

1. CALL TO ORDER

Regular meeting #5 for 2018 of the Grand Bank Town Council was held in the Executive Boardroom at the Grand Bank Municipal Center on Monday, May 7, 2018 at 4:00 p.m.

Mayor Rex C. Matthews, Deputy Mayor Clayton Welsh (via telephone), Councillors George Bennett, Jack Burfitt (via face time), Stan Burt and Rick Grikis attended along with Town Manager Wayne Bolt, Town Clerk Cathy Follett, Recreation Director Tom Burton and Paul Herridge representing the Southern Gazette. Office Administrator Sheila M. Dolimount joined the meeting later. Councillor Roger Brooks was unable to attend.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION 2018-2989: R. GRIKIS/S. BURT

Motioned that the agenda be adopted with the addition of Live at Heart Canada.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

3. DELEGATIONS

Connie & Rodney Grandy

The Grandy's advised they were in attendance to voice their concern that a bulk item, more particularly a hot water boiler, was taken from their property that they didn't have placed for bulk item pick up. They noted that it wasn't placed at the curb, it was by their garbage box. They needed information off of it for warranty purposes and they had planned to use it. They noted that several other properties had put garbage out the following day but it wasn't picked up by the town. As well, several other properties have had garbage out for weeks and it hasn't been removed. They noted that they didn't feel it was fair that some citizens were being penalized while others are not.

Mayor Matthews thanked the Grandy's for expressing their concern. He noted that they weren't the only household that was billed and the Town is trying its best to keep the Town as clean as possible although we aren't always going to get it 100% correct.

The Grandy's left the meeting at this time

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOTION 2018-2990: G. BENNETT/R. GRIKIS

Motioned that the minutes of the regular meeting for April 16, 2018 be adopted as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**a. Municipal Center Break In**

Councillor Grikis inquired if there was any update on the break in. Town Manager Bolt advised that the RCMP are still investigating.

b. Regional Theater

Councillor Burt inquired if there was an update from the Fire Emergency Services Commissioner's Office regarding the opening of the Grand Bank Regional Theater. Town Manager Bolt advised a response has been received and another letter will be forthcoming this week. The Town's Fire Chief will do an inspection in accordance with the letter and report back to Fire Emergency Services, who will then make the recommendation. Town Manager Bolt noted that all indications are that this will be the last year that the current space can be used unless major repairs are completed to the building.

c. Grand Bank Fortune Ambulance

Councillor Burt noted the finance committee for the ambulance had an initial meeting regarding constructing a budget, however with the departure of Fortune's Chief Operating Officer, he's unsure how the committee will proceed.

6. INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION

a. Office of Senator Nancy Greene Raine

MOTION 2018-2991: C. WELSH/S. BURT

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank proclaim June 2nd as National Health & Fitness Day.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

National Health & Fitness Day Proclamation

Whereas the Parliament of Canada wishes to increase awareness among Canadians of the significant benefits of physical activity and to encourage Canadians to increase their level of physical activity and their participation in recreational sports and fitness activities;

Whereas it is in Canada's interest to improve the health of all Canadians and to reduce the burden of illness on Canadian families and on the Canadian health care system;

Whereas many local governments in Canada have public facilities to promote the health and fitness of their citizens;

Whereas the Government of Canada wishes to encourage local governments to facilitate Canadian's participation in healthy physical activities;

Whereas the Government of Canada wishes to encourage the country's local governments, non-government organizations, the private sector and all Canadians to recognize the first Saturday in June as *National Health and Fitness Day* and to mark the day with local events and initiatives celebrating and promoting the importance and use of local health, recreational, sports and fitness facilities;

Whereas Canada's mountains, oceans, lakes, forest, parks and wilderness also offer recreational and fitness opportunities;

Whereas Canadian Environment Week is observed throughout the country in early June, and walking and cycling are great ways to reduce vehicle pollution and improve physical fitness;

