



MINUTES

A public meeting of the Placentia Council was held Tuesday, December 13, 2016 at the Town Hall with the following in attendance:

Mayor:	Wayne D. Power	CAO: Charlotte Hickey
Deputy Mayor:	Keith Pearson	Executive Assistant: Debbie Gear
Councillors:	Frank Coombs	
	Dan Greene	
	Frankie Nash	
	William Woodman	

Absent:	Councillor Collins (Working)	Harold Power (Sick)
	Mary Greene (Sick)	Rhonda Power (Sick)

Mayor Power called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

HOUSEKEEPING ITEMS

Condolences are extended to the family of the late Frank Traverse, who Council recognizes as being the original Mr. Frost for our Winter Carnival years ago. Mr. Traverse was a well respected member of the community and a long time leader of both the Jersey side and Placentia seniors citizens clubs. Mayor Power asked that the CAO extend sympathies to the family on behalf of Council and staff.

Congratulations were extended to Town staff who attained milestones in their careers - Rhonda Power who has been employed with the Town for 20 years and Sharon Murphy and George Daley who both have attained 30 year status as a town employee.

Congratulations were also extended to the following Firefighters for their dedication to the Placentia Fire Department : Steven Budden, Brandon McGrath and Tyler Barron - five year recognition; Jeff Richardson - 15 year recognition and Mike Barnett and Paul Kerrivan who were the recipients of the Fire and Emergency Services Long Service Medal for reaching the 20 year milestone with the Fire Department.

A petition was tabled in the House of Assembly this past week by the MHA for Mount Pearl North, Steve Kent, Opposition Health Critic. There were 1800 signatures presented from the Town asking that government reinstate 24 hour X-ray Service at the Placentia Health Care Centre.

Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda for the meeting was distributed; there was one error noted. The recorder was asked to remove the budget from the agenda.

Motion #16-312

Councillor Nash/Deputy Mayor Pearson

Be it resolved that the motion to adopt the agenda for December 13, 2016 is approved as amended.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Greene, Nash, Woodman and Coombs voted in favour of the motion.)

Adoption of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held November 22, 2016 were circulated prior to the meeting. There were no errors or omissions noted.

Motion #16-313

Councillor Coombs/Councillor Nash

Be it resolved that the minutes of the meeting held November 22, 2016 were approved as circulated and perused.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Greene, Nash, Woodman and Coombs voted in favour of the motion.)

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Water Quality in Dunville

Public Works staff had drawn water in Dunville today and it appears that the colour is improving slowly with the adjustment of treatment measures. A number of issues have been identified as a result of exploration by outside sources in concert with the tests and assessments staff have been working on. Ms. Hickey summarized recent findings and measures being taken.

- There is a leak in the ozone generator that needs to be fixed
- Water was getting back into the ammonia generator - this was fixed by Atlantic Technical Services
- The injector freezes up causing chlorine to drop, this has been fixed with heat trace by Atlantic Technical Services
- Site glasses in the regulator were changed to ensure sufficient chlorine is drawn by Atlantic Technical
- Some anthracite was added which aids in the filtering process; there is more on order
- Staff continuously repair leaks most recently two major ones toward the end of Dunville
- Discussions have been held with government officials
- Meetings have been held with the Town's engineers who have been instructed to review the long term water strategy and offer a plan to rectify the Dunville issues
- A request for a quote to provide regular preventive maintenance has been requested from a firm experienced with equipment such as Dunville's
- Funding has been received to start repairing service lines in Dunville - this will not improve colour but hopefully will start the process of replacing leaking lines and asbestos pipe.

Service NL conducts water testing on a regular basis and the Town conducts daily testing; although the water is discoloured, it is free of bacteria.

The Department of Water Resources will be providing current water testing reports however they advise that, "with the amount of rain that we have received in the last couple of weeks, along with the season for pond turnover, the color is likely due to these natural conditions".

