

A regular meeting of Council was held on Monday, May 5, 2008, 7:00 p.m. at the Community Centre, Trinity.

Members Present: Mayor Jim Miller
Deputy Mayor Eric Coleridge
Councillor Tineke Gow
Councillor Scott Goldsworthy
Councillor Sherry Locke
Councillor George Hayter
Councillor Joan Kane
Town Clerk Linda Sweet

Delegates: Gerald Hiscock and Helene Gareau

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

2008-05-14: was made by Councillor Hayter to adopt the minutes of April 7, 2008, it was seconded by Councillor Kane. All in agreement, motion carried.

Business Arising from Minutes:

Town Clerk informed Council that she has spoken with Keith Barnes and Lloyd Davis with the Department of Works, Services and Transportation regarding having Trinity main road snow cleared prior to going to the Bonaventure's first. They said this would not be a problem and they would make sure that when they start in the 2008/2009 season this would be taken care of.

Mayor Miller informed Council that the Fire Commissioners office has supplied the Fire Department with two bunker suits. He explained that only one suit was usable and we would return the other one and hopefully get a larger suit when one becomes available.

Mayor Miller explained that we are currently experiencing some trouble with the force main going to Fort Point. He went on to explain that a meeting has been scheduled for May 7th, with Department of Municipal Affairs, Department of Environment, himself, Town Clerk, Town Water & Sewer Operator, and Councillor Hayter as he has been working with the Operator during the problems. An update will be available at the next regular meeting.

Mayor Miller explained on April 8th, BEDA held its meeting and decided to turn the Skerwink Trail over to the Town of Port Rexton. The Town of Trinity has sent a letter of support to the Department of Tourism, Culture and Recreation in support of Port Rexton seeking funding to upgrade the trail.

Fire Department

Town Clerk explained that she has spoken with Chard's Automotive earlier today and they have one more injector to get working on the Cube Van and it will be ready for the road.

Councillor Goldsworthy brought forward information from the Fire Chief regarding getting the tanks inspected and said we no longer have to bring them to St. John's they can be brought to Valmin Fire Protection in Clarenville. As well, the Town Clerk to inform the public that as of May 1st, no open fires are permitted.

Town Clerk explained that the Fire Department needed a new pump and she had gotten two price quotes on the pumps and expected the Fire Department to have it brought forward for tonight's meeting as it needed to be discussed and a motion made to move forward. Deferred to the next regular meeting.

Sub Committee Report

Heritage Committee:

- A request to renovate the exterior of 38 High Street. Plans approved as per the drawing. Town Clerk to inform.
- A request to have 2 Fleet Street subdivided. Deputy Mayor Coleridge explained that the total volume of land is 874.9 square metres, and the development regulations state with municipal water and sewer the required lot size is 450 square metres. He explained that the heritage committee recommended this proposal providing the land is divided equally north to south as it would only mean each lot being short by 12.55 square metres and many other lots in Trinity are much less. After some discussion regarding regulation requirements **Motion 2008-05-15:** was made by Councillor Kane to deny this request and ask the client to seek a small portion of land from the adjoining property in order to meet the required lot size, it was seconded by Councillor Locke. Deputy Mayor Coleridge, and Councillor Goldsworthy against. Motion carried. Town Clerk to inform.
- Request to make a driveway to gain access to land on 78 Main Road. Council reviewed the survey and informed the Town Clerk to let the client know that this was something that would have to go through the Department of Works, Services and Transportation or have written permission from the adjoining land owner.
- A request for approval in principle to build a heritage home located at 14 Clinch's Lane. Council approved a heritage home in principle, but all drawing and documentation has to go to a full Council meeting before final approval is granted. Town Clerk to inform.

Festival/Events Committee:

- Town Clerk explained that she received a price quote from Coastal Paving to pave a 30 x 50 area near the Fire Department. She requested that the funding from last years festival and the recreation grant be used to do this work and the cost would be \$2,754.00. **Motion 2008-05-16:** was made by Councillor Kane to pave a 30 x 50 area near the Fire Department for \$2,754.00, it was seconded by Councillor Locke. All in agreement, motion carried.
- Councillor Locke asked if the Heritage Committee would meet before the next regular meeting to prepare a drawing for a building that would meet the heritage requirements so the committee could move forward with the building. Town Clerk explained that if Council approved the building that we could apply for a Job Creation Partnership (JCP) to put the building up in the fall. Council agreed to have the heritage committee present a drawing and if approved the Town Clerk should make application for a JCP.

Finance Committee:

- Mayor Miller explained that the finance committee had the Water & Sewer Operator gather

some information/pamphlets on snow clearing equipment and the committee recommended seeking price quotes on a 4WD backhoe, with power angle blade and a 4WD heavy duty pickup truck with blade and salt and sand spreader. He went on to explain that with the new provincial budget we may be accepted for a 90/10 cost share grant. Council agreed to have the Town Clerk and the Water & Sewer Operator gather all the necessary information as soon as possible.

