



**PUBLIC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
January 14, 2014**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, on January 14, 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
Jason Silver, Director, Corporate Services
Gerry Antle, Director, Infrastructure & Public Works
Jason Collins, Director, Community Services
Julia Schwarz, Manager, Planning & Development
Mona Lewis, Deputy City Clerk

STAFF ABSENT

Stephen Jewczyk, Director, Planning & Development

Mayor Simms chaired the meeting.

14-01-001 Adoption of Agenda

Motion – Councillor Ledwell/Councillor Aker

RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

14-01-002 Adoption of Minutes

Motion – Councillor Stoyles/Deputy Mayor Locke

RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the public meeting held on December 17, 2013 be adopted as presented.

Errors & Omissions: None noted.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

BUSINESS ARISING/ACTION REPORT

14-01-003 Storage Container – Rear Mount Pearl Square

It was confirmed that the above noted container has been relocated to an area away from the residential properties, closer to the building. It was also noted that the property owner has applied for a permit (for an accessory building). It was requested that conditions such as temporary for winter months as well as the condition of the container be taken into consideration when processing the permit.

PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

None presented.

CORRESPONDENCE

None presented.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

14-01-004 Mount Pearl Seniors Independence Group Memorandum of Understanding – 2014 to 2016

Motion – Deputy Mayor Locke/Councillor Stoyles

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the Mount Pearl Seniors Independence Group for the period of January 1, 2014 – December 31, 2016.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

14-01-005 Arena Board of Management 1st Installment Operating Grant

Motion – Deputy Mayor Locke/Councillor Stoyles

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to release the first installment of the 2014 operating grant for the Arena Board of Management in the amount of \$40,000.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

14-01-006 Frosty Festival 2014
1st Installment Operating Grant

Motion – Deputy Mayor Locke/Councillor Stoyles

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to release the first installment of the Frosty Festival 2014 operating grant, in the amount of \$17,500 (50%) with the remaining to be released at the end of the Frosty Festival.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

14-01-007 Mount Pearl Frosty Festival
February 6 – 15, 2014

The public was advised that Frosty Festival will be held February 6 – 15 and the program of events will be distributed in the “GO BAG”. Tickets will be on sale from the Glacier box office starting January 25. Further information is available at www.frostyfestival.ca or by contacting 748-6480.

14-01-008 2014 Calendar of Events

The public was advised that the 2014 Calendar of Events will be delivered to households within the next two weeks. There was a delay in printing due to the recent power outages. A copy is posted on the City’s website.

14-01-009 Community Services Programs
New for 2014

Information on two new programs (Fitness Boot Camp and Mom & Baby Boot Camp) was presented. Further details are available on the City’s website and in the activity guide.

CORPORATE SERVICES COMMITTEE

14-01-010 Advertising Request
O’Donel High School – Presentation – “The Sound of Music”

Motion – Councillor Aker/Councillor Tessier

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to place a full page ad in the program for the O’Donel High School production of “The Sound of Music” at a cost of \$300.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

14-01-011 Renewal Line of Credit

Motion – Councillor Aker/Councillor Tessier

RESOLVED THAT approval be granted to renew the \$3,000,000 line of credit with the Bank of Nova Scotia in accordance with Section 116 of The City of Mount Pearl Act and further to extend the limit by \$3,000,000 (extension of the limit expires February 28, 2014).

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

14-01-012 Multiplex – Financing

Motion – Councillor Aker/Councillor Tessier

RESOLVED THAT the proposal from RBC Royal Bank to provide financing in the amount of \$15,000,000 for the Multiplex and Glacier II expansion project be accepted subject to final approval being provided by the Department of Municipal and Intergovernmental Affairs.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

14-01-013 Invoices for Approval

Motion – Councillor Aker/Councillor Tessier

RESOLVED THAT the following invoices be approved for payment:

1.	Modern Paving Ltd. (Progress Claim #6 Holdback- 2011 Street Upgrading CP1)	\$ 181,462.17
2.	Harris Ryan (Progress Bill for Dec 2013 year end audit)	\$ 8,475.00
3.	Municipal Assessment Agency Inc. (First Quarter for Assessment Fees)	\$ 69,118.00
4.	Metrobus Transit (Mount Pearl Bus Service (Nov))	\$ 81,279.09
5.	OnX Enterprise Solutions (Computer & Monitors)	\$ 10,066.72
6.	GCR Tire Centres (Tires)	\$ 9,399.84
7.	Farrell's Excavating Ltd. (CP1 Sagona Ave - Progress Claim No. 2)	\$ 94,745.54
8.	Weir's Construction Ltd. (CP2 Teasdale Street - Progress Claim No. 3)	\$ 53,385.38

9.	Bae Newplan Group Limited (2012-2014 MYCW Street Upgrading CP1 -Invoice #1090620)	\$ 15,838.70
10	Bae Newplan Group Limited (2012-2014 MYCW Street Upgrading CP1 - Invoice # 15955)	\$ 17,641.09
11.	Bae Newplan Group Limited (2012-2014 MYCW Street Upgrading CP1 - Invoice # 15871)	\$ 14,530.58
12.	Weir's Construction Ltd. (2011 Street Upgrading CP3- Progress Claim No. 6)	\$ 97,238.38
13.	Bae Newplan Group Limited (2012-2014 MYCW Street Upgrading CP1 - Invoice # 15810)	\$ 10,517.48
14.	Bae Newplan Group Limited (Park Ave Flow Monitoring)	\$ 6,102.00
	Total	\$ 669,799.97

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

14-01-014 Winter Maintenance

An update on snow clearing operations was provided. Appreciation was extended to residents who have removed snow around their neighbourhood fire hydrant. As a result of the December snowfall, the 2013 snowclearing budget was over by approximately 12% and it's about 15% (normally would be 10%) through the 2014 budget.

14-01-015 Multiplex

The public was advised that the multiplex is 85% financially complete.

14-01-016 Solid Waste Management Schedule 2014

The public was advised that the solid waste collection schedule has been delivered to residents of Mount Pearl via Canada Post. The schedule reflects the recent changes in bulk garbage collection which will see prescheduled collections during April/May and September/October. During the months of June, July and August residents can request a maximum of two bulk collections free of charge. Residents are required to contact the Department of Infrastructure & Public Works to schedule a pick-up. Additional collections outside of the scheduled pick-ups can be arranged at a charge of \$45.00.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

14-01-017 Mount Pearl Municipal Plan 2010 Amendment No. 7, 2013
Mount Pearl Development Regulations 2010 Amendment No. 26, 2013
(Wilkes Avenue Amendment)

Motion – Councillor Ledwell/Councillor Walsh

RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the Urban and Rural Planning Act, the Mount Pearl Municipal Plan 2010 Amendment No. 7, 2013, and Mount Pearl Development Regulations 2010 Amendment No. 26, 2013 (Wilkes Avenue Amendment) be approved as presented.

Discussion: The purpose of the amendment is to have the entire area of the proposed residential lots on the north side of a new subdivision street named Wilkes Avenue entirely within the Residential designation and RSU-3 zoning in order to permit the residential development of these lots.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

14-01-018 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 adopted AND FURTHER THAT a public hearing be scheduled for February 4, 2014, with Mr. Ernest Boone as Public Hearing Commissioner.

Discussion: The purpose of the amendment is to relocate the designation and zoning boundary to fully include the rear yards of these properties up to the limit of the top of the slope into the Commercial Mix use zone for the purpose of bringing the designation and zoning boundary in line with the existing topography of these properties and to provide the Council with the authority to consider the proposed expansion of an existing gravel equipment and storage yard.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

14-01-019 Appeal of City of Mount Pearl Order Regarding Alternate Landscaping
14 Samson Street

Council was advised that the Appeal Board ruled that the City had the authority to issue the Order to the property owner of 14 Samson Street to remove the stone from his property and replace it with topsoil and grass sod.

Motion – Councillor Ledwell/Councillor Walsh

RESOLVED THAT the property owner, 14 Samson Street, be advised that, based on the Appeal Board Hearing Report, he must comply with the requirement of the original Order dated July 5, 2013, but that, in consideration of the winter weather, the Order be revised to extend the deadline for completion of work to June 15, 2014.

