

Minutes

Item 1: Call to Order

Mayor R. Hobbs called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm on January 22, 2013 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.

Item 3: Adoption of the Agenda

Mayor Hobbs opened the floor for additions to the agenda resulting in the following amendments: (1) Business Tax 2013 was added under general business (sponsored by Mayor Hobbs).

Motion 1/2013 – Councillor Mills/Councillor Hynes

To adopt the agenda for public meeting 1318 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. 1317

Motion 2/2013 – Councillor Budgell/Councillor Mills

To adopt the minutes for public meeting 1317 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. 1317

Questions and discussions in relation to the minutes for public meeting 1317 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 a tentative date of Feb 7th, 2013 has been set for a meeting with the Town of Bishop's Falls, Nalcor, Municipal Affairs and Natural Resources.

Item 6: Standing Committee Reports and Recommendations

6.1 RECREATION STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING NO. 252 (JAN 8, 2013)

6.1.1 Chairperson's Report

- A regular meeting was held on January 8th, 2013
- The Committee discussed the proposals for the Score Clock from Coca Cola as well as the correspondence from Browning Harvey agreeing to a one year term contract as requested. The Committee is recommending acceptance and signing of this one year term with Browning Harvey Limited.
- A discussion was held regarding the lack of participation in the Curling time slots at the stadium. Every effort has been made to gather support for, and ensure the success of this program. However it is noted that for the past three months a maximum of 2 people have shown up for this program. With requests from other user groups for these ice times, and lack of use by the curling program, a recommendation of cancellation of the curling program has been reached.
- A lengthy discussion was held regarding the *Roof Condition Survey* of the Pat O'Reilly Memorial Stadium prepared by DMG. Three options were presented in the report, (1) Sealing the roof on the outside and remove and replace existing foil faced barrier with matching foil faced barrier. (2) Sealing the roof on the outside and remove existing foil faced barrier and replace with steel siding metal lined panel. (3) Remove existing standing seam roof and vinyl faced insulation and replace with new standing seam metal roofing and 6" vinyl faced insulation. The committee members evaluated each

option and with the life span of the warranty as well as life expectancy of a new roof taken into consideration the committee members are recommending full replacement of the roof - Option (3).

6.1.2 Recommendations

Resolution 3/2013 – Councillor King/Councillor Hynes

Whereas Council feels the Score Clock at the Stadium is a vital part of the buildings operations, and whereas Council wishes to have the most cost effective proposal signed; be it therefore resolved that Council shall agree to a one year Contract Extension with Browning Harvey Limited for the supply and maintenance of the Score Clock for the Pat O'Reilly Stadium; and be it further resolved, that all user groups shall be advised of the conditions of this contract in order to ensure all conditions of the contract are met and maintained, more specifically (1) All soft drinks, bottled water, juice and energy drinks will be purchased directly from Browning Harvey Ltd. (2) All User groups will adopt a policy that all refreshment beverages sold and consumed in the stadium must be from plastic bottles, no cans will be permitted.

DISCUSSION/DEBATE

A discussion was held as to why a one year contract was being put in place as opposed to a 5 year renewal. It was agreed that a one year renewal would give the Town and all its user groups a chance to try out the new clauses in the contract and thus would be in the best interest of all.

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

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

Resolution 4/2013 – Councillor King/Councillor Mills

Whereas the Curling program initiated in 2011/2012 year has been tried; and whereas many efforts have been made to have this program become a success; and whereas these efforts have failed to draw residents into the program; and whereas the time allotments are being requested by other user groups; therefore, be it resolved that Bishop's Falls shall cease to operate the curling program at the stadium; and be it further resolved that staff shall advise user groups of the available time slots in order to maximum full use of available times slots.

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

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

Resolution 5/2013 – Councillor King/Councillor Hynes

Whereas Council recognizes the value of having a stadium as a part of the community infrastructure; and whereas the Pat O'Reilly Stadium has reported a number of leaks in the roof over the past number of years; and whereas a report from the Town's engineers clearly reflects a need for major repairs; therefore, be it resolved that Council shall submit an application to ACOA and to the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador to replace the roof of the Pat O'Reilly Stadium at a proposed cost of \$416,670 plus HST.

