

PUBLIC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

May 21, 2024

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held in Chambers on May 21, 2024, at 4:30 pm.

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

Mayor Aker chaired the meeting.

24-05-254 Adoption of Agenda

Motion – Councillor Locke / Councillor Lane

RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

Question called. Motion carried unanimously.

Before the Mayor continued through the agenda for this evening's meeting, Mayor and Council recognized and welcomed back Deputy Mayor Nicole Kieley to the Council Chambers.

24-05-255 Lands Acknowledgement

Read by Mayor Aker.

24-05-256 Adoption of Minutes

Motion – Councillor Fry / Deputy Mayor Kieley

RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the public meeting held May 7, 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

24-05-257 Recreation Month – June, 2024

The Mayor signed a proclamation declaring the month of June as Recreation Month in the City of Mount Pearl.

Council acknowledged the Recreation and Community Safety director and staff, commenting on the work and services the department provides, including trails, greenspaces, programs and activities. Staff are involved in many events and programming which have attracted residents over the years, and provide a sense of community. The City has so much to offer for residents of all ages.

CORRESPONDENCE

24-05-258 Municipal Assessment Agency (MAA) – Assessment Roll for Tax Year 2025

Correspondence was tabled for information from the MAA, with an update on the City's assessments provided by the Director of Corporate Services. Residents and business owners will receive their assessments in early June, with a 30-day appeal deadline. Further information can be obtained by contacting the MAA at customerservice@maa.ca.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CORPORATE SERVICES AND PUBLIC WORKS

24-05-259 Invoices for Approval

Motion: Councillor Lane / Councillor Rice

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

	Amtruck Limited	
1	Rental Truck	\$ 10,695.00
	Avalon Coal Salt and Oil Ltd	-,
2	Road Salt Bulk	\$ 99,264.72
	City of St John's	
	2023 Adjustment for Operating Expenses	
3	Regional Waste Water	\$ 11,182.43
-	City of St John's	
	2023 Adjustment for Operating Expenses	
4	Regional Water	\$ 129,858.48
	City of St John's	
	Robin Hood Bay Tipping Fees March	
5	2024	\$ 40,265.03
	Madsen Construction Equipment	
6	Parts - Shaft Drive	\$ 8,050.00
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	Municipal Assessment Agency Inc	
8	Second Quarter Assessments 2024	\$ 67,444.00
	St John's Transportation Commission	
9	Transit Service Cost April 2024	\$ 101,121.09
	Staging Canadell	
10	Ramp & Ready Stages for Reid Centre	\$ 14,200.49
	Tiller Engineering	
11	Salt Shed Structural Connectors	\$ 7,158.75
	TOK Transit NL Ltd	
	Paratransit Trips and No Shows for April	
12	2024	\$ 28,067.46
	TOK Transit NL Ltd	
13	Taxi Trips April 2024	\$ 9,707.66
	Vohl Inc	
14	Parts	\$ 6,343.57

	Wolseley		
15	Hydrant	\$	13,627.50
	Total	Ş	555,036.18

Question called – Motion carried unanimously.

24-05-260 Payment Register

For the information of Council, the payment register for May 2-15, 2024, totaled \$1,093,220.02, and the purchase card report for March 26 – April 25, 2024, totaled \$443,280.22.

24-05-261 <u>Contract Recommendation – Restaurant Market Study</u>

Motion: Councillor Lane / Councillor Rice

RESOLVED THAT, the contract for the Restaurant Market Study to assess the current landscape and future opportunities within the food and beverage industry, with the goal to attract another full-service restaurant to the city, be awarded to the lowest qualified bidder, FBM, in the amount of \$11,465.50 (HST included), which is within budget.

Question called – Motion carried unanimously.

24-05-262 Recommendation re: Vendor for Forest Avenue Kiosk for 2024 Season

Motion: Councillor Rice / Councillor Lane

RESOLVED THAT, ratification of approval that the opportunity to provide services at the city's Forest Avenue Kiosk for the 2024 summer season commercial kiosk program be awarded to Rockateer Treats.

Question called – Motion carried unanimously.

Council discussed the success of the Kiosk, which is a part of the Economic Development strategy, offering opportunity for residents and visitors to explore the trails at Twin Falls.

24-05-263 Public Works Status Report

A status update was provided for Public Works, highlighting that National Public Works Week was May 19-24, 2024. Work continues on roads including asphalt repair, litter clean up, sidewalk and street sweeping, maintenance holes and catch basin repairs, lawn repairs. Bulk garbage collection starts on May 27, 2024. Work continues on Parks, including trail cleanup, landscape prep work, and maintenance of sports field and the Team Gushue Baseball field. Inspections, service, and maintenance of fleet is ongoing. An update was provided on UTM general calls, and information provided on water levels at BBBP.

