

A regular meeting of Council was held on Monday, April 7, 2008, 7:00 p.m. at the Community Centre, Trinity.

Members Present: Mayor Jim Miller
Councillor Scott Goldsworthy
Councillor Sherry Locke
Councillor George Hayter
Councillor Joan Kane
Town Clerk Linda Sweet

Regrets: Deputy Mayor Eric Coleridge
Councillor Tineke Gow

Delegates: Fire Chief, Fred Goldsworthy, Water & Sewer Operator, Glen Vokey

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2008-04-10: was made by Councillor Goldsworthy to adopt the minutes of March 3, 2008, it was seconded by Councillor Hayter. All in agreement, motion carried.

Business Arising from Minutes:

Mayor Miller informed Council that BEDA met on March 25th, to discuss the outcome of the trails in the area from the Bonaventure's to English Harbour. He explained that it was decided to set up a sub-committee to investigate if a community group in each area where there is currently a trail would be willing to take on the responsibility for upkeep of that trail. BEDA has received a request from the Town of Port Rexton that they would be willing to take over responsibility for the Skerwink Trail and a decision will be made by BEDA tomorrow night in this regard. Council agreed that if Port Rexton wanted control of Skerwink Trail and BEDA was in agreement of that decision than the Town of Trinity would write a letter of support for the Town of Port Rexton's request to the Minister of Tourism for some funding to upgrade that trail. Councillor Kane to notify the Town Clerk of the outcome of the meeting that will be held on April 8th.

Water & Sewer Operator

Glen explained that we are having problems with the pump in the lift station by Boyd Coleridges, and had to bring it to St. John's for repairs. He went on to explain that the Town would need to purchase some tools in order for him to work on these pumps. Council agreed that the Town has to start investing in the purchase of such equipment and asked him to make a list of what was needed and give to the Town Clerk to see if the budget would allow these purchases to be made.

Glen also explained that with all the problems at the lift stations and the constant travel from the pump house to the lift station the weekly gas allowance that he is receiving is not enough. Council agreed that they would discuss it at the next finance meeting and get back to him.

Glen gave a brief overview of the workshop he attended in Gander and explained that the conference was interesting and informative. He went on to explain there is a new system for treating water by using salt and electricity which would be much cheaper than chlorine and he has asked Crystal Hart with Government Services to do some research on this new system for us.

Fire Department

Fire Chief, Fred Goldsworthy informed Council that the department has written a letter to Minister, Ross Wiseman to seek assistance in the purchase of bunker suits, to date they have not received any response.

He went on to explain that he is pleased with the number of active members at the department and hopes it will remain that way.

Mr. Goldsworthy left the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

Sub Committee Report

Heritage Committee: Town Clerk explained that we have a request regarding the policy of skylights. Council informed the Town Clerk to have the request along with drawings put in writing before any decision can be made.

Festival/Events Committee: Councillor Locke explained that the sub sale got cancelled and we will reschedule at a later date.

Councillor Locke explained that she had Stephen Locke from the Heritage Committee sketch a design of a building for the playground area. Council reviewed the drawing and Mayor Miller agreed to look for some old pictures of any building that may have existed in that area to compare before any decision could be made.

Correspondence Received

- a) Destination St. John's Re: 2007 Annual General Meeting March 28, 2008. March 04/08 - File
- b) Municipalities NL Re: Membership Cards, etc. March 06/08 - Town Clerk to inform of name changes of Councillors for membership cards.
- c) Veterans Affairs Canada Re: Encouraging the town to plan activities to honour local veterans. March 11/08 - File
- d) Letter introducing Miss Teen Newfoundland & Labrador. March 17/08 - File
- e) Municipalities NL Re: MNL Municipal Symposium 2008. March 19/08 - Mayor Miller will consider.
- f) Cruise NL Re: Annual Membership Fee for 2008. March 25/08 - File
- g) Dept. of Government Services Re: Fire & Life Safety and Buildings Accessibility for 24 West St. approved. March 25/08 - File
- h) Environment & Conservation Re: 19th Annual Environmental Awards Program 2008. March 25/08 - File
- i) Minister of Municipal Affairs Re: Approval for Emergency Funding to install overflow, build a shed for the generator and install underground wiring. March 25/08 - Work to begin as soon as weather permits.
- j) Municipalities NL Re: Local Action for Developing Regions workshop on April 4th & 5th in St. John's. March 26/08 - File
- k) Department of Environment & Conservation Re: Spring 2008 Operator Education Seminar

