

Minutes

Item 1: Call to Order

Mayor R. Hobbs called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm on May 21, 2013 and presided with the following individuals in attendance:

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

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

Item 2: Opening Prayer in 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/amendments to the agenda resulting in the following amendments: (1) Home Based Business (2) Exploits River Enhancement (sponsored by Councillor Canning. (3) Gas tax Tender.

Motion 129/2013 – Councillor Mills/Councillor Hynes

To adopt the agenda for public meeting 1325 as amended.

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

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

Item 4: Adoption of Minutes for Public Council Meeting No. 1324

Motion 130/2013 – Councillor Canning/Councillor King

To adopt the minutes for public meeting 1324 as presented.

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

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

Item 5: Business Arising from the Minutes of Public Council Meeting No. 1324

QA1: Councillor Canning advised Council that the Newfoundland Power Hard Hat Campaign was a great success, with Bishop's Falls taking the lead in Central area. Thanks to Council and the community for its support

QA2: Councillor Mills passed on to Council how good a cleanup job had been done at the Fallsview Park, from the burnt stage removal.

Item 6: Standing Committee Reports and Recommendations

10.1 COMMUNITY RELATIONS STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING NO. 60 (May 29, 2013)

10.1.1 Chairperson's Report

Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Chairperson, presented the following report:

- A regular meeting was held on May 29, 2013.
- Upon request of the committee a representative from the Legion, Air Cadets and Fire Department were in attendance. The purpose of these representatives was to make arrangements for the 2013 Memorial Sunday Parade. A decision was reached to have the start time of the Parade Ceremonies at 2:30 pm to allow residents adequate time to attend. Parade form up will be at the Fire Hall at 2:00pm on June 30, 2013.
- The Canada Celebrations for the kids and the community are being planned by the summer recreation co-ordinator. Details will be sent out at a later date on location and times.
- The annual Seniors/War Veterans Banquet will be held July 1st. This year it will be held at the Knights of Columbus at 6:00pm. Tickets will be sold at a cost of \$3.00. 65 years of age and over.
- The Committee has requested the co-operation of the Fire Department in the Memorial Day Parade and supply of refreshments afterwards at the Fire Hall.

Item 7: General Business

7.1 Placement of Portable Toilet at West End Playground.

A discussion was held around a request from a resident to have a Portable Toilet placed at the west End Playground. Consideration was given but with previous experience in the community as well as other jurisdictions the placement of a portable toilet would not be advisable for this area. The Town Clerk will advise the resident of Councils concerns.

7.2 Tax Sale Lands

Resolution 131/2013 – Councillor Budgell/Councillor Canning

Be it resolved that Council shall authorize the Town Clerk, in accordance with section 139 of the *Municipalities Act, 1999*, to proceed with a tax sale under the *Municipalities Act, 1999* for the following properties where taxes remain in arrears upon the expire of the notice provided as per section 137 of the *Municipalities Act, 1999*:

Property	Arrears as of May 31, 2013
3 Station Road	\$974.66
7 Kinsmen Drive	\$3,511.18
240 Main Street	\$1,175.70
4 Thirteen Mile Crossing	\$731.30
7 McMahon's Lane	\$1,590.00

DISCUSSION/DEBATE

The following points were raised during debate: (1) A number of these properties had structures located on them. (2) By law these properties can still be sold as Tax Sale, provided they are not owner occupied. (2) Council will have to issue final approval, after notices are issued, and any responses are received, prior to the actual sale.

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

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

7.3 Contract for Engineering of Hobbs Park and Waste Water Treatment project

Resolution 132/2013 – Councillor Canning/Councillor Budgell

Be it resolved that the Mayor and the Town Clerk shall sign the engineering agreement as presented between 68925 Newfoundland & Labrador Corp. O/A DMG and The Town of Bishop's Falls for the Hobbs Street Reconstruction Project.

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

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

Resolution 133/2013 – Deputy Mayor Tremblett/Councillor Budgell

Be it resolved that the Mayor and the Town Clerk shall sign the engineering agreement as presented between 68925 Newfoundland & Labrador Corp. O/A DMG and The Town of Bishop's Falls for the Waste Water Treatment Project.

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

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

7.4 Blivet on Kings Road

After some discussion it was agreed by consensus that due diligence has been done by Council, management and staff to alleviate the residents' concerns until as such time the Waste Water Treatment facility is put in place.

7.5 Speed bumps on Kings Road, MacDonald Crescent, Butler St. and Rose St. area.

Council discussed a resident's concerns regarding the need for speed bumps this area. Council understands the concerns raised but prior to taking such action it was requested the Town Manager would issue a new survey to all the residents affected, and once the results are in Council would assess the situation again.

7.6 Additional Catch Basin in Hobbs Park

Resolution 134/2013 – Councillor Budgell/Councillor Mills

Whereas the commencement of the Hobbs Park Project as identified an issue with the catch basins and the existing water mains; and whereas the Town's engineers have identified an amount of \$7,959.61 to cover these issues; and whereas this amount is within the original funding request, be it therefore, resolved, that Council shall apply to the provincial government on a 80/20 cost share arrangement for the amount of \$7,959.61 to offset these additional expenses.

DISCUSSION/DEBATE

The following points were raised during debate: (1) We will have to keep a close eye work being done to ensure there are no other additional expenses. (2) It is hoped this additional funding will cover any and all further unforeseen circumstances.

