

Minutes

Item 1: Call to Order

Mayor R. Hobbs called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm on December 18, 2012 and presided with the following individuals in attendance:

Deputy Mayor D. Tremblett
Councillor B. King
Councillor A. Hynes
Councillor P. Budgell
Councillor F. Mills
Councillor R. Canning

Randy Drover, Town Manager
Dan Oldford, Town Clerk/Land Officer

Item 2: Opening Prayer in the Form of Silent Reflection

A minute of silence was provided for a private prayer, with special note made to reflect on the week's past tragedy at an Elementary school in Connecticut.

Item 3: Adoption of the Agenda

Mayor Hobbs opened the floor for additions to the agenda resulting in the following amendments: (1) Changes to Fire Department SOPS (sponsored by Mayor Hobbs), (2) Changes to Water and Sewer Regulations retroactive to November 20th, 2012 (sponsored by Mayor Hobbs and (3) Nalcor discussions were added under general business (sponsored by Mayor Hobbs).

Motion 254/2012 – Councillor King/Councillor Canning

To adopt the agenda for public meeting 1317 as amended.

Yeas: 7 – Mayor Hobbs, Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Councillor King, Councillor Hynes, Councillor Budgell, Councillor Mills and Councillor Canning.

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

Item 4: Adoption of Minutes for Public Council Meeting No. 1316

Motion 255/2012 – Deputy Mayor Tremblett/Councillor Mills

To adopt the minutes for public meeting 1316 as presented.

Yeas: 7 – Mayor Hobbs, Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Councillor King, Councillor Hynes, Councillor Budgell, Councillor Mills and Councillor Canning.

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

Item 5: Business Arising from the Minutes of Public Council Meeting No. 1316

Questions and discussions in relation to the minutes for public meeting 1312 were as follows:

- QA1: Councillor King questioned the status of discussions with Nalcor and the Department of Municipal Affairs in terms of the water tax/grant-in-lieu. Mayor Hobbs advised that he has spoken to the Vice President of Nalcor and he is hoping for a meeting between Nalcor, Department of Natural Resources, Department of Municipal Affairs and the Town. The expectation is that this meeting will be within the first couple of weeks of the New Year. Mayor Hobbs advised that he will be calling to check on the meeting schedule in January.
- QA2: Councillor Hynes inquired if information on the lighting of the Trestle would be included in the Town's annual Newsletter. Mayor Hobbs advised that it would be included, with a new layout of the newsletter planned as well.
- QA3: Councillor Mills questioned the status of the Score Clock contract for the Pat O'Reilly Memorial Stadium. Councillor King advised that correspondence had been received after the last Rec meeting and would be evaluated at the first Rec. meeting in January 2013.

Item 6: Municipal Operating Budget 2013

Councillor Canning, Chairperson of the Governance Standing Committee with the Mayor's leave, made the following presentation regarding the 2013 Municipal Operating Budget.

Your Worship, I am pleased today to present the 2013 Municipal Operating Budget that has been prepared for Council's consideration by the Governance Standing Committee as per its mandate. As my colleagues know, the assessed value of residential and commercial properties will increase, on average, by 15% and 5% in 2013, respectively. Confronted with this reality, the Committee was challenged to find the right blend of fiscal policies that meet the needs of the municipality while ensuring our residents and businesses are not unreasonably burdened with taxation. To this end, I am pleased to state that we have satisfied our statutory obligation to produce a balanced budget, and have done so by lowering the mill rate from 11 to 9.5, increasing the residential water/sewer tax from \$395 to \$450, and

updating our business taxation policies. These decisions were not easy, rest assured, and the Committee considered many options when designing the 2013 budget. The budget before you today reconciles the diverse perspectives on the important issues and needs facing our community, and we are quite pleased with the 2013 spending plan. That said, Your Worship, I will now highlight the material aspects of the budget.

General Statement

Generally speaking, Mr. Mayor, the budget has grown by approximately 10% since the initial estimates for 2012 were adopted in December 2011, and it now rests at \$3,206,170. When compared to the 2012 mid-year budget, however, revenues and expenses have increased by 4.5%.

