

1. CALL TO ORDER

Regular meeting #11 for 2018 of the Grand Bank Town Council was held in the Executive Boardroom at the Grand Bank Municipal Center on Monday, October 15, 2018 at 4:00 p.m.

Mayor Rex C. Matthews, Councillors George Bennett, Jack Burfitt and Stan Burt attended along with Town Manager Wayne Bolt, Town Clerk Cathy Follett and Paul Herridge representing the Southern Gazette. Deputy Mayor Clayton Welsh was in the hospital, Councillor Roger Brooks was sick, Councillor Rick Grikis had a doctor's appointment and Recreation Director Burton and Office Administrator Sheila M. Dolimount were off on annual leave.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION 2018-3055: J. BURFITT/S. BURT

Motioned that the agenda be adopted with the additions of cannabis regulations.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

3. DELEGATIONS - NIL**4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

MOTION 2018-3056: G. BENNETT/J. BURFITT

Motioned that the minutes of the regular meeting for September 20, 2018 be adopted as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**a. Live at Heart**

Mayor Matthews noted contrary to Councillors Burfitt's comments on facebook, the Town of Grand Bank did support Live at Heart, and will continue to support it in the future. The Finance Committee made a recommendation to donate \$2,500, providing two (2) shows were held in Grand Bank, as was agreed to. He noted, in his opinion, the organizers wanted to go to Fortune at the onset and the Town of Grand Bank couldn't have done anything to keep them in Grand Bank. Councillor Burfitt noted he don't think that was his wording,

Councillor Burt advised the local band, Skidderpup had been invited to go to Milwaukee to perform and Music NL will support them.

b. Grand Bank Regional Theater

Councillor Burfitt thanked Town Clerk Follett for providing him the information that he requested.

6. INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION**a. Department of National Defense (DND)**

Received an email advising that DND, in support of Veterans' Week, have current members of the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) available to give presentations at schools and community organizations across Canada as part of the Department of National Defense's National Veterans' Week Speakers Program. Deadline to submit a request is October 19. It was agreed that the information would be forwarded to both Lake Academy and John Burke High School. Councillor Burfitt noted that Crystal Harris, a member of the Canadian Armed Forces, recently received a promotion. Councillor Burfitt was asked to obtain the details.

7. INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION**a. Newfoundland Power**

Received the electrical invoice for the Swimming Pool which indicated an electric rebate in the amount of \$1,080 due to efficiency lighting being installed.

b. Lighthouse Production Inc.

Received a copy of a financial summary the Theatre up to September 2018.

c. Grand Bank Volunteer Fire Department

Received a copy of the September 3, 2018 meeting minutes.

d. MMSB

Received an email from the MMSB regarding the Community Waste Diversion Fund that provides funding to Municipalities, Local Service Districts and Community Governments for initiatives that foster solid waste diversion in NL. Communities are eligible to apply for a non-repayable maximum contribution of \$10,000 per project. The deadline for proposals is 12:00 p.m. NST on Monday, December 3, 2018.

e. Brenda Douglas

Received an inquiry with respect to the Town's email system.

f. Nalcor Energy

Received a copy of the Muskrat Falls Project highlights for July 2018.

g. Thank you

Received an email from Robert Parsons thanking the Mayor and Councillor(s) for the kind attention given to a guest to Grand Bank in early September.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS**a. Finance Committee**

Councillor Burt, Committee Chairperson, presented a written report of a meeting the Committee held on September 25, 2018.

MOTION 2018-3057: S. BURT/G. BENNETT

Motioned that the Finance Committee report of Sept. 25, 2018 be accepted as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

b. Finance Committee

Councillor Burt, Committee Chairperson, presented a written report of a meeting the Committee held on October 10, 2018.

MOTION 2018-3058: S. BURT/J. BURFITT

Motioned that the Finance Committee report of October 10, 2018 be accepted as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

c. Development Committee

Councillor Burfitt, Committee Member, presented a written report of a meeting the Committee held on October 10, 2018.

MOTION 2018-3059: J. BURFITT/S. BURT

Motioned that the Development Committee report of Oct 10, 2018 be accepted as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

d. Recreation & Youth Committee

Councillor Bennett, Committee Chairperson, presented a written report of a meeting the Committee held on October 01, 2018.

