

1. CALL TO ORDER

Regular meeting #10 for 2017 of the Grand Bank Town Council was held in the Executive Boardroom at the Grand Bank Municipal Center on Monday, August 21, 2017 at 3:30 p.m.

Mayor Rex C. Matthews, Deputy Mayor Clayton Welsh, Councillors Stan Burt, and Rick Grikis, with Town Clerk (Acting) Sheila M. Dolimount. Also in attendance was Paul Herridge of the Southern Gazette. Secretary Michelle Patten entered the meeting later. Councillor Travis Parsons, Town Manager Wayne Bolt, Recreation Director Tom Burton, and Town Clerk Cathy Follett was off on holidays. Councillor Roger Brooks was working and Councillor Bruce Warren was off sick.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION 2017-2882: C. WELSH/R. GRIKIS

Motioned that the agenda be adopted as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

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

MOTION 2017-2883: C. WELSH/S. BURT

Motioned that the minutes of the regular meeting for July 24, 2017 be adopted as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**a. Garbage Rollout Bins**

Councillor Grikis advised he did not get a hold of anyone regarding the size of the rollout bins that would be required, however they have meeting next week so he should get the required information at that time.

6. INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION**a. NL and Lab Sexual Assault Crisis and Prevention Centre (NLSACPC)**

Received an email advising each year in September the NLSACPC and community partners organize Sexual Violence Awareness Week to raise awareness on sexual violence that occurs in this province. They have attached the following proclamation.

Proclamation - Sexual Violence Awareness Week

September 10th – 16th 2017

WHEREAS The *Newfoundland and Labrador Sexual Assault Crisis and Prevention Centre* (NLSACPC) works to provide response, information and education to the province of Newfoundland and Labrador, in the area of sexual violence, and

WHEREAS The NLSACPC is now commemorating the 18th Anniversary of the Sexual Violence Awareness Week as well as the 33rd Anniversary of the Take Back the Night march to further the common goal of eliminating sexual violence; and

WHEREAS The theme for Sexual Violence Awareness Week 2017 is “*Listen. Believe. Support*” which recognizes the necessity of supporting survivors and the urgent need to end sexual violence and its contributing factors so that we may have safe, healthy communities, and

WHEREAS Sexual assault is a crime that can affect anyone regardless of factors like age, gender, ability, socio-economic status, cultural background or other variables; and

WHEREAS The rate of sexual assault in Newfoundland and Labrador continues to be higher than the national average, and

WHEREAS This Municipal Government recognizes the need for people of our province to live in safe and caring communities where violence is unacceptable, and supports efforts that raise awareness and educate the public, and

THEREFORE Be it resolved that I, **Rex C. Matthews, Mayor of the Town of Grand Bank**, do hereby proclaim September 10th – 16th, 2017 as Sexual Violence Awareness Week and encourage all citizens to become involved in activities organized throughout this week.

MOTION 2017-2884: C. WELSH/R. GRIKIS

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank proclaim the week of September 10 – 16, 2017 as “*Sexual Violence Awareness Week*”.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

b. Grand Bank Development Corporation

Received an invitation for the official opening of the 2017 Annual Tradeshow and Holiday Fair on Friday, October 13th at 4:45 p.m. It was agreed that after the election they would advise who would be attending.

c. Statistics Canada

Received a letter advising Statistics Canada are conducting a “Canada’s Core Public Infrastructure Survey, 2016” on behalf of Infrastructure Canada. They have enclosed a package of ten (10) questionnaires for the survey and ask for it to be submitted by August 24th. Mayor Matthews advised that Town Manager Bolt was completing the survey.

d. Hogweed

Received an email from a concerned walker advising she noticed plants that look like hogweed at the Nature Trail. Mayor Matthews advised that Recreation Director Burton had appointed the maintenance workers to take care of this issue.

7. INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION

a. Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency (ACOA)

Received a letter advising they have received our application for financial assistance.

b. Department of Municipal Affairs and Environment

Received a letter of approval to transfer a parcel of land owned by the Town located at 27 Citadel Road to the local Salvation Army Corps.

c. Grand Bank Fire Department

Received a letter regarding the water supply for Old Road and Lower Marine Drive. Deputy Mayor Welsh questioned the issue of the water supply and Mayor Matthews advised that Town Manager Bolt had taken care of the concerns.

d. Municipal Assessment Agency Inc.