In terms of community growth, the Town issued 112.5% more permits for new developments in 2012 than it did in 2011. This equates to an additional nine (9) homes over 2011, bringing 2012 new construction to 17 dwellings. I believe this is significant when you consider the fact our development opportunities are limited until the Department of Environment and Conservation releases its restriction on expansions to the sewer system. As you know, sewage treatment has been the Department's primary concern, and now that it's about to become a reality, we hope this restriction will be lifted in the very near future. The further development of our community is constrained until such time.

As a final note on the subject, Your Worship, Council will be pleased to learn that the Town issued 55% more permits in total this year (this includes new dwellings, expansions, accessory buildings, etc.), along with four (4) business licences.

Revenue and Taxation

Revenues and taxation were the cause of great debate at Committee during the preparation of the budget. Many of us, listening to our colleagues and residents, recognized that status quo, in light of the increase in assessed values, would be difficult to maintain. To this end, from the beginning the Committee was resolved to find a way to reduce the mill rate; therefore, we are pleased to report that on a macro level, the increase in assessed values has been effectively negated because the mill rate will be lowered from 11 to 9.5. It is important to note that while the decrease of 1.5 mills neutralizes the increase in assessed values for the Town as a whole, individual tax bills will not remain the same for all. Some will pay more because their assessed value increased by more than 15%. Conversely, others will pay less.

As stated earlier, the Town is in the process of bringing about a sewage treatment system. Our engineers are presently working on the design and location of the plant, and we hope to be in a position to tender in 2013. This project is a key objective in the municipality's ICSP (strategic plan), and many, many residents have expressed the need for this system for over 15 years. Indeed, the future development of the Town is constrained until sewage treatment becomes a reality. Beyond that, we recognize our environmental obligation to cease the practice of depositing waste water into the Exploits River. This, however, does not come without a cost, and the 2013 budget includes an increase of \$55 to the resident water/sewer tax to pay for the present costs of the sewage treatment project. In our view, this is money well spent, and we trust the taxpayers feel the same way.

Mr. Mayor, the Committee conducted an extensive analysis of our business tax policies. We reviewed the tax schedules for five (5) other similar municipalities in this context, and it was quickly discovered that Bishop's Falls was not only the lowest in most cases, it was sometimes the lowest by 1340%! That said, the Committee was cognitive of the fact that taxes cannot be increased unreasonably, especially

when the businesses of Bishop's Falls have become accustomed to this extremely low level of taxation. Furthermore, unreasonable increases to the business taxes can have adverse effects on the local economy. These entities must, however, pay a reasonable share of the municipality's expenses. Hence, the 2013 budget includes the following reasonable increases to business taxes:

Type	2013 Tax	2012 Tax
Minimum business tax	\$350	\$300
General business tax	3.5 mills	NA
Farms and resource based industries	2.5 mills	1.0 mills
Manufactures	2.5 mills	1.75 mills
Drug stores	4.0 mills	1.25 mills
Funeral homes	4.0 mills	1.25 mills
Doctor offices	4.0 mills	2.50 mills
Senior/Retirement homes	2.0 mills	1.25 mills

Overall, Mr. Mayor, the revenue estimates for 2013 are as follows:

		% of Revenue
Property Taxes	1,332,587	41.56%
Business Taxes	227,511	7.10%
Water and Sewer Taxes	785,231	24.49%
Poll Taxes	65,250	2.04%
Utility Taxes	157,000	4.90%
Sale of Goods and Services	109,203	3.41%
Other Revenue	30,500	0.95%
Provincial Government Transfers	283,445	8.84%
Federal Government Transfers	148,462	4.63%
Other Transfers	<u>66,981</u>	2.09%
	3,206,170	

Before moving on to expenses, I want to highlight the fact that in 2013, church properties will once again be exempted from the water/sewer tax.

Expenditures

The residents of our community expect a reasonable standard of service, Your Worship. They expect infrastructure to be maintained and basic public services (i.e. snow clearing, garbage, etc.) to be provided. This Council has worked hard over the past three (3) years, against significant financial constraints, to do just that. We have, among other things, repaved roads, repaired asphalt, cleaned ditches, and upgraded the sewage system while maintaining present services. The 2013 budget will continue this good work. Our spending plan highlights include the following:

- (1) Approximately \$62,000 for the Town's share of the Beaumont Heights/Hynes Road reconstruction project. If approved by the Department of Municipal Affairs, the municipality is positioned, for a second consecutive year, to pave a road without resorting to debt.
- (2) \$47,000 for payments on a new flyer for the Public Works Department. As stated many times before, the Town's equipment is aging and we must begin a replacement program. The flyer is where we must start.