Council congratulated and thanked the Director and the Public Works and staff for their service and the work they do in the city.

RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

24-05-264 Marlins Swim Meet – May 31 to June 2 | Cancellation of Recreation Swims

For the information of the public, there will be cancellations to the recreation swims from Friday, May 31st to Sunday, June 2nd as the Mount Pearl Marlins will be hosting a Swim Meet during these dates. Visit the City's website for the full listing of swim cancellations; the cancellation notices will be placed throughout the facility and posted on all social media platforms.

24-05-265 Pool Scheduled Maintenance – June 8 – July 3

The Summit Centre, pool only, will be closed for scheduled maintenance from Saturday, June 8th (3:30pm after swim lessons) to Wednesday, July 3rd. The pool will reopen on Thursday, July 4th. Communication of this closure will be posted and noted on all social media platforms.

24-05-266 <u>20-Minutes Makeover</u>

A reminder to residents and businesses that 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.

Council encouraged residents to take some time to tidy up around the community. Residents interested in participating can contact community events coordinators for further information.

PLANNING, ENGINEERING & DEVELOPMENT

24-05-267 <u>38 Maisonneuve Drive – Family Childcare Use</u>

Motion: Deputy Mayor Kieley / Councillor Rice

RELOLVED THAT, as Planning Engineering and Development has processed this Discretionary Use application pertaining to Family Childcare Use 38 Maisonneuve Drive Section that the application be approved.

Further, that a Development Permit be issued subject to Section 7.18 of the Mount Pearl Development Regulations 2010, subject to the conditions as set out by Planning, Engineering and Development, specifically conditions as outlined by the following:

- 1. Early Learning and Child Development
- 2. St. John's Regional Fire Department
- 3. City of Mount Pearl Inspection Services, Municipal Enforcement Division
- 4. City of Mount Pearl Finance Division
- 5. City of Mount Pearl Planning Division

Question Called – Motion carried unanimously.

24-05-268 <u>Olympic Drive Resurfacing – Request for Approval to Proceed-Contractor Change Order</u> <u>#'s 2, 3 and 4</u>

Motion: Deputy Mayor Kieley / Councillor Rice

RELOLVED THAT, the Contractor Change Order #2, #3 & #4, payable Farrell's Excavating Ltd. in the amount of \$82,325.63 (HST included) to account for additional work completed under this contract be approved.

Question Called – Motion carried unanimously.

24-05-269 <u>2024 Team Gushue Baseball Field Lighting Structural Analysis – Contract</u> <u>Recommendation</u>

Motion: Deputy Mayor Kieley / Councillor Rice

RESOLVED THAT, that the contract for 2024 Team Gushue Baseball Field Lighting be awarded to Tiller Engineering, for the bid amount of \$14,053.00 (HST Included).

Question called – Motion carried unanimously.

Council noted this is a very exciting upgrade for next year's Canada Games and for local

baseball players both current and future.

24-05-270 <u>2020-2023 Multi-Year Capital Works Funding Programs – Request for Approval-</u> <u>Project Closures and Transfer of Funds</u>

Motion: Councillor Rice / Deputy Mayor Kieley

RESOLVED THAT, that the following transfers in relation to the 2020-2023 MYCW Programs be approved:

MYCW	Project	Project #	Status	\$ Transfer
2020-	First Street (civic 17 –	17-MYCW-	Project Cancelled	(1,100,000.00)
2023	Glendale) Full	22-00016	Transfer OUT	
	Replacement			
	Kean Place	17-MYCW-	Project Cancelled	(1,300,000.00)
	Full Replacement	22-00017	Transfer OUT	
	Jacqueline Road	17-MYCW-	Project Cancelled	(455,021.98)
	Full Replacement	22-00018	Transfer OUT	
	Total (HST incl.) to Transfer out – 2020-2023			(2,855,021.98)
	Farrell Drive	17-MYCW- Transfer IN to Project		1,100,000.00
	Pumphouse Upgrades	22-00015	17-MYCW-22-00015	
	Farrell Drive	17-MYCW-	Transfer IN to Project	1,000,000.00
	(Topsail to Evans)	22-00014	17-MYCW-22-00014	
	Wyatt Boulevard	17-MYCW-	Transfer IN to Project	755,021.98
	Full Replacement	22-00013	17-MYCW-22-00013	
	Total (HST incl.) to Transfer IN – 2020-2023			
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Further, in addition to the transfers noted above, that Council request an extension to the funding in program 2020-2023 MYCW projects for an additional 2 years to account for future construction timelines in the updated agreement with the province.