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

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

6.2 COMMUNITY RELATIONS STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING NO. 54 (JAN 9, 2013)

6.2.1 Chairperson's Report

Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Chairperson, presented the following report:

- A regular meeting was held on January 9, 2013
- The Fire Chief and other Fire Dept. executive were in attendance to review the changes to their budget.
- Changes requested to the Standard Operating Procedures (S.O.P.s) as a result of the purchase of the new Pumper have been adopted and presented to the Fire Dept. Executive.
- Regarding correspondence from the Exploits Regional Chamber of Commerce requesting a donation of pictures of Bishop's Falls it was agreed that the picture should be kept for use of the town.
- It was recommended to approve advertising in the upcoming Come Explore...The Exploits Valley for a cost of \$250.00 plus H.S.T. subject to a picture of the Trestle being used and noting the Bishop's Falls is a drive-through community and easily accessible from both directions of the T.C.H.
- 3 residents of the community were nominated and awarded the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal. It was noted that there was a deadline for presentation (end of February) and in view of this the medal for Mr. Oliver Rose was presented on January 4th, 2013 and the remaining two awards will be presented before the deadline date.
- Correspondence was received from the Fallview Festival Committee requesting the annual Civic Awards be held in February or March and not in conjunction with their festival in July. It was agreed that this event be held during Volunteer Week which is scheduled for April 21-27/2013 and that a meeting be scheduled with representative from the Bishop's Falls Lions Club and the Knights of Columbus to discuss details relative to this event.

- In connection with the town's annual Christmas Light-up Contest it was noted that the winners were announced and are as follows: 1st. Place - Lloyd Reid, 2nd Place - Ron Lahey ft 3rd Place Jack Ellis with honourable mention to Marie Seaward.
- The committee felt that in efforts to enhance this event criteria should be prepared prior to the 2013 contest to assist the judges in the final decision.
- In conjunction with the 100 Anniversary Royal Canadian Legion First World War which will take place in 2014 it was noted that there will be special funding available for upgrades to the Town's Cenotaph/War Memorial. As a result the Town Manager has prepared a request for a Cost Estimate to be circulated to local contractors to have the Cenotaph upgraded before the 2014 event. It was recommended that Council approval submission of this proposal.

DISCUSSION/DEBATE

Councillor King suggested that to have a picture from the Town placed at the Exploits Chamber of Commerce Offices would be of benefit to the Town. This was agreed to by Council with the stipulation that if the Picture was removed from Chamber in the future it should be returned to the Town.

6.2.2 Recommendations

Motion 6/2013 – Deputy Mayor Tremblett/Councillor Hynes

That Council should approve an amount of \$250.00 plus H.S.T. for advertising space in the Come Explore The Exploits Valley subject to using a picture of the Trestle and noting that Bishop's Falls is a drive-through community and easily accessible from both directions of the T.C.H.

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

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

Motion 7/2013 – Deputy Mayor Tremblett/Councillor Hynes

That Council approve submission of a proposal for upgrades to the Town's Cenotaph/War Memorial in effort to upgrade the facility.

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

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

6.3 PUBLIC WORKS STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING NO. 307 (JAN 10, 2013)

6.3.1 Chairperson's Report

Councillor Budgell, Chairperson, presented the following report:

- Held a regular meeting on January 10th, 2013 in Council's Chambers.
- The committee reviewed a list of possible safety courses offered by the College of the North Atlantic that may be of value to our employees. The committee recognizes a need for a consistent, thorough and continuous training program for the safety of its workers. The Town Manager will continue working with the College of the North Atlantic as well as other sources of safety training to develop a comprehensive training program for the Town.
- A complaint has been received from a resident concerning the proper operation of the Blivet on Kings Road. After careful consideration and discussion, the Public Works, Supervisor was advised to check out any possible options to alleviate the residents concerns. At the same time the residents on both sides of the Blivet will be requested to complete a survey assessment of the times and conditions as to when the odor arises.
- A request to rezone a property in the east end of Main St. from Commercial to Residential was reviewed. The committee acknowledges that this property is a single commercial property surrounded by a Residential Medium Density area and there are no adverse conditions to approval. It should therefore be referred to the Town's current Municipal Development Plan review being conducted by Tract Consulting.
- A request to rezone a property on McMahon's Lane from Residential to Commercial was considered and two (2) issues were considered, (1) The Land is currently zoned Conservation; (2) The property in question has no legal access to highway or town roads.
- A request to rezone a parcel of land on Station Road from RMD to Commercial was reviewed. This is a dense residential area and to allow the development of a commercial property would not conform to current development.
- A report on the cost of having a Water Line moved on Cannings Lane was reviewed and because the easement was on the land when it was sold to the resident, the cost to move the water line must be borne by the proponent. It must also be understood that the work shall be completed by the Town and its engineers in order to maintain the municipal standards.
- In response to a request of the Public Works Committee, a management review of the Snow Clearing Procedures and Policies is underway. The intention is to provide a Policy

document to clearly define standards of service for snow clearing operations and reduce any inconsistencies.