- (3) Approximately \$40,000 to repair the road shoulder in Town and to replace the worn culvert on Beaumont Heights.
- (4) \$35,000 for asphalt repairs.
- (5) \$20,500 for additional ditching, calcium and other road related works.
- (6) Approximately \$20,000 for payments on a new Zamboni. It comes as no surprise that our Zamboni has outlived its useful life, and so long as we have a stadium, this equipment is necessary. We need something dependable.

In addition to these measures, the Committee also considered the honourarium structure in the Bishop's Falls Fire Department. These men and women put their lives on the line each time they respond to an emergency situation, and while we show them our appreciation in other ways, the honourarium is our official means of doing so. It has been at least three (3) years since they received an increase, and Council believed it was time to acknowledge, once again, their endless commitment to the service of our community. Mr. Mayor, we also recognized that our Fire Chief and the other Executive Officers take on a greater workload and responsibility, and this should equate to a larger honourarium. In this context, Your Worship, the 2013 budget includes the following honorariums for the Bishop's Falls Fire Department (it is important to note the current honourarium is \$200):

- (1) Fire Chief - \$600
- (2) All other Executive Officers - \$400
- (3) Firefighters - \$300

Mr. Mayor, the Committee would also like to highlight that, for the fourth budget since we assumed office, Council remuneration is fixed. Our focus has been to direct the municipality's resources to the areas of most need. While our fiscal situation has improved over the past three (3) years, Council remuneration has never been increased along with local revenues. It has remained fixed for four (4) years. Austerity requires leadership.

Overall, Your Worship, the expenditure estimates are as follows:

		% of Expenses
General Government	569,981	17.78%
Protective Services	92,704	2.89%
Transportation Services	717,245	22.37%
Environmental Health	374,517	11.68%
Recreation	249,811	7.79%
Fiscal Services	<u>1,201,912</u>	37.49%
	3,206,170	

Conclusion

The Governance Standing Committee is pleased to present the last of our budgets for this mandate. This budget has been, perhaps, one of our greatest policy challenges. We had a goal to include preventive maintenance and capital spending in our budgets on an annual basis. This will not only maintain what we have, but it will encourage growth and improvement as well. This has been achieved in 2013. Moreover, as Council and the residents of our community know, many substantive

expenditures have been downloaded to the municipality over the past couple of years by government, not the least of which is the new method of waste collection and disposal. Despite these additional costs, Council has managed to avoid tax increases for the past two (2) years. In 2013, however, with sewage treatment becoming a reality, this can no longer be avoided. By reducing the mill rate on property tax, increasing the water/sewer rate, and updating the business tax, the Committee believes we have struck a reasonable balance between the diverse needs of our community and its local government.

We are on the right path, but our vigilance must not waver. We must continue to be effective stewards of the treasury to ensure our investments are strategic and in the best interest of Bishop's Falls.

That concludes my presentation, Your Worship.

Motion 256/2012 – Councillor Canning/Councillor Budgell

That Council shall adopt the *2013 Municipal Operating Budget* as presented.

DISCUSSION/DEBATE

The following points were raised during debate: (1) The Committee as well as Senior Management were to be commended for their work on the budget. (2) The Gas Tax Secretariat has approved has approved both McMahon's Lane reconstruction as well as .3 km of resurfacing in the far west end of Main St.

Question was called.

Yeas: 7 – Mayor Hobbs, Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Councillor King, Councillor Hynes, Councillor Budgell, Councillor Mills and Councillor Canning.

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

Motion 257/2012 – Councillor Canning/Councillor Budgell

That Council shall adopt *2013 Municipal Operating Budget Tax Schedule and Policy* as presented.

Yeas: 7 – Mayor Hobbs, Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Councillor King, Councillor Hynes, Councillor Budgell, Councillor Mills and Councillor Canning.

