

**MINUTES
TOWN OF CUPIDS
December 1, 2015**

Minutes of the 836th. meeting of the Council of the Town of Cupids, held at the Cupids Community Centre on December 1, 2015.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Harold Akerman
Deputy Mayor Christine Burry
Councillor Darrin Akerman
Councillor Kevin Connolly
Councillor Ron Edmunds
Councillor Gordon Power

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Councillor Michael Power

ALSO PRESENT:

Town Clerk, Ivy King

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Mayor Akerman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m and welcomed Winnie Bishop & Connie Penney to the meeting.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Motion #161-12-2015 - Burry/Edmunds
Resolved that the amended agenda be adopted as presented.

In favour: All / Motion carried

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

Regular meeting - November 3, 2015
Continuance meeting - November 17, 2015

Mayor Akerman asked if there were any errors or omissions to the minutes of these meetings which had been circulated with the agenda.

Motion #162-12-2015 - Burry/Akerman, D.
Resolved that the minutes of these meetings be adopted as circulated.

In favour: All / Motion carried

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:

Tender ad to be placed on the ad channel for the installation of rain gutter, soffit and fascia on the community centre, deadline for tenders Dec. 18th.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Steven Bradley, Municipal Finance

File - no action taken.

Cst. John Clarke, RCMP

Motion #163-12-2015 - Burry/Akerman, D.
Resolved that \$50.00 donation be forwarded to the 2015 Trinity Conception RCMP Children's Wish Tree Campaign.

In favour: All / Motion carried

Ken Kelly, Eastern Waste Management

File - for information purposes

Mineral Lands Division, Dept. Of Natural Resources

Motion #164-12-2015 - Edmunds/Akerman, D
Resolved that the referral letter regarding Quin Sea Fisheries be approved for their quarry application.

In favour: Mayor Akerman, DM Burry, Councillors Akerman, Edmunds and Power.
Opposed: Councillor Connolly

Ed Neil, The Bay Arena

Letter to be forwarded to Bay Arena Assoc. with a c.c. to Town of Bay Roberts regarding the use of their hospitality room. Donation deferred to the January Meeting.

Gail Woodfine, Municipal Affairs

File - for information purposes

Dennis Kelly, President Trio

File - for information purposes. 2016 assessment not received to date.

John Hayes, G & J Backhoe Inc.

File - no action taken

Marilyn Pottle, Clerk Bay de Grave Fire Dept.
(2 Letters)

Letter #1 - one for information purposes.
Letter #2:

Motion #165-12-2015 -Akerman, D./Edmunds
Resolved that the Clerk be authorized to pay the first quarterly invoice from Bay de Grave immediately upon receipt.

In favour: All / Motion carried

Peter Laracy & Patrick Laracy

Copy of Commissioner's Report to be forwarded.

Tom Strickland, Public Hearing Commissioner

Motion #166-12-2015 - Edmunds/Akerman,D
Resolved that Commissioner T.W. Strickland's report on the Public Hearing held at the Cupids Town Hall on November 4, 2015 be accepted as presented.

In favour: Mayor Akerman, DM Burry, Councillors Akerman, Edmunds and Power.
Opposed: Councillor Connolly

Quay Road Resident

Motion #167-12-2015 - Edmunds/Power, G.
Resolved that his request for a permit to change his fixed type wharf to a floating wharf be approved in principle subject to the approval from the Dept. of Environment.

In favour: Mayor Akerman, DM Burry, Councillors Akerman, Edmunds and Power.
Opposed: Councillor Connolly

FINANCES:

Motion #168-12-2015 - Burry/Edmunds
Resolved that the Town Clerk pay bills totaling \$31,959.67. **In favour: All / Motion carried**

PERMITS ISSUED:

Town Clerk advised council that there were 3 general repair permits issued since the last meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councillor Gordon Power advised Council that the Bay de Grave Board should have their budget finalized on the 10th and will forward the updated fees to the Councils.
The next Joint council's meeting is being held at Brigus on January 28th.

