

MINUTES
TOWN OF CUPIDS
September 6, 2016

Minutes of the 845th. meeting of the Council of the Town of Cupids, held at the Cupids Community Centre on September 6, 2016.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Harold Akerman
Councillor Darrin Akerman
Councillor Kevin Connolly
Councillor Gordon Power
Councillor Michael Power
Councillor Francis Walsh

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Deputy Mayor Christine Burry

ALSO PRESENT:

Town Clerk, Ivy King

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At this time in the meeting a moment of silence was held for past employee Brian Akerman who passed away on Monday, August 29th.

Mayor Akerman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed all to the meeting including spectators, Winnie Bishop, Connie Penney, Jerome Quinlan, Dave Peddle, Chris Adams, Eddie LeDrew, Eddie Taylor, Gerald Murphy; Boyd Hurley; Ray J. Fowler, Devlin & Ronda Glied; Harvey Puddister, Donna Linthorne, and Judy Keating. Mayor Akerman asked that all cell phones be turned off.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Motion #130-09-2016 -Walsh/Power, G.
Resolved that the amended agenda with two extra pieces of correspondence be adopted as presented.

In favour: All / Motion carried

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

Regular meeting - August 9, 2016

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

Motion #131-09-2016 - Power, G./Akerman D
Resolved that the minutes of this meeting be adopted as circulated.

In favour: All / Motion carried

Councillor Francis Walsh asked the Mayor why the camera wasn't removed from the outside corner of the Community Centre. Mayor Akerman advised that this was not a camera it was a receiver dish.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:

Motion #132-09-2016 - Walsh/Power, M.
Resolved that a letter of support be forwarded to the NL Pony Pals Project. No financial support will be provided at this time.

In favour: All / Motion carried

DELEGATIONS:

David Peddle, Maintenance Man

David attended the meeting to discuss with Council maintenance work around town. He also asked Council if they would consider purchasing a new sander for the dump truck as the existing one we now have is not working properly. A discussion took place regarding the sander and Councillor Gordon Power gave Council an approximate cost of a new one. A suggestion was made to get a tarp to go over the back of the dump truck and over the salt and sand in the yard and possibly building a place to store the salt and sand for the winter. David advised Council of some culverts that have raised up, Public Works Committee will take a look at them. A discussion took place regarding the removal of the guardrail at Burnt Head and the reasons why it was removed. Other suggestions were made of what could be put back there, however, no final decision was made. Public Works Committee to look at it again. David left the delegation table at 7:20.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Donna Linthorne, Cupids Recreation Committee

It was decided that the maintenance men would do an inspection of the playground equipment and remove the swings. At a previous meeting it was decided that a letter be forward requesting submissions from town groups that may wish to avail of funding from the municipality.

Recreation to forward a letter to the Town regarding this. Councillors Gordon Power, Francis Walsh and Mike Power advised that they will help the Recreation to see if they can get a Wellness Grant to develop a walking track around the playground.

At this point in the meeting Councillor Kevin Connolly got upset with a member from the gallery, Jerome Quinlan, saying that he had his cell phone on and ordered him to leave the meeting. Mr. Quinlan advised that he did not have a phone and he returned to the gallery.

Art Puddister, MNL Director & 2016 Convention Chairperson

Re: Donation towards the MNL's Annual Convention Eastern Night. File - no action taken.

Steve Priestley, Biomaxx

File - For information purposes.

Boyd & Renee Hurley,

It was decided that this piece of correspondence will be discussed at a privileged meeting with Council and the landowners from Mill Stream Place. Meeting date to be confirmed, either Sept. 20th, or 21st. Town Clerk to make contact with all the landowners.

Property owner of 282-286 Seaforest Drive

It was decided that this piece of correspondence as well, will be discussed at the privileged meeting with the landowners from Mill Stream Place.

