

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Regular meeting #4 for 2018 of the Grand Bank Town Council was held in the Executive Boardroom at the Grand Bank Municipal Center on Monday, April 16, 2018 at 4:00 p.m.

Mayor Rex C. Matthews, Deputy Mayor Clayton Welsh (via facetime), Councillors George Bennett, Roger Brooks, Jack Burfitt (via facetime), Stan Burt and Rick Grikis attended along with Town Manager Wayne Bolt, Town Clerk Cathy Follett, Recreation Director Tom Burton and Paul Herridge representing the Southern Gazette. Office Administrator Sheila M. Dolimount joined the meeting later.

A moment of silence was held for the Humboldt Broncos.

2. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

MOTION 2018-2977: R. GRIKIS/G. BENNETT

Motioned that the agenda be adopted as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

3. **DELEGATIONS - NIL**

4. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

MOTION 2018-2978: S. BURT/R. GRIKIS

Motioned that the minutes of the regular meeting for March 12, 2018 be adopted as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2018-2979: R. GRIKIS/R. BROOKS

Motioned that the minutes of the special meeting #1 for March 15, 2018 be adopted as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2018-2980: S. BURT/G. BENNETT

Motioned that the minutes of the special meeting #2 for March 26, 2018 be adopted as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

5. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

a. **Municipal Center Break In**

Councillor Grikis inquired if there was any update on the break in. Town Manager Bolt advised that the RCMP advised they are still investigating.

b. **Regional Theater**

Councillor Burt inquired if there was an update regarding from the Fire Commissioners Office regarding the opening of the Grand Bank Regional Theater. Town Manager Bolt advised a response should be received tomorrow.

c. **Grand Bank Fortune Ambulance**

Councillor Burfitt advised that the snow clearing issue has been put to rest unless something new materializes. There is now a finance committee in place and a budget will be prepared each year.

Mayor Matthews noted that he spoke with Fortunes' Chief Administrator Corey Parsons and noted that the committee is going in the right direction.

6. INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION**a. Burin Peninsula Chamber of Commerce**

Received an invitation for lunch with the Minister of Finance, The Hon. Tom Osbourne, on Saturday, April 14th in Marystown. It was noted that the luncheon was post-poned to a future date, not yet determined.

b. The Grand Bank Memorial Library Board

Received a letter requesting a red and white garbage can to go outside their building. Town Manager Bolt advised this would be completed.

c. Lifesaving Society

Received a letter from the Lifesaving Society informing the Town that they have been selected as the 2017 recipient of the Osmond Award. The Osmond Award will be presented at the Society's Annual Meeting on Saturday, April 21, 2018 at City Hall (Foran/Greene Room), 10 New Gower Street, St. John's. Registration and a reception with light refreshments begin at 12:00 Noon with the business meeting and awards presentation following at 1:00 p.m.. It was agreed that someone would be available to attend.

d. Grand Bank Development Corporation

Received an invitation to their Annual General Meeting on Wednesday, April 18th at 7:00 p.m.

e. Town of St. Lawrence

Received an invitation to their National Day of Mourning Service to recognize workers injured or killed on the job. This service will take place on Saturday, April 28th at 11:00 a.m.

f. Hasan, Stephanie

Received an email advising she is writing a book on Newfoundland and Labrador and is looking for information such as interesting facts, etc. on all Towns in NL. It was agreed that any information that is available will be forwarded.

7. INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION**a. Professional Municipal Administrators (PMA)**

Received an information brochure with responsibilities for Municipal Staff.

b. Burin Peninsula Regional Services Board

- * Received a copy of a letter sent to Mr. Churence Rogers, MP, expressing their displeasure and disappointment with Governments decision to expropriate 25% of the Surf Clam Quota from the Clearwater Plant in Grand Bank.
- * Received an email advising the board is in the process of providing Bins for public drop off to Municipalities.

c. Department of Municipal Affairs

- * Received the Environmental Impact Statement Guidelines (EIS) of the proposed Placentia Bay Atlantic Salmon Aquaculture Project.
- * Received an email with a revised approval to borrow circular.

d. Grand Bank Library Board

Received a thank you letter for the annual grant.

e. Mills & Wright Landscape Architecture

Received an information brochure advising they specialize in the design of municipal parks, playgrounds, splash-pads, walking trails, downtown and waterfront revitalizations and way finding signage systems.

f. Grand Bank Fire Department

Received the minutes for February 14, 2018.

g. Burke, Keisha

Received an email advising the Burin Peninsula Cat Rescue Group (now Abby & Layla's Angels Cat Rescue) have been trapping stray/un-owned cats in the communities around the Burin Peninsula. Once trapped, they take them to the vet (from fundraising costs) to be spayed/neutered then once healed completely they are released back into the community as they cause no problems or add to the cat population. They wanted Town Councils/Animal Control Officers to be aware that once these cats are spayed/neutered their ears are "tipped" during the surgery so they can identify them and not catch them again and cause any unnecessary stress to the cat.

h. Tremblett, Hilda

Received a letter advising she began her medical career in Grand Bank with Dr. Burke from September 1956 to June 1959. She is looking at visiting Grand Bank this summer and would like to hold a session open to the public, free of charge, about cancer and some helpful ways to survive it. Ms. Tremblett is wondering if there would be interest for this session in Grand Bank and would also like a room or place to hold it.

