

MINUTES

A public meeting of the Placentia Council was held May 16, 2023 in the Council Chambers with the following in attendance:

Council

Mayor:

Keith Pearson

Deputy Mayor: Councillors:

Wayne Power
Jamilee Fitzpatrick

Jennifer Richardson

Kay Smith Mike Williams

Gerard Wilson

<u>Staff</u>

Jonathan Galgay, CAO

Mary Greene, Manager of Finance Jennifer Bennett, Mgr. T, M & C (A)

Kathryn Smith, Executive Assistant (R)

Spectators: Zero (0)

Mayor Pearson called the meeting to order at 7:27 p.m.

National Nursing Week was May 8th – May 14th. The theme this year, #Our Nurses. Our Future" is to acknowledge the many roles that nurses play in a patient's health-care journey. The pandemic brought to light the courage and commitment that nurses work under every day and showed the important role that nurses play in the community. The Town signed a proclamation to support National Nursing Week and to thank all nurses for the role they play in delivering quality health care to the residents of our communities.

The Town signed a proclamation to support May 17th as International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia when we recognize that no one can be discriminated against on the basis of sexual orientation of gender identity or expression including everyone in the LGBTQ+ community.

May 15th – May 22nd is National Police Week in Canada, a seven-day public awareness campaign that encourages increased awareness and understanding between police and the communities they serve. Every day, law enforcement professionals go to work in an effort to keep communities safe. This year the theme of National Police Week is "Committed to Serve", providing an opportunity to recognize the hard work and sacrifice from RCMP employees and law enforcement agencies across the country. On behalf of Council, Staff, and residents, I express sincere gratitude for protecting our residents and keeping our community safe.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The agenda was circulated prior to the meeting.

Motion #23-079 Councillor Wilson/Councillor Richardson

Be it resolved that the agenda for the Council meeting held May 16,

2023 is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Motion #23-080 Councillor Smith/Councillor Wilson

Be it resolved that the minutes of April 18, 2023 are adopted as

circulated. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

PORT OF ARGENTIA UPDATE

The Port of Argenita Annual General Meeting will be taking place soon. The Mayor attended the Offshore Technology Conference in Houston, Texas as a Board Director for the Port of Argentia and noted the Conference was very informative and a great networking opportunity.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

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

The Executive Committee had the following recommendation:

Motion #23-081 Councillor Williams/Councillor Smith

Be it resolved that the motion to allocate up to \$40k from the general account for upgrades to the Great Beach Boardwalk is

adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

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 #23-082 Councillor Smith/Councillor Williams

Be it resolved that the motion to approve payment of invoice from Rebuilt Pumps and Motors Limited in the amount of \$6,159.49 including HST for labour and parts to rebuild flight pump #3153 at

Green's Lift Station is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Motion #23-083 Councillor Smith/Councillor Richardson

Be it resolved that the motion to approve the remaining Accounts Payable Transaction Journal dated May 9, 2023 in the amount of

\$35,662.85 is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Motion #23-084 Councillor Smith/Deputy Mayor Power

Be it resolved that the motion to approve the Cheque Register for the Operating Account in the amount of \$223,305.81 for cheques numbered 031258 to 031314 is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Motion #23-085 Councillor Smith/Councillor Wilson

Be it resolved that the motion to approve the Cheque Register for the Special Accounts in the amount of \$854,577.87 is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Motion #23-086 Councillor Smith/Councillor Williams

Be it resolved that the motion to approve payment of visa statements dated March 28, 2023 to April 27, 2023 in the amount of \$1,138.27 is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Motion #23-087 Councillor Smith/Councillor Richardson

Be it resolved that the motion to approve a one-time interest adjustment to source #263097 in the amount of \$2,272.89 is adopted. The account is paid in full. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Motion #23-088 Councillor Smith/Councillor Wilson

Be it resolved that the motion to approve to eliminate water & sewer charges from source #133146 as the property size is too small for development is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Motion #23-089 Councillor Smith/Councillor Williams

Be it resolved that the motion to approve two donations towards the Laval High School Scholarship Fund for the 2022-2023 school year in the amount of \$150 as per past practice and \$500 scholarship in honour of the late former Mayor Bill Hogan is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Motion #23-090 Councillor Smith/Councillor Fitzpatrick

Be it resolved that the motion to approve payment of the \$20,000 grant to the Freshwater Community Centre for the Summer Program as budgeted is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

PUBLIC WORKS & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT

(Councillor Gerard Wilson, Chair; Councillor Kay Smith, Councillor Mike Williams; Resource Person – Director of Public Works)

The Public Works Committee had the following recommendations:

Motion #23-091 Councillor Wilson/Councillor Richardson

Be it resolved that the motion to approve the sale of a section of land on Patterson Drive to the possible adjacent landowner is adopted. The sale is pending the prospective buyer's purchase of the adjacent land and agreement that the purchaser will have a survey completed at his cost is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Motion #23-092

Councillor Wilson/Councillor Williams

Be it resolved that the motion to award the standing offer for paving of municipal roads to English's Paving at \$2.89 per square foot is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Motion #23-093

Councillor Wilson/Deputy Mayor Power

Be it resolved that the motion to award tender for the installation and assembly of playground equipment to the low bidder, Jormac Construction at a cost of \$28,500 plus HST is adopted. Funding is available in the Recreation department's budget for this project. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Motion #23-094

Councillor Wilson/Councillor Smith

Be it resolved that the motion to install streetlights near #41 Morrisey's Land and #347 Southeast Road is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Motion #23-095

Councillor Wilson/Councillor Smith

Be it resolved that the motion to move forward with the construction of the Fire Department Training Centre at an estimated cost of \$162,000 which is approved for in the 2020 budget is adopted. These funds have been allocated from the capital projects account. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Motion #23-096

Councillor Wilson/Deputy Mayor Power

Be it resolved that the motion to approve the expenditure of \$6,900 plus HST to purchase and install an aluminum box for one of the 2015 Ford trucks 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 – Manager of Tourism, Marketing & Communications (A))

The Recreation Committee had the following recommendations:

Motion #23-097

Councillor Fitzpatrick/Deputy Mayor Power

Be it resolved that the motion to approve expenditure of up to \$50,000 to replace silica with silica free sand on the Placentia & Dunville ball fields is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

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 – Manager of Tourism, Marketing & Communications (A))

The Tourism & Communications 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 – Director of 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 – Manager of Tourism, Marketing & Communications (A))

The Economic Development 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 #23-098

Councillor Fitzpatrick / Councillor Wilson

Be it resolved that the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:27 p.m. is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

JONATHAN GALGA

KEITH PEARSON. MAYOR