6.3.2 Recommendations

Motion 8/2013 – Councillor Budgell/Deputy Mayor Tremblett

That council shall oppose a request for the rezoning of a parcel of land on McMahon's Lane from Conservation to Commercial due to; (1) Area is Conservation and development not permitted; (2) Area has no legal access to Highway or Municipal roads.

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

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

Motion 9/2013 – Councillor Budgell/deputy Mayor Tremblett

That council shall deny a request for the rezoning of a parcel of land on Station Road from RMD(Residential Medium Density) to Commercial due to area does not conform to commercial development.

DISCUSSION/DEBATE

A discussion was held in which it was also noted that upon completion of the Town's Municipal Plan, currently being reviewed, the proponent should be advised of potential areas that may be more conducive to its proposed plans.

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

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

Resolution 10/2013 – Councillor Budgell/Councillor Canning

Whereas management identified a need for a work plan to assist in the operation of the Public Works Department; and whereas such a plan will improve the operations of the Dept; and whereas the public works supervisor in conjunction with the Town Manager have drafted such a plan, be it therefore resolved that Council shall adopt the *Public Works Department Work Plan 2013* as presented.

DISCUSSION/DEBATE

Councillor King questioned if, in fact, the proposed plan would limit the flexibility of the Public Works Department during the summer months if anything extraordinary should arise.

Amendment – Councillor Budgell/Deputy Mayor Tremblett

To amend the motion by adding” be it further resolved that Council shall authorize the Public Works Supervisor to modify the *Public Works Department Work Plan 2013* when required for logistics reasons” after 2013.

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

Nays: 0

Amendment Carried

Mayor Hobbs put Resolution 10/2013 to vote amended as follows:

Whereas management identified a need for a work plan to assist in the operation of the Public Works Department; and whereas such a plan will improve the operations of the Dept; and whereas the Public Works Supervisor in conjunction with the Town Manager have drafted such a plan, be it therefore resolved that Council shall adopt the *Public Works Department Work Plan 2013*; be it further resolved that Council shall authorize the Public Works Supervisor to modify the *Public Works Department Work Plan 2013* when required for logistics reasons.

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

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

Resolution 11/2013 – Councillor Budgell/Councillor Canning

Whereas Council is conscious of its role in encouraging safe work practices; and whereas Public Works staff have raised concerns regarding the practice of accessing the Trans Canada Highway during snow clearing operation on the west access ramps; and whereas Council feels it is the Town’s best interest to cease the practice of having its equipment complete this snow clearing, be it therefore resolved that Council shall advise the Department of Transportation and Works that as of October 1, 2013 the Town of Bishop’s Falls shall not be responsible for the Snow Clearing of the access ramps at the intersection of west end Main St. and the Trans Canada Highway.

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

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

6.4 GOVERNANCE STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING NO. 47 (JAN 15, 2013)

6.4.1 Chairperson's Report

Councillor Canning, Chairperson, presented the following report:

- A regular meeting was held on January 15, 2013 with Councillor Budgell (member), Councillor King (member), and Mayor Hobbs in attendance.
- The Committee considered the Income/Expense Statement, AP Transaction Journal, Capital Works/Grants Income Statement, Capital Works/Grants Balance Reports, Cash Report, AR Report, Labour Report and Routine Payments for the period. On the Income side it was noted that Ice Rentals, as well as Land Sales exceeded Revenue expectations. Meanwhile, on the expense side, overall the town came in slightly below budget with a couple of noteworthy points including, (1) the expenses of the lights for the trestle which were not originally part of our budget but were paid for, and (2) increase maintenance cost for the stadium

In terms of where we are presently, the table below provides the preliminary information for each budget category on the expense side of the statement for the year 2012.

Category	% of Budget Used TD
Council (remuneration, travel, supplies, etc.)	78
Administration (wages, insurances, supplies, etc.)	99
Property Assessment	100
Professional Development & Training	37
Public Relations	229
Protective Services (Fire Dept. and animal control)	105
Vehicle & Fleet Operations and Maintenance	82
Roads (wages, supplies, equipment rental, etc.)	108
Snow Removal	38
Street Lights	97
Water Supply	118
Sewer Collection and Disposal	88
Garbage & Waste Collection and Disposal	102
Recreation Administration (wages)	98
Parks/Playgrounds/Fields	107
Stadium (wages, supplies, maintenance, etc.)	116

Council will be pleased to know that it finished the year in a healthy cash flow position.

