

1. CALL TO ORDER

Regular meeting #5 for 2017 of the Grand Bank Town Council was held in the Executive Boardroom at the Grand Bank Municipal Center on Monday, May 1, 2017 at 4:35 p.m.

Mayor Rex C. Matthews, Councillors Roger Brooks, Stan Burt, Rick Grikis and Bruce Warren attended along with Town Manager Wayne Bolt, and Town Clerk (Acting) Sheila M. Dolimount, and, also in attendance Paul Herridge of the Southern Gazette.

Councillor Travis Parsons, along with Town Clerk Cathy Follett are off sick. Deputy Mayor Clayton Welsh and Recreation Director Tom Burton are on vacation.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION 2017-2827: R. BROOKS/R. GRIKIS

Motioned that the agenda be adopted with the addition to 4 Adoption of Minutes - Emergency Minutes.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

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

MOTION 2017-2828: S. BURT/R. BROOKS

Motioned that the minutes of the regular meeting for April 10, 2017 be adopted as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2017-2829: B. WARREN/R. GRIKIS

Motioned that the minutes of the Emergency meeting for April 19, 2017 be adopted as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES – APRIL 10, 2017**a. Use of ATV's**

Mayor Matthews advised that the Town has not yet met with the RCMP to discuss this issue, however a meeting will be requested.

b. Meeting with Bugs Greene

Councillor Brooks questions if the meeting is still going ahead with Bugs Greene. Town Manager Bolt advised that one meeting was cancelled and another one has not been rescheduled to-date. Councillor Grikis advised that it cost Garnish \$1000 for their promotional video and \$3000 for Frenchmen's Cove.

c. RJG Construction Ltd.

Councillor Grikis questioned if the letter had been forwarded to RJG Construction with all guidelines in place for the dumping and clean-up of Lewis Hill. Town Manager Bolt advised that the letter has been sent.

d. Roll-out Bins

Mayor Matthews questioned if anything had been decided or received on the roll-out bins project. Councillor Grikis advised that it was discussed at the last Burin Peninsula Regional Service Board meeting and contact is to be made with the Town Manager and Town Clerk by Joe Pittman. It was agreed that Councillor Grikis should also be at a meeting between the Town Manager, Town Clerk and Joe Pittman.

e. Small Craft Harbours

Councillor Warren questioned if we had heard back from Small Craft Harbours since the meeting. Town Manager Bolt advised they have not yet gotten back to us.

f. Letters to MHA Haley

Councillor Grikis questioned if the Town had heard from MHA Haley regarding the letter on the highway. Mayor Matthews advised that we received a letter back from her and that they haven't gotten all the technical details figured out.

g. Health Care

Councillor Grikis questioned if anything further on the health care review. Mayor Mathews advised that there was a meeting held at the Fire Hall, hosted by Eastern Health, today on mental health and addictions. He advised that it was a good session.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES - APRIL 19, 2017

6. INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION

a. Francois Choquette – House of Commons

Received a letter looking for support to pass Bill C-203 which would amend the Supreme Court Act by establishing a new requirement for judges appointed to the Supreme Court to understand and speak French and English.

b. Eastern Health

Received an email advising the Town has been selected to take part in a public planning session regarding the delivery of primary health-care services on the Burin Peninsula. The session for Grand Bank is scheduled for May 1, 2017 from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

c. Burin Peninsula Waste Management

Received an email advising they will provide bins for public drop off in Grand Bank on May 6th.

d. Concerned Citizen

Received an email regarding dog feces on the sides of the roads. Mayor Matthews advised that himself and Town Manager Bolt discussed this issue, and it was agreed to have the Animal Control officer go around Town periodically and to send out emails to remind residents to pick up their animals poop.

7. INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION

a. Municipal Newfoundland and Labrador (MNL)

Received an info note – Municipal Awareness Day May 10th.

b. Newfoundland Design Associates Limited

Received a letter advising of their company. They have been providing engineering services to various municipalities in Newfoundland and Labrador since 1963.

c. King, Candace, Government of NL & Labrador

Received an email advising on Animal Protection Enforcement Training which will be held in Corner Brook. The program will run for two weeks and they are trying to schedule it for the end of June.

d. Centre for Local Prosperity

Received an email advising of a public meeting on May 2nd at Burin to discuss strategies to develop a sustainable, inclusive and prosperous Burin Peninsula Economy.

e. MacBeath Law

Received a letter advising they have received our proposed changes to the Animal Control Regulations and offered some suggestions. Some discussion took place.

f. Haley, Carol Anne MHA

- * Received a letter advising she had received a letter from the Town on April 10th regarding the roadwork on a section of highway between Grand Bank and Fortune.
- * Received a letter advising receipt of a letter sent on April 10th regarding the hours of operation at the Dr. S. Beckley Health Care Centre.

g. Veterans Affairs Canada

Received a letter advising that Veterans Affairs Canada has approved funding under the Commemorative Partnership Program. This funding will assist with the restoration of the Memorial.

h. Dept of Municipal Affairs

Received an email with Municipal Elections 2017 documents.

i. Thank you card

Received a card from the Rose/Savoury Family.

j. Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner

Received a disclosure of the law enforcement guidance document.

k. Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)

- * Received an email thanking the Town for renewing its membership.
- * Received an email regarding the legislation (Bill C-45) to legalize and control the sale and consumption of recreational cannabis. They are encouraging municipalities to read the full overview on their website to see how this will affect the province and municipalities.

l. Statistics Canada

Received an email inviting the Town to participate in a webinar series. The current topic is 2016 Census. The Webinar will provide users with a briefing of approximately 15 minutes. This will be held on Wednesday, May 3rd at 10:00 a.m.

