

**REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL  
HELD AT ST. LAWRENCE TOWN HALL  
JULY 22, 2014 AT 6:30 P.M.**

<b>MEMBERS PRESENT</b>	<b>MAYOR</b>	<b>PAUL PIKE</b>
	<b>COUNCILLORS</b>	<b>ERNIE LUNDRIGAN MICHAEL STACEY JENNIFER SLANEY TONY LODER</b>
	<b>CLERK/MANAGER ASST. TOWN CLERK</b>	<b>GREGORY QUIRKE EILEEN NORMAN</b>
<b>MEMBERS ABSENT</b>	<b>DEPUTY MAYOR COUNCILLORS</b>	<b>JACK WALSH EDGAR CULL</b>

**DELEGATION – MARK JOHNSON, LINDSAY GORRILL, PHONCE COOPER AND PAUL COOMBES**

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Mayor Pike welcomed the group to the meeting. He said he is quite pleased that they were able to take time to meet with Council. He said the takeover by Golden Gate has been a topic for discussion. He said that Mark helped us to understand about this project.

He noted that there are comments on facebook asking when the mine is going to open in St. Lawrence.

Council were updated on the mine project and the representatives agreed to keep Council informed as things progress.

The group left the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

**AGENDA**

The Mayor called the meeting to order and welcomed the residents in the gallery. He asked if the following items could be added to the agenda:

- Letter of complaint re – property located at 19 Water Street West
- Letter from Hon. Steve Kent re – Municipal Capital Works Program, Project No. 11075, Water & Sewer Enhancements, Laurentian Avenue – Phase 3

**MOTION: LUNDRIGAN/SLANEY**

**14 – 103 Resolved to approve the agenda for July 22, 2014 and agreed to add the above listed items to the agenda. All in favour, Motion Carried.**

### **MINUTES**

The Mayor asked if there were any corrections or omissions to the minutes of July 8, 2014.

Councillor Stacey noted that on page 6 – No Open Fire signage that “paint” is spelled wrong.

**MOTION: STACEY/LODER**

**14 – 104 Resolved to approve the minutes of July 8, 2014 with noted corrections. All in favour, Motion Carried.**

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **FOLLOW UP WITH KIM GREEN, EASTERN HEALTH**

Mayor Pike advised that there are two doctors here for the summer with a new doctor starting orientation on September 2, 2014. The nurse practitioner will be here but over the next six weeks will be off from time to time for annual leave, etc.

Councillor Stacey advised that there is a 16 day wait for an appointment.

Mayor Pike said that he will call again on this issue.

#### **ADOPT A SPOT SIGNS**

Mr. Quirke advised that he checked with Brinton’s Signs and the cost for an Adopt A Spot sign is \$49.95 for corrugated plastic and \$85.00 for a newer material.

Mayor Pike advised that the BP Chamber of Commerce did not get to have their meeting yet but he will be attending.

Councillor Slaney asked if anyone registered an Adopt A Spot. It was noted that no one has registered. She said that she would contact the ones that are currently cleaning up areas to see if they would like to have a sign.

### **HERRING COVE BRIDGE**

Mayor Pike advised that Ian provided estimates on the bridge. It is 60' long and the wooden structure has rotten planks and to replace it up to acceptable standards it would cost in the range of \$50,000 - \$60,000.

Councillor Loder advised that the Historical Advisory Committee is looking for a grant to replace the bridge and also for funding for Helen Pike's stage.

It was noted that Mrs. Pike has said that she will not allow any more graduation or wedding pictures on the stage as it is not safe.

Mayor Pike asked who owns the land that the bridge is on and who will accept responsibility.

Discussion took place on the condition of the umbrella tree. It was agreed to contact Forestry to see if they have someone on staff that can come and take a look at the tree.

### **HARBOUR AUTHORITY REPORT**

It was noted that the Harbour Authority is responsible for areas where structures are. It was suggested to contact Crown Lands re – erosion along the shoreline.

Mayor Pike advised that he spoke to Judy Foote in Marystown on Sunday and she advised that when she feels better, she will meet with Council to discuss this.

It was noted that we also need to speak with Darin King on this issue.

