

## **MINUTES**

A public meeting of the Placentia Council was held October 18, 2022 in the Council Chambers with the following in attendance:

Council <u>Staff</u>

**Deputy Mayor:** Wayne Power Mary Greene, Deputy Clerk

Councillors: Jamilee Fitzpatrick Rhonda Power, Manager of Tourism, Marketing & Comm

Jennifer Power Kathryn Smith, Executive Assistant (R)

Kay Smith

Mike Williams Spectators: 0 (Zero)

**Regrets:** Mayor Keith Pearson

Councillor Gerard Wilson Jonathan Galgay, CAO

Deputy Mayor Power called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m.

October is Disability Employment Awareness Month. A strong workforce is one, inclusive of the skills and talents of all Newfoundlanders and Labradorians. Newfoundlanders and Labradorians with disabilities constitute a growing population and experience issues which require positive change including disproportionate unemployment, poverty, and labor market exclusion. The employment inclusion of people with disabilities benefits all our citizens. The Town of Placentia is committed in our work to increase employment inclusion for Newfoundland and Labradorians through the provision of leadership, resources and ongoing opportunities for dialogue and engagement. The Town of Placentia signed a proclamation in partnership with the Genesis Employment Corporation to support October as Disability Employment Awareness Month.

The Town of Placentia signed a proclamation to support October  $9^{th}-15^{th}$  as Fire Prevention Week. The 2022 Fire Prevention Week theme "Fire Won't Wait. Plan Your Escape" effectively serves to remind us that it is important to have a home fire escape plan. The Town of Placentia is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living and visiting our town and urge all the people of Placentia to plan and practice a home fire escape plan for Fire Prevention Week 2022 and support the many public safety activities and efforts of the Placentia Fire Department.

October is Child Abuse Prevention Month. Children are the foundation for a prosperous and innovative society, and the foundation for a child's growth and development is established when the community takes responsibility for creating healthy environments where our children can thrive. All children deserve to have a safe, stable, nurturing home and community to foster their



healthy growth and development. Child abuse and neglect is an important societal concern that may affect the long-term health and wellbeing of not only children, but also the adults they become. Child abuse and neglect impacts our entire society and our society's future. Child abuse prevention is a shared responsibility and finding solutions requires the involvement and collaboration of citizens, organizations, and government entities. This month, emphasize the importance of understanding the devastating problem of child abuse and neglect and commit to learn more about the behavioral and physical signs of possible abuse. The Town of Placentia proclaimed the month of October to be Child Abuse Prevention Month and urged all citizens to work together to help reduce child abuse and neglect significantly in years to come.

#### **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

The agenda was circulated prior to the meeting.

Motion #22-202 Councillor Fitzpatrick/Councillor Williams

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

18, 2022 is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Motion #22-203 Councillor Smith/Councillor Williams

Be it resolved that the minutes of September 20, 2022 are adopted

as circulated. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

**New Business** 

Motion #22-204

Motion #22-200 Councillor Williams/Councillor Smith

Be it resolved that the motion to award the construction for the Harbour Drive Storm Sewer Upgrades project #17-MYCW-22-00061 to M.J. Hickey Construction Ltd. in the amount of \$652,455.92 including HST as recommended is adopted. The amount exceeds the approved funding by \$243. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Councillor Fitzpatrick/Councillor Power

Be it resolved that the motion to approve the award of tender to purchase a Rescue Unit firefighting vehicle as per agreement with Fire and Emergency Services division of the Department of Justice and Safety Project No. FES-NL210006 to sole bidder Metalfab Ltd. The project is based on a 70/30 cost share agreement at a total project cost of \$425,000 plus HST. The Town's portion of project of the 30% cost share is \$132,964.65 plus HST Rebate \$45,534.50 which will be paid from own Town sources is adopted. Any cost increases from the original amount of \$310,000 will be covered by the province under their financial formula as indicated in the cost share program. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

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#### Motion #22-205

## **Councillor Williams/Councillor Fitzpatrick**

Be it resolved that the motion to approve staff to start the tendering process for the sale of the GMC Acadia is adopted. The tender will be advertised for two weeks, and the vehicle will be sold "as is where is" condition. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT**

(Mayor Keith Pearson, Chair; Deputy Mayor Wayne Power, Councillor Jamilee Fitzpatrick; Resource Person – CAO)

The Executive Committee had the following recommendations:

#### Motion #22-206

## Councillor Smith/Councillor Fitzpatrick

Be it resolved that the motion to approve the CAO pursue the parking lot and garden in Town Square owned by the Episcopal Corporation is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Councillor Williams & Councillor Power declared conflict and left the meeting for the next motion due to personal relations.

#### Motion #22-207

# **Councillor Fitzpatrick/Councillor Smith**

Be it resolved that the motion to approve a Management Performance Review for the CAO, Manager of Finance, Manager of Tourism, Marketing & Communications, and the Director of Public Works as outlined in document received from HR Project Partners is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Councillor Williams & Councillor Power returned to the meeting.

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

## Motion #22-208

# **Councillor Power/Councillor Williams**

Be it resolved that the motion to approve a temporary contractual agreement with Provincial Ready Mix for a monetary increase of \$4,000 to help alleviate fuel surcharge during September, October, and November under the Multi Stream Waste Collection Contract is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Councillor Fitzpatrick returned to the meeting.