The CAO assured council that staff are doing everything within our resources to improve water quality including the pursuit of capital funding to expedite improvements. This includes issuing a statement to Dunville residents so that they might be informed on the matter.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

(Mayor Power, Chair; Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillor Dan Greene, Resource Person - CAO)

Recommendation - Non-Bargaining Unit Agreement

The Executive Committee recommended that Council award the preparation of a non-bargaining unit agreement to JW Consulting at a cost of \$2,500.00. This an approved budget item.

Motion #16-314

Deputy Mayor Pearson/Councillor Greene

Be it resolved that Council approves the expenditure of \$2,500.00 to JW Consulting for the preparation of a non-bargaining unit agreement.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Greene, Nash, Woodman and Coombs voted in favour of the motion.)

Other points of interest in the Executive report included a comment on the Town's existing harassment policy which is part of the safety manual.

The YMCA were pleased with the pool survey results and indicated there is a high level of support for the pool. A business plan should be available early in the new year.

Discussions were held with the Town's engineers on their rates and an agreement was reached on a reduction in fees for the Dunville Service Lines project.

MP Ken McDonald recently visited the Town and was apprised of issues of Town concerns including Dunville water quality/infrastructure needs, Parks Canada funding and water/wastewater funding.

Mayor Power and CAO Charlotte Hickey recently visited Marystown and toured their recently built water treatment facility. They also toured the YMCA Rec centre and met with Greig Seafarms to explore possible business opportunities in Placentia.

Discussions are ongoing with Port of Argenticia on a tax agreement.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

(Councillor Dan Greene, Chair; Councillors William Woodman & Frankie Nash ; Resource Person - Administrative Office Manager)

Accounts Payable

The Finance Committee recommended that Council approve the Accounts Payable Transaction Journal dated November 30, 2016 in the amount of \$42,383.24.

Motion #16-315

Councillor Green/Councillor Woodman

Be it resolved that Council approves the Accounts Payable Transaction Journal dated November 30, 2016 in the amount of \$42,383.24.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Greene, Nash, Woodman and Coombs voted in favour of the motion.)

Cheque Register - Operating Account

The Finance Committee recommended that Council approve the Cheque Register dated November 30, 2016 in the amount of \$62,200.51 for cheque numbers 025091 to 025157.

Motion #16-316

Councillor Green/Councillor Nash

Be it resolved that Council approves the Cheque Register dated November 30, 2016 in the amount of \$62,200.51 for cheque numbers 025091 to 025157.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Greene, Nash, Woodman and Coombs voted in favour of the motion.)

Special Accounts Cheque Register

The Finance Committee recommended that Council approve the Special Accounts Cheque Register dated December 2016.

Motion #16-317

Councillor Greene/Councillor Woodman

Be it resolved that Council approves the Special Accounts Cheque Register dated December 2016.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Greene, Nash, Woodman and Coombs voted in favour of the motion.)

Visa Statement

The Finance Committee recommended that Council approve the Visa Statement dated October 28 to November 28, 2016 in the amount of \$3,230.97.

Motion #16-318

Councillor Greene/Councillor Nash

Be it resolved that Council approves the Visa Statement dated October 28 to November 28, 2016 in the amount of \$3,230.97.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Greene, Nash, Woodman and Coombs voted in favour of the motion.)

Placentia Gut Waterline - Approve Second Project

The Finance Committee recommended that Council approve the installation of additional engineered blocks on the Placentia Gut water line at a cost of \$37,500.00 plus HST to be cost shared 80/20 under an approved Multi Year Capital Works program.

Motion #16-319

Councillor Green/Councillor Woodman

Be it resolved that Council approves the installation of additional engineered blocks on the Placentia Gut water line at a cost of \$37,500.00 plus HST to be cost shared 80/20 under an approved Multi Year Capital Works program.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Greene, Nash, Woodman and Coombs voted in favour of the motion.)

Placentia Gut Waterline - Approve Contractor

The Finance Committee recommended that Council approve the hiring of MDI Services to effect emergency repairs to the Placentia Gut Water Line.

Motion #16-320

Councillor Green/Councillor Nash

Be it resolved that Council approves the hiring of MDI Services to effect emergency repairs to the Placentia Gut Water Line.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Greene, Nash, Woodman and Coombs voted in favour of the motion.)

