



# LABRADOR CITY

## COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
1 pm

In Attendance:

Wayne Button, Mayor  
Councillor John Penney  
Councillor Junior Humphries  
Councillor Nick McGrath  
Councillor Richard Fahey  
Councillor Ken Lawlor

Staff Present:

Gary Wensman, CAO  
Cathy Etsell, Director of Finance & Admin  
Adam Smith, Director of Recreation  
Craig Purves, Director of Planning & Development  
Krista Hedlund, Executive Secretary

Regrets:

Fabian Benoit, Deputy Mayor  
Tom Mihajlovic, Director of Eng. & Public Works

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1. **Call Meeting to Order**

1.1. **Adoption and Approval of Agenda**

**Moved By:** Councillor Penney

**Seconded By:** Councillor Fahey

Be it resolved the agenda for meeting of May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018 be adopted as presented.

Question called; Mayor Button, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Penney, Councillor Fahey, Councillor Lawlor and Councillor McGrath all in favor. **Carried**

2. **Delegations**

N/A

3. **Adoption and Signing of Minutes**

3.1. **Adoption and Approval of Minutes**

**Moved By:** Councillor McGrath

**Seconded By:** Councillor Humphries

Be it resolved the minutes of the public meetings held April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018 be adopted as presented.

Question called; Mayor Button, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Penney, Councillor Fahey, Councillor Lawlor and Councillor McGrath all in favor. **Carried**

4. **Business Arising from Minutes**

4.1 All items from the previous meeting of Council have been actioned.

5. **Correspondence**

5.1 **Iron Ore Company of Canada – Agreement Not Reached**

On April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018 the Iron Ore Company of Canada issued a release indicating that USW, Local 5795, 6731 membership in Labrador City voted and rejected the latest offer proposed by the negotiating teams.

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IOC believes their offer was a fair and equitable agreement for all stakeholders with significant movement on a number of key elements since the strike began March 27<sup>th</sup>.

The company remains open for discussion and is looking for an agreement that will be beneficial to all.

## **5.2 Iron Ore Company of Canada Suspends Community Investment Program**

On April 25<sup>th</sup> IOC issued a release notifying the public that due to the current work stoppage, the company made the difficult decision to suspend the Community Investment Program effective immediately in both Labrador City & Sept Iles.

## **5.3 Department of Municipal Affairs – West Regional Appeal Boards**

The Department of Municipal Affairs & Environment sends a response dated May 1, 2018 on the Regional Appeal Boards. The Department indicates they are working to fill the vacancies and are hopeful to have the board in place early summer.

# **6. New Business**

## **6.1 2017 Financial Statements**

**Moved By:** Councillor McGrath

**Seconded By:** Councillor Lawlor

Be it resolved that Council adopt the 2017 Financial Statements as presented.

Question called; Mayor Button, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Penney, Councillor Fahey, Councillor Lawlor and Councillor McGrath all in favor. **Carried**

## **6.2 Letter to IOC & USW, Local 5795/6731**

Labrador City & Wabash sent a joint letter to IOC and USW Local 5795/6731 on May 7<sup>th</sup> to respectfully request that both parties return to the bargaining table. The request is to simply encourage talks given the impact on the businesses and residents in our region.

### 6.3 Letter from USW

The United Steelworkers sends a response to the joint letter on May 9 thanking the municipalities for their support during the work stoppage, and indicating they are willing to go back to the Bargaining Table at any time, they are just waiting to hear from the company.

### 6.4 Labrador West Wellness Centre Community Feasibility Study Proposal

**Moved By:** Councillor McGrath

**Seconded By:** Councillor Lawlor

Be it resolved that Council enter into an Agreement with John Mabley Fund Development Counsel for the Assessment Process for the Labrador West Wellness Centre at a cost of \$21,000 plus hst. Question called; Mayor Button, Deputy Mayor Benoit, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Penney, Councillor Fahey, and Councillor McGrath all in favor. **Carried**

### 6.5 Scout Lodge – Demolition of Building

**Moved By:** Councillor Penney

**Seconded By:** Councillor Fahey

Be it resolved that Council approve the demolition of the Scout Lodge Building in preparation for future development of that site to benefit the walking trail and beach. **Carried**

Question called; Mayor Button, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Penney, Councillor Fahey, Councillor Lawlor and Councillor McGrath all in favor. **Carried**

## 7. Committee Reports

### 7.1 Finance & Admin

#### a) Donations

**Moved By:** Councillor Fahey

**Seconded By:** Councillor McGrath

Be it resolved the Town of Labrador City approved donations in the amount of \$50.00 to the RC Legion Military Service Booklet, \$300.00 to Maggie Drover for

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International Travel, \$4,500 to Gateway Labrador for their annual Tourism Grant and \$800.00 in kind to Glad Tiding Church by waiving their permit fees.

