

MINUTES
TOWN OF CUPIDS
December 6, 2016

Minutes of the 848th. meeting of the Council of the Town of Cupids, held at the Cupids Community Centre on December 6, 2016.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Christine Burry
Councillor Kevin Connolly
Councillor Gordon Power
Councillor Michael Power
Councillor Francis Walsh

MEMBERS ABSENT:

NIL

ALSO PRESENT:

Town Clerk, Ivy King

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Mayor Burry called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed all to the meeting including spectators Chris Adams, Mr. & Mrs. Adams, Winnie Bishop, Connie Penney, Harvey Puddister & Raymond J. Fowler, and asked that all cell phones be turned off.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Motion #169-12-2016 - Power, G./Walsh
Resolved that the agenda be adopted as presented. **In favour: All / Motion carried**

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

Regular meeting - November 1, 2016

Mayor Burry asked if there were any errors or omissions to the minutes of the November 1, 2016 meeting which had been circulated with the agenda.

Motion #170-12-2016 - Walsh/Power, G.
Resolved that the minutes of this meeting with the correction on page 3 be adopted as circulated.

In favour: All / Motion carried

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:

Correspondence re Harry John's Lane Residents - Councillors Walsh & Connolly advised Council that the pole referenced in the correspondence was not located where they had indicated. It was decided to contact both parties for the Public Works Committee to meet with and discuss the situation.

Meeting regarding Mill Stream Place was held on Tuesday, Nov. 29th. 2016.

DELEGATIONS:

Chris Adams, Seaforest Dr.

Mr. Adams attended the meeting to discuss the relocation of Mill Stream Place. He wanted to ensure that he will be contacted before a final decision is made. After much discussion, Mr. Adams was informed by Council that they are in the process of obtaining a new survey for the Playground/Depot area to determine how much land is there and he be notified once the survey is received. Mr. Adams returned to the gallery at 8:30 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Ed Grant, Eastern Regional Service Board

File - Information purposes.

Stacey Harris, Community Against Violence

Motion #171-12-2016 - Walsh/Power, M. Resolved that the Town of Cupids sign the proclamation showing support for the Purple Ribbon campaign.

In favour: All / Motion carried

Paula Dawe, Water Resources Management Division

File - Information purposes

Lorne Youden, Brigus

Motion #172-12-2016 - Walsh/Power, M. Resolved that the property tax be exempted as this land is considered Crown Land as per documents received. To be revisited again for the 2017 taxation year.

In Favour: Mayor Burry/ Councillors M. Power & F. Walsh

Opposed: DM Power & Councillor Connolly

Property Owner - 66 First Colony Dr.

Letter to be written to Property Owner explaining that the land should not be used as a campground. Copy of development regulations to be included in letter.

Ross Dawe, Historical Society

Deferred to the January 2017 meeting.

Boyd & Renee Hurley, Clarkes Beach

To be contacted to advise that Council is in the process of getting the land surveyed to determine how much land is there. A decision will be made once the survey has been received.

FINANCES:

Motion #173-12-2016- Power, G./Walsh Resolved that the Town Clerk pay bills totaling \$23,114.34. **In favour: All / Motion carried**

PERMITS ISSUED:

Town Clerk advised Council that there was 1 general repairs permit and 1 garage permit issued since the last meeting.

PERMITS REQUESTED:

Application received to erect a mini home at 66 First Colony Drive.

Motion #174-12-2016 - Walsh/Power, G.

Resolved that an advertisement, at property owners expense, be placed in the Compass. This area is zoned Residential Mixed and this is a Discretionary Use Class.

In Favour: All / Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councillor Gordon Power presented the 2017 Municipal Budget and 2017 Tax Certificate for Councillors perusal and discussion.

Motion #175-12-2016 - Walsh/Power, M.

Resolved that the 2017 Municipal Budget in the amount of \$649,248 and the 2017 Tax Structure be adopted as presented.

In Favour: All / Motion carried.