Sale of Property in Arrears

The Finance Committee recommended that Council approve the sale of properties in arrears for recovery of outstanding taxes as per the list prepared and provided by the Chief Administrative Officer dated December 6, 2016.

Motion #16-321

Councillor Greene/Councillor Nash

Be it resolved that Council approves the sale of properties in arrears for recovery of outstanding taxes as per the list prepared and provided by the Chief Administrative Officer dated December 6, 2016.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Greene, Nash, Woodman and Coombs voted in favour of the motion.)

PADA - JCP Project Administration Fees

The Finance Committee recommended that Council approve the expenditure of \$1,500 to Placentia Area Development for administration of a Job Creation Project to effect repairs at the PATH Hut and PARC arena.

Motion #16-322

Councillor Green/Councillor Woodman

Be it resolved that Council approves the expenditure of \$1,500 to Placentia Area Development for administration of a Job Creation Project to effect repairs at the PATH Hut and PARC arena.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Greene, Nash, Woodman and Coombs voted in favour of the motion.)

Anthracite and Filter Sand

The Finance Committee recommended that Council approve the expenditure of approximately \$3,000 plus HST to purchase 20 cubic feet each of Anthracite and Filter Sand for the ozone generator in Dunville.

Motion #16-323

Councillor Green/Councillor Nash

Be it resolved that Council approves the expenditure of approximately \$3,000 plus HST to purchase 20 cubic feet each of Anthracite and Filter Sand for the ozone generator in Dunville.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Greene, Nash, Woodman and Coombs voted in favour of the motion.)

Ozone Generator Parts Expenditure

The Finance Committee recommended that Council approve the expenditure of \$2,442.00 plus HST to purchase replacement parts for the Dunville Ozone Generation System.

Motion #16-324

Councillor Greene/Councillor Woodman

Be it resolved that Council approves the expenditure of \$2,442.00 plus HST to purchase replacement parts for the Dunville Ozone Generation System.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Greene, Nash, Woodman and Coombs voted in favour of the motion.)

Public Notification System

The Finance Committee recommended that Council approve the expenditure of \$7,000 to purchase a public notification system from Everbridge as per 2017 budget approval.

Motion #16-325

Councillor Greene/Councillor Nash

Be it resolved that Council approves the expenditure of \$7,000 to purchase a public notification system from Everbridge as per 2017 budget approval.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Greene, Nash, Woodman and Coombs voted in favour of the motion.)

Door Repair Expenditure

The Finance Committee recommended that Council approve the expenditure of \$1,977.00 for repair of the Arts Centre door.

Motion #16-326

Councillor Greene/Councillor Nash

Be it resolved that Council approves the expenditure of \$1,977.00 for repair of the Arts Centre door.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Greene, Nash, Woodman and Coombs voted in favour of the motion.)

Membership Fees - Placentia Area Chamber of Commerce

Council received an invoice from the Chamber in the amount of \$200.00 to cover 2017 membership fees; it was noted that this is a 100% increase over last year's fee.

The Finance Committee recommended that Council approve the payment of \$200.00 for 2017 Placentia Area Chamber of Commerce membership fees.

Motion #16-327

Councillor Greene/Councillor Woodman

Be it resolved that Council approves the payment of \$200.00 for 2017 Placentia Area Chamber of Commerce membership fees.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Greene, Nash, Woodman and Coombs voted in favour of the motion.)

PAHS -Annual Grant Increase

The Finance Committee recommended that Council approve an increase of \$1,000 to the annual grant for the Placentia Area Historical Society for a total of \$4,000 per year commencing in 2017 to help cover increased electricity expenses.

Motion #16-328

Councillor Greene/Councillor Nash

Be it resolved that Council approves an increase of \$1,000 to the annual grant for the Placentia Area Historical Society for a total of \$4,000 per year commencing in 2017 to help cover increased electricity expenses.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Greene, Nash, Woodman and Coombs voted in favour of the motion.)

Account #MURPM003 -Interest Adjustment

The Finance Committee recommended that Council approve an adjustment of interest charges totalling \$4,599.20 on Account #MURPM003 with the stipulation that all principle charges of \$3,718.93 are paid in full.