Correspondence Received

- a) St. John Ambulance Re: Services being offered. April 16/08 - File
- b) Recreation NL Re: 37th AGM & Conference May 22 to 24, in Grand Falls-Windsor. April 16/08 - File
- c) Barb Vokey Re: Water fees vs. water & sewer fees. April 17/08 - Mayor Miller read the correspondence and Council agreed that the budget was set for 2008 but would be looked at for 2009 budget. Town Clerk to write Mrs. Vokey and check with other town's to compare water/water and sewer prices.
- d) Dept. of Municipal Affairs Re: MOG \$4,191.00. April 18/08 - Deposited
- e) Dept. of Gov't Services Re: Boil Water advisory removed on April 18/08. April 22/08 - File
- f) Municipal Affairs Re: Approval to award tender to Budgell's Equipment & Rentals. April 22/08 - Mayor Miller explained that the contractor arrived in town today and will be starting work on West Street tomorrow morning.
- g) Municipalities NL Re: Receipt of a letter from the Mayor. April 22/08 - File
- h) Municipalities NL Re: Municipal Awareness Day 2008 information brochure and proclamation. April 22/08 - Signed.
- i) H.M.C.S. St. John's Re: Run the Rock 2008 for the Children's Wish foundation. April 23/08 - File
- j) Canadian Public Works Association Re: Notice of Spring Convention 2008 in Corner Brook. April 24/08 - File
- k) Heart & Stroke Foundation of NL Re: 2008 Mayor's March on Heart Disease and Stroke. April 28/08 - Mayor Miller and Council to walk on June 22nd, at 7:00 a.m.
- l) Dept. of Environment & Conservation Re: Burning Prohibition of Demolition Materials. April 29/08 - Post
- m) The Lung Association Re: Promote healthy breathing. May 1/08 - Town Clerk to response.

Outgoing Correspondence

- Letter to Minister of Tourism, Culture and Recreation supporting Port Rexton's request for funding to do necessary work on the Skerwink Trail. File
- Letter to Mayor Piercey of Port Rexton supporting their efforts to seek funding from government to maintain Skerwink Trail. File
- Letter to Graham Letto, President of Municipalities NL supporting an article in *The Telegram* entitled "Municipalities to seek control of Crown lands." File
- Letter to Roy Locke regarding the Garbage Contract. File
- Reminder letters to outstanding tax payers. File
- Letter to Budgell's Equipment & Rentals Ltd. advising them their tender has been accepted. File

Total invoices needing approval in Operating Acct. \$ 18,742.33

Motion 2008-05-17: 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 April 7, to May 2, 2008 \$30,500.57

Invoices for the Capital Account West Street \$6,942.94

Income for the Capital Account West Street \$115,000.00

Finances:

Status of bank account:	Operating Acct. May 2, 2008	\$102,103.27
	Recreation Grant May 2, 2008	\$1,880.00
	Capital Acct. May 2, 2008	\$118,902.38
	Trinity Day Festival May 2, 2008	\$3,902.07

Motion 2008-05-18: was made by Councillor Kane to pay the outstanding invoices in the Capital Account, and accept all account balances, seconded by Councillor Hayter. All in agreement, motion carried.

General/New Business

Council agreed that clean up week would be held on May 27th, and 28th, and June 3rd and 4th. Town Clerk to prepare a newsletter to inform full time and part time residents.

Mayor Miller explained that the Lion's Club will be holding its annual Charter Night on May 10th, and asked if any member of Council could attend and bring greetings on behalf of the Town. Councillor Goldsworthy will attend.

Mayor Miller explained that Public Sector Accounting Board (PSAB) will be requiring all municipalities to list all Tangible Capital Assets (land, buildings, road, water & sewer, office supplies, equipment, etc.) by September 1, 2008. He explained that he will be attending a workshop in Gander this weekend to cover some of this material and more training will be made available so the Town Clerk can attend. He also explained that this will require a more compressive audit with a higher cost, and the reason this has come into effect is the Gas Tax Agreement.

A request from The Packet to place a Municipal Day Awareness ad at \$59.00. Approved

Town Clerk inquired about the left over sods in the field. Council agreed that they are probably no good and if they are good we will have them placed along the ditch, if not we will donate them to Cape Random Site.

Gerald Hiscock explained that he has a problem with the way the Municipal Assessment Agency has valued and under valued many of the homes in Trinity,(giving some examples). He explained that Council should review the roll book and appeal some of the assessments. He felt that the Town was losing out as many properties were undervalued or many were overvalued, either way Mr. Hiscock asked Council to review.

Mr. Hiscock inquired about cleaning up the property around the Clinic. He explained that he needed to remove some fill from the back and bring to the front, and a small quantity would be placed behind his home on Bugden's Lane.

Mayor Miller explained that the letter the Town received from Fred Kirby stated that, any one could move material from one place to another on the same property. He went on to say that any more than 10 truck loads to be removed to another property would need a quarry permit.

Council agreed to allow Mr. Hiscock to clean up around the Clinic and remove a small quantity 10 truck loads to his property on Bugden's Lane.

Motion 2008-05-19: was made by Deputy Mayor Coleridge to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m., it was seconded by Councillor Gow. All in agreement, motion carried.

The next regular meeting will be held on June 2, 2008 at 7:00 p.m., in the Community Centre, Trinity.

Mayor

Town Clerk