Received a letter congratulating Greg Rumbolt who will be retiring from the public service after more than 35 years.

e. Sheila Malcolmson, Member of Parliament

Received a letter seeking support for federal action on abandoned vessels. “Thousands of abandoned vessels are polluting our oceans and leaking oil into our waterways, jeopardizing valuable aquaculture and commercial fishing jobs”.

f. Veterans Affairs Canada

Received an agreement between Veterans Affairs Canada and the Town of Grand Bank. The agreement sets out the terms under which Veterans Affairs Canada will provide a contribution through the Commemorative Partnership Program. Mayor Matthews advised that the agreement has been signed and returned.

g. Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador (MNL)

Received a notice from the English School District advising candidates running in the upcoming election that placing signs, etc on school properties are not permitted.

h. All The Best Consulting

Received an email from Steve Tizzard, certified psychological health and safety advisor with the Canada Mental Health Association, advising he will offer his services free of charge to put off a course in our community.

Mayor Matthews advised that the Town has received a number of emails regarding Mental Health, however he suggested that the Town would get direction from Eastern Health before doing anything regarding all the emails, the Town needs to ensure they are compliment the approach taken by Eastern Health. Council would like to commend Eastern Health on a job they are doing regarding the issue of Mental Health.

i. Dicks, Rhonda

Received a petition created by Rhonda Dicks titled “Enforce Mental Illness Education into the Junior and Senior High School Curriculum in Canada”.

j. Community Business Development Corporations

Received their annual review for 2016-17.

k. Department of Municipal Affairs and Environment

Received the Supplementary Municipal Election Forms for the Municipal Elections 2017.

l. Eastern Health

Received an email advising the Burin Community Consultations Results. In the coming months they will establish a Community Advisory Committee.

m. Burin Peninsula Chamber of Commerce

* Volunteer Board Member Recruitment. Deadline, Thursday, August 31, 2017.

* Email from L. Robert Lymburner advising he is very supportive of the Grieg Project.

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

Councillor Stan Burt, Committee Chairperson, presented a written report of a meeting the Committee held on August 7, 2017.

MOTION 2017-2885: S. BURT/R. GRIKIS

Motioned that the Finance Committee report of August 7, 2017 be accepted as presented

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2017-2886: S. BURT/C. WELSH

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank appoint SNC Lavalin to be the Town's engineers for the 2017-18 MCWP Project No. 17-MCW-18-00008, Municipal Garage Upgrading.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2017-2887: S. BURT/R. GRIKIS

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank accept the change order #01 for CWWF-17-00134 - reduction in scope of work for Old Road/Lee's Lane W/S and Storm therefore decreasing the authorized contract to \$1,044,439.20.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

A letter was reviewed from bellc003 asking the Town for funding to install an entrance to Beckley Place. A consensus of council was that a letter be written advising that the idea of an entrance would enhance the development however the Town could not participate in a funding arrangement since this was a private development.

MOTION 2017-2888: S. BURT/C. WELSH

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank proceed with a tax auction due to outstanding taxes for 17 Bayview Place, Grand Bank.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2017-2889: S. BURT/R. GRIKIS

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank proceed with a tax auction due to outstanding taxes for 8 Church Street, Grand Bank.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2017-2890: S. BURT/C. WELSH

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank proceed with a tax auction due to outstanding taxes for 5 Lee's Lane, Grand Bank.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2017-2891: S. BURT/R. GRIKIS

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank proceed with a tax auction due to outstanding taxes for 77 Marine Drive, Grand Bank.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2017-2892: S. BURT/C. WELSH

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank proceed with a tax auction due to outstanding taxes for 1 Oceanview Street, Grand Bank.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2017-2893: S. BURT/R. GRIKIS

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank proceed with a tax auction due to outstanding taxes for 3 Rose Place, Grand Bank.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

b. Development Committee

Deputy Mayor Welsh, Committee Chairperson, presented a written report of a meeting the Committee held on August 9, 2017.

