

1. CALL TO ORDER

Regular meeting #4 for 2017 of the Grand Bank Town Council was held in the Executive Boardroom at the Grand Bank Municipal Center on Monday, April 10, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.

Mayor Rex C. Matthews, Councillors Roger Brooks, Stan Burt, Rick Grikis and Bruce Warren attended along with Deputy Mayor Clayton Welsh (via Face-time), with Town Manager Wayne Bolt, Town Clerk (Acting) Sheila M. Dolimount, and Recreation Director Tom Burton. Also in attendance were local citizens Ernest Follett and Harry English.

Councillors Travis Parsons, along with Town Clerk Cathy Follett was off sick.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION 2017-2819: R. BROOKS/B. WARREN

Motioned that the agenda be adopted with addition to Committee Reports 8c. Maintenance Report and changes to Old Business 9. c & d be moved to New Business 10. c & d and add under Old Business 9. c. Town Lane – Hyde Street

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

Paul Herridge of the Southern Gazette entered the meeting at this time, 4:20 p.m.

3. DELEGATIONS

a. John Price – not in attendance.

b. Mayor Matthews welcomed Mr. Ernest Follett and Mr. Harry English to the meeting. Mr. Follett advised that one of the issues that he wanted to discuss with Council was the issue of the fire road at the end of his street, Dunton Street. The road was not being plowed. They recently had an issue with a power surge in the area and the fire road was not plowed. If anyone needed to exit from the street they would not have been able to leave through this access. He also advised that he contacted the local contractors asking them not to block the fire road when they are clearing the parking lots in the area. He asked that the Town make sure that the fire road is cleared at all times.

Mr. Follett also asked the Town to revisit the use of ATV's in town. He stated that all major towns around the loop have ATV legislation, however, the Town of Grand Bank does not and he feels that this should be looked at by the town again. He stated it would be the responsibility of the citizen to have insurance, helmets, etc. Mayor Matthews advised that the Council would revisit this issue with the RCMP.

Mr. Follett and Mr. English left the meeting at this time, 4:50 p.m.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOTION 2017-2820: B. WARREN/R. GRIKIS

Motioned that the minutes of the regular meeting for March 6, 2017 be adopted as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

6. INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION

a. Castaway Live

Received an email from David L. Raven advising they are looking at broadcasting another "Castaway Live" later this year and would like to know if Council would be able to work with them. It was agreed that Councillor Parsons be asked to investigate this further, to get more details for what they are expecting from the Town.

b. Help Support Group

Received an email from Pastor Farewell advising he would like to set up a “Support Group” in Grand Bank. He is looking at Wednesday nights and will need a venue. It was agreed that Mayor Matthews would make some inquiries with Eastern Health.

c. Greene, Bugs

Received an email advising he is offering the Town quality film and promotion services to help showcase the area. His television show airs on Eastlink, Rogers and Bell Express Vu. He is requesting to meet with Council. It was agreed that Town Manager Bolt would set up a meeting with Mr. Greene.

d. RJG Construction Ltd.

Received a letter from RJG Construction Ltd. requesting approval from the Town regarding the trucking of dredged material from the Wharf Reconstruction Project in Grand Bank to Lewis Hill for temporary stock piling and sorting. They advised in their letter that they will leave the property in its original condition once the material has been sorted and removed. It was agreed to approve the request, however, there will be some guidelines and time lines put in place before signing any agreement.

7. INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION

a. Municipal Newfoundland and Labrador (MNL)

Received an email of Premier Ball’s announcement of a multi-year plan for infrastructure investments for five years.

b. Department of Municipal Affairs

Received a letter advising approval is given to proceed with a public tender call for the Pool-HVAC and Lighting upgrades for the Pool. Town Manager Bolt advised that one tender was received so government as to review it before a decision is made.

c. Foote, Judy, MP

Received an email advising the Department of Infrastructure has provided funding to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities to support climate change grants. Some items that may be of interest to the Town were highlighted.

d. Haley, Carol Anne, MHA

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e. Nalcor Energy

Received Muskrat Falls highlights for January 2017.

f. Dept of Natural Resources

Received an email advising approval was given for the Puddle Pond Resources Inc. – Heritage Property.

g. Pinnacle Engineering Ltd.

Received a letter of introduction.

h. The Watchdog

Received the issue for March.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Finance Committee

Councillor Stan Burt, Committee Chairperson, presented a written report of a meeting the Committee held on April 5, 2017.

MOTION 2017-2821: S. BURT/B. WARREN

Motioned that the Finance Committee report of April 5, 2017 be accepted with the change to item 4a “recommend paying the invoice” and item 6 “recommend the Mayor attend”.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

b. Development Committee

Councillor Brooks, Committee member, presented a written report of a meeting the Committee held on April 5, 2017.