**LANES**

Councillor Loder said that there were some issues with the lanes during snowclearing and advised that the lanes will be looked at over the next couple of days.

**HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Councillor Loder advised that the Historical Advisory Committee have advised that ATV's are causing damage on the trail. They are going up the side by the stairs and Councilor Loder suggested placing boulders there or putting up signage as this is a safety issue.

Further discussion took place and it was agreed to install some 6" X 6" and guardrail to cost share this with the Historical Advisory Committee.

**MOTION: SLANEY/LODER**

**14 – 105 Resolved to approve the installation of a guardrail on the Chamber Cove trail past the stairs to stop ATV's from going up the hill. All in favour, Motion Carried.**

**CROSS**

Councillor Loder advised that the Historical Advisory Committee is still working on the cross.

**MUSEUM ARTIFACTS**

Councillor Loder advised that the Historical Advisory Committee is looking locally for someone to look at the artifacts.

**FUNDRAISING**

Councillor Loder advised that the Historical Advisory Committee has some fundraising ongoing.

**CONGRATULATIONS**

Mayor Pike asked Councillor Loder to pass on congratulations to the Board on the work that they are doing.

**WALKING TRAIL AROUND FIELD**

Councillor Loder advised that Tracey is looking at prices re – walking trail around the field.

It was noted that the two bridges will cost around \$7,000.

It was suggested to arrange a meeting with the Recreation Committee of Council and the Historical Advisory Committee.

**SUMMER GAMES**

Councillor Lundrigan gave an update on the Burin Peninsula Summer Games. He also noted that he borrowed a town flag from the Rec Centre to fly at the BP Summer Games.

**CORRESPONDENCE TO BE ACTED ON**

**APPLICATIONS**

**CONSTRUCTION OF PRIVATE GARAGE – 20' X 24' – 166 LAURENTIAN AVENUE**

**MOTION: LUNDRIGAN/SLANEY**

**14 – 106 Resolved to approve the construction of a private garage – 20' X 24' on property located at 166 Laurentian Avenue. All in favour, Motion Carried.**

**CONSTRUCTION OF PRIVATE GARAGE – 40' X 26' – 73C WATER STREET EAST**

**MOTION: SLANEY/LUNDRIGAN**

**14 – 107 Resolved to approve the construction of a private garage – 40' X 26' on property located at 73C Water Street East. All in favour, Motion Carried.**

**CONSTRUCTION OF PRIVACY FENCE – 8' X 50' – 64 WATER STREET WEST**

**MOTION: LODER/LUNDRIGAN**

**14 – 108 Resolved to approve the construction of a privacy fence – 8' X 50' on property located at 64 Water Street West. All in favour, Motion Carried.**

**CROWN LAND APPLICATION AND LETTER RE – LOTS – SALMONIER POND**

Discussion took place on this correspondence and it was agreed to advise the resident to contact Crown Lands re – lots – Salmonier Pond.

**CIRCULAR RE – REMOTE MEETING ATTENDANCE AND YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES**

Discussion took place and it was agreed to defer these items – Remote Meeting Attendance and Youth Representatives until September.

**LETTER FROM RESIDENT RE – AMBULANCE SERVICE**

Mayor Pike said that this is another situation with poor response time. He said that he has been trying to contact the owner of the ambulance service and has left messages but the owner is not calling back.

Discussion took place on the number of recent incidents where response time has been lengthy. It was agreed to cut out the middle man and go straight to Eastern Health.

Councillor Loder said that he would check on response time.

Mayor Pike advised that he will be calling the ambulance operator to let him know that we are going higher for answers.

Further discussion took place and it was agreed to get the details of each case prepared for a meeting with representatives of Eastern Health.

**LETTER FROM EMPLOYEE RE – RELIEF WHEN HOLDIAYS ARE TAKEN**

Discussion took place on this request. It was agreed that the Labour Relations Committee would meet to go over this request.

**LETTER FROM RESIDENT RE – FRENCH DRAIN**

Discussion took place and it was noted that we do not have by-laws or a policy in place.

It was suggested to have the Public Works Committee look at this issue to see if Council should develop policy and make recommendations to Council.

