



PUBLIC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

April 23, 2024

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held in Chambers on April 23, 2024, at 4:30 pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT	STAFF PRESENT
Mayor Dave Aker	Dana Spurrell, Chief Administrative Officer
Councillor Isabelle Fry	Jason Collins, Director of Recreation & Community Safety
Councillor Jim Locke	Glen Dollimont, Director of Public Works
Councillor Bill Antle	Cassie Pittman, Director of Corporate Services
Absent	Gerry Antle, Director of Planning, Engineering & Development
Deputy Mayor Nicole Kieley	Stephanie Walsh, Legislative Officer/City Clerk
Councillor Mark Rice	Lisa Warren, Executive Assistant
Councillor Chelsea Lane	

Mayor Aker chaired the meeting

24-04-201 Adoption of Agenda

Motion – Councillor Antle /Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as presented

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

24-04-202 Lands Acknowledgement

Read by Mayor Aker

24-04-203 Adoption of Minutes

Motion –Councillor Locke /Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the public meeting held April 9, 2024, be adopted as presented.

Errors & Omissions: none

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

BUSINESS ARISING – None

ACTION REPORT

The action report was accepted as presented.

PRESENTATIONS – None presented

PROCLAMATIONS

24-04-204 World Maternal Mental Health Day, May 1, 2024

The Mayor signed a proclamation declaring May 1, 2024, as “World Maternal Mental Health Day” in the City of Mount Pearl. Dr. Archana Vidyasankar attended and spoke to the proclamation and how World Maternal Mental Health Day is recognized on May 1st, 2024. This day recognizes the mental health concerns for mothers and families during pregnancy and into the first year after giving birth, and celebrates the strengths of these families during this critical period. The City will light up in teal colour on May 1st in recognition of World Maternal Mental Health Day.

CORRESPONDENCE - None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CORPORATE SERVICES AND PUBLIC WORKS

24-04-205 Invoices for Approval

Motion: Councillor Antle /Councillor Locke

RELOLVED THAT, approval be given for payment of the following invoices:

1	Amtruck Limited Truck Rental	\$ 10,695.00
2	Avalon Coal Salt and Oil Ltd Road Salt	\$ 372,026.07
3	City of St John's Tipping Fees Feb 2024	\$ 41,137.35
4	City of St John's Water Consumption March 2024	\$ 226,190.06
5	Coffee Matters Breakfast with the Easter Bunny	\$ 7,972.43
6	EMM Hardchrome and Hydraulics Recondition Hydraulic Steering Cylinders for Case Loader	\$ 6,504.40
7	GIS Planning Inc Subscription Renewal \$6,000 USD @ \$1.384	\$ 8,303.72

8	Korn Ferry <i>Job Evaluation Training</i>	\$ 10,062.50
9	Madsen Construction Equipment <i>Parts and Freight</i>	\$ 5,773.18
10	Queens University IRC <i>Professional Development (Manager of HR)</i>	\$ 6,384.00
11	Queens University IRC <i>Professional Development (Manager of Finance)</i>	\$ 6,384.00
12	St John's Transportation Commission <i>Transit Costs March 2024</i>	\$ 90,648.54
13	Stewart McKelvey <i>Legal Advise</i>	\$ 5,669.50
14	TOK Transit <i>Taxi Trips March 2024</i>	\$ 10,802.44
15	TOK Transit <i>Paratransit Bus Trips & No Shows March 2024</i>	\$ 22,501.16
16	VOHL Inc <i>Parts for Fleet Maintenance</i>	\$ 6,960.32
17	VOHL Inc <i>Chromium Carbide Shoe</i>	\$ 9,016.93
	Total	\$ 847,031.60

Question called – Motion carried unanimously.

24-04-206 Payment Register and Purchase Card Report

For the information of Council, the following payment register for April 4-17, 2024, totaled \$ 1,599,672.85 and the purchase card report for February 26 to March 25, 2024 totaled \$ 691,636.13.

