

1. CALL TO ORDER

Regular meeting #16 for 2016 of the Grand Bank Town Council was held in the Executive Boardroom at the Grand Bank Municipal Center on Monday, December 5, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.

Mayor Rex C. Matthews, Deputy Mayor Clayton Welsh, Councillors Stan Burt, Rick Grikis and Travis Parsons attended along with Town Manager Wayne Bolt, Town Clerk Cathy Follett and Recreation Director Tom Burton. Also in attendance was Paul Herridge, representing the Southern Gazette. Councillor Bruce Warren was out of Town, Councillor Roger Brooks was working and Office Administrator Sheila Dolimount joined the meeting later.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION 2016-2781: C. WELSH/S. BURT

Motioned that the agenda be adopted as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

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

MOTION 2016-2782: T. PARSONS/R. GRIKIS

Motioned that the minutes of the regular meeting for November 14, 2016 be adopted with the change to item 6i, delete 'repair and enhance' and replace it with 'do a schematic design to'.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**a. Waste**

Councillor Grikis noted that the BPRSB has received the Town's letters but there hasn't been a meeting yet to discuss them.

6. INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION**a. Burin Peninsula Voice Against Violence (BPVAV)**

Received a letter from Krista Foote, BPVAV, advising that on November 25th to December 10th, 2016 the Purple Ribbon Campaign begins, encompassing the 16 days of activism against gender violence. They are encouraging men to take part in these 16 days of activism by participating in our Real Men Wear Purple initiative.

b. Heritage Foundation NL

Received an email from Andrea O'Brien advising that the Heritage Foundation has been reviewing its programs and services with a view to strengthening their ability to preserve the province's built heritage. They would like input of municipalities from across the province. They have an online survey to be completed. It was agreed that a staff member would complete the survey.

7. INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION**a. Service NL**

Received copies of letters to Jennifer Lake from Service NL regarding the proposed new affordable rental housing at Beckley Place.

b. Department of Municipal Affairs (MA)

Received a letter from MA advising that the Town's request to engage SNC Lavalin Inc. to provide prime consulting services for the Clean Water & Wastewater Fund – Old Road and Lee's Lane Water and Sewer, Project No. 17-CWWF17-00134 is approved.

c. Fire & Emergency Services (FES)

Received a permit from FES to grant permission to Grand Bank Special Events Committee to hold an aerial display of fireworks on December 31, 2016 under the supervision of a certified fireworks supervisor, namely Wayne Bolt.

d. Municipal Assessment Agency (MAA)

Received a copy of the MAA's 2015-16 Annual Report. Copy on File.

e. Burin Peninsula Chamber of Commerce (BPCC)

Received an email from the BPCC advising that November 30th is the closing date for getting in your nominations for the election of the 2017 Board.

f. Canadian Wireless Telecommunications Association (CWTA)

Received a letter from CWTA regarding the Recycle My Cell in NL and Lab. Copy on File.

g. United Nations Educational, Scientific & Cultural Organization (UNESCO)

Received a letter from UNESCO advising of a new publication entitled *Creating Inclusive and Equitable Cities*. Copy on File.

h. Nalcor Energy

Received a copy of the Muskrat Falls Project September 2016 highlights. Copy on File.

i. Burin Peninsula Regional Service Board (BPRSB)

Received a copy of the BPRSB minutes of September 28, 2016. Copy on File.

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

Councillor Burt, Committee Chairperson, presented a written report of a meeting the committee held on November 30, 2016.

MOTION 2016-2783: S. BURT/R. GRIKIS

Motioned that the Finance Committee report of November 30, 2016 be accepted with the addition of item #8.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2016-2784: S. BURT/C. WELSH

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank use the gas tax funding to pay for the overrun on project #98-2011-1826, Regional Asset Management System in the amount of \$7,113, to pay for the overrun on project #98-2015-5509, Pumphouse Gas Detection System in the amount of \$2,346, to pay for the overrun on project #98-2015-5510, Storm Sewer Hickman Street, in the amount of \$3,365 and to pay for the overrun on project #98-2014-3010, Waste Water Effluent Monitoring & Sampling in the amount of \$1,503.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

b. Development Committee

Councillor Parsons, Committee member, presented a written report of a meeting the committee held on November 30, 2016.