Motion #16-329

Councillor Greene/Councillor Nash

Be it resolved that Council approves an adjustment of interest charges totalling \$4,599.20 on Account #MURPM003 with the stipulation that all principle charges of \$3,718.93 are paid in full.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Greene, Nash, Woodman and Coombs voted in favour of the motion.)

Account #PARSR001 - Tax Adjustment

The Finance Committee recommended that Council approve an adjustment of \$68.00 to account #PARSR001 for sewer charges applied in error.

Motion #16-330

Councillor Greene/Councillor Nash

Be it resolved that Council approves an adjustment of \$68.00 to account #PARSR001 for sewer charges applied in error.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Greene, Nash, Woodman and Coombs voted in favour of the motion.)

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT

(Councillor William Woodman, Chair; Councillors Dan Greene & Frank Coombs; Resource Person - Public Works Supervisor)

Councillor Coombs declared conflict as the applicant for the following permit and left the room.

Commercial Development - Veterans Way

The Public Works Committee recommended that Council approve the application for a commercial and other development permit to construct a retail/warehouse at Veterans Way property to front on Gale’s Road, Placentia.

Motion #16-331

Councillor Woodman/Councillor Nash

Be it resolved that Council approves the application for a commercial and other development permit to construct a retail/warehouse at Veterans Way property to front on Gale’s Road, Placentia. Pending approval from all other government agencies.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Greene, Nash, Woodman and Coombs voted in favour of the motion.)

Councillor Coombs returned to the meeting.

1042 Main Road - Accessory Building

The Public Works Committee recommended that Council approve the application for an accessory building permit to construct a shed at 1042-1046 Main Road, Dunville

Motion #16-332

Councillor Woodman/Councillor Coombs

Be it resolved that Council approves the application for an accessory building permit to construct a shed at 1042-1046 Main Road, Dunville

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Greene, Nash, Woodman and Coombs voted in favour of the motion.)

60 Fox Harbour Road - Accessory Building

The Public Works Committee recommended that Council approve the application for an accessory building permit to construct a shed at #60-62 Fox Harbour Road – surcharge applies as the construction was started without the appropriate permit in place

Motion #16-333

Councillor Woodman/Councillor Coombs

Be it resolved that Council approves the application for an accessory building permit to construct a shed at #60-62 Fox Harbour Road – surcharge applies as the construction was started without the appropriate permit in place

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Greene, Nash, Woodman and Coombs voted in favour of the motion.)

88A Old Settlement Hill - Accessory Building

The Public Works Committee recommended that Council approve the application for an accessory building permit to construct a trike shelter at #88A Old Settlement Hill, Freshwater, the permit fee is waived as this is only a temporary structure

Motion #16-334

Councillor Woodman/Councillor Coombs

Be it resolved that Council approves the application for an accessory building permit to construct a trike shelter at #88A Old Settlement Hill, Freshwater, the permit fee is waived as this is only a temporary structure
(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Greene, Nash, Woodman and Coombs voted in favour of the motion.)

291 Bonds Path - Accessory Building

The Public Works Committee recommended that Council approve the application for an accessory building permit to construct a storage shed at #291-293 Bond's Path

Motion #16-335

Councillor Woodman/Councillor Coombs

Be it resolved that Council approves the application for an accessory building permit to construct a storage shed at #291-293 Bond's Path
(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Greene, Nash, Woodman and Coombs voted in favour of the motion.)

198 Bonds Path - Accessory Building

The Public Works Committee recommended that Council approve the application for an accessory building permit to construct a shed at #108-112 Bond's path.

Motion #16-336

Councillor Woodman/Councillor Coombs

Be it resolved that Council approves the application for an accessory building permit to construct a shed at #108-112 Bond's path.
(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Greene, Nash, Woodman and Coombs voted in favour of the motion.)

129 Freshwater Crescent - Fence

The Public Works Committee recommended that Council approve the application for a fencing permit for #129 Freshwater Crescent; the committee approves the placement of the temporary barrier already in place for a period of one year to allow sufficient time for construction of the new fence.