24-04-207 Request for Tax Consideration

Motion: Councillor Antle /Councillor Locke

RESOLVED THAT, approval be given for the following businesses be exempt 2024 business and property taxes, accordance with the policy for charitable and non-profit organizations:

Name	Address	Type	Annual Amount
Skills Canada Newfoundland & Labrador	75-77 Barbour Drive	Business (100%)	\$797.20
Mount Pearl-Paradise Chamber of Commerce	75-77 Barbour Drive	Business (100%)	\$731.55

Vision Employment Inc	58 Glencoe Drive	Business (100%)	\$5,987.59
Co-Operator Housing	75-77 Barbour Drive	Business (100%)	\$1,406.66
CHANAL	878 Topsail Road	Business (100%)	\$4,739.82
Canadian Diabetes Association	860 Topsail Rd	Business (100%)	\$1,880.50
Masonic Park	117 Mount Carson Ave	Property (60%)	\$76,157.47
Mason Lodge	115 Mount Carson Ave	Property (60%)	\$10,152.62
Masonic Park – Freemason Hall	115 Mount Carson Ave	Business (100%)	\$24,699.26
SPCA	1060-1062 Topsail Rd	Business (100%)	\$5,309.45
Metro Business Opportunities	961 Topsail Road	Business (100%)	\$3,483.13

Question called – Motion carried unanimously

24-04-208 Request for Professional Development / Travel – Director Glen Dollimount
CPWA Spring Conference – Corner Brook, NL - May 8-10, 2024

Motion: Councillor Antle /Councillor Locke

RESOLVED THAT, approval be given for Director Dollimount to attend the CPWA (Canadian Public Works Association) Spring Conference in Corner Brook from May 8-10, 2024.

Question called – Motion carried unanimously

24-04-209 Request for Travel to US Indoor Recreation Facilities Conference – Councillor Lane
and CAO Dana Spurrell - Florida – April 29-May 2, 2024

Motion: Councillor Antle/Councillor Locke

RESOLVED THAT, approval be given for Councillor Lane and CAO Spurrell to attend the US Indoor Recreation Facilities Conference in Florida from April 29-May 2, 2024.

Question called – Motion carried unanimously

Item: CIBC Bank – City of Mount Pearl \$3 M Line of Credit - Deferred until May 7th

24-04-211 Contract Recommendation – Urban Forestry Plan – Phase 3 – TP24-004

Motion: Councillor Locke /Councillor Antle

RESOLVED THAT, approval for the contract for the Urban Forestry Plan – Phase 3 - TP24-004 for the supply, installation, and maintenance of trees at the Team Gushue Sports Complex on Arena Road to be awarded to the lowest qualified bidder, O'Neill's Gardenland Ltd., for the bid amount of \$49,450.00 (HST included), which is within budget.

Question called – Motion carried unanimously

24-04-212 Contract Recommendation – Battery Ice Resurfacers – TP24-009

Motion: Councillor Locke /Councillor Antle

RESOLVED THAT, approval for the for the contract for the supply and delivery of two battery powered ice resurfacers – TP24-009 to be awarded to the lowest qualified bidder, Engo Equipment Sales Inc., for the bid amount of \$187,193.55 for each year of 2024 and 2025, for a total of \$374,387.10 (HST included). The 2024 expenditure is within budget and the 2025 will be within the assigned budget pending final budget approval by Council.

Question called – Motion carried unanimously

24-04-213 Contract Recommendation – Salt Truck – TP24-013

Motion: Councillor Locke/Councillor Antle

RESOLVED THAT, approval for the for the contract for the supply and delivery of one 2024 or newer four x two-wheel drive, dual rear wheel drive low profile truck with landscape body and salt spreading unit mounted on landscape body TP24-013 to be awarded to the lowest qualified bidder, Harvey & Company Ltd., for the bid amount of \$214,123.33 (HST included), which is within the Fleet Plan budget.

24-04-214 Public Works Status Report

Councillor Locke provided a status update for Public Works noting that the staff have begun the Spring season work which includes pothole repair, litter clean-up, sidewalk and street sweeping, and lawn repairs. He advised that preparation for the upcoming 2024 Summer season is under way and that the service and maintenance of fleet is also ongoing with the service of maintenance of summer equipment has started.

RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

24-04-215 10th Annual Downhome Expo – Mount Pearl May 3 & 4, 2024

The City is pleased to host the 10th annual Downhome Expo at the Glacier Arena on May 3 and May 4. This Expo is the largest consumer trade show in Newfoundland and Labrador,

filling both arenas with games, giveaways, a children's play area and more than 100 exhibitors selling a wide variety of items. Check out their website for more information, downhomeexpo.com.

