

## **MINUTES**

A public meeting of the Placentia Council was held July 20, 2021 at the Town Hall with the following in attendance:

Council

Mayor: Councillors: Bernard S. Power

Jamilee Fitzpatrick

Kay Smith Jane Hynes Noella Collins

Lorraine Collins-Power

Staff

Robert Beaupertuis, CAO

Mary Greene, Manager of Finance

Adam Greene, Public Works Superintendent Kathryn Smith, Executive Assistant, Recording

**Spectators**: Zero (0)

**Absent:** Deputy Mayor Keith Pearson (Personal)

Rhonda Power, Mgr. of Tourism, Marketing & Communications (Vacation)

Debbie Gear (Medical Leave)

Mayor Power called the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m.

#### HOUSEKEEPING

Council extends sincerest condolences to Deputy Mayor Keith Pearson on the passing of his father, Patrick (Pad) Pearson. Mr. Pearson worked in Argentia for 27 years and was well known in our community. Our deepest sympathy goes out to the family. We hope that you will find comfort in knowing that our thoughts and prayers are with you all at this most difficult time.

Since May 28, the remains of more than 1,000 indigenous children have been found at former residential schools in Canada. We know that every child matters. In recognition, let us take a moment of silence to honour the children that tragically lost their lives and express our respect for their families.

The Town has declared Saturday, July 24, 2021 a civic holiday for the Placentia Annual Regatta. This year, spectators are discouraged from attending and will not be permitted on the field for Race Day. Security will be placed at entrances at which only required personnel will be permitted to enter. Good luck to all teams rowing in this years' regatta.





Congratulations are extended to RCMP Constable Sarah Bass of Whitbourne detachment who was awarded the 2021 Officer of the Year by the International Association of Women Police. Congratulations on this outstanding achievement.

#### ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The agenda was circulated prior to the meeting.

## Motion #21-215 Councillor Collins/Councillor Fitzpatrick

Be it resolved that the agenda for the Council meeting held July

20, 2021 is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

## Motion #21-216 Councillor Hynes/Councillor Collins-Power

Be it resolved that the minutes of June 15, 2021 are adopted as

circulated. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

## Motion #21-217 Councillor Smith/Councillor Fitzpatrick

Be it resolved that the minutes of June 29, 2021 are adopted as

circulated. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

#### **Action Sheet**

The Action Sheet was reviewed by Council.

## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT**

(Mayor Bernard Power, Chair; Deputy Mayor Keith Pearson, Councillor Kay Smith; Resource Person -CAO; Mgr. of Finance)

The Executive Committee had the following recommendations:

## Motion #21-218 Councillor Smith/Councillor Fitzpatrick

Be it resolved that the motion to rescind Motion #21-129 to approve that the Town request permission from the Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs to exercise the option under Section 54 of the Municipal Elections Act to authorize residents to vote by mail in the 2021 Municipal Election is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Councillor Fitzpatrick declared conflict for the next motion and left the meeting due to family relation to company.

## Motion #21-219 Councillor Smith/Councillor Collins

Be it resolved that the motion to award the Multi-Stream Waste Collection tender to Provincial Ready Mix at a cost of \$311,055.44 as per CAO recommendations is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Councillor Fitzpatrick returned to the meeting.



#### FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

(Councillor Kay Smith, Chair; Deputy Mayor Keith Pearson, Councillor Jane Hynes; Resource Person-Mgr. of Finance)

The Finance Committee had the following recommendations:

## Motion #21-220 Councillor Smith/Councillor Hynes

Be it resolved that the motion to approve payment of invoice from Aylwards Home Centre in the amount of \$1,039.92 for deck at Regatta Grounds is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

## Motion #21-221 Councillor Smith/Councillor Collins-Power

Be it resolved that the motion to approve payment of invoice from Crane Supply in the amount of \$1,032.13 for water system supplies is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

## Motion #21-222 Councillor Smith/Councillor Hynes

Be it resolved that the motion to approve payment of invoice from Crane Supply in the amount of \$1,054.55 for water system supplies is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