Motion #16-337

Councillor Woodman/Councillor Coombs

Be it resolved that Council approves the application for a fencing permit for #129 Freshwater Crescent; the committee approves the placement of the temporary barrier already in place for a period of one year to allow sufficient time for construction of the new fence.
(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Greene, Nash, Woodman and Coombs voted in favour of the motion.)

Crown Land Application

The Public Works Committee recommended that Council approve the application for crown land (#16-07) at Southeast, Placentia measuring 75' x 200'.

Motion #16-338

Councillor Woodman/Councillor Coombs

Be it resolved that Council approves the application for crown land (#16-07) at Southeast, Placentia measuring 75' x 200'.
(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Greene, Nash, Woodman and Coombs voted in favour of the motion.)

Crown Land Application

The Public Works Committee recommended that Council approve the application for crown land (#16-08) at Southeast, Placentia measuring 75' x 200'.

Motion #16-339

Councillor Woodman/Councillor Coombs

Be it resolved that Council approves the application for crown land (#16-08) at Southeast, Placentia measuring 75' x 200'.
(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Greene, Nash, Woodman and Coombs voted in favour of the motion.)

NL Power Application

The Public Works Committee recommended that Council approve the application from NL Power to install seven poles and four anchors to provide 3 phase service to Meade's Affordable Housing Units on Veterans Way

Motion #16-340

Councillor Woodman/Councillor Coombs

Be it resolved that Council approves the application from NL Power to install seven poles and four anchors to provide 3 phase service to Meade's Affordable Housing Units on Veterans Way
(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Greene, Nash, Woodman and Coombs voted in favour of the motion.)

Vendor Applications

The Public Works Committee recommended that Council approve the following Vendor Permit Applications

- i. Star of the Sea Ladies Auxiliary – Ticket Sales at Placentia Mall
- ii. Lions Manor Inc. – Ticket Sales
- iii. Freshwater Seniors' Club – Craft/Ticket/Bake Sale
- iv. Placentia Senior Citizens Club – Ticket and Bake Sale
- v. Mobility Foot Care – Arlene Young

Motion #16-341

Councillor Woodman/Councillor Coombs

Be it resolved that Council approves the following Vendor Permit Applications

- i. Star of the Sea Ladies Auxiliary – Ticket Sales at Placentia Mall
- ii. Lions Manor Inc. – Ticket Sales
- iii. Freshwater Seniors' Club – Craft/Ticket/Bake Sale
- iv. Placentia Senior Citizens Club – Ticket and Bake Sale
- v. Mobility Foot Care – Arlene Young

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Greene, Nash, Woodman and Coombs voted in favour of the motion.)

Ratification of Permit

The Public Works Committee recommended that Council approve the ratification of permit #125-2016 previously approved by the Public Works Supervisor for installation of a trailer at #13 Trailer Park; no permit fee required.

Motion #16-342**Councillor Woodman/Councillor Coombs**

Be it resolved that Council approves the ratification of permit #125-2016 previously approved by the Public Works Supervisor for installation of a trailer at #13 Trailer Park; no permit fee required.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Greene, Nash, Woodman and Coombs voted in favour of the motion.)

Permit Denied

There was one permit denied for commercial operation; the intended use is not permitted in a residential area.

Dumping Behind Placentia Mall

Although a copy of the provinces permit to dump fill behind Placentia Mall has been requested, they have not provided one stating that permit is not necessary because this is private land; however a permit is required because this is a wetland area.

Mill Brook Assessment

Council is awaiting a quote from the bidding contractor on the cost to assess Mill Brook independent of the other brooks previously requested. When the information is received, it will be brought back to Committee for discussion and recommendation.

Development in Whitbourne near the Argentinia Access Road

A letter has been written to the Dept. of Transportation to open discussion on constructing an overpass at the TCH/Route 100 access due to the increase in traffic. The Town of Whitbourne advises that the developer who purchased property in that area is now intending to advertise and discuss options of having a commercial/industrial business park there. The Town anticipates even further traffic congestion when Husky gears up again.