ACTION LIST:

1. **Crown Land Issue** - Still ongoing
2. **Pumphouse Building** - Harris & Associates are obtaining quotes on the overhead hoist for the pumphouse. Otherwise the project is completed.
Motion #176-12-2016 - Connolly/DM G. Power
Resolved that the following items be purchased for the pumphouse
 1. Plastic garbage bucket
 2. Cupboard for supplies
 3. Mop and bucket
 4. First Aid kits for pump house and chlorination building.**In Favour: All / Motion carried.** Also, pothole to be filled outside the pumphouse.
3. **Emergency Plan** - Needs to be updated again due to the resignations of two council members.
4. **Town Hall Renovation** - Councillor Gordon Power advised that he received the new plan for the Town Hall and have submitted to different contractors. No action taken.
5. **Town Garage** - Councillor Gordon Power advised Council that he obtained an Amortization Schedule from the Bank of Montreal regarding the loan for the Town Garage. The monthly fee would be \$1,011.67 including interest for a five (5) year period. No action taken.

At this point in the meeting Councillor Connolly started a discussion regarding getting a forensic audit done on the town from 2010 to present.

Motion #177-12-2016 - Connolly/Power, M.

Resolved that a forensic audit be done on the town from 2010 to present.

In favour: Mayor Burry/Councillors Walsh, M. Power and Connolly

Opposed: Deputy Mayor Gordon Power. - Motion Carried.

6. **Bishop's Lane - Motion#178-12-2016 - Power, G./Power, M.**
Resolved that the rocks get busted at Bishop's Lane by Riverside Excavating. Councillor Mike Power will arrange. **In Favour: All / Motion carried.**
7. **Municipal Capital Works** - Previously submitted 5 year plan to be reviewed

Motion #179-12-2016 - Power, M./Connolly

Resolved that the fill-in office worker will no longer be required for back-up for the Town Clerk.

In favour: Deputy Mayor G. Power; Councillors Walsh, M. Power and K. Connolly

Opposed: Mayor Christine Burry - Motion Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

October 2016 Cash Flow Statement

Prepared and submitted by the Town Clerk for Councillors review.

BMO Bank of Montreal

Motion #180-12-2016 - Power, G./Walsh
Resolved that the overdraft protection in the amount of \$30,000 be continued at the Bank of Montreal to December 31, 2017

In favour: All / Motion carried

Tax Recovery Plan
Year ended December 31, 2015

Motion #181-12-2016 - Walsh/Power, G.
Resolved that the Tax Recovery Plan dated December 31, 2015 and its revisions be accepted.

In favour: All / Motion carried

Employees Christmas Bonus

Motion #182-12-2016 Walsh/Power, M.
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

Santa Claus Parade
December 17, 2016

Motion #183-12-2016 - Walsh/Power, M.
Resolved that supplies be ordered to do up 120 loot bags for the annual Santa Claus parade.

In favour: All / Motion carried

Targa Race

Motion #184-12-2016 - Connolly/Power, M.
Resolved that Targa Newfoundland be contacted to advise that due to safety reasons, the Town Council of Cupids will no longer accommodate the annual Targa Races.

In favour: All / Motion carried

Town Clerk was instructed to forward an invoice to Targa Newfoundland for supplies required to replace the stop sign which had been damaged at Smith's Hill intersection during the 2016 Race.

Town Clerk was also instructed to forward an invoice to the Cupids United Church for Rental/Clean-up fee for the rental of the Community Centre for the Targa Luncheon on Friday, September 16, 2016.

Transport Trucks - Gould's Rd.

Councillor Mike Power will check with the Dept. of Transportation regarding the weight limits of trucks that will travel on the Gould Road at Cupids Crossing.

Asphalt Replacement

The Asphalt Plant to be contacted to see if it is still opened.

Safety issues re Dump Truck submitted by Maintenance Men

The safety issues were discussed and will in turned be discussed with the Maintenance Men. Deputy Mayor Gordon Power will install the lights on the plough.

Coveralls for Maintenance Men

Motion #185-12-2016 - Power, G./Power,M. Resolved that the Maintenance Men be provided with one pair of winter coveralls each.
In Favour: All / Motion carried.

Squantum Drive

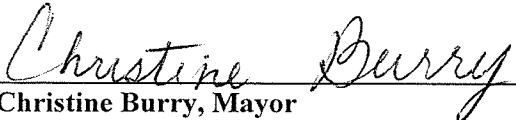
Public Works Committee to look at the pole at Squantum Drive.


Streetlights

Councillor Kevin Connolly advised that the will go around Town to check to see where streetlight need to be installed and will bring back to the January meeting.

NEXT MEETING

Motion #186-12-2016 - Power, G./Connolly Resolved that council do now adjourn to meet again on Tuesday, January 17, 2017 at 7:00 pm in the Community Centre.
In favour: All / Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.


Christine Burry, Mayor


Ivy King, Town Clerk