

## **REGULAR GENERAL MEETING, MARCH 13, 2014**

A Regular General Meeting of the Council of the Town of Stephenville was held in the Council Chambers at 12:10 p.m. on March 13, 2014.

Present: Mayor Tom O'Brien, Chairperson  
Deputy Mayor Mike Tobin  
Councillors: Laura Aylward  
John Finn  
Don Gibbon  
Justin House  
Darlene Oake

Also Present: Town Manager, Mike Campbell  
Town Clerk, Carolyn Lidstone  
Engineering Intern, Tyler Alexander

## **MINUTES**

### **REGULAR GENERAL MEETING, FEBRUARY 27, 2014**

Motion – Gibbon/Aylward

No. 14-49 That the Minutes of the Regular General Meeting of February 27, 2014 be adopted as circulated.  
Carried Unanimously

## **PROCLAMATIONS AND DELEGATIONS**

### **Multiculturalism Week, March 17-23, 2014**

Mayor O'Brien proclaimed the week of March 17 – 23, 2014 to be Multiculturalism Week.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

#### **EXPENSE CHEQUE LISTING FOR FEBRUARY, 2014**

Motion – Gibbon/Finn

No. 14-50 That the recommendation of the Finance Committee be accepted and

the expense cheque listing for February, 2014 totaling \$324,029.59 be approved.

Carried Unanimously

**REQUEST TO CALL TENDER,  
4 YEAR LEASE, RUBBER TIRED  
BACKHOE**

Motion – Gibbon/Aylward

No. 14-51 That the recommendation of the Finance Committee be accepted and the Town of Stephenville call a tender for a 4 year lease on a rubber-tired backhoe.

Carried Unanimously

**REQUEST FOR PERMISSION FOR  
MAYOR AND CLERK TO SIGN  
AGREEMENT, 2013 MUNICIPAL  
CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM,  
PROJECT NO. 12074, UPGRADES  
TO AQUATIC CENTRE**

Motion – Gibbon/Oake

No. 14-52 That the recommendation of the Finance Committee be accepted and the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to enter into an agreement on behalf of the Council of the Town of Stephenville with the Department of Municipal Affairs for funding under the 2013 Municipal Capital Works Program for Project No. 12074, Upgrades to Aquatic Centre.

Carried Unanimously

**REQUEST FOR ADVERTISING,  
TRANSCONTINENTAL MEDIA,  
THE WAYFINDER**

Motion – Gibbon/Tobin

No. 14-53 That the recommendation of the Finance Committee be accepted and the Town of Stephenville purchase a half page ad in Transcontinental

Media's The Wayfinder at a cost of  
\$394 plus tax.  
Carried Unanimously

**REQUEST FOR FUNDING,  
BAY THEATRE/2014 PROVINCIAL  
DRAMA FESTIVAL**

Motion – Gibbon/House

No. 14-54 That the recommendation of the Finance Committee be accepted and the Town of Stephenville purchase a Corporate Diamond Sponsorship in the amount of \$3000 for the 2014 Provincial Drama Festival being held in Stephenville April 20-26, 2014.  
Carried Unanimously

**REQUEST TO CALL TENDER,  
SALE OF 431 MASSACHUSETTS  
DRIVE**

Motion - Gibbon/Aylward

No. 14-55 That the recommendation of the Finance Committee be accepted and the Town of Stephenville call a tender for the sale of the property at 431 Massachusetts Drive.  
Carried Unanimously

**PERMITS AND MUNICIPAL PLAN**

**WILSON'S FUEL CO. LTD,  
20 MAIN STREET**

DATA: Request for Outline Planning Permission to construct an extension to the existing building at 20 Main Street, as per plans submitted, to accommodate a Tim Horton's Drive Thru.

It was the recommendation of the Planning and Traffic Committee that Outline Planning Permission be granted subject to the approval of the Government Service Centre, adequate signage being maintained to direct the flow of traffic and compliance with all Town Regulations.

Motion – Aylward/Oake

No. 14-56 That the recommendation of the Planning and Traffic Committee be accepted and Wilsons Fuel Co. Limited be granted Outline Planning Permission to construct an extension to the existing building at 20 Main Street as per plans submitted to accommodate a Tim Horton's Drive Thru, subject to conditions as outlined in the agenda data.

Carried Unanimously

**NATHAN AUCOIN,  
COLD BROOK ROAD**

DATA: Request for a permit to construct a single family residence on land located in Cold Brook.