MUNICIPAL & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

(Councillor Frank Coombs, Chair; Councillors Dan Greene & William Woodman; Resource Person - CAO)

The Municipal Services Committee report was circulated prior to the meeting. Councillor Coombs pointed out that the new fire truck will be delivered later this month. Pictures of the apparatus were distributed to Council with their meeting documents.

Public Works is investigating the requirement for street lighting at the Route 100/Larkin Drive intersection. A recommendation will be made at the next meeting.

Public Works will determine who is responsible for the street lighting toward Argentinia that is not operational at this time.

CULTURE & TOURISM COMMITTEE REPORT

(Deputy Mayor Keith Pearson, Chair; Councillors Noella Collins; Resource Person - CAO)

The Culture and Tourism Committee reported that the Seniors Christmas Dessert Social and Dance was a great success. Bugs and Debbie Greene performed at the event; it was taped and will air on Eastlink and Rogers Cable three times in December. Thank you was extend to the Department of Children, Seniors and Social Development who contributed \$500 toward the cost of social.

The Dunville Lions Club-Town of Placentia Santa Claus Parade was a tremendous success again this year; there was an excellent turnout and the float participation seems to get better each year. Congratulations to all who organized and participated.

As well the Tree Lighting in the Square was the best attended one yet. Council acknowledged Floyd Edison for donating his time to provide lighting and sound; and to all staff and volunteers who gave out tickets, served hot chocolate and generally helped organize and run the event.

A special event was hosted by Mayor Power and Council of the Town of Placentia to acknowledge the prestigious honour bestowed on Mrs. Rachelle Connors this past month. The Fédération des francophones de Terre-Neuve et du Labrador awarded the 2016 Roger Champagne Award to Mrs. Connors in recognition of her exceptional work. Mayor Power said it was good to see Rachelle's efforts acknowledged and to have so many dignitaries visit to congratulate her; it is well deserved recognition.

The Town of Placentia is creating a Smartphone App to include all major attractions in the community; this is in its early stages and will be publicly launched in the new year when complete.

RECREATION COMMITTEE REPORT

(Councillor Noella Collins, Chair; Councillor Frankie Nash; Deputy Mayor Keith Pearson; Resource Person - CAO)

The Recreation Committee Report was accepted as presented with a few points of interest being highlighted.

There will be extra skating sessions for general and family skating during the Christmas break and a Moms and Tots slot will be scheduled as well.

The Recreation NL seminar was deemed a success with a training course included that was very informative. Mr. Matt Cooper, the Avalon Regional Director of Recreation NL advised the Mayor that he is willing to visit Placentia at any time for information sharing purposes.

Rhonda Power attended Recreation NL's Physical Activity Advisory Committee meeting to find ways to promote physical activity and healthy living initiatives.

Congratulations were extended to the Placentia Lions Club, the Special Olympics team and Matt's Auto/Josh Collins racing who won first place in their respective categories at the Dunville Lions-Town of Placentia Santa Claus Parade.

Council was asked to note that the date for the 2017 Winter Carnival is February 23 - 26. The first planning meeting will be held early in the new year.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

(Councillor Frankie Nash, Chair; Deputy Mayor Keith Pearson; Councillor Noella Collins; Resource Person - CAO)

The Placentia Area Chamber of Commerce will be invited to host the next *Lunch and Learn* session in January. Plans are to invite Hon. Chris Mitchelmore, Minister of the Department of Business, Tourism Culture and Rural Development to guest speak on the opportunities available in the area of Tourism. The new operators of Castle Landing will be invited as well. The Mayor suggested a *Lunch and Learn* session might be an appropriate venue to launch the Town's new Mobile App.

Mayor Power also noted that the upcoming or a subsequent meeting of the Economic Development Committee may be the venue for Grieg to discuss their potential business venture in Placentia with the local business community.

COUNCILLORS' COMMENTS

Deputy Mayor Pearson wished all Council and staff a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Mayor Power thanked everyone on Council and staff for their cooperation and hard work over the past year and wished all the best through the Christmas Season.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting concluded at 8:30 p.m.

MAYOR WAYNE D. POWER, MAYOR

CHARLOTTE HICKEY, CAO

DATE