

Minutes

Item 1: Call to Order

Mayor R. Hobbs called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm on September 4, 2013 and presided with the following individuals in attendance:

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

Randy Drover, Town Manager
Dan Oldford, Town Clerk/Land Officer
Tony Adams, Public Works Supervisor

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

Motion 193/2013 – Councillor Mills/Councillor Hynes

To adopt the agenda for public meeting 1329.

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

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

Item 4: Financial Statements

Resolution 194/2013 – Councillor Canning/Councillor Budgell

Whereas, the Town is required to have an outside audit completed on an annual basis; and whereas, the Town has engaged Lori K. Mercer, Chartered Accountant to complete such an audit for the Fiscal year 2012; and whereas the 2012 Financial Statements have been presented to Council for consideration;

and whereas Council has reviewed the Financial Statement presented and found it to be acceptable with three minor corrections needed (1) removal of Note 11 as the Cat Loader Lease is now complete (2) Removal of Note 14 because the Centennial Celebrations Debt is resolved. (3) inclusion of a note reflecting a \$200,000 water/sewer tax receivable from the Department of Natural Resources for the hydroelectric facilities on Powerhouse Road, which is presently in dispute, be it therefore resolved that Council shall accept the Financial Statements for 2012 as presented with amendments included.

DISCUSSION/DEBATE

The following points were raised during debate. (1) The Town's financial position has improved dramatically over the past 4 years with a \$500,000.00 reduction in long term debt in 2012 alone. The Tax Receivables are showing a substantial amount, but this is largely due to the ongoing issue with the province and Nalcor over the Power Plant taxes. (2) The Town is now in a position to continue with the Sewer Treatment Project.

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

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

Item 5: Igor/Dominic St. Drainage

Motion 195/2013 – Councillor Budgell/Councillor King

That Council shall tender the Igor repair project as submitted by the Town's Engineers.

DISCUSSION/DEBATE

The following points were raised during debate. (1) There is a concern as to if the culvert and manhole is needed in the area of the off ramp, as opposed to an open ditch process. (2) Staff will get the Engineers to double check this request. (3) In order to get the project completed in a timely manner we can still go ahead with tender and if necessary make an amendment to the tender.

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

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

Item 6: Truck Tender for Recreation

Resolution 196/2013 – Councillor Canning/Councillor Hynes

Whereas, Council has received two tenders for the supply of a Pickup Truck; and whereas Riverview Motors supplied the lowest tender; and whereas The Town's fiscal prudence allows the outright purchase of said truck, and whereas such outright purchase would further reduce the cost of a Pickup

Truck, be it resolved that Council shall award the supply of a Pickup Truck contract to Riverview Motors at a cost of \$33,035.55 on a cash basis as tendered (taxes included).

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

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

It was also agreed by consensus that any future purchases of vehicles would be requested to be forest green to maintain consistency in fleet appearance.

Item 7: Station Road/Forest Road Pavement

MOTION 197/2013 – Councillor Canning/Deputy Mayor Tremblett

That council allot the remaining \$42,000 of its paving budget to the repairs necessary to Forest Road.

DISCUSSION/DEBATE

The following points were raised during debate. (1) The public Works Department has succeeded in getting a number of small repair patching done as part of its summer works plan. (2) There are still a number of potholes and rough areas that need to be addressed. (3) Forest Road has an area that as been on the list for quite a while and desperately needs repair. (4) by committing the remaining funds to this section Council will be able to do the best work with remaining budgetary funds.

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

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

Item 11: Adjournment

Motion 198/2013 – Councillor Mills/Councillor Canning

To adjourn regular public meeting 1329

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

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Dan Oldford, Town Clerk/Land Officer