Property owner - 19-25 Squantum Drive	Request was made for Council to install a new culvert. File - no action taken.
Matthew Byrne, Municipal Affairs	File - for information purposes.
Ray Walsh, Brigus	File - for information purposes. Maintenance men to check out Breens Path and clean up what is required.
Betty Moore, Avalon Director, MAA	Municipal Assessment Agency Update - File - no action taken.
Corrie Davis, Manager, Land Use Planning	File - for information purposes. No action taken.
Karren Barrett, Compass	It was decided that Council not place an ad in the 2016 Christmas edition of the Yuletide.
Tammy McDonald, Service NL	Report received regarding the sewer issue at Bishop's Lane after inspections were carried out. Services NL determined that there was no issue and closed the file.
Tammy McDonald, Service NL Re: 432 Seaforest Drive	A discussion took place regarding the installation of the sewer line across the road on Seaforest Dr. and the incident which took place on August 24 th , between the property owners & Councillors M. Power & Walsh. Services NL advised that the property owners have obtained the necessary permits from their Dept. and the Dept. of Environment issues permits based on the nature of excavation that has to take place. Their permits are not contingent on Services NL giving approval. Councillor Walsh advised that the Mayor did not support Councillor Power and himself and asked for an apology. This issue will be discussed at the meeting with Municipal Affairs and the Mayor advised that if he did wrong he will apologize and if he didn't he will expect one in return.
Dr. Abdel-Zaher, Manager, Water Rights & Investigations Section Re: 432 Seaforest Drive	The discussion continued on the above matter. Dr. Abdel-Zaher advised that since the work is taken place outside the shoreline reservation and the waters of the harbour, there is no formal permit required under the Water Resources Act. Motion #133-09-2016 - Connolly/Power, M. Resolved that a representative from the Federal Government be invited to come out to discuss what is required from them regarding the above issue.

In favour: All / motion carried.

Property Owners - 432 Seaforest Drive

Councillor Walsh pointed out that there was no signature on the e-mailed complaint document. He proceeded then to read Section 411 of the Municipalities Act. It was decided that this issue will be also be discussed with Municipal Affairs.

Tammy McDonald, Service NL
Re: 563-567 Conception Bay Highway

Services NL advised that confirmation was received from Transportation & Works that the culvert will be under the driveway and the ditch will run along towards Brigus. There will be no encroachment on the property. The separation distances are the same with or without the culvert, therefore, the design plan has no change. Councillor M. Power suggested to let the lawyers deal with it. It was discussed that the Maintenance Men meet with the Public Works Committee to do the ditching down Connolly's Road.

Property Owner - 563-567 Conception Bay Highway

To be discussed at the meeting with Municipal Affairs. Councillor Connolly asked Councillor Mike Power to confirm that he did not threaten the property owner.

Bob Bishop, Chair Boat Owners Association

A meeting to be arranged with the Council and the Boat Owners Association. It was stated that a previous meeting was supposed to have been arranged by the Mayor. Town Clerk to arrange another meeting. Also, legal advice to be obtained to see if a paper can be drawn up ensuring that the beach will not be privatized in future years.

Karen Olford, President MNL

File - for information purposes.

Matthew Byrne, Municipal Affairs

Motion #134-09-2016 - Walsh/Power, G.
Resolved that the Town Clerk and Councillor Darrin Akerman, Finance Chair attend the Municipal Budget training session on Sept. 30th, at St. John's.
In favour: All / motion carried.

Darren Patey, Environment Dept. - Water Distribution Courses

Motion #135-09-2016 - Walsh/Akerman, D.
Resolved that both maintenance men be registered to attend the Water System Operators training sessions at Bay Roberts from Nov. 15-18th. **In favour: All / motion carried.**

Tony Barron, Town of Gander - CPWA Fall Conference

Motion #136-09-2016 - Connolly/Power, M.
Resolved that Councillor Gordon Power attend the CPWA Fall Conference at Grand Falls - Windsor from Sept. 28 - 30th.
In favour: All / motion carried.

CPWA Membership

Motion #137-09-2016 - Walsh/Power, M.
Resolved that the membership fee in the amount of \$259.70 be forwarded for the renewal period September 1, 2016 to August 31, 2017.
All / motion carried.

Darren Patey, Environment Dept. - ACWWA
Cross Connection Course

File - no action taken

W. Roy Dawe, Cupids Legacy Centre

Councillor Mike Power confirmed that he took it upon him to remove two Legacy Centre signs for safety reasons. One was removed from the Legacy Centre sign at the intersection of Seaforest Drive & CBH, and the other was removed from the speed limit sign that is erected by his driveway.
It was also noted that the Legacy Centre sign should be removed from the Town sign by the Home Hardware building on CBH. The brush should be cut away from the sign as well.