Whereas declaring the first Saturday in June to be *National Health and Fitness Day* will further encourage Canadians to participate in physical activities and contribute to their own health and well-being;

Therefore, We proclaim *National Health and Fitness Day* in our Municipality as the first Saturday in June.

b. Memorial University NL

Received an invitation from Jackie Fewer, Academic Program Administrator – Eastern Stream, for two (2) members of the Town attend the 2018 Academic & Wellness Resident Workshop Meet and Greet scheduled for Friday, May 11, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at the Old Colony Trust Building, Burin, NL. RVSP by May 4, 2018.

c. Kandice Strowbridge

Received a request from Kandice Strowbridge, asking the Town to fly a rainbow flag the week of July 15th to 21st to show support for LGBTQ constituents and families.

MOTION 2018-2992: S. BURT/G. BENNETT

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank fly the rainbow flag during the week of July 15 -21, 2018.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

d. Eastern Health

Received an email from Tammy Greening, Healthy Communities Consultant, advising that Eastern Health invites non-profit and community based groups to apply for funding under its 2018 Healthy Communities Partnership Fund (formerly known as the Community Development Fund).

e. **Mental Health & Addictions Program**

Received an email from Diane Dunphy, Intake Social Worker, advising that May 7 – 13, 2018, is Mental Health Week, and the slogan this year is *GET LOUD!* about what Mental Health really is. Mental Health is about more than mental illness. They have included pre-promotion social posts.

7. **INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION**

a. **Department of Municipal Affairs & Environment (MAE)**

Received a circular from MAE regarding a funding opportunity, the Government of Canada recently announced a call for concepts (CFC) for mid-size projects under the Enabling Accessibility Fund (EAF).

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

Received a report on the update of the MAA that was held on April 19, 2018.

c. **Garden Council**

Received an email advising that Garden Days will be held on June 16 – 24, 2018.

d. **Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner**

Received the quarterly newsletter, April 2018.

e. **Multiklient Invest**

Received a newsletter on the resumption of the Seismic Program for 2018.

8. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

a. **Finance Committee**

Councillor Burt, Committee Chairperson, presented a written report of a meeting the Committee held on May 2, 2018.

MOTION 2018-2993: S. BURT/R. GRIKIS

Motioned that the Finance Committee report of May 2, 2018 be accepted as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

b. **Development Committee**

Deputy Mayor Welsh, Committee Chairperson, presented a written report of a meeting the Committee held on May 2, 2018.

MOTION 2018-2994: C. WELSH/J. BURFITT

Motioned that the Development Committee report of May 2, 2018 be accepted as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

9. **OLD BUSINESS**

a. **Municipal Garage Upgrade**

Mayor Matthews noted that permission has been given to go to tender with a closing date of May 22, 2018 and hopefully work will start in June.

At this time, Office Administrator Dolimount entered the meeting.

b. **Downtown Re-Development**

Town Clerk Follett advised that a meeting was held last week with the property owners in the area and all concerns were noted and the committee will be reviewing in the near future. Town Manager Bolt advised he spoke with a representative from the Library and they are very positive with the things that are proposed. A meeting will be arranged with Warren's

Store and G & A Buffett as they were unable to attend the meeting. As well, the Town's Engineer along with an architectural engineer from their office will be here on Thursday to offer suggestions for the final design prior to the project going to tender.

Mayor Matthews asked that a synopsis be put together for councillors so that they are kept up to date with the proposed plan.

c. Installation of Lieutenant Governor

Mayor Matthews noted that Sheila and himself attended the ceremony this week at Confederation Building and Government House. The ceremony was very inclusive and Lieutenant Governor Foote was very thankful for Council's support so that the girl guides could attend.

Councillor Burt noted that, thanks to family, they got to attend and sat in the family section.