#### Motion #21-223 Councillor Smith/Councillor Collins-Power

Be it resolved that the motion to approve payment of invoice from H&B Construction Ltd. in the amount of \$5,980 for 3 poles and 2 anchors for netting at the Dunville ballfield is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

## Motion #21-224 Councillor Smith/Councillor Collins

Be it resolved that the motion to approve payment of invoice from Kennedy's Disposal Services Ltd. in the amount of \$1,380 for 3 loads of silica sand for upgrades to Dunville ballfield is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

### Motion #21-225 Councillor Smith/Councillor Fitzpatrick

Be it resolved that the motion to approve payment of invoice from the Municipal Assessment Agency in the amount of \$17,361.50 for third quarter assessment fees is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

#### Motion #21-226 Councillor Smith/Councillor Collins

Be it resolved that the motion to approve payment of invoice from Newhook's Transportation 1982 Ltd. in the amount of \$1,150 for delivery of water supplies is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

## Motion #21-227 Councillor Smith/Councillor Hynes

Be it resolved that the motion to approve payment of invoice from Patterson's Crane Rentals Ltd. in the amount of \$1,150 for

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4 hours of boom truck rental to repair home plate light and 4 hours of boom truck rental to repair 3<sup>rd</sup> base light for Dunville ballfield upgrades is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

#### Motion #21-228

## **Councillor Smith/Councillor Hynes**

Be it resolved that the motion to approve payment of invoice from Woodmar in the amount of \$1,997.55 for rental of mini and 5 loads of topsoil for property maintenance from water line repairs is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

#### Motion #21-229

## Councillor Smith/Councillor Collins-Power

Be it resolved that the motion to approve the Remaining Accounts Payable Transaction Journal dated July 12, 2021 in the amount of \$13,550.32 is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

#### Motion #21-230

## **Councillor Smith/Councillor Hynes**

Be it resolved that the motion to approve the Cheque Register for the Operating Account in the amount of \$349,704.92 for cheques numbered 029453 to 029529 is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

#### Motion #21-231

## **Councillor Smith/Councillor Collins**

Be it resolved that the motion to approve the Cheque Register for the Special Accounts in the amount of \$442,749.66 is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

#### Motion #21-232

# Councillor Smith/Councillor Hynes

Be it resolved that the motion to approve the Visa statement dated May 28 to June 28, 2021 in the amount of \$1,343.61 is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

#### Motion #21-233

# **Councillor Smith/Councillor Collins**

Be it resolved that the motion to approve a one-time only interest forgiveness adjustment to account #NORMW001 in the amount of \$540.48, the account is paid in full is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

### Motion #21-234

## **Councillor Smith/Councillor Hynes**

Be it resolved that the motion to approve a business, water, and sewer tax adjustment to account #ARGEN024 for 2020 taxes only in the amount of \$20,712.98 is adopted. (CARRIED 5:1; Mayor Power voted against the Motion)

### Motion #21-235

## Councillor Smith/Councillor Collins-Power

Be it resolved that the motion to approve business tax adjustment to account #ISLAN001 in the amount of \$400 as



business in not in operation in 2021 is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

## Motion #21-236 Councillor Smith/Councillor Hynes

Be it resolved that the motion to approve a one-time only interest forgiveness to account #MURPT003 in the amount of \$620.98, the account is paid in full is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

## Motion #21-237 Councillor Smith/Councillor Collins

Be it resolved that the motion to approve business tax adjustment to account #PRETT001 in the amount of \$200 for 2021 taxes is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

## Motion #21-238 Councillor Smith/Councillor Collins

Be it resolved that the motion to approve payment of \$4,000 to the Placentia Area Historical Society as budgeted is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

## Motion #21-239 Councillor Smith/Councillor Hynes

Be it resolved that the motion to approve \$5,000 to do a review of software and current utilization and setup of the Townsuite accounting system as budgeted is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

## Motion #21-240 Councillor Smith/Councillor Hynes

Be it resolved that the motion to approve payment of invoice from Sansom Equipment Limited in the amount of \$3,386.40 for emergency service call for chlorine gas regulator issues is adopted. Troubleshooting and training was provided. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

## **PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT**

(Councillor Lorraine Collins Power, Chair; Deputy Mayor Keith Pearson, Councillor Noella Collins; Resource Person - Public Works Superintendent)

The Public Works Committee had the following recommendations:

# Motion #21-241 Councillor Collins-Power/Councillor Hynes

Be it resolved that the motion to approve vendor permit application from Kleen Kings to operate a mobile pressure washing and auto detailing business in Placentia as per development regulations is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Councillor Collins-Power declared conflict for the next motion and left the meeting due to family relation.