The Deputy Mayor provided an update from the Committee report.

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

(Councillor Kay Smith, Chair; Deputy Mayor Wayne Power, Councillor Jennifer Power; Resource Person-Mgr. of Finance)

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The Finance Committee had the following recommendations:

## Motion #22-209 Councillor Smith/Councillor Fitzpatrick

Be it resolved that the motion to approve payment of invoice from Municipal Assessment Agency Inc. in the amount of \$17,069 for fourth quarter assessment fees is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

## Motion #22-210 Councillor Smith/Councillor Power

Be it resolved that the motion to approve the remaining Accounts Payable Transaction Journal dated October 7, 2022 in the amount of \$26,190.16 is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

## Motion #22-211 Councillor Smith/Councillor Power

Be it resolved that the motion to approve the Cheque Register for the Operating Account in the amount of \$300,880.17 for cheques numbered 030642 to 030705 is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

## Motion #22-212 Councillor Smith/Councillor Fitzpatrick

Be it resolved that the motion to approve the Cheque Register for the Special Accounts in the amount of \$534,761.58 is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

## Motion #22-213 Councillor Smith/Councillor Williams

Be it resolved that the motion to approve visa statements dated August 30 to September 27, 2022 in the amount of \$3,500.12 is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

## Motion #22-214 Councillor Smith/Councillor Power

Be it resolved that the motion to approve property tax adjustment to source #135179 in the amount of \$182.55 is adopted. Dwelling was destroyed by fire on June 12, 2022. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

#### Motion #22-215 Councillor Smith/Councillor Fitzpatrick

Be it resolved that the motion to approve a donation to the Kids Eat Smart Foundation in the amount of \$1,000 during charity night of the Placentia Bay Industrial Showcase is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

#### Motion #22-216 Councillor Smith/Councillor Power

Be it resolved that the motion to approve municipal contribution for the Placentia Rowing Club's application to ACOA in the amount of \$13,162 for upgrades at the Regatta Grounds is adoptd. The Town portion will be given incrementally during duration of project as required. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)



The Chair provided an update from the Committee report.

#### PUBLIC WORKS & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT

(Councillor Gerard Wilson, Chair (absent); Councillor Jamilee Fitzpatrick, Councillor Mike Williams; Resource Person - Public Works Superintendent)

The Public Works Committee had the following recommendations:

## Motion #22-201 Councillor Fitzpatrick/Councillor Smith

Be it resolved that the motion to approve the award of the Freshwater Outfall Project to the low bidder, Universal Environment Services Ltd. at a cost of \$220,129.55 including HST is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

# Motion #22-217 Councillor Fitzpatrick/Councillor Williams

Be it resolved that the motion to approve the award of Request for Proposals for the demolition, removal, and disposal of the building as well as property remediation at #1253 Main Road to Edward Collins Contracting Ltd. in the amount of \$12,400 plus HST is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Councillor Fitzpatrick provided an update from the Committee report in absence of the Chair.

#### RECREATION COMMITTEE REPORT

(Councillor Jamilee Fitzpatrick, Chair; Councillor Mike Williams, Councillor Gerard Wilson; Resource Person –Public Works Superintendent)

The Recreation Committee had no recommendations; however, the Chair provided an update from the Committee report.

# **TOURISM & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT**

(Deputy Mayor Wayne Power Chair; Councillor Jennifer Power; Councillor Kay Smith; Resource Person – CAO)

The Tourism & Economic Development Committee had no recommendations; however, the Chair provided an update from the Committee report.

# PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT & COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

(Councillor Mike Williams Chair; Councillor Gerard Wilson; Councillor Jamilee Fitzpatrick; Resource Person Public Works Superintendent)

The Planning, Development & Community Enhancement Committee had the following recommendation:



#### Motion #22-219

# **Councillor Williams/Councillor Fitzpatrick**

Be it resolved that the motion to reject the request from residents to purchase land situated between 264 and 266 Ferndale Road as the land in question is a Right of Way used by other residents in the area is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

The Chair provided an update from the Committee report.

#### **MARKETING & SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE REPORT**

(Councillor Jennifer Power, Chair; Councillor Kay Smith; Deputy Mayor Wayne Power; Resource Person Manager of Tourism, Marketing & Communications)

The Special Events & Marketing Committee had no recommendations; however, the Chair provided an update from the Committee report.

## **Other Business of Council**

Council requested staff contact the Department of Transportation & Infrastructure regarding the condition of Jerseyside Hill and safety issue with motorists in the passing lane driving into oncoming traffic due to the void of a merge lane at the top of the hill going into Ferndale turnoff.

Council requested staff contact the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure & MHA regarding the deplorable state of the dirt road between Southeast/Dunville to Colinet. The road needs to be graded on a regular basis as it is an alternate route in the case of any bridge issues. There were also concerns regarding the kind of aggregate used on the road rusting vehicles.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

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

Motion #22-220

**Councillor Fitzpatrick / Councillor Williams** 

Be it resolved that the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m. is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

WAYNE PØWER. DEPUTY MAYOR

MARY GREENE, DEPUTY CLERK

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