MOTION 2018-3060: G. BENNETT/S. BURT

Motioned that the Recreation & Youth Committee report of October 01, 2018 be accepted as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

9. OLD BUSINESS

a. Marine Hike

Mayor Matthews noted the opening at the beach has now been filled in and the dilapidated sign has been removed. It was agreed that plans need to be put in place for upgrading the marine hike and nature trail in 2019, including proper signage. Town Manager Bolt advised there is an information session regarding trails tomorrow in Marystown that he will be attending. Councillor Burfitt suggested to the trail committee they should request support for signage from the Grand Bank Development Corporation.

b. MNL Convention 2018

Councillors Burt and Burfitt presented a written report of meetings they attended at the MNL Convention recently in Gander. Both agreed the information sessions were very informative.

c. Christmas Dinner

Mayor Matthews noted this year's dinner will be held at the Grand Bank Lions Centre on December 8th. Please notify the office as soon as possible if you will or will not be attending.

10. NEW BUSINESS

a. Water Agreement - Fortune

Mayor Matthews noted

MOTION 2018-3061: S. BURT/G. BENNETT

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank enter into a five (5) year agreement with the Town of Fortune as per the terms outlined in the Water Agreement Committee report of Oct. 5/18.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

b. 2019 Capital Works Submission

Mayor Matthews advised Municipal Affairs is requesting that 2019 Municipal Capital Works Submission be submitted before December 21. He further noted that Town Manager Bolt has contacted the Town's Engineers, SNL Lavalin, to obtain updated estimates and upload submissions on-line.

c. Service Industry Training

Mayor Matthews advised Minister Mitchelmore noted more money will be put into the tourism sector. He suggested that, in conjunction with Hospitality NL, the Burin Peninsula Joint Council and the Chamber of Commerce, development training standard for the service industry on the Burin Peninsula. Councillor Burfitt noted that the MNL promotes communities supporting neighbouring communities with regards to tourism. He also noted that Mr. Craig Foley spoke at the recent MNL convention in Gander and would certainly be an asset to help with establishing training standards.

d. Cannabis

Mayor Matthews noted cannabis becomes legal this week and our municipality, like others in the province, don't have formalized regulations. It was agreed that a letter be forwarded to MNL requesting they and the Provincial Government development regulations around cannabis and the workplace.

e. **Salvation Army Men's Fellowship**

Mayor Matthews advised an invitation has been received for council and staff to join the Salvation Army Men's Fellowship Group on Thursday, November 1. Please advise the Town Office if you plan to attend.

11. **COUNCILLORS FORUM**

a. **Intersection**

Councillor Bennett noted he has received several complaints regarding fast moving traffic at the intersection of Elizabeth Avenue/Coronation Street and Riverside West. It was agreed that the Development Committee would review the request.

b. **Bulk Garbage**

Councillor Burfitt noted there is a large amount of bulk garbage at the Lance-aux-Loupe turn off and bulk items were just collected on October 5. Councillor Bennett noted he was told that garbage was picked up that morning and then more was put out later in the day. Town Clerk Follett was asked to contact the Burin Peninsula Regional Service Board to try and determine what happened.

c. **Railing across from bank**

Councillor Burfitt noted the railing in the concrete across from Scotiabank has deteriorated. Town Manager Bolt was asked to view and repair the area.

d. **Discretionary Use Fund**

Councillor Burfitt inquired if there is an up to date discretionary use policy. Mayor Matthews advised that the policy needs to be reviewed and updated.

e. **Budget**

Councillor Burt inquired if work has begun on the 2019 budget. Town Manager Bolt advised that requests have been forwarded to groups and submissions are due this week. He also noted that many service provider don't advise the town of any increases until mid to late November. Town Clerk Follett noted a couple of inquiries were received regarding the large increase in assessed values. Indications are there will be several appeals.

12. **COMMUNICATIONS FROM TOWN OFFICIALS**

a. **Water Shut Offs**

Town Clerk Follett advised water shuts for non-payment of taxes was carried out this week.

b. **Demolition - 8 Church Street**

Town Manager Bolt advised three (3) tenders were received for the demolition and remediation of 8 Church Street.

MOTION 2018-3062: S. BURT/J BURFITT

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank accept the lowest tender in the amount of \$5,050 plus HST, from Bennett's Construction.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

13. **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION 2018-3063: S. BURT/G. BENNETT

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

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

Confirmed by: Rex C. Matthews

Gathy Follett
Town Clerk

Date: November 5, 2018