24-04-216 Youth Week | May 1-7, 2024

Youth Week is May 1 to May 7. Celebrate Youth Week 2024 with FREE activities and events, taking place at the Youth/Reid Centre, Summit Centre and Glacier Arena. Please visit the City's website and Facebook page for further information.

24-04-217 20-Minute Makeover

The City's Annual 20-Minute Makeover is taking place during May and June. Residents, businesses and schools are encouraged to clean up their gardens, neighborhoods, and community playgrounds. Free bags and gloves will be available to all who are interested in participating and can be picked up at City Hall, the Summit Centre, and the Reid Centre. Those interested in participating can reach out to our Community Events Coordinators to arrange bag/glove pickup.

24-04-218 Campia Gymnastics – 2024 Provincial Gymnastics Championship

Congratulations to Campia Gymnastics for the planning and hosting of the 2024 Provincial Championships on April 12 to 14, 2024. It was a great success with athletes in attendance from all areas of Newfoundland and Labrador. Congratulations are also extended to all athletes, coaches and parents contributing to this championship.

24-04-219 National Volunteer Week, Every Moment Matters | April 14 to April 20, 2024

A thank you is extended to all the volunteers throughout our city and the work you do to give back to our residents! Every volunteer and each contribution you make; sharing of time, skills, empathy, and creativity is vital to the inclusivity, strength, and wellbeing of our community.

PLANNING, ENGINEERING & DEVELOPMENT

24-04-220 Building & Occupancy Permit Listing | March 11-March 22, 2024

Motion: Councillor Antle /Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT, the residential and commercial building permits issued for this period, showing a total construction value of \$348,600.00 be approved, and further that the occupancy permit list be accepted as presented.

Question called – Motion carried unanimously.

24-04-221 Development Permit Listing | March 14 – April 5, 2024

Motion: Councillor Antle /Councillor Fry

RESOLVED THAT, that the following Development Permits be approved as presented for the period of March 14-April 5, 2024:

Development Permit #	Date of Issue	Type of Use	Civic Address
DP24-0015	March 14, 2024	Home Office Use	13 Royal Sovereign Close
DP24-0026	March 15, 2024	Taxi Stand Use	1-5 Park Avenue
DP24-0030	March 22, 2024	Outdoor Garden Market Use	60 Merchant Drive
DP24-0071	April 2, 2024	Moffatt Road Phase 6D – 3 Residential Lots	Moffatt Road Subdivision – Iron Springs Road

Question called – Motion carried unanimously.

24-04-222 Capital Projects Update

Councillor Antle provided an update on the City's capital projects highlighting the tenders and RFPs for April, and the ones scheduled for the upcoming Fall. he also advised of the construction projects that have started or resumed which includes Farrell Drive, Birch Avenue, Carroll Drive and Olympic Drive (starting early May 2024).

NEW BUSINESS

24-04-223 Mount Pearl Minor Hockey Hall of Fame Inductions

Councillor Locke advised he attended the Mount Pearl Minor Hockey Hall of Fame Inductions on Sunday April 20th. Next will be the 50th anniversary of Mount Pearl Minor Hockey. Congratulations to all the inductees and members of the association.

24-04-224 Mayor's Outlook

Councillor Locke acknowledged the good job the Mayor did at the Mayor's Outlook and delivering the message that the future is bright in Mount Pearl. Thank you to staff for their assistance with the event.

24-04-225 World Earth Day

Councillor Antle advised that World Earth Day is April 22nd. This year's theme is Plant vs. Plastics to bring attention to how serious plastics can harm the earth. Here at the City, we work closely with all stakeholders focusing on the Waterford River and the conservation core. We continue to focus on our water conservation with our leak detection program and we also continue the work with climate change projects.

24-04-226 2024 Don Johnson Cup

Councillor Antle advised that the 2024 Don Johnson Cup starts tonight at the Glacier at 7:30 pm. There are 5 teams in the tournament and the Mount Pearl Blades are the hosting team. The tournament takes place from April 23-28, 2024. Tickets are \$10 at the door. Opening ceremonies are tomorrow night.

24-04-227 Youth Week May 1-7, 2024

Councillor Fry advised that Youth Week is from May 1 to May 7, 2024. The city has various events planned such as ping pong, paint night, cornhole, movie at the pool, etc. Information can be found on the city's website and all events are free. All of our youth are encouraged to come out and take part.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:13 pm on a motion by Councillor Locke and seconded by Councillor Fry.

Chairperson

City Clerk