



MINUTES

A public meeting of the Placentia Council was held March 21, 2023 in the Council Chambers with the following in attendance:

Council

Mayor: Keith Pearson
Deputy Mayor: Wayne Power
Councillors: Jamilee Fitzpatrick
Jennifer Richardson
Kay Smith
Mike Williams (Zoom)
Gerard Wilson

Staff

Jonathan Galgay, CAO
Mary Greene, Manager of Finance
Jeff Richardson, Director of Public Works
Jennifer Bennett, Economic Development Officer
Kathryn Smith, Executive Assistant (R)

Spectators: Zero (0)

Mayor Pearson called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Purple Day is a global effort to promote Epilepsy Awareness in countries around the world. Purple Day will be celebrated on March 26th annually to increase understanding, reduce stigma, and improve the quality of life for people living with epilepsy throughout the country and globally. The Town has signed a proclamation for awareness and support. Please wear purple on March 26th to support Epilepsy awareness.

March 6 was World Lymphedema Day. Lymphedema is a chronic and debilitating disease that affects many people in our province. March 6 of each year is internationally recognised as World Lymphedema Day to raise awareness about this disease and the treatment options available. The Town signed a proclamation for support and awareness.

Today, March 21st, we celebrate World Down Syndrome Day by advocating for the rights, inclusion, and well-being of people with Down syndrome around the world. This year, Down Syndrome International has chosen the theme With Us, Not For Us. A reminder to the entire community that people with Down syndrome need to be a part of the work being done to secure them the same rights and opportunities as everyone else. #NothingWithUsWithoutUs

On behalf of past and present Councillors, and staff I wish to acknowledge our former Manager of Tourism, Marketing & Communications, Rhonda Power, who decided to pursue another career after 26 admirable years with the Town of Placentia. Rhonda started with the town working in the reception office, she then moved into the position of Executive Assistant to Council, oversaw the arena and Arts Centre while being Manager of Tourism, Marketing & Communications, in which she thrived. Rhonda had a passion for tourism, event planning and beautification of the

town with the creation of the Wild Rose Awards and formed many great relationships with people near and far, including delegates of the City of Plentzia, Spain which began in 2017 when the Town and Plentzia became sister Municipalities. Rhonda sat on many Committees and boards, she volunteered much of her free time and was well respected by residents and community partners. Rhonda will be dearly missed around the office and by those in the community that she worked so closely with over her 26 years with the Town. Your service and accomplishments are greatly appreciated, and we wish you all the best with your new position and all future endeavours. Thank you and all the best!

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The agenda was circulated prior to the meeting.

Motion #23-041

Deputy Mayor Power/Councillor Richardson

Be it resolved that the agenda for the Council meeting held March 21, 2023 is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Motion #23-042

Councillor Wilson/Councillor Fitzpatrick

Be it resolved that the minutes of February 21, 2023 are adopted as circulated. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

New Business

A privileged meeting of the Placentia Council was held January 17, 2023 in the Council Chambers prior to the public Council meeting and voted on the following motion that required ratification:

Motion #23-001

Councillor Williams/Councillor Smith

Be it resolved that the motion to approve that, we the Town of Placentia accept cost-shared funding as outlined in the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure project approval letter dated the 20th day of December 2022, Project number 17-GI-23-00080, Project name Dunville Watermain Replacement with a total project value of \$7,350,000. This Council agrees to provide the Ultimate Recipient share value of \$1,333,048 in funding for this project and authorizes the Mayor and Town Clerk to enter into a funding agreement with the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure on behalf of the Town of Placentia is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

PORT OF ARGENTIA UPDATE

- The contract with Boskalis in moving along. A second contract has been approved with Boskalis for an expansion of monopiles.
- Port of Argentia Board selection closes March 31st.
- The Port is currently hiring for two (2) positions, a Health, Safety & Environment Coordinator and General Manager, Port Operations. Information about these job opportunities can be found on both the Port of Argentia and Town of Placentia websites.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

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

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

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

(Councillor Kay Smith, Chair; Councillor Mike Williams, Councillor Gerard Wilson; Resource Person – Manager of Finance)

The Finance Committee had the following recommendations:

Motion #23-043

Councillor Smith/Councillor Wilson

Be it resolved that the motion to approve payment of invoice from Workplace NL in the amount of \$29,107.66 for workers compensation is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Motion #23-044

Councillor Smith/Councillor Richardson

Be it resolved that the motion to approve the remaining Accounts Payable Transaction Journal dated March 10, 2023 in the amount of \$38,462.99 is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Motion #23-045

Councillor Smith/Councillor Fitzpatrick

Be it resolved that the motion to approve the Cheque Register for the Operating Account in the amount of \$271,057.84 for cheques numbered 031079 to 031162 is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Motion #23-046

Councillor Smith/Deputy Mayor Power

Be it resolved that the motion to approve the Cheque Register for the Special Accounts in the amount of \$412,873.78 is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Motion #23-047

Councillor Smith/Councillor Richardson

Be it resolved that the motion to approve visa statements dated January 28, 2023 to February 27, 2023 in the amount of \$3,573.89 is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Motion #23-048

Councillor Smith/Councillor Wilson

Be it resolved that the motion to approve a one-time interest forgiveness to source #134891 in the amount of \$1,462.02 is adopted. The account is paid in full. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Motion #23-049

Councillor Smith/Councillor Wilson

Be it resolved that the motion to approve the CAO continue with the Notice of Tax Sale for properties located on Clarke's Hill in Dunville is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Motion #23-050

Councillor Smith/Councillor Wilson

Be it resolved that the motion to approve amendment to the Finance Committee Terms of Reference to state that “The Committee shall meet on the second Wednesday of the month before the regular Council meeting...” is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Motion #23-051

Councillor Smith/Councillor Wilson

Be it resolved that the motion to approve the 2021 Audited Financial Statements from Byron D. Smith Professional Corporation is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Motion #23-052

Councillor Smith/Councillor Wilson

Be it resolved that the motion to approve Municipal Tax Agreement with Cenovus Energy Inc. as presented is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

PUBLIC WORKS & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT

(Councillor Gerard Wilson, Chair; Councillor Kay Smith, Councillor Mike Williams; Resource Person - Public Works Superintendent)

The Public Works Committee had the following recommendation:

Motion #23-053

Councillor Wilson/Councillor Richardson

Be it resolved that the motion to approve the Equipment Standing Offer for the period May 1, 2023 to April 30, 2024 is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

The Chair provided an update from the Committee report.

RECREATION COMMITTEE REPORT

(Councillor Jamilee Fitzpatrick, Chair; Deputy Mayor Wayne Power, Councillor Jennifer Richardson; Resource Person – Economic Development Officer)

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

TOURISM & COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

(Deputy Mayor Wayne Power Chair; Councillor Jamilee Fitzpatrick; Councillor Kay Smith; Resource Person – Economic Development Officer)

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 Jennifer Richardson; Resource Person - Public Works Superintendent)

The Planning, Development & Community Enhancement Committee had no recommendations; however, the Chair provided an update from the Committee report.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

(Councillor Jennifer Richardson, Chair; Councillor Jamilee Fitzpatrick; Deputy Mayor Wayne Power; Resource Person – Economic Development Officer)

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

ADJOURNMENT

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

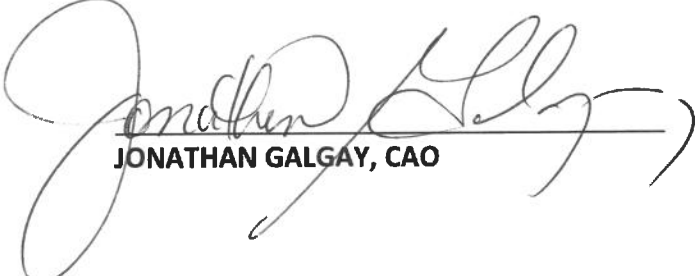
Motion #23-054

Councillor Wilson/Councillor Fitzpatrick

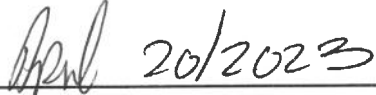
Be it resolved that the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m. is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)



KEITH PEARSON, MAYOR



JONATHAN GALGAY, CAO



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