MOTION 2017-2894: C. WELSH/R. GRIKIS

Motioned that the Development Committee report of August 9, 2017 be accepted as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2017-2895: C. WELSH/R. GRIKIS

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank approve the property transfer with Small Craft Harbours, as outlined in the Memorandum of Agreement.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2017-2896: C. WELSH/S. BURT

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank approve the permit application from linfm001 at #20 Seaview Road to erect a 21' x 20' extension to dwelling.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2017-2897: C. WELSH/R. GRIKIS

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank approve the permit application from skinc007 at #1 Main Street to erect a 28' x 38' garage, 15' high based on recommendations from Town Manager Bolt.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

9. OLD BUSINESS

a. Swimming Pool Tender

Mayor Matthews advised that a tender has been called for the proposed upgrade to the Swimming Pool. He advised that there haven't been any issues with the Pool this past summer with the temporary improvements that were completed.

Secretary Michelle Patten entered the meeting at this time.

b. Lee's Lane/Old Road

Mayor Matthews advised that the work is on schedule and progressing well, hopefully it will be paved before the end of 2017.

c. Canada 150

Mayor Matthews advised that the community BBQ was a great success, we served about 500 people. He advised that he received a lot of positive feedback regarding the location of the Festival.

d. 50+ Club

Mayor Matthews advised that the electrical work has been completed and is all updated, however the work is still ongoing. The Club members are hoping to be back in the building by the end of September.

e. Waste Collection Vehicles

Mayor Matthews advised that a spot was found for the parking of the waste collection vehicles at Lewis Hills. An agreement has been forwarded to the owner, waiting for the return of the signed agreement.

10. NEW BUSINESS

a. Meeting with DFO Minister

Mayor Matthews advised that the Town was notified of a meeting with the DFO Minister in Moncton, NB however it was too short notice for representatives of Council to attend. Mayor Matthews advised that he is keeping in contact with the Minister's Office and a meeting will be set up in the future.

b. Burin Peninsula Mental Health Coalition

Mayor Matthews advised that the Deputy Mayor and himself, attended the Mental Health Coalition meetings being held, they were very well attended. He also advised that there is another meeting scheduled for Thursday, August 24, 2017. Councillor Burt stated that it is great leadership to get this initiative moving.

c. Make your mark campaign

Mayor Matthews advised that materials have been sent out by Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador (MNL) to be forwarded to our residents, regarding people who are interested in making their mark in the upcoming election.

d. Prostate Cancer Awareness Month

Mayor Matthews noted that an email was received municipalities recognizing September as Prostate Cancer Awareness Month.

MOTION 2017-2898: C. WELSH/S. BURT

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank recognize September 2017 as "Prostate Cancer Awareness Month".

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

11. **COUNCILLORS FORUM**

a. **Facilities**

Mayor Matthews stated that some discussion needs to be held to make everyone aware that the lights need to be turned off when a room or area is not being used. He advised that Town Manager Bolt has already made some of the town workers aware of this issue. Councillor Burt suggested that the light switches should be marked.

b. **Parking - Citadel Road**

Mayor Matthews inquired about a complaint he received regarding parking in the area of Citadel Road. Deputy Mayor Welsh advised that this issue was discussed during a previous Development Committee meeting and it was agreed at that time that the area is to be monitored.

c. **Wharf**

Both Councillor Burt and Deputy Mayor Welsh advised that they have received complaints from individuals regarding not having anywhere for people to sit close to the water. Town Manager Bolt is asked to investigate this issue further.

d. **Summer Festival**

Councillor Burt commented on how well the Summer Festival was this year and that the overall venue was great. He stated that it was a very positive reaction from people and that it was nice that the Town of Fortune came down to help out. Deputy Mayor Welsh commended the Special Events Committee on a job well done for such a small membership.

e. **Land Development**

Deputy Mayor Welsh suggested that the future council will need to look at land for development.

f. **VOCM Radio**

Deputy Mayor Welsh advised that he was glad to be able to listen to VOCM radio for the first time in a long time, the format has been changed back to the old format.

Mayor Matthews stated that with the radio station gone from this area that there is a breakdown in communications as to what is going on in communities on the Burin Peninsula. Mayor Matthews advised that he will be writing the Burin Peninsula Chamber of Commerce about these concerns.

g. **Signs**

Councillor Grikis questioned when the signs will be put up regarding Community Park. He was advised that Recreation Director Burton is looking after this.

12. **COMMUNICATIONS FROM TOWN OFFICIALS**

13. **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION 2017-2899: S. BURT/R. GRIKIS

Motioned that the meeting adjourn at 4:52 p.m.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

Confirmed by: Rex C. Matthews

Sheila M. Dolimount
Town Clerk (Acting)

Date: September 11, 2017