Discussion: Council was advised that prior to the Order being issued, the property owner had been requested to submit a (professional) landscaping plan but it was not received. It was acknowledged that the property owner still has the opportunity to submit a landscaping plan (prepared by a professional) but the work is to be completed by the deadline (June 15, 2014).

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

14-01-020 Petition by Residents of Pinware Crescent
Regarding Permit to Construct Driveway at 13 Pinware Crescent

Council was advised of a petition opposing the construction of a parking space at 13 Pinware Crescent. This matter is currently under appeal therefore the City does not have the legislative authority to respond to or act upon this petition until such time as the Appeal Board Hearing has been held and a decision rendered.

14-01-021 Development Permits

Motion – Councillor Ledwell/Councillor Walsh

RESOLVED THAT development permits issued for the periods of December 16 - 31, 2013 and January 2 – 10, 2014 be accepted as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

14-01-022 Building Permits

Motion – Councillor Ledwell/Councillor Walsh

RESOLVED THAT building permits issued for the period of December 14 - 31, 2013, showing a total construction value of \$3,151,000.00 be approved as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

REGIONAL SERVICES & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

No report presented.

TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

14-01-023 Power Outage

Appreciation was extended to all individuals and organizations involved in providing assistance as a result of the recent power outage. The importance of conserving energy (power) was highlighted.

14-01-024 School Zone Traffic Signals
Reminder to Motorists

Motorists were reminded of the school zone traffic signals and to use caution when in the school zone areas. The traffic signals flash only if you are speeding.

NEW BUSINESS

14-01-025 Mount Pearl Minor Hockey Association – Appreciation Night

Deputy Mayor Locke advised that he attended the recent MPMHA appreciation night. He extended congratulations and appreciation to all volunteers.

14-01-026 Congratulations – Hockey Player, Alex Wall

Deputy Mayor Locke recognized Mount Pearl resident, Alex Wall, a player with the University of Prince Edward Island, and a member of the Canadian team in the recent 2013 World University Games. Congratulations were extended to Mr. Wall.

14-01-027 Municipalities Newfoundland & Labrador (MNL)
Avalon Regional Meeting

Councillor Stoyles advised of the revised date of the MNL Avalon Regional meeting, that being March 21 – 22, 2014 at the Capital Hotel.

14-01-028 Northeast Avalon Joint Council (NEAJC)

Councillor Stoyles advised that the NEAJC is meeting on January 16, 2014 in Torbay. Members of council were invited to attend.

14-01-029 O'Donel High School – Musical Production

Councillor Stoyles advised that the school's production, "The Sound of Music" will be held February 20 – 22 at the Arts & Culture Centre.

14-01-030 Condolences

Councillor Stoyles, along with other members of Council, recognized the recent passing of residents Bruce Butt, Harvey Short Sr., and Helen Baggs and extended sympathy to their family and friends.

14-01-031 Kaetlyn Osmond – Canadian Figure Skater

Councillor Walsh extended congratulations to Kaetlyn Osmond, a Newfoundland & Labrador native, for securing a spot on the Sochi Olympic team after winning her second consecutive Canadian women's figure skating title.

14-01-032 Power Outages

Councillor Tessier reminded residents to unplug items to protect them from power surges in the event of an outage.

14-01-033 Appreciation – NF Power & Hydro, and City Staff

Councillor Aker extended appreciation to employees of NF Power and Hydro for their efforts during the recent power outage.

Councillor Ledwell also extended appreciation to staff for their service during the recent power outage.

14-01-034 Urban Municipalities Committee (UMC)

Mayor Simms provided an update on the UMC meetings held this past weekend in Gander. He advised that City staff (Stephen Jewczyk, Director of Planning & Steve Butler, Communications Officer) presented a report on building an economic

development charter - an initiative being spearheaded by the City's economic development division. Appreciation was extended to all involved.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:20 pm on a motion by Councillor Ledwell and seconded by Councillor Stoyles.

Chairperson

Deputy City Clerk