- Correspondence was reviewed from Central Newfoundland Waste Management received on December 20th, 2012. CNWM is informing contributing Towns that the \$117.00 currently being charged as tipping fees is justified based on current operational expenses. Upon receipt of the 2012 financial statements, from CNWM, a meeting to discuss the tipping fees will be arranged with the Town and CNWM.

6.4.1 Recommendations Arising

Resolution 12/2013 – Councillor Canning/Councillor Budgell

Be it resolved that Council shall approve the A/P Transaction Journal dated January 11, 2012, totalling \$49,330.95, 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 13/2013 – Councillor Canning/Councillor King

Be it resolved that Council shall ratify the Routine Payments/Miscellaneous payments for December 2012, totalling \$23,665.36, as presented.

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

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

Motion 14/2013 – Councillor Canning/Councillor Budgell

That Council shall approve a donation of \$100.00 to the Exploits Snowmobile Association in support of their work of bridge placement at Peter's River to protect the Salmon Spawning location.

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

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

Motion 15/2013 – Councillor Canning/Councillor Hynes

That Council shall approve the Town Clerk attending The Public Municipal Administrators Conference in St. John's scheduled for April 17-19, 2013.

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

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

Resolution 16/2013 – Councillor Canning/Councillor King

Whereas Council directed the Town Manager to prepare an amendment to the Town's CTO – Policy with respect to the Public Works Supervisor's work on equipment; and whereas these amendments shall reflect the value of the work by the Public Works Supervisor within the fiscal restraints of the Town's operations, be it therefore resolved that the *Compensatory Time Off Policy and Flexible Hours Policy* shall be amended as follows:

Amendment No 1

That definition 3.0 (g) which reads as follows:

“On-call or standby’ for the Public Works Supervisor does not include water breaks, sewage blocks, coordinating snow clearing operations or meetings.

is deleted and replaced with:

3.0 (g) ‘On-call or standby’ for the Public Works Supervisor includes that time he/she spends outside of the standard work week monitoring road conditions, scheduling employees, receiving and sending calls related to Town business, and other things of this nature.

Amendment No 2

That the following subsection is added under section 4.1 following subsection 4.1 (d):

“ Notwithstanding any other section in this policy, the Public Works Supervisor shall receive compensatory time-off at a rate of one (1) hour for every hour worked outside of his/her standard work week for the following activities:

- (i) Coordinating the Town's response to waterline breaks, sewage blocks, and other emergency situations of this nature.*
- (ii) Repairing the municipality's equipment.*
- (iii) Maintaining municipal buildings (i.e. slating the Town Hall steps).*

The Public Works Supervisor shall not be required to obtain prior approval from management of Council, as the case may be, before undertaking the activities under this section in order to receive compensatory time-off. Nonetheless, the Public Works Supervisor must report the time worked to the Town Manager within five (5) business days of earning the time.”

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

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

Resolution 17/2013 – Councillor Canning/Councillor Budgell

Whereas on August 20, 2012 the Town received approval from the Gas Tax Secretariat to resurface one (1) km of Main Street under the Local Government Gas Tax Agreement; and whereas the project, numbered by the Secretariat as 23-2012-2219, was estimated to cost \$381,107.70 at the time; and whereas the project's final costs totalled \$388,808.91 less GST; and whereas the additional costs involved adjusting the road's elevation on the turn and extending the shoulder; and whereas Council must submit a revised CIP(Capital Investment Plan Application) to the Gas Tax Secretariat for the project's additional expenses; therefore, be it resolved that Council shall submit a CIP to the Gas Tax Secretariat covering the additional expenditures associated with project 23-2012-2219 totalling \$7,701.21; be it further resolved that resolution 213/2012 is hereby rescinded and replaced by this authority.

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

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

Motion 18/2013 – Councillor Canning/Councillor King

That Council shall cease the practice of advancing wages to employee during short term disability claims.

DISCUSSION/DEBATE

Deputy Mayor Tremblett requested clarification of the rationale behind ceasing this practice. A discussion followed which brought forward the history of this program and that the associated risks, outweighed any benefits of such a program.

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

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

Resolution 19/2013 – Councillor Canning/Councillor Hynes

Whereas in 2010 Council installed a special flooring in the Pat O'Reilly Stadium; and whereas the traditional sweeping and mopping of this flooring is not conducive to a clean and sanitary facility; and whereas the Recreation Attendant Lead hand has obtained the proper price quotes on a piece of equipment to properly clean this flooring; and whereas the Power Clean 800 XT/1000 self-container extractor has been determined to be the best equipment for the best value, be it therefore resolved that Council shall purchase the Power Clean 800 XT/1000 and assemblies as presented for a total cost of \$3, 771.40 plus HST.