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

Item 7: Standing Committee Reports and Recommendations

7.1 PUBLIC WORKS STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING NO. 306 (DEC. 12, 2012)

7.1.1 Chairperson's Report

Councillor Budgell, Chairperson, presented the following report:

- Held a regular meeting on December 12th, 2012 in Council's Chambers.
- A complaint from a resident was reviewed regarding Snow Clearing. The Town manager and Public works Supervisor have been requested to do a review of all our snow clearing procedures and will report back to the committee in January.
- Two applications for land rezoning have been submitted as well as a request for recommendation for Crown Land development. All three (3) for an area at the end of Newtown Road. This land is currently CDA (Comprehensive Development Area) and as such the whole area needs a review prior to any single applications. This review should be completed as part of the Town's Municipal Update currently being completed by Tract Consulting. Awaiting this review all three requests shall be denied.
- There have been a number of concerns being raised involving the waves in the paving of the west end road project completed this fall. Management are in consultation with the Engineers and awaiting test results.

7.1.2 Recommendations Arising

Resolution 258/2012 - Deputy Mayor Tremblett/Councillor Canning

Whereas Council firmly believes in building a strong team of management and staff; and whereas the attendance at conventions such as the CPWA have shown to increase the knowledge and experience for the Public Works Administration, be it therefore resolved that Council shall send its Public Works Supervisor to the CPWA being held in St. John's in May of 2013.

Yeas: 7 – Mayor Hobbs, Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Councillor King, Councillor Hynes, Councillor Budgell, Councillor Mills and Councillor Canning.

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

Resolution 259/2012 - Deputy Mayor Tremblett/Councillor Mills

Whereas council has become aware of dumping on a private property parcel of land on Sunset Drive; and whereas the Town's *Waste Collection and Disposal Regulations* clearly state such dumping is illegal and shall be removed; and whereas the Town Manager has issued a request to have this property cleaned up; and whereas to date this request has not been complied with; be it therefore resolved that the in compliance with the *Municipalities Act, 1999* the Town Clerk/Land Officer shall issue an Order for cleanup of this property.

Yeas: 7 – Mayor Hobbs, Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Councillor King, Councillor Hynes, Councillor Budgell, Councillor Mills and Councillor Canning.

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

Motion 260/2012 - Deputy Mayor Tremblett/Councillor Mills

To rescind resolution 259/2012.

DISCUSSION/DEBATE

The Town Manager advised Council that further to a letter of request issued, to clean up the refuse and litter at the Sunset Drive property, the rightful property Owner of the property has had the site cleaned up.

Yeas: 7 – Mayor Hobbs, Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Councillor King, Councillor Hynes, Councillor Budgell, Councillor Mills and Councillor Canning.

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

Resolution 261/2012 - Deputy Mayor Tremblett/Councillor Hynes

Whereas Council has received a referral request from the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador regarding seven (7) quarries in the surrounding area; and whereas the Town's Public Works Supervisor has duly checked these sites and has no objection to there level of operation; and whereas Council wishes to support its business operations, it is therefore resolved that the Town Clerk/Land Officer shall confirm Council's support of the continuation operation of these seven (7) quarries as submitted.

DISCUSSION/DEBATE

The following point was raised during debate: Each of these quarries has been in operation for a number of years now and there has been no issue.

Yeas: 7 – Mayor Hobbs, Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Councillor King, Councillor Hynes, Councillor Budgell, Councillor Mills and Councillor Canning.

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

7.2 GOVERNANCE STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING NO. 43 (SEPT 11, 2012)

7.2.1 Chairperson's Report

Councillor Canning, Chairperson, presented the following report:

- A regular meeting was held on December 12, 2012 with Councillor Budgell (member), Councillor King (member), and Mayor Hobbs in attendance.
- The Committee considered the Income/Expense Statement (Budget), AP Transaction Journal, Capital Works/Grants Income Statement, Capital Works/Grants Budget Reports, Cash Report, AR Report, and Routine Payments for the period. No material concerns were raised.

In terms of where we are presently, the table below provides that information for each budget category on the expense side of the statement.

Category	% of Budget Used TD
Council (remuneration, travel, supplies, etc.)	60
Administration (wages, insurances, supplies, etc.)	89
Property Assessment	100
Professional Development & Training	37
Public Relations	115
Protective Services (Fire Dept. and animal control)	98
Vehicle & Fleet Operations and Maintenance	76
Roads (wages, supplies, equipment rental, etc.)	97
Snow Removal	38
Street Lights	89
Water Supply	102
Sewer Collection and Disposal	126
Garbage & Waste Collection and Disposal	80
Recreation Administration (wages)	90
Parks/Playgrounds/Fields	93
Stadium (wages, supplies, maintenance, etc.)	101

Tax revenue is sitting close or above what was projected in the June 2012 estimates. Council will be pleased to know that cash remains in a healthy position.