Question called – Motion carried unanimously.

24-05-271 Building and Occupancy Permit Listing | April 8 – May 3, 2024

Motion: Councillor Rice / Deputy Mayor Kieley

RESOLVED THAT, that the residential and commercial building permits issued for this period, showing a total construction value of \$336,300.00 be approved, and further that the occupancy permit list be accepted as presented.

Question called – Motion carried unanimously.

24-05-272 Development Permit Listing | April 8 – May 3, 2024

Motion: Councillor Rice / Deputy Mayor Kieley

RESOLVED THAT, that the following Development Permits be approved as presented for the period of April 08 – May 03, 2024.

Development	Date of Issue	Type of Use	Civic Address
Permit #			
DP24-0059	April 9, 2024	Open Air Assembly	20 First Street
DP24-0036	April 15, 2024	Building Extension	5 Thomas Byrne
			Drive
DP22-0515	April 12, 2024	Three (3) Apartment	166 Park Avenue
		Buildings (33 units)	
DP23-0581	April 16, 2024	Subdivision and	1082 – 1090
		Consolidation of Land	Topsail Road
		and Site Work	
DP24-0025	April 23, 2024	Change of Use – Clinic	6-8 Mount Carson
			Avenue
DP24-0064	April 23, 2024	Change of Use – Movie	1261-1271 Topsail
		Production Studio	Road
DP24-0041	April 23, 2024	Three (3) apartment	90 – 100 Mount
		buildings (30 units)	Carson Avenue

Question called – Motion carried unanimously.

24-05-273 Capital Projects Update

An update on the City's capital projects were providing highlighting the tenders and request for proposals for May and the ones scheduled for the upcoming Fall. Also advised of the construction projects that have started or resumed.

NEW BUSINESS

24-05-274 Focus on Youth Awards

Councillor Rice discussed the recent Youth Awards event, noting the many opportunities for our youth and the impressive talent they have. He thanked the City and the Recreation and Community Safety staff for organizing the event.

Councillor Lane discussed the event, advising it is one she looks forward to attending every year. There is talented youth in our City, and she is fortunate to teach many of the students. Councillor Lane advised she is very proud of their accomplishments, and she thanked those who nominated youth for awards.

Councillor Locke discussed the event, advising it was a well-represented event, with a full week of focus on youth activities. There are dedicated, significant resources and staff time as the City cares about the youth in Mount Pearl. The awards are focused on youth, their volunteer work and commitment to the community. He thanked Recreation and Community Safety staff for their work.

24-05-275 Municipal Plan Review

Councillor Rice advised that sessions are upcoming. He encouraged everyone to attend and have their say in planning the City.

24-05-276 Kinettes Club of Mount Pearl

Councillor Lane advised that the Ladies Night Out event is taking place this Thursday night. The event is sold out, but they are selling 50/50 tickets, with all proceeds going to mental health. If anyone wishes to purchase the tickets, they can reach out to a member of the Kinettes Club.

24-05-277 World Ovarian Cancer Day

Councillor Fry advised that May 8th was World Ovarian Cancer Day. She recognized Women of Hope's Founder, Susan Glynn, whose biggest goal was advocacy and to spread awareness of this disease. She created a poster of awareness, so women know the signs and symptoms. Susan lived with ovarian cancer and passed in 2021.

24-05-278 Park Avenue Pentecostal Church Clothing Market

Councillor Fry noted the clothing marking is taking place May 25th, 1:00 – 3:00 pm at 195 Park Avenue. She encouraged everyone to donate any items they may have.

24-05-279 Elite Dance Recital

Councillor Locke discussed the upcoming 10th Annual Elite Dance recital taking place at the Glacier on May 31st and June 1st. He extended best wishes to all dancers, and congratulated Elite Dance on their 10th year anniversary.

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24-05-280 Welcome back to Deputy Mayor

Councillor Locke officially welcomed back Deputy Mayor Kieley, nothing her return today marked one of the sunniest and warmest day this year so far.

Councillor Locke thanked Councillor Rice for his work in stepping in to serve on committees of Council in the Deputy Mayor's absence.

Deputy Mayor Kieley advised it is wonderful to be back, and thanked everyone for their kind words and support. She thanked Councillor Rice for filling in during her absence on committees. Deputy Mayor advised it's a rejuvenating time not only for herself but also for Mount Pearl, and she's happy to be a part of everything happening in the City. Deputy Mayor advised the City looks beautiful now, and this has a lot to do with the team and caring citizens that make things happen.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:28 pm on a motion by Deputy Mayor Kieley and seconded by Councillor Rice.

Chairperson

City Clerk