At this time Office Administrator Dolimount entered the meeting.

MOTION 2016-2785: T. PARSONS/C. WELSH

Motioned that the Development Committee report of November 30, 2016 be accepted as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

9. OLD BUSINESS - NIL**10. NEW BUSINESS****a. Contract for New Wharf**

Mayor Matthews noted that he along with Town Manager Bolt and Town Clerk Follett had a conference call with Bill Goulding of Small Craft Harbours regarding the contract for the repairs on the Grand Bank wharf. He noted that RGJ (Bob Giovanni) was the preferred bidder at \$5.6. All the details aren't available yet but the next higher bidder was significantly higher. The work is to be completed by March 31, 2018

b. Union Request - Outside Workers

MOTION 2016-2786: C. WELSH/R.GRIKIS

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank's Collective Agreement in regards to Article 21:10, Family Leave be amended as follows:

21:10 (a) (1) attend to the temporary care of a sick family member (delete "living in the same household")

(e) To add the following language: For the purpose of this Clause, a family member shall be defined as:

- (i) your child or the child of your spouse or common-law partner;
- (ii) your wife/husband or common law partner;
- (iii) your father/mother;
- (iv) your father-in-law/mother-in-law;
- (v) the common-law partner of your father/mother.

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c. Scholarships 2017

Mayor Matthews noted that the Town Manager and himself met with Lee Masters, Principle of John Burke High School, regarding increasing the Town's scholarship contribution from one (1) \$500 scholarships to four (4) \$500 scholarships. Suggestions were presented to Mr. Masters who will bring them back to the committee for discussion. Council will be presented with a draft and may make changes before its finalized.

Mayor Matthews also advised that John Burke High is hoping to host the 2017 Leadership Conference to be held here in Grand Bank for approximately 500 students. It was agreed that the Principle of John Burke High be advised that the Town will be fully supportive.

d. Christmas Eve Breakfast

Mayor Matthews noted the Christmas Eve Breakfast will be held this year on Friday, December 23rd, 10:00 am at the Fire Hall.

e. Tour of YMCA Marystown

Mayor Matthews noted that the Recreation Director and himself toured the facility and was very impressed with it and the staff. He noted that everyone should take the opportunity to go by and visit.

11. COUNCILLORS FORUM**a. Town of Fortune Christmas Dinner**

Mayor Matthews advised an invitation was received to attend the Town of Fortune's Christmas dinner on December 10th. Deputy Mayor Welsh and Councillor Grikis both indicated they will check to see if they can attend.

b. GBDC

Mayor Matthews advised an invitation was received to attend the Grand Bank Development's Christmas dinner on December 9th. Deputy Mayor Welsh and Councillor Grikis both indicated they will check to see if they can attend.

c. Christmas Dinner

Mayor Matthews thanked Sheila for doing very good job mceeing the Christmas dinner. He noted that if anyone has any recommendation on how to improve the event for next year please pass them along to staff.

d. Museum Parking Lot

Councillor Burt noted he has received a complaint of individuals hanging out and causing a nuance on the museum parking lot. It was agreed that the RCMP and Mr. Gerald Crews would both be notified.

e. Frazer Park

Councillor Grikis noted that the decorating committee did a great job with the Frazer Park and the Community Park. It's great to see people from outside the community coming to see it.

f. Mutual Aid Agreement

Councillor Grikis noted he and Councillor Burt met with the Fire Department Executive and agreed to a four year mutual aid agreement.

g. Mayor Matthews - 25 Years

Mayor Matthews showed a certificate that he received from Minister Judy Foote congratulating him on having 25 years in Municipal Government.

12. COMMUNICATIONS FROM TOWN OFFICIALS

a. Swimming Pool

Recreation Director Burton noted that work is being done on the inside the pool to get it ready for painting.

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2016-2787: S. BURT/C. WELSH

Motioned that the meeting adjourn at 4:50 p.m.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

Confirmed by: Rex C Matthews

Cathy Follett

Town Clerk

Date: January 16, 2017