

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Regular meeting #6 for 2019 of the Grand Bank Town Council was held in the Council Chambers at the former Federal Building on Monday, May 27, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. This was the first meeting at this location.

Mayor Rex C. Matthews, Deputy Mayor Clayton Welsh, Councillors George Bennett (via telephone), Roger Brooks, Jack Burfitt, Stan Burt and Rick Grikis attended along with Town Manager Wayne Bolt, Town Clerk Sheila M. Dolimount, Recreation Director Tom Burton, and Paul Herridge representing the Southern Gazette. Administrative Clerk Michelle Patten joined the meeting later.

2. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

MOTION 2019-3138: J. BURFITT/R. GRIKIS

Motioned that the agenda be adopted with the addition to Old Business, item c. Downtown Redevelopment and Committee Report, item c. Grand Bank Heritage District By-Laws.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

3. **DELEGATIONS - NIL**

4. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

MOTION 2019-3139: C. WELSH/S. BURT

Motioned that the minutes of the Regular Meeting for April 15, 2019 be adopted as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2019-3140: R. GRIKIS/S. BURT

Motioned that the minutes of the Special Meeting for April 15, 2019 be adopted as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

5. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES – APRIL 15, 2019**

a. **NL Power**

Deputy Mayor Welsh questioned Recreation Director Burton regarding the Take Charge of Your Town proposal. Recreation Director Burton advised that the proposal was not something we would apply for.

b. **Staff Training**

Clr Grikis questioned if the training had taken place, Mayor Matthews advised that it has been requested from the Town's solicitor.

6. **INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION**

a. **Gallant, Cheryl**

Received a letter regarding Bill C-68 which reverses changes to the Fisheries Act. It was agreed that Mayor Matthews write expressing the Town's concerns.

b. **Main Street Youth Centre Inc. (MSYC)**

Received a letter from the Main Street Youth Centre requesting a meeting with council regarding the closure of the municipal building. It was agreed a meeting would be set up between the Town and MSYC.

c. **Department of Tourism, Culture, Industry and Innovation**

Received an email message submitted by Staff Sergeant Dale Foote of the RCMP to the Joint Council with regards to input on policing priorities in the region.

7. **INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION**

a. **Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador (MNL)**

* Received an email – MNL mobilizes the municipal sector leading up to 2019 elections.

* Received an email – 2019 Provincial Election Key Messages.

b. **Municipal Assessment Agency (MAA)**

Received an email advising of the 2019 Clar Simmons Scholarship Award. Deadline to apply is August 16, 2019.

c. **Department of Municipal Affairs**

Received a copy of the permit issued to the Department of Transportation and Works for a culvert replacement in Grand Bank.

d. **Canadian Corps of Commissionaires (CCC)**

Received an email from James Lynch, Chief Executive Officer of the CCC – NL Division, with information on the Shared Community Service-By-Law Enforcement.

e. **Petroleum Geo-Services**

Received the Seismic Programs Offshore Newfoundland 2019 Update.

f. **Occupational Health and Safety (OH & S)**

Received an email from OH & S regarding the condition of the Sea King Building.

g. **Burin Peninsula Chamber of Commerce**

Received a copy of the Monthly Newsletter for April 2019.

h. **Grand Bank Fire Department**

Received a copy of the minutes for March 6, 2019.

8. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

a. **Finance Committee**

Councillor Burt, Committee Chairperson, presented a written report of a meeting the Committee held on May 22, 2019.

MOTION 2019-3141: S. BURT/R. GRIKIS

Motioned that the Finance Committee report of May 22, 2019 be accepted, as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

b. **Development Committee**

Deputy Mayor Clayton Welsh, Committee Chairperson, presented a written report of a meeting the Committee held on May 22, 2019.

MOTION 2019-3142: C. WELSH/R. BROOKS

Motioned that the Development Committee report of May 22, 2019 be accepted as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

c. **Heritage/Tourism Committee**

MOTION 2019-3143: J. BURFITT/G. BENNETT

Motioned that the Grand Bank Heritage District By-Laws be accepted as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

9. **OLD BUSINESS**

a. **Meeting with RCMP**

Mayor Matthews advised that he wrote again recently requesting a meeting with the RCMP however we still haven't received a response to this request. It was agreed to write the RCMP one last time to request a face to face meeting with Council.