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

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

Resolution 20/2013 – Councillor Canning/Councillor King

Be it resolved that Council shall recruit a casual Public Works Supervisor for weekend standby and to replace the Public Works Supervisor during leave.

DISCUSSION/DEBATE

During discussion it was confirmed that management have had a repeated problem of getting a weekend standby person as well as concerns of supervisor availability when the Public Works Supervisor is on leave.

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

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

Motion 21/2013 – Councillor Canning/Councillor Budgell

That Council shall appoint Ms. Lori Mercer, CA as the Town's Auditor for the fiscal year 2012.

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

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

Item 7: General Business

7.1 WEB 2.0 PROJECT

Council discussed a proposal to utilize web 2.0 tools such as social networking sites and wikis to engage the public in developing public policy as well as share information. The Town's current site can become stale at times and is only able to be used to post information out and not receive public input. After some healthy discussion it was agreed further study was required and a Special Session will be arranged for Council to further study this project.

7.2 FIRE DEPARTMENT BUNKER SUIT PROPOSAL

Resolution 22/2013 – Councillor Canning/Deputy Mayor Tremblett

Be it resolved that Council shall submit an application for special assistance funding, based on an 80/20 cost-share arrangement, to the Department of Municipal Affairs (Fire and Emergency Services) for the purchase of six (6) bunker suits for the Fire Department at a total cost of \$10,044 less GST.

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

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

7.3 MMSB BACKYARD COMPOSTING PROGRAM

Resolution – 23/2013 – Councillor Canning/Councillor King

Whereas The Town believes in following proper environmental procedures; and whereas the MMSB(Multi-Material Stewardship Board) is promoting such procedures with the planned sale of Backyard Compost Bins; and whereas this program has shown success in the past, be it therefore resolved that the Town shall purchase 50 such compost bins from the MMSB at a cost of \$21.99(plus HST) each, be it further resolved that upon receipt of such compost bins, Council shall then make these bins available to residents at the same cost of \$21.99 (plus HST).

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

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

7.4 INCIDENT REPORT

Resolution 24/2013 – Councillor Canning/Councillor Hynes

Be it resolved that the Town shall approve the expenditure of \$3,547.36 to repair a resident's vehicle damaged in a collision with a Town Snow Clearing Equipment on December 28, 2012.

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

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

7.5 Green Fund Application

Resolution 25/2013 – Councillor Canning/Councillor Budgell

Whereas the Federal Government has established a Green Municipal Fund to reach higher standards of air, water, and soil quality and soil protection; and whereas this fund may be accessed to offset certain expenses of the Town's Waste Water Treatment Project; and whereas the application process of this fund is of a technical nature; and whereas Abydoz Environmental has shown to have the technical expertise to assist the Town in accessing this funding; be it resolved that the Town shall engage Abydoz Environmental to prepare the Funding proposal, to the FCM Green Fund at a cost of \$10,000.00 plus 5% of any grant funds received above \$150,000.00.

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

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

7.6 Business Tax 2013

Resolution 26/2013 – Councillor Canning/Councillor Hynes

Be it resolved that Council shall amend section 2.3 of the *2013 Municipal Operating Budget Tax Schedule and Policy* as follows:

“A general business tax of 3.5 mills shall apply to all businesses save the following:

- (a) A mill rate of 2.5 shall be applied to farms and resource based industries.
- (b) A mill rate of 2.5 shall be applied to manufactures.
- (c) A mill rate of 4.0 shall be applied to drug stores.
- (d) A mill rate of 4.0 shall be applied to funeral homes.
- (e) A mill rate of 4.0 shall be applied to doctor offices.
- (f) A mill rate of 2.0 shall be applied to senior/retirement homes.”

is deleted and replaced with

“A general business tax of 2.0% shall apply to all businesses save the following:

- (a) 1.8% shall be applied to farms and resource based industries.
- (b) 2.0% shall be applied to manufactures.
- (c) 3.5% shall be applied to drug stores.
- (d) 2.0% shall be applied to funeral homes.
- (e) 3.5% shall be applied to doctor offices.
- (f) 1.8% shall be applied to senior/retirement homes.”

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

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

Item 8: Adjournment

Motion 27/2013 – Councillor Canning/Councillor Hynes

To adjourn regular public meeting 1318.

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 9:45 pm.

Dan Oldford, Town Clerk/Land Officer