

Town of Wabana
Regular Meeting Minutes
September 27, 2011

Attendance:

Mayor Gary Gosine
Deputy Mayor Kay Crane
Councillor Stan MacDonald
Councillor Linda Skehans

Staff:

Recreation Manager Hollie Neary
Works Superintendent Derek Ryan
Town Clerk Ben Noseworthy
Town Consultant Ed Kent

Called to order at 7:36 pm by Mayor Gosine.

Delegations

RCMP

Cpl. Darren Stevens;

Discussion of draft Mayor's Report.

ATV crackdown, RCMP ATV can not travel on roads, complicating enforcement.

Councillor MacDonald to investigate municipal by-laws that may assist RCMP in enforcement.

RCMP investigating a Hallowe'en program, Mayor Gosine noted that the Town has a Hallowe'en curfew of 8:00pm.

Mayor Gosine stated that he has seen a positive difference in the community with the recent community policing initiatives.

Fire Department

Firefighter 200017

Mayor Gosine reiterated how important it is to have someone from the Fire Department attend each Council meeting and that they have missed the last 3 months. Noted that the Fire Commissioner's request for recruiting and training documentation is still outstanding.

Firefighter 200017 stated that they can not recruit until they have more pagers and gear. Noted that 3 firefighters will be attending the upcoming firefighters school in Grand-Falls-Windsor for Firefighter Level 1 training. Noted that there are problems with some of the vehicles, including requiring inspections. Superintendent Ryan noted that inspections are booked for this week. Clerk Noseworthy noted that staff were not aware of these issues until yesterday and immediate action was taken to address them.

Mayor Gosine noted that as part of the new pumper agreement the '56 Pumper, Dodge, and Thibault are to be removed from service and that Councillor Kent is to discuss with the Fire Chief.

Firefighter 200017 noted that they will be running a two day First Aid course in October. Mayor Gosine asked that Council be informed who the instructor is and when the course will be run, perhaps staff can participate as well.

Firefighter 200017 asked why the Fire Department is not called for motor vehicle accidents. Some discussion followed.

Mayor Gosine asked staff to arrange with FES a emergency response exercise and directed staff to

share the Town's Emergency Plan with community stakeholders. Mayor Gosine also noted the runway is 300' short of allowing Provincial med-vac fixed wing flights to operate safely.

Consultant Kent informed Council that the Fire Department would like to acquire more gear than the recent 90/10 announcement and request Council to partner with them to do so by matching \$5,000.00 with the Firefighters to purchase an additional \$10,000.00 in gear.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Crane, second by Councillor Skehans, to match the firefighters \$5,000.00 to purchase an additional \$10,000.00 in firefighter gear, carried. 2011-09-01.

Minutes

Motion by Councillor MacDonald, second by Deputy Mayor Crane, to accept the agenda and adopt the minutes of the regular meeting August 16, 2011 as amended, carried. 2011-09-02.

Business arising from the minutes

Motion by Councillor MacDonald, second by Councillor Skehans, to confirm Council approval of the Liquor Corp application for Minni Jane Convenience, carried. 2011-09-03.

Motion by Councillor MacDonald, second by Deputy Mayor Crane, to confirm Council approval to award to the low bidder on Project DMA10046 regarding Sewer Outfall Rehabilitation to H&B Construction Ltd. \$487,595.00 incl HST provided that Municipal Affairs approves the required addition funding under the Provincial 90/10 program and to the low bidders on Project 10045 regarding Well #16 Access Road to KHL Holdings \$19,150.68 incl HST and Well #16 Drilling to DS Drilling Services \$14,243.65 incl HST, carried. 2011-09-04.

Committee Reports

Recreation Committee: (n/a)

Staff directed to secure openings and gate at the Sportsfield.

Staff directed to forward all Killick Coast Games information now and in the future to the WBGC.

Staff directed to provide commercial grade equipment for student use next year - mowers, etc.

Council extended a 'Job well done' to 200018 for her work with the students this year, and support was extended to do something similar next year.

Staff directed to place securing park higher on the priority list with JCP or CEEP workers.

Discussion on washrooms for Sportsfield, the Mayor estimated that after in-kind the cost would be approximately \$7,000. Tabled to November meeting for discussion.

Mayor Gosine and Councillor Skehans will meet with Rec NL at the upcoming MNL Conference.

Noted that the Recreation Manager is soliciting other Rec Managers that we have ice time available.

Works Superintendent Report:

Discussion on creating a call-in list for casual workers tabled to the next meeting.

Noted that potholes will be repaired later this week, followed by discussion on the MCW Roads program.