MOTION 2017-2822: R. BROOKS/R. GRIKIS

Motioned that the Development Committee report of April 5, 2017 be accepted as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

c. Maintenance Report

Recreation Director Burton advised that a job notice has been constructed for the position of Temporary Working Maintenance Supervisor for 2017, while Ian Follett is off work. Looking to post the ad tomorrow with a return date of Monday, April 17, 2017 and do interviews on Tuesday of next week.

MOTION 2017-2823: S. BURT/B. WARREN

Motioned that the advertisement for the position of Temporary Working Maintenance Supervisor would be posted immediately

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

9. OLD BUSINESS

a. Update on Atlantic Pursuit

Councillor Warren advised that things are progressing on the Atlantic Pursuit they are waiting on parts for the second engine. They are hoping to have the boat out of the Harbour by the end of this month a Tug Boat is suppose to be coming to tow the boat out.

b. Transfer of Land

MOTION 2017-2824: B. WARREN/R. GRIKIS

I so move; that the Town of Grand Bank convey to the Salvation Army Corps Grand Bank all of their rights, title, interest and privileges to that parcel of land located at #27 Citadel Road, Grand Bank, NL and valued at \$2,300 for the nominal fee of \$1.00 to be used by the Corps for the provision of access to their Church for the handicapped, disabled, seniors and parking, and to hold the same and to use for the benefit of the Corps absolutely and forever.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

c. Lane in Hyde Street

Mayor Matthews advised that he received a complaint from Mr. Dennis Langdon regarding the lane being plowed with a particular piece of equipment, he would like

a letter from council advising that if his fence is broken with our equipment that we would replace it.

MOTION 2017-2825: B. WARREN/S. BURT

Motioned that Mayor Matthews and Town Manager Bolt would construct a letter with a renewal every two years.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

10. NEW BUSINESS

a. Small Craft Harbours/Harbour Authority

Town Manager Bolt advised that a meeting has been requested for Wednesday, April 12, 2017 at 1:00 p.m., to discuss putting a power shed in the area of the Harbour Authority building.

b. Downtown/Waterfront Redevelopment

Town Manager Bolt advised that a meeting has been set up with Trevor Bungay and Jody Brushett to discuss the Downtown/Waterfront Redevelopment for Wednesday, April 12, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.

c. Grand Bank/Fortune Highway / Five-year Infrastructure Plan

Mayor Matthews advised that he wrote a letter to MHA Haley regarding the plans for the Grand Bank/Fortune highway. He also advised Council of the 5 year infrastructure plan, and has requested that the MHA would bring this issue forward to government.

d. Review of Health Care Service on Burin Peninsula

Mayor Matthews advised that he wrote MHA Haley asking her to clarify what the review of the health care review is covering.

11. COUNCILLORS FORUM

a. 130th Anniversary

Mayor Matthews advised that the Salvation Army celebrated their 130th Anniversary this past weekend and the special guests were very impressed with Council, Staff and our community overall. The Town donated pictures to Colonel Graves and his wife and Lt Colonel Vincent and his wife.

b. Land - Riverside West

Mayor Matthews advised that he received an appreciation from Rev Buffett regarding a major issue he had with his property on Riverside West. He wanted to express his thanks to the workers.

c. Justin Dodge

Councillor Grikis expressed his congratulations to Justin Dodge on receiving a gold medal during the 2017 World Special Olympics that took place in Austria. Mayor Matthews advised that a letter of congratulations was sent. Councillor Burt suggested the Town should do something for Justin to show our appreciation.

d. Swimming Pool

Councillor Brooks questioned if there is a date of when the pool will be opening this season. Recreation Director Burton advised that there is no news on when it will be opened, however the public will be notified immediately of the date once it has been decided.

e. Garbage - Grouse

Councillor Burt advised he received a complaint of people dumping garbage at Grouse, such as asphalt shingles.

f. NL Soccer Association

Deputy Mayor Welsh advised that the NL Soccer Association inducted Malcolm Osmond into the Hall of Fame and John Douglas was named the Top Soccer Player of the Year. Recreation Director Burton was asked to do a letter for both the Osmond family and Mr. Douglas.

12. COMMUNICATIONS FROM TOWN OFFICIALS

a. On-Call

Recreation Director Burton advised that he received a number of calls over the weekend regarding the rain we were receiving, the citizens were worried, however, our outside workers were out on the go keeping the pumps going.

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2017-2826 R. GRIKIS/R. BROOKS

Motioned that the meeting adjourn at 5:30 p.m.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

Confirmed by: _____

Town Clerk (Acting)

Date: _____