Fundraiser Hockey Game

Councillor Tessier commented on the success of the “Reason for the Rink” Fundraiser Hockey Game between the Cities of St. John's and Mount Pearl organized by Todd Churchill.

14-02-102 NL English School District

Councillor Aker encouraged affected residents to attend the NL English School District public consultation sessions scheduled for the Mount Pearl-Paradise system. At these sessions officials of the District will outline the current challenges faced in the school systems and the potential options which address these challenges.

14-02-103 Dominion

Councillor Aker questioned the trailers that have been parked on the Dominion parking lot for some time. Director of Planning & Development to follow up.

14-02-104 Mount Pearl Marlins

Councillor Aker advised that the Mount Pearl Marlins celebrate their 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary on February 15, 2014 with activities planned.

14-02-105 H.J. Bartlett Senior Blades

Councillor Aker advised that the Senior Blades will open the playoffs with a best of five quarter final series against the Eastlink Ceebee Stars at the Glacier on February 14, with game two also at the Glacier on February 15. The third game will be played in Harbour Grace, as well as game four, if necessary. If the series goes all five games, the fifth and final game will be played back in Mount Pearl. Spectators were encouraged to attend.

14-02-106 Sport Alliance – Hall of Fame & Athletic Awards

Councillor Ledwell extended congratulations to the Hall of Fame inductees and recipients of the Athletic Awards.

14-02-107 AUS Swimming Championships

Councillor Tessier extended congratulations to the Memorial Sea-Hawks who hosted the 2014 Subway AUS Swimming Championships. The MUN men finished on the podium with a second overall placing. The Sea-Hawks were led by Mount Pearl resident Gavin Dyke, who won rookie of the meet with three golds and a bronze.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:15 pm on a motion by Councillor Walsh and seconded by Councillor Stoyles.

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Chairperson

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Deputy City Clerk