- The Committee finalized the 2013 municipal operating budget during this meeting.

7.2.2 Recommendations

Resolution 262/2012 – Councillor Canning/Councillor King

Be it resolved that Council shall approve the A/P Transaction Journal dated December 11, 2012, totalling \$42,162.21, for disbursement as presented.

Yeas: 7 – Mayor Hobbs, Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Councillor King, Councillor Hynes, Councillor Budgell, Councillor Mills and Councillor Canning.

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

Resolution 263/2012 – Councillor Canning/Councillor King

Be it resolved that Council shall ratify the Routine Payments for November 2012, totalling \$95,183.83, as presented.

Yeas: 7 – Mayor Hobbs, Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Councillor King, Councillor Hynes, Councillor Budgell, Councillor Mills and Councillor Canning.

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

Resolution 264/2012 – Councillor Canning/Deputy Mayor Tremblett

Be it resolved that Council shall decline the opportunity to become a member of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities in 2013.

Yeas: 7 – Mayor Hobbs, Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Councillor King, Councillor Hynes, Councillor Budgell, Councillor Mills and Councillor Canning.

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

Resolution 265/2012 – Councillor Canning/Councillor Mills

Whereas in correspondence received November 22, 2012 the South and Central Health Foundation is seeking donations for a therapeutic hypothermia system; and whereas Council feels this equipment is needed for this region; therefore, be it resolved that Council shall approve a donation of \$100 to the South and Central Health Foundation for a therapeutic hypothermia system.

Yeas: 7 – Mayor Hobbs, Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Councillor King, Councillor Hynes, Councillor Budgell, Councillor Mills and Councillor Canning.

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

Resolution 266/2012 – Councillor Canning/Councillor Hynes

Whereas Council approved a \$313,000 loan from the BMO on August 17, 2012 to finance the infiltration and detection project (the precursory project to the sewage treatment plant); and whereas to date

\$164,653.54 has been drawn; and whereas the Town estimates it will need an additional \$103,289.70 of this loan to complete the project; and whereas the BMO requires an updated *approval to borrow* from the Department of Municipal Affairs; and whereas, in turn, the Department of Municipal Affairs requires an updated *request to borrow* from Council; therefore, be it resolved that;

- (1) Council shall seek approval from the Department of Municipal Affairs to borrow an additional \$110,000 against the \$313,000 loan that was approved on August 17, 2012; and
- (2) Council shall authorize the Town Manager to drawdown up to \$110,000 against the \$313,000 loan that was approved on August 17, 2012 to cover expenses related to the project.

Yeas: 7 – Mayor Hobbs, Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Councillor King, Councillor Hynes, Councillor Budgell, Councillor Mills and Councillor Canning.

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

Resolution 267/2012 – Councillor Canning/Deputy Mayor Tremblett

Be it resolved that Council shall purchase an ad in the *Advertiser's* Christmas Greetings at a cost of \$75.

Yeas: 7 – Mayor Hobbs, Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Councillor King, Councillor Hynes, Councillor Budgell, Councillor Mills and Councillor Canning.

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

Resolution 268/2012 – Councillor Canning/Councillor King

Whereas the Central Newfoundland Waste Management Authority (CNWMA) decided to impose a tipping fee of \$117 per tonne; and whereas this tipping fee was calculated based on the CNWMA including material recovery and composting in its operations; and whereas in the absence of these functions the tipping fee was calculated to be \$88 per tonne; and whereas material recovery and composting will not be operational until 2015; and whereas the CNWMA, despite the fact these functions are not part of its present operations, continues to impose a tipping fee of \$117; therefore, be it resolved that Council shall write the CNWMA to request that a tipping fee of \$88, with a moderate adjustment for inflation, be imposed until such time as the material recovery and compositing functions are operational.

DISCUSSION/DEBATE

The following points were raised during debate: (1) The \$117.00/tonne is the price being charged to everyone (Towns, Commercial, Residents); and (2) Could this possibly have been an oversight on the part of CNWMA.

Yeas: 7 – Mayor Hobbs, Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Councillor King, Councillor Hynes, Councillor Budgell, Councillor Mills and Councillor Canning.

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

Item 8: General Business

8.1 JUDGING FOR CHRISTMAS LIGHT-UP CONTEST

It was agreed by consensus that 2 members of the Community Relations Standing Committee would conduct the judging.