Administrative Clerk Patten entered the meeting at this time, 4:32 p.m.

b. **Swimming Pool Update**

Recreation Director Burton advised that work has started on the Pool Roof and the shingles are being install now, however, they had to replace six sheets of plywood due to rot. Mayor Matthews questioned when the pool would be opening for swimming. Recreation Director Burton advised it may be mid June before the pool can be opened. New Staff members had to be hired due to the previous staff having moved on to other jobs. Councillor Grikis advised that the new health inspector is now in place and his name is Mason Matthews. Town Manager Bolt advised that a new timer system has to be installed on the HVAC system before the pool start up.

c. **Downtown Redevelopment**

Town Manager Bolt advised that for the Downtown Redevelopment project to continue the tender specifications/scope of the Project had to be changed in order to make the budget that was approved. He advised that the tenders have gone out and the tenders close within two weeks.

10. **NEW BUSINESS**

a. **Relocation of Town Hall**

Mayor Matthews commended the inside and outside staff on a job well done to get the move completed in a timely manner. He advised that it's been a lot of positive attitudes/responses on the move from taxpayers.

b. **Seaking Building**

Mayor Matthews advised that the contractor that was hired to remove the Seaking building has been stopped by OHS and before any work can continue some tests need to be done for such things as lead and asbestos. The contract was terminated with the contactor on the advice of the Town's lawyer. He advised that Bennett's Construction was hired to make the site safe as directed by OHS. He also stated that the Harbour Authority would be contacted with regards to what time in the year would be best to start work on the building again. Councillor Burt expressed his concerns over the other buildings in the area of the wharf.

c. **Gas Tax - Capital Investment Plan**

Mayor Matthews advised that under the Capital Investment Plan for Gas Tax some paving will be completed around Town.

d. **Summer Hours**

MOTION 2019-3144: C. WELSH/R. GRIKIS

Motioned that Summer Hours would begin June 10, 2019 through to September 20, 2019 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

e. **Clean-up Week**

Town Manager Bolt advised that an email and letters have gone out to groups/organizations informing them of Clean-up Week being June 3rd to 7th, with the bulk collections being picked up on June 7th. Posters will also be posted around Town.

f. **Street Sweeper**

Town Manager Bolt advised that the Street Sweeper arrived in Town today and will be here for most of the week. Councillor Burt advised that there is some sand on the

sidewalks. The Town Manager advised that this was caused by the Street Sweeper, however, it will be removed by staff.

g. Theatre Update

Councillor Burfitt advised that the entrance to the parking lot has been made wider and the cross on the front of the building has been removed. He advised that the pews have been removed and chairs have been put in place. The Fire Department has been in to advise them of things that need to be done, and they have also been in contact with Service NL. The Theatre Board is hoping to have their opening on the 6th of July. They will also be doing a sponsorship program for support of the Theatre.

11. COUNCILLORS FORUM

a. Town Hall Move

Everyone congratulated the inside and outside staff on a job well done regarding the move from the old Town Hall to the new Town Offices, everything went very smooth and efficient.

b. Condition of Highway

Deputy Mayor Welsh expressed some concerns regarding a couple of potholes in the entrance next to Emberley's Transport. Town Manager Bolt advised he would have this looked after.

c. Use of Gym

Deputy Mayor Welsh suggested writing the School Board to request copies of their Community Use of Gym policies and guidelines. Recreation Director Burton advised that he would be attending a meeting with CYN and the principal of John Burke High to discuss the use of the gym for CYN. He also advised that the policies and guidelines can be downloaded from the internet.

d. Special Events

Deputy Mayor Welsh questioned if the Summer Festival events would be held on the wharf this year. Recreation Director Burton advised that Festival events will take place on the wharf.

e. Mental Health Meeting

Deputy Mayor Welsh advised that the next Mental Health meeting is scheduled for Grand Bank and the town is responsible for booking a meeting area and refreshments.

f. Proclamation

MOTION 2019-3145: C. WELSH/S. BURT

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank proclaim the month of June to be "Recreation Month".

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

g. Condition of Property

Deputy Mayor Welsh questioned if the owners of the property on Cemetery Road have been contacted to have the area cleaned up. Town Manager Bolt advised that the owners have been told that they have 30 days to have the site cleaned up.

h. Council/Staff BBQ

Deputy Mayor Welsh inquired as to when the Council/Staff BBQ would be taking place. Town Manager Bolt advised that no date has been set.

i. Bands

Councillor Burt questioned if Council knew what bands are booked for the Summer Festival. He understands that Skidderpup is performing at the Salmon Festival this year.

12. COMMUNICATIONS FROM TOWN OFFICIALS

a. New Horizon

Recreation Director Burton met with members of the 50+ Club to discuss their application for funding under the New Horizon program and he presented them with letters of support from the Town and Recreation Commission.

b. Thank you

Town Manager Bolt thanked all the staff for making the transition so smooth during the move into the new offices.

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2019-3146: G. BENNETT/R. GRIKIS

Motioned that the meeting adjourn at 5:25 p.m.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