10. NEW BUSINESS

a. Swimming Pool Update

Mayor Matthews noted that employees were working diligently last week on the swimming pool and good results were achieved. Recreation Director Burton noted that the staff did a great job. Extra paint is ordered and should be here this week. The projected opening date may be the end of May if everything falls into place. Town Manager Bolt noted we have to ensure that we have everything in place after investing so much money. He noted there will also be some trial and error regarding how to heat the pool water and building.

Mayor Matthews suggested that an open house some afternoon would be organized before the pool is opened.

b. Social Media Campaign

Mayor Matthews noted that the message is hitting home and thanked MP Todd Doherty for his continued support. More questions will be asked in the House of Assembly today and to his knowledge a law suit will be going forward from Conne River and from Clearwater. The campaign will continue until the end of June.

c. Live at Heart Canada

Mayor Matthews advised a proposal was received from Vision 360 Productions Foundation, a non-profit organization that has been established to support and showcase the music, arts and heritage on the Burin Peninsula. They are planning to bring in 40 bands this year (last week of July), 25 of which will be Canadian and NL bands and 15 international bands. They will play at different venues around the Peninsula. This would be a big boost for tourism on the Burin Peninsula. They are looking for a letter of support.

MOTION 2018-2995: R. GRIKIS/S. BURT

Motioned that the Town forward a letter of support for Vision 360 Productions Foundations Live at Heart Canada proposal.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

11. COUNCILLORS FORUM

a. RCSCC 71 Atlantic

Mayor Matthews advised an invitation has been received to attend the Sea Cadets Annual Ceremonial Review on Saturday, May 12, 2018. Deputy Mayor Welsh indicated that if he is in Town he will attend.

b. Municipal Center

Councillor Burfitt inquired as to the status of the Municipal Roof. Mayor Matthew advised that the Town's solicitor is completing an assessment and will be in contact once it is completed for the Town to review before it is submitted.

c. Grand Bank Regional Theater

Councillor Burfitt inquired as to who will be completing the inspections for the Theater. Town Manager Bolt advised that the Town's fire department will visit the building and will report back to Fire Emergency Services. The Town is currently waiting on a letter from Fire Emergency Services prior to the inspection being carried out.

Councillor Burfitt asked that the urgency of this matter be stressed to both the Fire Department and Fire and Emergency Services as plans are underway for this season.

At this time Deputy Mayor Welsh left the meeting.

d. Wharf

Councillor Burfitt noted he spoke with the chair of the Grand Bank Harbour Authority, Hughie Barter. He advised that concrete should be forth coming in the next couple of weeks.

e. Summer Festival

Councillor Bennett presented a written report of a recent summer festival meeting. He also noted that two (2) bands have been booked for Saturday Night, Reg and the Rebels and Black Sheep.

f. Heritage Committee

Councillor Bennett presented a written report of the Heritage Committee's AGM. He noted that bids will be invited for the repairs required to the George C. Harris House.

g. Grand Bank Development Corporation

Councillor Grikis advised he attended the AGM for the Grand Bank Development Corporation. He noted that they are thinking of revitalizing the Business Association, the three (3) vacant buildings that are currently on the waterfront will be occupied.

h. Legendary Coast

Councillor Grikis advised that this group will be at the Seaman's Museum on May 23 and at the Masonic on May 24. There will be sessions regarding the Tides that Binds, with emphasis on the connection between the Burin Peninsula and Saint Pierre.

i. Clean up of Properties

Councillor Burt noted that he hasn't seen much progress with the clean up on commercial properties around town. It was agreed that the Development Committee would review.

12. COMMUNICATIONS FROM TOWN OFFICIALS - NIL**13. PRESENTATION**

Mayor Matthews presented Town Clerk Cathy Follett with a 25 Year Certificate.

14. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2017-2996: R. GRIKIS/G. BENNETT

Motioned that the meeting adjourn at 5:11 p.m.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

Confirmed by: Rex C. Matthews

Cathy Follett

Town Clerk

Date: May 28, 2018