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

Councillor Stan Burt, Committee Chairperson, presented a written report of a meeting the Committee held on April 26, 2017.

MOTION 2017-2830: S. BURT/B. WARREN

Motioned that the Finance Committee report of April 26, 2017 be accepted as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

b. Development Committee

Councillor Warren, Committee member, presented a written report of a meeting the Committee held on April 26, 2017.

MOTION 2017-2831: B. WARREN/R. GRIKIS

Motioned that the Development Committee report of April 26, 2017 be accepted as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

9. OLD BUSINESS**a. 2017 Capital Works Program**

Town Manager Bolt advised that the Capital Works application is gone to government for funding for the Town Garage, Municipal Dam and Marine Drive area. He also advised that Stoodley Place will be proceeding soon with a new water and sewer main. Paving will be done later in the summer. More asphalt is required for West Street and Hyde Street. Councillor Burt expressed his concerns about the considerable bumps in the road on Hyde Street.

MOTION 2017-2832: B. WARREN/R. BROOKS

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank submit its Capital Investment Plan to the Department of Municipal and Intergovernmental Affairs for Gas Tax funding in the amount of \$29,272.10 for Roads Upgrading for West Street and Hyde Street/Hickman Street.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

Town Manager Bolt also advised that the tender papers for Old Road/Lee's Lane have been looked at by the Department of Environment, with the tenders going out soon.

Town Manager Bolt advised that the tender for the pool is being looked at, he advised that it was published in a newsletter by the Newfoundland and Labrador Construction Association that the Town had \$500,000 in funding for work on the pool.

b. E-Mail System

Mayor Matthews advised that the Town's email system was blocked from going out to our residents for a short while. He advised this was due to the overuse of the number of emails being sent out. It is up and running again now.

c. Water and Sewer Taxes

Mayor Matthews advised that due to the email system being down, the notification of water shut offs was delayed, however, since the emails have been going out, the water and sewer taxes are being paid.

d. Atlantic Pursuit Update

Councillor Warren advised that they have the engines and power up and running, and that the electronics will be installed soon. She will be towed out once this is ready.

10. NEW BUSINESS**a. Eastern Health Consultations – Re Primary Health Care Services**

Discussed earlier in the meeting.

b. Support Group for dealing with depression, anxiety, etc.

Mayor Matthews advised that he has had discussion with different groups to get their feelings on this kind of group, and he has had a good response. A brochure will be going out by next Wednesday to help promote their meetings.

c. Flag policy

Mayor Matthews advised that Recreation Director Burton and himself are looking a Flag Policy to avoid issues with the flags looking ragged during the winter months. It was agreed to defer to another meeting so Councillors could investigate it further.

d. Dumpster Program 2017 – May 6, 2017

Mayor Matthews advised that a schedule has been completed by the Burin Peninsula Regional Service Board letting everyone know when and where the dumpsters will be at a certain time of the year. It will be emailed to all residents prior to the dumpsters being in Grand Bank or Fortune. It was copied for all Councillors.

e. Music and Memory – Blue Crest Home

Mayor Matthews advised that while at the volunteer social at the Blue Crest Home it was brought to his attention of a new program being put in place, Music and Memories. They are looking to purchase earphones for each resident to encourage them to use their hands, feet, etc, to go with the music.

MOTION 2017-2833: R. GRIKIS/B. WARREN

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank donate \$360 to the program to purchase earphones.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

f. Council Meeting Times

Mayor Matthews advised that he received an email from Councillor Parsons, who is now working in Marystown, to change the council meetings. He advised that he went back to Councillor Parsons stating that most of the Town's major business has been dealt with for this year and there are only 4 – 5 meetings remaining before the election and that if he could look at his schedule and arrange his time, if possible, so that he can be at the meeting at his earliest opportunity, and that he could ask whatever questions or business he would like to raise once he gets to the meeting. It was agreed that the time for the meetings would stay as is for the remainder of this term, and anything major would be dealt with once Councillor Parsons arrives at the meeting.

g. Clean-up Week: May 29th to June 2nd

Town Manager Bolt advised that Clean-up Week is May 29th to June 2nd as bulk items will be picked up on June 2nd by the Burin Peninsula Regional Service Board. He advised that letters have gone out to the groups/organizations to participate in the clean up

11. COUNCILLORS FORUM**a. Bulk Garbage**

Councillor Burt questioned why the bulk garbage is out so early now when it's about two weeks before the pickup. It was discussed that the Council may have to look at charging those persons who are placing their bulk garbage out before the scheduled time. It was also agreed to send out an email to residents to remind them of when bulk collection is.

12. COMMUNICATIONS FROM TOWN OFFICIALS**a. Insurance – Municipal Centre**

Town Manager Bolt advised that he has been informed of when he has to do the discovery for the insurance. It is June 5th and 6th in St. John's.

b. Seasonal & Casual Workers

Town Manager Bolt advised that the seasonal and casual workers are back today. He also advised that the start up of work is behind about three weeks due to the weather.

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2017-2834: S. BURT/R. GRIKIS

Motioned that the meeting adjourn at 5:50 p.m.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

Confirmed by: Rex C. Matthews

Sheila M. Dolimount

Town Clerk (Acting)

Date: May 23, 2017