#### Motion #21-242

## **Councillor Collins/Councillor Fitzpatrick**

Be it resolved that the motion to approve application from Redline Automotive for commercial construction at #44-48 Prince William Drive as per development regulations pending Government Services approvals or exemptions. This is not a permit to occupy the building is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Councillor Collins-Power returned to the meeting.

## Motion #21-243

## Councillor Collins-Power/Councillor Hynes

Be it resolved that the motion to approve application from Vanessa Barry for residential renovations at #946A Main Road as per development regulations is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

#### Motion #21-244

## Councillor Collins-Power/Councillor Hynes

Be it resolved that the motion to approve application from Sheldon Sweeney to construct a remote cottage at Sammys Marsh and Glennons Cove River. The Discretionary Use process has been completed is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Councillor Hynes declared conflict for the next two motions and left the meeting due to family relation to company.

#### Motion #21-245

# Councillor Collins-Power/Councillor Smith

Be it resolved that the motion to approve application from Seafair Capital for residential renovations at #302 Ferndale Road as per development regulations is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

#### Motion #21-246

# Councillor Collins-Power/Councillor Smith

Be it resolved that the motion to approve application from Placentia Restaurants Inc. to install pavement and a removable patio at #2 Orcan Drive, The Three Sisters as per development regulations is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Councillor Hynes returned to the meeting.

#### Motion #21-247

# Councillor Collins-Power/Councillor Fitzpatrick

Be it resolved that the motion to approve application from David and Melanie Martin to replace deck at #263-273 Bond's Path as per development regulations is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

#### Motion #21-248

# Councillor Collins-Power/Councillor Collins

Be it resolved that the motion to approve application from David and Melanie Martin to construct a new deck at #263-273 Bond's

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Path as per development regulations is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

#### Motion #21-249 Councillor Collins-Power/Councillor Smith

Be it resolved that the motion to approve application from Joseph Bohlke to construct a fence at #21 Hannon's Avenue as per development regulations is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

#### Councillor Collins-Power/Councillor Fitzpatrick Motion #21-250

Be it resolved that the motion to approve application from Christopher Kenny to secure waterfront shoreline at #231 Bond's Path as per development regulations pending all Government Services approvals or exemptions is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

#### **Councillor Collins-Power/Councillor Collins** Motion #21-251

Be it resolved that the motion to approve vendor permit #30-2021 for Lizzy Lou's Ice Cream to operate a mobile ice cream truck on July 15, 2021 is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

# **CULTURE, TOURISM & BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE REPORT**

(Councillor Noella Collins, Chair; Councillor Kay Smith; Councillor Fitzpatrick; Resource Person - Manager of Tourism, Marketing and Communications)

The Culture, Tourism and Beautification Committee had no recommendations; however, the Chair provided an update from the Committee meeting report.

#### RECREATION COMMITTEE REPORT

(Deputy Mayor Keith Pearson, Chair; Councillor Lorraine Collins-Power and Councillor Jane Hynes; Resource Person – CAO)

The Recreation Committee had no recommendations; however, Councillor Collins-Power provided an update from the Committee meeting report.

## COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND COMMUNICATIONS

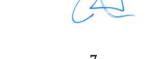
(Councillor Jane Hynes, Chair; Councillor Jamilee Fitzpatrick and Councillor Kay Smith; Resource Person - Manager of Tourism, Marketing and Communications)

The Community Engagement and Communications Committee had no recommendations; however, the Chair provided an update from the Committee meeting report.

#### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

(Councillor Jamilee Fitzpatrick, Chair; Councillor Noella Collins, and Councillor Lorraine Collins-Power Resource Person - CAO)

The Economic Development Committee had the following recommendations:





Councillor Hynes declared conflict for the next two motions and left the meeting due to family relation to company.