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

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

7.7 Reid Place Dumping

Resolution 135/2013 – Councillor Budgell/Deputy Mayor Tremblett

Whereas Council has received a number of responses with evidence involving the Reid St. Dumping; and whereas Council has evaluated the evidence presented, be it therefore resolved that Council shall rescind the cleanup fees on a one time only basis to the individuals indicated in the Reid St. dumping.

Yeas: 5 – Mayor Hobbs, Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Councillor King, Councillor Hynes, and Councillor Budgell.

Nays: 2 - Councillor Canning and Councillor Mills

Resolution Carried

7.8 Request for letter of support for SEED funding.

Motion 136/2013 – Councillor King/Councillor Budgell

That Council would issue a letter of support of an application for a SEED funding to a resident of 13 Mile Crossing.

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

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

7.9 CNWM

Mayor Hobbs supplied Council with an update from the Central Newfoundland Waste Management regional meeting.

7.10 Fire Rescue Truck Application

Resolution 137/2013 – Councillor Budgell/Councillor Hynes

Whereas Council has received an updated estimate for the purchase of a new Fire Rescue truck; and whereas the cost of such a truck has shown to be between \$190,000 and \$200,000, and whereas council had previously resolved to purchase a fire Rescue Truck at a cost of \$180,000; and whereas the fire department as committed to 50/50 cost share of the Town's cost, be it therefore, resolved, that Council shall rescind previous motion 41/2013, and be it also, further resolved, that Council shall apply for 80/20 cost share funding of a fire Rescue truck to the cost amount of \$200,000.00.

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

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

7.11 Fire Fighter's Monument

Motion 138/2013 – Councillor King/Councillor Budgell

That Council would approve the updating of the Firefighter's Monument at the lowest price quote received.

DISCUSSION/DEBATE

The following points were raised during debate: (1) Council is concerned with any expenses outside the budget. (2) That the Monument is there to honor members of the Fire Department. (3) That this monument has not been updated since 2001.

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

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

7.12 Town Hall upgrade

Council acknowledges a suggestion that the current Town Hall is dated and constrictive from an operations point. Council also acknowledges that the current budget cannot support the redevelopment or replacement of the Town Hall. Council will, however, begin discussions on the concept of either redeveloping or replacing the current Town Hall/Library complex. Consideration would include but not be limited to inclusion of a fitness centre, conference rooms.

7.13 Land Sale on Sunset Dr.

By Consensus council rejected a proposal of lease to purchase for a parcel of land on Sunset Dr. and wishes for further discussions to be conducted with the proponent on a straight lease option.

7.14 Home Based Business

Motion 139/2013 – Councillor Canning/Councillor Hynes

That Council would approve a Home Based Business Licence pending no objection from the public for a Computer Consulting/Repair business at a 10 Greenridge Rd.

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

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

7.15 Exploits River Enhancement Association

Councillor Canning advised Council of a group of residents (Councillor Canning is a member), had gotten together to form the Exploits River Enhancement Association. The group is looking for direction as to whether it will be operating as a committee attached to but at arm's length of Council or whether it shall go on its own. The group is interested in beautification of the river, Salmon Fishing enhancements as well as Boating on the Exploits River. Insurance and Liability are the two main points and further discussions will be held with the committee and Town Management to assess the possibilities.

7.16 Gas Tax Tender

Resolution 140/2013 – Councillor Budgell/Councillor Mills

Whereas Council has properly tendered for Street upgrading a section in the west end of Main St. and McMahon's Lane; and whereas three quotes were received; and whereas Exploits Valley Paving was the lowest bidder; and whereas the town of Bishop's Falls must abide by the Public tendering Act, be it therefore resolved that Council shall assign the contract for this project to Exploits Valley Paving at a total cost of \$238,599.18.

DISCUSSION/DEBATE

The following points were raised during debate: (1) there is still an outstanding issue with the previous job done by this contractor. (2) Council must abide by the Public Tendering Act. (3) Management will meet with the contractor and its engineers prior to project start to discuss any concerns.

Yeas: 5 – Mayor Hobbs, Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Councillor Hynes, Councillor Mills and Councillor Budgell.

Nays: 2 - Councillor Canning and Councillor King

Resolution Carried

Item 8: Adjournment

Motion 141/2013 – Councillor Canning/Councillor Hynes

To adjourn regular public meeting 1324

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

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Dan Oldford, Town Clerk/Land Officer

Town of Bishop's Falls



Regular Public Council Meeting No. 1325
June 3, 2013 at 7:00 pm
Council Chambers

Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Opening Prayer in the Form of Silent Reflection
3. Adoption of Agenda
4. Adoption of Minutes for Public Council Meeting No. 1324
5. Business Arising from the Minutes of Public Council Meeting No. 1324
6. Standing Committee Reports and Recommendations
 - 6.1 Community Relations Standing Committee Meeting No. 60 (May 28, 2013)
 - 6.1.1 Chairperson's Report
7. General Business
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 - 7.2 Tax Sale Lands
 - 7.3 Contracts for Hobbs Park & Sewage Treatment Project
 - 7.4 Blivet on Kings Road
 - 7.5 Speed Bumps on Kings Road, MacDonald Crescent, Butler St and Rose St.
 - 7.6 Additional Catch basin in Hobbs Park
 - 7.7 Reid Place – Dumping
 - 7.8 Request for Letter of Support for SEED Funding.
 - 7.9 CNWM Update
 - 7.10 Fire Rescue Truck Application
 - 7.11 Fire Fighters Monument
 - 7.12 Town Hall Upgrade
 - 7.13 Land Sale Sunset Dr.
 - 7.14 Home Based Business Licence
 - 7.15 Exploits River Enhancement Association
 - 7.16 Gas Tax Tender
8. Adjournment