Don Coombs, TCP Health Foundation

Motion #138-09-2016 - Walsh/Power, M.
Resolved that \$100.00 donation be forwarded towards the TCP Health Foundation Telethon on October 2, 2016.
In favour: All / motion carried.

Bishop's Lane property owner

It was agreed that the Public Works Committee would obtain estimates to get a buster in to remove the rock from Bishop's Lane in an attempt to widen the hill making it easier to maintain and plough during the winter months.

FINANCES:

Motion #139-09-2016-Akerman, D. /Power,G.
Resolved that the Town Clerk pay bills totaling \$23,649.99 **In favour: All / Motion carried**

PERMITS ISSUED:

Town Clerk advised Council that there was 1 general repairs permits, and 1 new house construction permit issued since the last meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

NIL

ACTION LIST:

1. **Crown Land Issue** - Still ongoing
2. **Pumphouse Building** - Pre-construction meeting arranged for Sept. 8th, with the Town, Harris & Associates, Contractor and Municipal Affairs. All materials have been ordered and will arrive soon. The Maintenance Men are checking the pumps at the PH every day.
3. **Speed Bumps** - Two speed bumps have been installed. Public Works Committee to determine where the remaining 5 will be installed after the Targa Race on Sept. 16th.
4. **Emergency Plan** - Awaiting approval from Fire & Emergency Services. Town Clerk to contact.

5. **Town Hall Renovation** - All councillors were in agreement for Councillor Gordon Power to send out a notice requesting expression of interests from Contractors regarding the renovations of the town garage for the town hall and chambers.
6. **Canada 150 Infrastructure Program** - PWC to review the previous plan in place for the next phase of water and sewer.
8. **Bishop's Lane** - Road has been upgraded and signs have been installed. Quote to be received on blasting the rocks on the road.

NEW BUSINESS

July 2016 Cash Flow Statement

Prepared and submitted by the Town Clerk for Councillors review.

MNL Convention

Councillor Gordon Power will replace Councillor Francis Walsh at the MNL Convention in October as Councillor Walsh is unable to attend.

Beothuck Place resident

For information purposes - A request was made by a Beothuck Ave. resident to advise council that she was attacked by a neighbours dog on August 23. The Police were called and a ticket was issued. The police advised her to contact the town office. Contacted was made to the land lord to advise and they contacted the tenants to ask that the dog be removed from the property.

Municipal Affairs meeting

A meeting is scheduled with Council members and Lori Evoy and Sandy Hounsell, Municipal Affairs Representatives for Tuesday, September 13, 2016.

Camping

Councillor Walsh asked that the Municipal Plan and Development Regulations be reviewed to see if permanent camper trailers that are hooked to the water and sewer services are permitted.

Cupers Cove Soiree

Councillor Mike Power questioned why the Town Workers helped to set up and dismantle for the annual town festival. He felt that the Soiree Committee should pay for the town workers help. He was advised that this had been previously approved by Council. Next year's request will be addressed at that time.

Water & Sewer Hook-up

Councillor Mike Power advised Council that he wanted to hook the Town's water & sewer to his property on 97A Seaforest Dr. He was advised that there is nothing stopping him from hooking into the system as long as all regulations and requirements are met.

Culvert on Connolly's Road

Town Clerk was instructed to contact the resident at 603 Conception Bay Highway to ask that they remove the culvert that is laid in the drain on Connolly's Road at the back of their property. Council feels that this is a safety issue with the children in the area.

NEXT MEETING

Motion #-140-09-2016 - Walsh/Power, G.

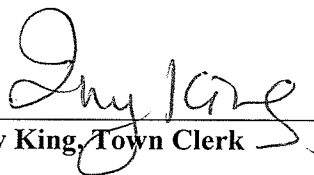
Resolved that council do now adjourn to meet again on Tuesday, October 4, 2016 at 7:00 pm in the Community Centre.

In favour: All / Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.



Harold Akerman, Mayor



Ivy King, Town Clerk