Mayor Gosine noted that 103256 will take on the Beach Hill attraction logo as a community project in the spring.

Development Committee:

Review of permits issued at counter:

7 – Residential Repairs (issued) (\$28,100)

1 - Accessory Buildings (issued) (\$2,500)

1 – Commercial Works (issued) (\$2,000)

Staff directed that Council has no objection on the KHL Holdings – Quarry Permit.

Motion by Councillor MacDonald, second by Deputy Mayor Crane, to accept the recommendation of the Development Committee as follows;

- 101570 – Business permit
- 102539 – Building Extension (\$8,000)
- 102776 – Change of Use and Occupancy (charge \$300.00 for new residential, \$50.00 for Occupancy, \$400.00 water connection, and septic and electrical approvals required from Government Services)
- Complex, repair front entrance concrete spalding, upgrade wall separating buildings, and instal bathroom in garage
- Lane closure at Seniors Complex with barrier
- Accept used ambulance donation from 101362

carried. 2011-09-05.

The letter from 100206 regarding garage business issue to be referred to Government Services – Environment.

Mayor Gosine in regards to the letter from 103049 regarding septic issue will contact 200019 of Government Services, staff to ensure dye tables are dropped in a sink location, and 103049 was advised by Council to continue his efforts with Government Services as it is not the Town's responsibility to do so.

The letter from 101935 regarding culvert issues to be referred to Council's engineers for review.

Motion by Councillor MacDonald, second by Deputy Mayor Crane, to accept approve in principle the application by 100493 – Commercial Works (Wharf) (\$20,000.00) subject to engineered drawings and all other required provincial and federal approvals being submitted, carried. 2011-09-06.

The request for 103268 to use a right of way for septic calculations was approved by consensus.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Crane, second by Councillor MacDonald, to reduce the speed limit to 30kmh and to post Children At Play signs on the East Loop as requested by 102136, carried. 2011-09-06.

Finance Committee:

Cheque and VISA reports presented.

Councillor MacDonald motioned, seconded by Deputy Mayor Crane, that \$60,000 be transferred temporarily from the Complex capital account to the Arena capital account to pay outstanding invoices pending Government cost shared monies, carried. 2011-09-07.

Councillor MacDonald motioned, seconded by Deputy Mayor Crane, that the abatement applications as presented be approved as follows;

- 103156 and 102644 vacant land to \$100

- 103163, 103271, 103166, 100846, 103276, and 103218 vacant land to \$100 and Water and Sewer to \$0 for 2010 and 2011
- 102525, 102737, and 103462 vacant land to \$100, water and sewer to \$0, and interest on same to \$0 for 2010 and 2011
- 100846 water and sewer to \$0 for 2009, 2010, and 2011
- 102629 commercial water to \$0 for 2010 and 2011
- 102176 interest to \$0

carried, 2011-09-08

The abatement request by 102176 to have a seasonal rate was tabled to the next meeting.

Deputy Mayor Crane motioned, seconded by Councillor MacDonald, to approve spending up to \$5,000.00 on equipment from provincial Works, carried. 2011-09-09

Consensus that staff can attend training as presented.

Councillor MacDonald motioned, seconded by Deputy Mayor Crane, to approve an application for NL Works grant to do Janitorial/Maintenance, carried. 2011-09-10

ICSP Committee:

Council recognized the establishment of the Age Friendly board.

HR Committee: (n/a)

Consultant's Report:

Council directed that paving priorities as discussed will be McDougal, Grammer, then Bown streets. TARGA discussion tabled to the next meeting.

Correspondence

NEAJC notice and minutes, received for information.

MNL Avalon Regional meeting notice, MNL Board nominations, MNL response to Resolutions request, received for information.

FES Training, FES cost shared equipment award, received for information.

Government action plan on climate change, received for information.

Government notice on privacy in council meetings tabled to next meeting.

Elliston Sealer's Memorial Project, received for information.

Deputy Mayor Crane motioned, seconded by Councillor MacDonald, that Council proclaim World Breastfeeding Week, carried. 2011-09-11

Deputy Mayor Crane motioned, seconded by Councillor MacDonald, that Council proclaim Restorative Justice Week, carried. 2011-09-12

Letter from 100087 regarding water issues, received for information.

Letter from 200020 regarding water issues, received for information.

Staff directed to ensure 200020 has a permit.

Regulations (n/a)

General Business

Councillor Skehans asked staff to send a letter requesting the owner of the messy residence on Bennett Street to clean up their yard, particularly the lumber pile.

Deputy Mayor Crane motioned, seconded by Councillor MacDonald, adjournment at 10:30pm.

Mayor

Town Clerk