ACTION LIST:

1. **Municipal Plan review - Motion #169-12-2015 - Power, G./Edmunds**
Resolved that the Town of Cupids Municipal Plan 2014 and the Town of Cupids Development Regulations 2014 be approved as adopted on October 6, 2015.
In favour: Mayor Akerman, DM Burry, Councillors Akerman, Edmunds and Power.
Opposed: Councillor Connolly
2. **Crown Land Issue** - Still ongoing. A meeting is being scheduled with Government.
3. **Chlorination Building** - Leak detection should be finalized within the new few days. A report will be submitted to Council for review.
Councillor Connolly requested that a Water Committee be formed. This will be formed in the new year.
4. **Town Website** - Nearing completion. Town Clerk to forward link to Councillors upon receipt.
5. **Speed signs/Caution Signs - Motion #170-12-2015 - Power, G./Edmunds**
Resolved that signs be purchased up to a maximum cost of \$1,500.00.
In favour: All / Motion carried
6. **Emergency Management Plan** - To be deferred to another time.

NEW BUSINESS:

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| October 2015 Cash Flow Statement | Prepared and submitted by the Town Clerk for Councillors review. |
| Bay de Grave Minutes | Minutes of Oct. 21 st . 2015 meeting given to Councillors for review. |
| Joint Councils Minutes | Minutes of Oct. 29 th , 2015 meeting given to Councillors for review. Councillor Gordon Power gave a report to Council on their recently held November meeting. He advised that the February Joint Council's meeting will be held in Cupids. |
| Municipal Assessment Agency Annual Report for 2014-2015 | Report at Town Office. |
| Recently installed streetlights | Councillor Gordon Power that he has received complaints on where some new lights were installed. Council advised him to do up a list of complaints he received, and they will have a look at it. |

Employees Christmas Bonus

Motion #171-12-2015 Akerman, D./Power, G.
Resolved that the following Christmas Bonus' be provided to the Town Workers based on years of service:

Town Clerk - \$250.00

Maintenance Man - \$50.00

Part-time Town Clerk - \$50.00

Cleaning lady - \$50.00.

In favour: All / Motion carried

Seaforest Drive Resident

Town Clerk to advise that the culvert can be replaced now, or in the Spring, whichever he prefers.

2016 Municipal Budget

Preliminary numbers were given to the Councillors for review. A special meeting to discuss the budget only, to be held on December 7, 2015.

Pest Control System

Quotes to be obtained on getting a pest control system put in place.

Seaforest Drive Resident

Request for a street sign deferred to the January meeting.

Christmas Social

Before discussion took place on this next item Councillor Darrin Akerman exited the chambers at 8:40 due to being in a conflict of interest as he is owner of this business.

Motion #172-12-2015 - Power, G./Edmunds

Resolved that the Council Social be held at Cupids Haven on Wednesday, December 16th, at 6:00 p.m, ordering Party menu #1 and one drink ticket per person. **In favour: All / Motion carried**

Councillor Akerman returned to the meeting at 8:50 when discussion on this item ended.

Fire Fees

Councillor Gordon Power advised Council that the Bay de Grave Regional Board are in the process of determining the risk levels of the different businesses in their jurisdiction. He explained that the Board members are to question each respective Council on how they will absorb the extra costs. Council advised that they will continue as before and pay the flat rate.

Christmas lights on Community Flag Pole

Motion #173-12-2015 - Power, G./Burry

Resolved that lights be purchased to place on the Community flag pole.

In favour: All / Motion carried

Safety Rail

Motion #174-12-2014 - Power, G./Burry
Resolved that a safety rail be put at the intersection of Seaforest Drive and Burnt Head Loop, across from Aubrey Boyd's residence.
In favour: All / Motion carried

Snow clearing

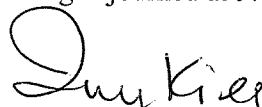
Motion #175-12-2015 - Edmunds/Power, G.
Resolved that a sander be purchased for the pick-up at a purchase price no more than \$5,000.00 plus tax.
In favour: All / Motion carried

NEXT MEETING

Motion #176-12-2015 - Burry/Edmunds
Resolved that council do now adjourn to meet again on Tuesday, January 12, 2016 at 7:00 pm in the Community Centre.
In favour: All / Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.



Harold Akerman, Mayor



Ivy King, Town Clerk