8.2 CHANGES TO S.O.P.S. FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT

Resolution 269/2012 – Councillor King/Deputy Mayor Tremblett

Whereas the Town believes that Standard Operating Procedures are a great tool in maintaining a smooth and efficient operation; and whereas the Executive of the Fire Department has the trust and confidence of Council; and whereas the Executive of the Fire Department has identified a number of changes in there SOPS's should be initiated because of the replacement of its 1988 Pumper with a New 2013 Pumper; therefore be it resolved that the Fire Departments *Standard Operating Procedures* shall be amended as follows:

- a. Under the section - **Procedures for Units Responding Within the Boundary of Bishop's Falls**

When Available:

Replace with the following:

When Available:(Units will leave in the following order)

- b. Under the section – **Procedures for Units Responding Within the Boundary of Bishop's Falls**

Pumper 2: Will respond with a minimum of one (1) firefighter: the driver (qualified pump operator). Another firefighter may be assigned to pumper 2 upon arrival of scene.

Replace with the following:

Pumper 2: Will respond with a minimum of three (3) firefighters: the driver (qualified pump operator) and two additional firefighters.

- c. Under the section – **Procedures for Emergency Response Within the Boundary of Bishop's Falls: Motor Vehicle Collision.**

Add at beginning:

When available Pumper 2 should be the first responding emergency vehicle.

- a. Under the section – **Procedures for Ice Water Rescue Within the Boundary of the Town of Bishop's Falls:**

Add at beginning:

When available Pumper 2 should be the first responding emergency vehicle.

DISCUSSION/DEBATE

The following points were raised during debate: (1) These changes are being brought forward due to the new pumper coming into service and (2) all changes of SOP's, are drafted by the executive of the Bishop's Falls Fire Department then agreed to by the fire department body, prior to submission to Council.

Yeas: 7 – Mayor Hobbs, Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Councillor King, Councillor Hynes, Councillor Budgell, Councillor Mills and Councillor Canning.

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

8.3 WATER AND SEWER REGULATION CHANGES DATED NOV. 20, 2012

Motion 270/2012 – Councillor King/Councillor Budgell

That Council shall amend the *Water and Sewer Service Connection Regulations*.

By replacing:

Section (5) That reads as follows: "The Town shall not be responsible for the maintenance or upkeep of a lateral service water line or a lateral service sewer line".

With:

Section (5) "The Town shall not be responsible for the maintenance or upkeep of that section of a lateral service water line or a lateral service sewer line that is located within the boundaries of the person's real property. Where the problem with the lateral service water line or the lateral service sewer line is found to be outside of the person's real property boundaries, the Town shall intervene to correct the problem(s) being encountered".

DISCUSSION/DEBATE

It was acknowledged during debate that this motion was original dealt with at Public Meeting 1316, November 20, 2012, however not recorded.

Yeas: 7 – Mayor Hobbs, Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Councillor King, Councillor Hynes, Councillor Budgell, Councillor Mills and Councillor Canning.

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

Motion 271/2012 – Councillor King/Councillor Budgell

That Council shall amend the *Water and Sewer Service Connection Regulations*, by deleting section (6)

DISCUSSION/DEBATE

It was acknowledged during debate that this motion was original dealt with at Public Meeting 1316, November 20, 2012, however not recorded.

Yeas: 7 – Mayor Hobbs, Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Councillor King, Councillor Hynes, Councillor Budgell, Councillor Mills and Councillor Canning.

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

8.3 NALCOR MEETING IN ST. JOHN'S

Mayor Hobbs suggested Council should have a committee in place to represent the Town at a meeting, to be scheduled in January between the Town, Nalcor, The Department of Municipal Affairs and the Department of Natural Resources. Due to possible scheduling conflicts and a short notice the Mayor will check with Governance Committee once meeting is set in order to decide which two members of the committee would be able to attend along with the Mayor and the Town Manager.

Motion 272/2012 – Councillor Canning/Councillor Budgell

To adjourn regular public meeting 1317.

Yeas: 7 – Mayor Hobbs, Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Councillor King, Councillor Hynes, Councillor Budgell, Councillor Mills and Councillor Canning.

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

The meeting adjourned at 7.52 pm.

Dan Oldford, Town Clerk/Land Officer