(Wastewater Collection Part 1) March 31/08 - Water and Sewer Operator to attend in June as well Town Clerk to check on Matched Training to purchase books for the Certified Water Operator Training.

l) Copy of a letter sent to Municipal Affairs from Hatch Mott MacDonald regarding tender results for West Street. March 31/08 - File

m) Email from Ron Goulding Re: Comments or concerns for the Draft Permit to Operate a Wastewater Collection System. April 2/08 - Council reviewed the draft document and all agreed that the Town was doing its best to follow all regulations and the Town Clerk to inform Mr. Goulding.

n) Recreation NL Re: Regional Recreation Seminar in Clarendville, April 23rd. April 4/08 - Councillor Locke and some member of the committee will attend.

o) Gov't Services Re: Self Imposed Boil Water Advisory. April 4/08 - File

Outgoing Correspondence

- Letter to Chris O'Dea regarding enough room to build on 22 Water Street.
- Letter to Simon Thornley with approval to build on 45 High Street.
- Letter to the Lung Association supporting the ban to stop smoking in cars with children.
- Letter to Municipal Affairs requesting subsidy for the purchase of a new digital colorimeter.
- Letter to Brad Penney requesting subsidy for Clean & Safe Drinking Water workshop.

Total invoices needing approval in Operating Acct. \$ 24,386.20

Motion 2008-04-11: was made by Councillor Goldsworthy to pay the outstanding invoices in the Operating Account, it was seconded by Councillor Locke. All in agreement, motion carried.

Income for Operating Account from March 3, 2007 to April 4, 2008 \$37,124.99

Total Invoices for the Capital Account West Street \$12,250.72

Income for the Capital Account West Street \$5,342.05

Finances:

Status of bank account:	Operating Acct. April 4, 2008	\$88,698.06
	Recreation Grant April 4, 2008	\$1,880.00
	Capital Acct. April 4, 2008	\$9,198.67
	Trinity Day Festival April 4, 2008	\$3,902.07

Motion 2008-04-12: was made by Councillor Kane to pay outstanding invoice #2 from the Capital Account accept all other accounts as presented, it was seconded by Councillor Hayter. All in agreement, motion carried.

General/New Business

Parents Support Group requesting a donation to help with the canteen for the Drama Festival. Council agreed to donate a case of pop.

Request for the Town to have a booth at the Life Styles Exhibitor's Information on May 10 & 11 at the Remax Centre, St. John's. Council reviewed the information provided and agreed that this was something the town would not be involved in.

Town Clerk informed Council that Mr. Gerald Hiscock, who could not be present had concerns regarding why the snow clearing policy for the Department of Highways changed. She went on

to explain that approximately four years ago representatives of Council from Trinity and Port Rexton met with Minister, Tom Rideout and MHA, Ross Wiseman to discuss issues around salt and sand pricing and having the road in Trinity cleared before going to both Bonaventure's due to the fact that Trinity had the Fire Department. At that time the Minister agreed that the road to Trinity would be cleared first, but the past couple of winters Trinity is the last to be cleared. Mr. Hiscock's request was to inquire if Council would try and have this reinstated.

Council agreed to have the Town Clerk check with the department in Port Rexton regarding their policy and bring back to the next meeting so Council could follow up with a letter to the Minister.

Councillor Hayter informed Council that the garbage collection did not get picked up in Trinity until later in the day this past week. He explained that the contractor has the contract for garbage collection between the Bonaventure's to Dunfield and due to truck problems they got picked up first. As well the contractor informed the Town Clerk that some bags were destroyed by crows and he did not take them. Council agreed that the Town has a contract for the garbage to be collected on Monday mornings starting 8:00 a.m. in Goose Cove and proceeding to Trinity. Town Clerk to write and explain that the Town expects the contract followed and if he is going to be late he must inform the public and the Town Clerk. As well, when the next newsletter is completed we will ask residents to cover garbage that is not in bins or containers.

Motion 2008-04-13: was made by Councillor Goldsworthy to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m., it was seconded by Councillor Locke. All in agreement, motion carried.

The next regular meeting will be held April 7, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Centre, Trinity.

Mayor

Town Clerk