The questions raised by the resident can be answered by a “no” to all three questions.

**EMAIL RE – SURVEILLANCE TECHNOLOGY AND ENFORCEMENT TRAINING HELP – COMMUNITIES COMBAT ILLEGAL DUMPING**

Much discussion took place on the need for surveillance re – illegal dumping.

Mr. Quirke will check with Joe Pittman, Waste Management to see if there is any funding available for video surveillance.

It was asked what the status is on remediation of the dump. It was advised that it will soon be done.

**ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**

**LETTER FROM HON. STEVE KENT RE – MUNICIPAL CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM, PROJECT NO. 11075, WATER & SEWER ENHANCEMENTS, LAURENTIAN AVENUE – PHASE 3**

**MOTION: STACEY/LUNDRIGAN**

14 – 108 Resolved to accept a cost-shared arrangement of 90/10 for Municipal Capital Works Project #11075 – Water & Sewer Enhancements,

Laurentian Avenue, Phase 3 as stated in Dept. of Municipal and Intergovernmental Affairs letter dated May 27, 2014 and authorized the Mayor and Clerk to enter into this agreement on behalf of Council. All in favour, Motion Carried.

**LETTER OF COMPLAINT RE – PROPERTY LOCATED AT 19 WATER STREET WEST**

Discussion took place and it was agreed to write a letter to the owner of the property requesting that he have the property cleaned up and to advise him about the Tidy Town judging on August 14, 2014.

Councillor Slaney wondered if the person complaining would want to adopt the spot and clean up the area. The Town would provide signage for Adopt A Spot. She said that she would contact him about this.

**GENERAL DISCUSSION**

**METALS STORED – DIRECTOR DRIVE**

Councillor Slaney asked about the metals that are stored on Director Drive.

It was agreed to write the owner of the metals and ask him to have it removed.

**PIPING – LAURENTIAN AVENUE**

Councillor Slaney said she was approached by a resident in the Laurentian Avenue construction area inquiring about the quality of pipe that was being put back in the ground by the contractor.

Mr. Quirke advised that he is aware of this and has been talking to the town's engineer about this matter.

**UPGRADES TO FIRE HALL**

Councillor Lundrigan asked about the renovations to the Fire Hall.

Mr. Quirke advised the town workers went out and looked at the building and suggested that we get a structural engineer to look at the building.



It was noted that the Town is compiling a list of items for a meeting with Darin King. It was agreed to see if the Chief and Executive could attend the meeting to discuss this. Mayor Pike would advise the Fire Dept. if this was a go.

#### **DISCOLORATION IN TAP WATER**

Councillor Lundrigan asked how long does it take for the water to run clear after a water shut down. He noted that his water is still quite brown and muddy since the water was turned off in his area several days before.

It was advised that it usually takes a few days to clear up.

#### **OCI – SALT WATER VS. FRESH WATER**

Councillor Stacey asked if the OCI Plant is using salt water or fresh water. It was agreed to check with the plant to see what they are using.

#### **RECREATION GRANT**

Councillor Stacey asked if the Recreation Grant has been submitted. He was advised that it has been submitted.

#### **COMPLAINTS RE – CATS**

Councillor Loder asked for an update of the complaints re – cats.

Mr. Quirke advised Council on what he has found out so far.

#### **ON LINE BILL PAYMENT**

Councillor Loder said he has been asked by residents about on line bill payment.

He was advised that we do not offer that service as it is not viable for us.

#### **DUST ON LAURENTIAN AVENUE**

Mayor Pike said he has been getting a lot of complaints about the dust on Laurentian Avenue.

Mr. Quirke advised that their plan is to put Class A on the road soon.

Councillor Slaney suggested putting out a public notice asking people to refrain from using this section of road unless they live in the area.

**MAYOR AVENUE LAND SALES**

It was advised that bids were received on six properties.

No bids were received for the property on Fairview Avenue.

Mr. Quirke presented Council with an indenture to review.

It was suggested to have the bidders review this form as well.

Mayor Pike suggested that Council give Mr. Quirke the latitude to deal with this.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION: LODER**

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

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