

## **REGULAR GENERAL MEETING, SEPTEMBER 22, 2016**

A Regular General Meeting of the Council of the Town of Stephenville was held in the Council Chambers at 12:03 p.m. on September 22, 2016.

Present:

Mayor Tom O'Brien  
Deputy Mayor: Mike Tobin

Councillors: Laura Aylward  
Justin House  
Don Gibbon  
Darlene Oake  
Tom Rose

Also Present:

Town Manager, Mike Campbell  
Town Clerk, Carolyn Lidstone

### **MINUTES**

#### **REGULAR GENERAL MEETING, SEPTEMBER 8, 2016**

Motion – Gibbon/Aylward

No.16-240 That the Minutes of the Regular General Meeting of August 18, 2016 be adopted as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

### **PROCLAMATIONS AND DELEGATION**

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

#### **POLL TAX**

Motion - Tobin/House

No.16-241 That the recommendation of the Finance Committee be accepted and Poll Tax write-offs totaling \$641.46 and adjustments of \$2,954.75 and refunds of \$100.00 be approved.

Carried Unanimously

**WATER AND SEWER TAX**

Motion - Tobin/Aylward

No.16-242 That the recommendation of the Finance Committee be accepted and Water and Sewer Tax adjustments totaling \$336.00 be approved.  
Carried Unanimously

**REMISSION OF TAX**

Motion - Tobin/Rose

No.16-243 That the recommendation of the Finance Committee be accepted and Remission of Tax adjustments totaling \$574.04 be approved.  
Carried Unanimously

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE LISTING  
FOR AUGUST, 2016**

Motion - Tobin/Oake

No.16-244 That the recommendation of the Finance Committee be accepted and the Accounts Payable listing for August, 2016 totaling \$129,166.47 be approved.  
Carried Unanimously

**REQUEST FOR GRANT, HILLSIDE  
INTERFAITH CEMETERY  
COMMITTEE**

Motion - Tobin/House

No.16-245 That the recommendation of the Finance Committee be accepted and the Town of Stephenville give a grant in the amount of \$15,000 to the Hillside Interfaith Cemetery Committee to assist with the 2016 operating costs.  
Carried Unanimously

**PERMITS AND MUNICIPAL PLAN**

**GARGIL ENTERPRISES/  
SPEEDY GLASS,  
233 CAROLINA AVENUE**

DATA Request for a permit to do minor exterior renovations and relocate garage door on property located at 233 Carolina Avenue.

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

Motion - Oake/Gibbon

No. 16-246 That the recommendation of the Planning and Traffic Committee be accepted and Gargil Enterprises/Speedy Glass be granted for a permit to do minor exterior renovations and relocate garage door on property located at 233 Carolina Avenue, subject to conditions as outlined in the agenda data.

Carried Unanimously

**DEVIN PERRIER/FOREST  
FLOORING AND PANELLING,  
COLD BROOK**

DATA: Request for Outline Planning Permission to continue the operation of an existing floor and paneling business on property located in Cold Brook.

It was the recommendation of the Planning and Traffic Committee that Outline Planning Permission be granted subject to the approval of Service NL and compliance with all Town Regulations.

Motion - Oake/Aylward

No. 16-247 That the recommendation of the Planning and Traffic Committee be accepted and Devin Perrier/Forest Flooring and Panelling be granted Outline Planning Permission to continue the operation of an existing floor and panelling business on property located in Cold Brook, subject to conditions as outlined in the agenda data.

Carried Unanimously

**KELLY RUSSELL-OAKE,  
7A MAIN ROAD,  
COLD BROOK**

DATA: Request for a permit to construct a 36 foot by 50 foot single family dwelling, as per plans submitted, on property located at 7A Main Road, Cold Brook.

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

Motion - Oake/Tobin

No. 16-248 That the recommendation of the Planning and Traffic Committee be accepted and Kelly Russell-Oake be granted a permit to construct a 36 foot by 50 foot single family dwelling, as per plans submitted, on property located at 7A Main Road, Cold Brook, subject to conditions as outlined in the agenda data.

Carried Unanimously

In response to a question from Councillor Rose, the Town Manager reported that if construction starts within 6 months of the date of the issuance, the applicant has up to 2 years to complete construction of the house and has the option to apply for an additional one year renewal.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**KATARINA ROXON**

Mayor O'Brien reported that Katrina had arrived home yesterday; and on behalf of Council and the community, he congratulated Katarina on her achievements at the Rio 2016 Para Olympics. She is committed to the sport and will continue to make achievements in that sport. Katrina is a great ambassador to the area, the Province and the Country. On September 25<sup>th</sup>, a motorcade will be held at 2:00 pm with festivities being held at the

YMCA to celebrate her achievements. He encouraged people to come out and celebrate Katrina's victory with her.

Councillor Rose noted that the Provincial Government has renamed Route 490 to Roxon Way to commemorate her achievements.

## **FRIENDLY INVASION COMMITTEE/TOURISM**

Mayor Tom O'Brien stated that he had represented the Town earlier this week at the wind-up meeting for the Friendly Invasion Committee.

He reported that overall the Committee felt the celebrations were a great success and the committee is building on those events for future tourism initiatives. Mayor O'Brien stated that The Town of Stephenville is very fortunate that it has a dedicated and large group of volunteers in the community without whom all of these types of events would not be possible.

Councillor Rose commented that a significant amount of funding and human resources go into events such as the Friendly Invasion and it is indicative that these events are sustainable in the future. He felt in particular, the area could build on the International Appalachian Trail, the snowmobiling packages to the Lewis Hills, Golf Packages, and the Fossil at Blanche Brook.

Councillor Oake stated that she had recently walked the Ned's Ponds trail and commented on the wonderful work done by the volunteers on the Walk-a-Way Parks and Trails Committee. The trail is truly a beautiful asset for the community.

Councillor Aylward commented on the construction of the Jerome Delaney Pavilion, which sets off the Blanche Brook Park.

**SIR THOMAS RODDICK HOSPITAL  
FOUNDATION RADIOTHON**

Councillor Gibbons reported that The Annual Radiothon will be held on September 30, 2016 and congratulated Councilor Laura Aylward who is the Chairperson for the Foundation.

**BRUSH CUTTING ON  
WHITES ROAD**

Councillor Aylward voiced the concerns she had received from residents regarding the brush cutting that's needed on Whites Road. The Town Manager stated that he would contact the Department to see what their schedule is for this project.

**2 BLANCHARD'S ROAD,  
NOEL'S POND**

Councillor Rose commented that he hoped that John Finn MHA and the Department of Environment will be able to justify the hydrology of the area which resulted in moving this property into a 1: 20 Flood Zone.

Mayor O'Brien reported that yesterday he had spoken with MHA John Finn about setting up a meeting with the officials who can explain this process and hoped that the meeting will go ahead within the next couple of weeks.

In response to a question from Councillor Rose concerning White's Road, Councillor House stated that he could not comment as he was in conflict as his employer is the Department responsible for the maintenance.

**MNL AGM  
OCTOBER 6<sup>TH</sup> – 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2016  
ST. JOHN'S, NL**

Deputy Mayor Tobin reported he will be attending the MNL AGM as a voting delegate on behalf of the Town of Stephenville and Mayor O'Brien maybe attending as well. He will be absent from the next Council meeting to attend the Convention on Council's behalf and at a subsequent meeting, will update Council on events at the Convention.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion – Gibbon/Rose

No. 16-249 That the meeting adjourn at this time,  
12:27 p.m.

Carried Unanimously

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**CHAIRPERSON**

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**DATE CONFIRMED**