It was the recommendation of the Planning and Traffic Committee that this permit be granted subject to the approval of the Government Service Centre and compliance with all Town Regulations.

Motion – Aylward/Tobin

No. 14-57 That the recommendation of the Planning and Traffic Committee be accepted and Nathan Aucoin be granted a permit to construct a single family residence on land located in Cold Brook, subject to conditions as outlined in the agenda data.

Carried Unanimously

**PENNECON ENERGY  
LIMITED, 1 HARBOUR  
DRIVE**

DATA: Request for permits to operate an industrial fabrication business, to carry out facility upgrades and repairs as per plans submitted, and to set up temporary site trailers on the property located at 1 Harbour Drive.

It was the recommendation of the Planning and Traffic Committee that these permits be granted

subject to the approval of the Government Service Centre and compliance with all Town Regulations.

Motion – Aylward/House

No. 14-58 That the recommendation of the Planning and Traffic Committee be accepted and Pennecon Energy Limited be granted permits to operate an industrial fabrication business, to carry out facility upgrades and repairs as per plans submitted, and to set up temporary site trailers on the property located at 1 Harbour Drive, subject to conditions as outlined in the agenda data.

Carried Unanimously

**THOMAS ROSE, LAND WEST  
OF HILLIER AVENUE**

As a property owner on Hillier Avenue, Councillor House declared himself in conflict of interest on the next three items and left the Council table.

DATA: Request for Outline Planning Permission to construct a subdivision on land west of Hillier Avenue.

It was the recommendation of the Planning and Traffic Committee that Outline Planning Permission be granted for the subdivision concept subject to the installation of Municipal water and sewer services, the developer signing a Subdivision Agreement with the Town of Stephenville, and compliance with all Town Regulations.

Motion – Aylward/Finn

No. 14-59 That the recommendation of the Planning and Traffic Committee be accepted and Thomas Rose be granted Outline Planning Permission to construct a subdivision on land west of Hillier Avenue, subject to conditions as outlined in the agenda data.

Carried

Councillor House abstained from voting.

In response to a question from Deputy Mayor Tobin, Mayor O'Brien briefly reviewed the history of development in this area which included Dr. John Gale's report and his recommendations regarding servicing in the area.

**SUBDIVISION OF LAND,  
34 HILLIER AVENUE**

DATA: Request for permission to subdivide land at 34 Hillier Avenue.

It was the recommendation of the Planning and Traffic Committee that permission be granted to subdivide the land at 34 Hillier Avenue with the understanding that the ownership of the subdivided land will be transferred to the adjacent properties at 32 and 36 Hillier Avenue.

Motion – Aylward/Oake

No. 14-60 That the recommendation of the Planning and Traffic Committee be accepted and permission be granted to subdivide the land at 34 Hillier Avenue with the understanding that the ownership of the subdivided land will be transferred to the adjacent properties at 32 and 36 Hillier Avenue.

Carried

Councillor House abstained from voting.

**JASON AND KRISTA WHITE,  
32 HILLIER AVENUE**

DATA: Request for a permit to construct a single family residence on land located at 32 Hillier Avenue.

It was the recommendation of the Planning and Traffic Committee that this permit be denied under the provisions of Section 10 of the Stephenville

Development Regulations for non-availability of services.

Motion – Aylward/Tobin

No. 14-61 That the recommendation of the Planning and Traffic Committee be accepted and Jason and Krista White be denied a permit to construct a single family residence on land located at 32 Hillier Avenue, for reasons as outlined in the agenda data.

Carried

Councillor House abstained from voting.

Councillor House returned to the Council table at the conclusion of discussion on these items.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF NEW PENITENTIARY**

Mayor O'Brien highlighted recent media coverage announcing the proposed construction of the new penitentiary in the Province. The Town of Stephenville will be putting its name forward for consideration as a site for the new facility. He outlined the rationale for choosing Stephenville as the location.

Mayor O'Brien stated that the Town of Stephenville will be writing the Minister of Justice asking that the Town be visited and considered by consultants engaged to review the potential sites.

### **YMCA OPENING, 383 MASSACHUSETTS DRIVE**

Mayor O'Brien announced that the YMCA will be opening on March 19 in their location at 383 Massachusetts Drive. He thanked the Provincial Government for their help with familiarization of the building and noted that the public will be impressed with the amount and variety of services to be provided at the facility.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion – Gibbon/Oake

No. 14-62 That the meeting adjourn at this time,  
12:30 p.m.

Carried Unanimously

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**CHAIRPERSON**

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**DATE CONFIRMED**