Question called; Mayor Button, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Penney, Councillor Fahey, Councillor Lawlor and Councillor McGrath all in favor. **Carried**

**b) Taxation**

**Moved By:** Councillor Humphries

**Seconded By:** Councillor Fahey

Be it resolved Council approve a 2017 Property Tax Rebate in the amount of \$250.00 as presented.

Question called; Mayor Button, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Penney, Councillor Fahey, Councillor Lawlor and Councillor McGrath all in favor. **Carried**

**c) Administration / Miscellaneous**

**Moved By:** Councillor Lawlor

**Seconded By:** Councillor McGrath

Be it resolved Council approves an interest write-off and reduction of the original street light damage invoice by 50% for a total write-off of \$1,615.66 for account #GENG0002.

Question called; Mayor Button, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Penney, Councillor Fahey, Councillor Lawlor and Councillor McGrath all in favor. **Carried**

Prior to discussion on this item, Councillor Penney declared a conflict and exited the Chambers.

**Moved By:** Councillor McGrath

**Seconded By:** Councillor Fahey

Be it resolved Council approves assistance to the Twin City Seniors Group for lease payments of \$1,000 per month for the basement space at the Basilica of Our Lady of Perpetual Help and \$10,000 for the purchase of furnishings and equipment.

Question called; Mayor Button, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Fahey, Councillor Lawlor and Councillor McGrath all in favor. **Carried**

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Councillor Penney re-joined the meeting.

**Moved By:** Councillor Lawlor

**Seconded By:** Councillor McGrath

Be it resolved Council approves assistance to the Snowbirds Gymnastics Club for lease payments of \$3,800 per month and capital investment assistance for safety renovations in the amount of \$14,400 .

Question called; Mayor Button, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Penney, Councillor Fahey, Councillor Lawlor and Councillor McGrath all in favor. **Carried**

**Moved By:** Councillor Fahey

**Seconded By:** Councillor McGrath

Be it resolved Council approves amendments to Schedule B – Recreation User Fees & Rental Rates as presented.

Question called; Mayor Button, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Penney, Councillor Fahey, Councillor Lawlor and Councillor McGrath all in favor. **Carried**

d) Finance

**Moved By:** Councillor Penney

**Seconded By:** Councillor Humphries

Be it resolved Council approve the Account Payable & Purchase Orders in the amount of \$1,745,314.92 noting abstentions on cheque # 9348, 9367, for Councillor Humphries and # 9437 for Councillor McGrath.

Question called; Mayor Button, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Penney, Councillor Fahey, Councillor Lawlor and Councillor McGrath all in favor. **Carried**

**Moved By:** Councillor McGrath

**Seconded By:** Councillor Fahey

Be it resolved the Council approve uncollectable account write-offs in the amount of \$10,038.90 for Business Tax and \$159.82 for Sundry Receivables resulting on a total write-off of \$10,198.72

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Question called; Mayor Button, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Penney, Councillor Fahey, Councillor Lawlor and Councillor McGrath all in favor. **Carried**

## 8. Applications for Permits

### 8.1 Permit 18-062 BIRA – 218 Howley Avenue

**Moved By:** Councillor Penney

**Seconded By:** Councillor McGrath

Be it resolved Council approve BIRA Permit 18-062 for 218 Howley Avenue, subject to no objections being received and stipulations outlined on the permit.

Question called; Mayor Button, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Penney, Councillor Fahey, Councillor Lawlor and Councillor McGrath all in favor. **Carried**

### 8.2 Permit 18-063 BIRA – 618 Caribou Crescent

**Moved By:** Councillor Lawlor

**Seconded By:** Councillor Humphries

Be it resolved Council approve BIRA Permit 18-063 for 618 Caribou Crescent, subject to no objections being received and stipulations outlined on the permit.

Question called; Mayor Button, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Penney, Councillor Fahey, Councillor Lawlor and Councillor McGrath all in favor. **Carried**

### 8.3 Permit Ratification List #5

**Moved By:** Councillor McGrath

**Seconded By:** Councillor Fahey

Be it resolved Council approve Permit Ratification List #5 as presented.

Question called; Mayor Button, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Penney, Councillor Fahey, Councillor Lawlor and Councillor McGrath all in favor. **Carried**

## 9. Unfinished Business

N/A

10. Tenders

10.1 TLC-05-18 Repainting of Water Tower

**Moved By:** Councillor Penney

**Seconded By:** Councillor Humphries

Be it resolved Council award tender TLC-05-18 Repainting of Water Tower to Carol Lake Metal Works for the price of \$114,908.00 inclusive of hst.

Question called; Mayor Button, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Penney, Councillor Fahey, Councillor Lawlor and Councillor McGrath all in favor. **Carried**

11. Date of Next Meeting & Adjournment

The date of the next Council Meeting will be Tuesday, June 12<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm. There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 1:35 pm by Councillor McGrath.

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Cathy Etsell, Town Clerk

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Wayne Button, Mayor