It was agreed that contact would be made with Ms. Tremblett to see what arrangements can be made.

i. Newfoundland Power

Received an email regarding Earth Day 2018 Contest. From April 22 – June 22 the town that has the largest number (per capita) of residents sign up for Newfoundland Power's e-bills will win an energy efficiency prize pack worth \$1000.00.

j. MacBeath Law

Received a letter from MacBeath Law regarding the Municipal Centre Damage Insurance Claim.

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

Councillor Burt, Committee Chairperson, presented a written report of a meeting the Committee held on April 5, 2018.

MOTION 2018-2981: S. BURT/R. GRIKIS

Motioned that the Finance Committee report of April 5, 2018 be accepted with the addition to item #8, "the contract will expire at the end of this calendar year".

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2018-2982: R. BROOKS/G. BENNETT

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank would donate the balance remaining in the grant from Municipal Affairs for former Councillor Warren of \$200 to Ms. Pearl Cumben.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2018-2983: S. BURT/C. WELSH

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank reroute the water line and sewer line of 3 Burt's Lane to the side of 17 Bayview Place and put in a clean out on the sewer line at an approximate cost of \$400, providing that the land owner of 17 Bayview Place agrees to pay for the use of the equipment to dig and cover up the lines and provided that the owner of the water line and sewer line of 3 Burt's Lane agrees to have the lines rerouted.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2018-2984: S. BURT/R. GRIKIS

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank purchase the required equipment to facilitate the attendance of meeting via electronic means.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

Town Clerk Follett was asked to check with Municipal Affairs to see if any funding is available for the purchase of the equipment.

At this time, Office Administrator Dolimount entered the meeting.

MOTION 2018-2985: S. BURT/R. BROOKS

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank donated \$500 to the Grand Bank Girl Guides.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

b. Development Committee

Councillor Brooks, Committee Member, presented a written report of a meeting the Committee held on April 11, 2018.

MOTION 2018-2986: R. BROOKS/R. GRIKIS

Motioned that the Development Committee report of April 11, 2018 be accepted as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

9. OLD BUSINESS

a. Update on Pursuit

Mayor Matthews noted that the owner of the vessel had to secure further insurance which has now been completed and he anticipated that Transport Canada will issue the necessary paperwork for the ship to leave in the near future.

b. Swimming Pool Update

Town Manager Bolt advised a great deal of work has been done on the pool and the commissioning is scheduled for tomorrow. If the go ahead is given, the seasonal workers will be on site for cleaning and final painting.

c. Bulk Items Collections

Mayor Matthews noted that a good clean up of our community was completed last week when bulk items that were put out before the specified time period were removed by town employees. These property owners will be invoiced in accordance with our policy. It was agreed that staff would go ahead and invoice property owners that violated this policy.

10. NEW BUSINESS

a. Social Media Campaign

Town Clerk Follett advised that a conference call was held with Francis Schiller, Media Campaign Organizer. A website will be up and running in the next couple of days and he will forward information for the town to send via email so that citizens can forward letters directly to Government officials. There will also be Facebook posts that can be shared and a Twitter campaign.

11. COUNCILLORS FORUM

a. Municipal Center

Mayor Matthews referred to the letter from the Town's solicitor regarding the municipal centre roof.

MOTION 2018-2987: R. GRIKIS/S. BURT

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank, in consultation with the Town's Solicitor, negotiate a fair settlement with the Insurance Company for the damages to the Municipal Center Roof.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

b. MP Todd Doherty

Councillor Burt noted that MP Todd Doherty recently met with council and toured the Clearwater plant. He has provided some exposure to the quota reduction for Clearwater which has been helpful.

c. Minor Hockey Tournament

Councillor Bennett advised he recently participated in the minor hockey tournament, as the HNL Coordinator, and that he brought greetings from the Town. Those who attended noted they were impressed with the area and indicated they will come back to visit.

12. COMMUNICATIONS FROM TOWN OFFICIALS

a. Volunteer Night

Recreation Director Burton reminded everyone of the Volunteer Social taking place this Thursday, April 19, 6:30 p.m. at the Grand Bank 50+ Club.

b. Lewis Hill

Town Manager Bolt advised that RJG Construction has begun the clean-up of Lewis Hill.

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2017-2988: R. GRIKIS/G. BENNETT

Motioned that the meeting adjourn at 5:00 p.m.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

Confirmed by: Rex C. Matthews

Cathy Follett

Town Clerk

Date: May 7, 2018