Motion #21-252

Councillor Fitzpatrick/Councillor Collins-Power

Be it resolved that the motion to approve business tax credit to account #CAREG001 in the amount of \$74.78 as budgeted for the Business Tax Incentive is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Motion #21-253

Councillor Fitzpatrick/Councillor Smith

Be it resolved that the motion to approve business tax credit to account #SEA.001 in the amount of \$299.26 as budgeted for the Business Tax Incentive is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Councillor Hynes returned to the meeting.

Councillor Collins-Power declared conflict for the next motion and left the meeting due to family relation to company.

Motion #21-254

Councillor Fitzpatrick/Councillor Smith

Be it resolved that the motion to approve business tax credit to account #REDLI001 in the amount of \$404.46 as budgeted for the Business Tax Incentive is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Councillor Collins-Power returned to the meeting.

Councillor Fitzpatrick declared conflict for the next motion and left the meeting due to family relation to company.

Motion #21-255

**Councillor Collins-Power/Councillor Hynes** 

Be it resolved that the motion to approve business tax credit to account #PROVI002 in the amount of \$373.44 as budgeted for the Business Tax Incentive is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Councillor Fitzpatrick returned to the meeting.

Motion #21-256

Councillor Fitzpatrick/Councillor Smith

Be it resolved that the motion to approve business tax credit to the remaining business incentive applicants as presented in the amount of \$19,180.37 as budgeted for the Business Tax Incentive is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

#### CORRESPONDENCE

The Town has written letters to Premier Furey, Minister Loveless and MHA Sherry Gambin-Walsh inquiring about the Wellness Centre and is waiting for a response.



## **COUNCILLORS' CONCERNS/COMMENTS**

At the last Council meeting it was decided that the Committee of the Whole will meet regularly. Procedures will be followed which will include a rotating Chair of Council members. Committee of the Whole is an avenue for residents to express concerns of a matter to all of Council with no debate, you can present a case and Council will give a recommendation, if any, at the next public meeting. The next Committee of the Whole meeting is scheduled for next Tuesday, July 27 and will be a continuation of a matter at hand. Information on the procedures of Committee of the Whole will be communicated to residents.

Flowers and plants have been placed around town for beautification. If any are placed close to your business or property, please water them if you see they need to be. Public Works are very busy and may not get the chance.

Remember to stay hydrated during these hot temperatures so you do not get sun stroke or other health issues. Also, keep your pets hydrated, out of the heat, and do not walk them on hot pavement. It could harm the pads on their paws.

Drivers are reminded to slow down and be cautious of children on bikes and at play.

Paving projects that were awarded last year are provincial projects. 1.5 million was awarded for these projects with 2 million allocated. Council has been lobbying with the government to get timelines of the projects and requested to keep the awarded contractor on timelines. Council wrote a letter to Minister Loveless requesting the paving be completed before the ferry reinstated. The Town will continue to lobby the provincial government to get these paving projects completed. Residents are encouraged to message our MHA and/or the Minister to express concerns with paving.

The Dunville Water Line Project is progressing well. Once completed, Dunville will be connected to Clarke's Pond water supply system. Due to the recent amount of rain, Dunville residents may see some discoloration to the water; our Public Works Superintendent is monitoring to try and keep it at an acceptable level.

There have been some misconceptions that taxes will be raised with the establishment of the Wellness Centre. This Council has a strong financial footing. In 2017 Council pushed and lobbied for a Wellness Centre and are still waiting on a decision from the government on additional funding. Current Capital Works projects have been completed out of operating money with no new debt incurred. The Town is in a strong financial position, especially coming out of the covid pandemic. The Town's financial position can support the development and operation of the Wellness Centre without the need to raise resident's taxation. A financial report of the Town's financial position will be made available to residents. Council is waiting on responses for funding from the government.





# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the Mayor called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion #21-257

**Councillor Smith/Councillor Fitzpatrick** 

Be it resolved that the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:45

p.m. is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

**BERNARD S. POWER, MAYOR**