

Regular Meeting
Wednesday, May 1, 2013
6:00 p.m. – Town Office

Attendance: Mayor Eric Skinner
Deputy-Mayor Eric Day

Councillors: Donald Stewart Angela Tibbo
John H. Day Gerald Pittman
Dan Jackman

Also: Bernice Herritt & Palmer Strowbridge(6:30 p.m)

Residents on Bay d' Leau Drive

Trent Dominie, Amy & Gordie Baker:

Residents had requested to attend the meeting to outline their concerns with the recent work done on the road in the area on Bay d' Leau Drive. Concerns expressed in that the residents were not informed of any proposed work to be done to the road. They were also concerned with the fact that Council was unaware that this work was going on.

Due to the work done in this area, the road is now higher than his property. They feel that in order to correct the problem now, the road has to be taken down on one side. **Council explained that this area will have to be monitored, especially when it rains and will be looked at again to see what, if anything, can be done to correct the concerns outlined by residents.** The Baker's explained that they were concerned with rocks left and front of bank being cut out. Residents left the meeting at 6:25 p.m.

Palmer Strowbridge attended the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Ambulance Committee

John Vallis, Lloyd Blake & Bill Strowbridge:

Request to meet with Council seeking support and involvement with the Lions Club's plans to replace/relocate the ambulance building. Several options have been explored whether to purchase or construct a new building. Suggests that a committee be put in place to start the process to apply for funding under the 90/10 Capital Works Project, with the Lions Club picking up the 10% share. EDO be asked to find out if funds for this type of project are considered the same as other Capital Works Projects or if it's considered differently. Guests left at 6:45 p.m.

Councillors Eric Skinner, Eric Day & Dan Jackman are interested in being on the Working Committee with support from Staff for this proposal;

An explanation was then provided to the Town Superintendent, as to the concerns expressed from area residents on Bay d' Leau Drive regarding the recent work done to road. Town Super was asked to contact Red Indian Surveys requesting a copy of the survey indicating the proposed turnaround on land owned by private individual in the Bay d'Leau area. Also asked to follow up with the contractor regarding the re-paving on Harbour Drive as per correspondence received;

Discussion held on funds being available to do some paving in the event that a paving company comes in town this year this summer;

Concerns expressed in relation to the available bank balance and the current spending, the lack of communication with staff/council, decisions should be made by the full body of Council and not individual councilors & should be made at council meetings;

Mayor Skinner informed that he has made contact with a Recycler from Grand Falls that would be available in May to come to Hr. Breton to use the town's old asphalt to repair some of the smaller pot-holes around town, however, the holes would have to be prepped in advance;

Mayor Skinner then called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. and the Minutes of April 17, 2013 were presented for adoption, as circulated.

Errors/Omission – Minutes of April 17, 2013:

Page 2, Item # 8: Add: 'due to the town's policy';

Page 3, Item # 11: Add: 'due to the town's policy';

Page 3, Item # 9: Should read 'lot' and not 'lots';

Page 4, (Beautification): Should read 'some seeds are planted';

Page 4, (Other Business): Delete one of the words 'ensure';

Page 5, Item # 4: Add: ' to dump untreated blood and fish fins;'

Omission: EDO to be notified to update the town's website on a monthly basis;

Omission: It was Council's decision that only one employee, plus the driver, be permitted to assist with the garbage collection during the summer months. The Town Super was to inform the employees of this decision;

A letter to be written to the local fish-plant, with copy to the N.B office regarding the recent disposal at the town's dumpsite and outline what the proper disposal/ burial of fish offal at the town's dumpsite should be as per previous correspondence sent;

Clerk informed that, for the record, the minutes were edited and re-typed;

Motion#13-046:J. H. Day/E. Day

Resolved that the Minutes of April 17, 2013 be adopted, as read, as circulated, as edited.

In Favour: 7

Opposed: 0

Motion Carried.

Motion#13-047:D. Stewart/G. Pittman

Resolved that the Minutes of Special Meeting held on April 17, 2013 be adopted, as read, as circulated.

In Favour: 7

Opposed: 0

Motion Carried.

Business Arising – Minutes of April 17, 2013:

1. To date, unable to obtain copies of deeds for property in the down harbour area, however, one letter has been signed by the owner of one piece of property;
2. Mayor agreed to contact lawyer with regards to the property on 1 Stewart's Lane;

CORRESPONDENCE REPORT:

1. **Garbage Collection Regulations:** Proposed brochure outlining the garbage collection regulations as prepared by the EDO. Council to review prior to next meeting and advise accordingly, prior to adoption. Check out cost to copy at Crown Enterprises verses copied by the Town;
2. **B. Herritt:** Vacation request. Recommends approval;
3. **Resident on 6 Brunette Road:** Expressing concerns with the recent letter regarding the down-payment for the proposed land development. Acknowledge and advise that if he is not interested in this land, then the proposed lot(s) will be available on a first come, first serve basis. Also, advise that if the land is not approved by Crown Lands, then the full amount of the down-payment will be reimbursed;
4. **Nova Central School District:** Expressing strong opposition to the recent decision to abolish school boards in rural NL & establish one in St. John's;
5. **MNL Central Meeting:** Written report on the meetings that Clerk and EDO attended in Gander;
6. **Dept. of Justice:** Informing that our letter regarding Circuit Court has been referred to the Chief Judge Pike who is responsible for court circuits;

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Town Superintendent's Report attached to Minutes.

Building Committee Report attached to Minutes.

Town Super left the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

Finance Committee Report:

1. Report dated April 23, 2013 was presented by Councillor A. Johnston;
2. Recommends that a copy of the A/P listing be included with the report;
3. Price for Lots 11 & 12 was discussed;

Motion #13-052: E.Day/D. Jackman

Resolved that the price for lots 11 & 12 in the town's sub-division be set at \$15,000, plus hst, serviced with water/sewer and copy of survey.

In Favour: 7

Opposed: 0

Motion Carried.

Motion #13-053: J. H. Day/A. Tibbo

Resolved that the Finance Committee Report be adopted, as presented, as circulated.

In Favour: 7

Opposed: 0

Motion Carried.

LIASIONS:

- Fire Dept: No report at this time;
- Elliott Management Committee: Next meeting scheduled for next week;
- Arena Board/Recreation:
 1. Bank balances in the bank accounts were noted;
 2. Approx. cost to replace boards around the ice surface was discussed;
 3. Discussion on the re-instating of 'free bingo cards' to Commission members on April 28, 2013, after Council agreed in February 2013 that this would not be permitted. Mayor to notify the Chairperson that this motion made still stands. Mayor and Councillor D. Jackman to meet with Chairperson next week;
 4. Discussion on why the Commission plans on having another appreciation social on May 11, 2013, when the Town held their Volunteer Appreciation Event on April 27, 2013;
 5. Discussion on the renewal of the contract for the COBCF;
 6. Discussion on the community channel;

• Beautification Committee:

• Sunny Cottage Corporation:

• Hr. Breton Investment Corp:

Other Business:

1. Consideration for the 'new council' after the Municipal Election in September:
new residential sub-division development beyond Spencer's Brook Road;

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m. Motion by Councillor Eric Day and seconded by Councillor Gerald Pittman.

Eric Skinner – Mayor

Bernice Herritt - Clerk

