



# LABRADOR CITY

## COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
1:00 pm

- In Attendance: Wayne Button, Mayor  
Councillor John Penney  
Councillor Junior Humphries  
Councillor Richard Fahey  
Councillor Nick McGrath  
Councillor Ken Lawlor
- Staff Present: Cathy Etsell, CAO  
Tom Mihajlovic, Director of Eng. & Public Works  
Adam Smith, Director of Recreation  
Craig Purves, Director of Planning & Development  
Krista Hedlund, Executive Assistant  
Shelley Lilly, IT/Communications
- Regrets: Fabian Benoit, Deputy Mayor  
Kim Conway, Director of Finance & Admin

1. **Call Meeting to Order**

1.1. **Adoption and Approval of Agenda**

**Moved By:** Councillor Fahey

**Seconded By:** Councillor Humphries

Be it resolved the agenda for meeting of May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019 be adopted as presented.

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

2. **Delegations**

1. **Lt. Norm Porter – Salvation Army & Fire Department Chaplain**

Lt. Norm Porter, Chaplain to our Fire Department for the past 5 years; is moving on to Winnipeg, Manitoba. He and along with his wife, Crystal, have made a huge impact in our community and will be sadly missed. Mayor Button & Council expressed their gratitude for his time with the department and presented him with a gift while wishing him well on his new journey.

3. **Adoption and Signing of Minutes**

3.1. **Adoption and Approval of Minutes**

**Moved By:** Councillor McGrath

**Seconded By:** Councillor Lawlor

Be it resolved the minutes of the public meetings held April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019 be adopted as presented.

Question called; Mayor Button, Councillor Penney, Councillor Humphries, Councillor McGrath, Councillor Lawlor and Councillor Fahey 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 Air Canada – Response on Schedule Change in Labrador West**

Air Canada responds to letters sent to them regarding changes to its scheduled services in Labrador West. They indicate they are committed to continuing service to the region and reviews its network schedules regularly and makes market-based changes when appropriate.

Furthermore, due to recent feedback from the community, Air Canada will be retiming the originally proposed flight allowing for improved connectivity for passengers arriving from or connecting through Toronto.

### **5.2 Dept of Advanced Education, Skills & Labour**

The Department acknowledges receipt of the Town's request to consider offering a Home Support Worker/ Personal Care Attendant Course at the local College of the North Atlantic.

As the Government of NL is currently in a period of election writ, a formal response will follow once a newly formed Government is sworn in following the May 16<sup>th</sup> election.

### **5.3 Municipal Assessment Agency – Collaborative Initiative Fund**

The Municipal Assessment Agency has approved a payment up to \$6,270 (2019 billing count at \$2 per assessment) under the agency's Collaborative Initiative Fund for our Digital Orthophotography & Digital Elevation Data project. An executed agreement that provides the agency rights to use the imagery for assessment purposes must be executed.

### **5.4 USW, Local 5795 – Letter of Support**

The USW, Local 5795 sends their letter of support for the Labrador West Pioneer's Living Inc Senior Cottages.

### **5.5 Joint Board of Management – Thank You**

The Joint Board of Management for the Anglican Parish & United Church send along a thank you to the Town for waiving the property tax for the building situated at 620 Hudson Drive once again this year.

**6. New Business**

**6.1 Community Sessions Report on Topic of Amalgamation**

**Moved By:** Councillor Lawlor

**Seconded By:** Councillor McGrath

Be it resolved Council accept the Community Sessions on the Topic of Amalgamation Final Report as submitted by Spicer Facilitation.

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

**6.2 Topic of Amalgamation – Decision to go to Plebiscite**

**Moved By:** Councillor Fahey

**Seconded By:** Councillor Lawlor

Be it resolved Council agree to bring the question of Amalgamation to plebiscite for the residents of Labrador City to vote on.

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

**6.3 Public Works Depot East Side Infrastructure Upgrade Project**

**Moved By:** Councillor Lawlor

**Seconded By:** Councillor Fahey

Be it resolved Council award the purchase order for engineering design and tender call services to Nova Consultants Inc, as per Proposal No. 12-2019 dated April 15, 2019 for the price of \$34,258.50 incl of hst.

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

**6.4 Bartlett Drive (Circular Road – Cavendish) Reconstruction**

**Moved By:** Councillor McGrath

**Seconded By:** Councillor Humphries

Be it resolved Council award the purchase order for engineering design and tender call services to Nova Consultants Inc, as per Proposal No. 11-2019 dated April 15, 2019 for the price of \$38,421.50 incl of hst.

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

**6.5 2019 Safety Program**

**Moved By:** Councillor McGrath

**Seconded By:** Councillor Lawlor

Be it resolved Council adopt the 2019 Safety Program as presented.

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

**7. Committee Reports**

7.1 Finance & Admin

**a) Donations**

**Moved By:** Councillor Fahey

**Seconded By:** Councillor Humphries

Be it resolved Council approve donation of \$100.00 to the Royal Canadian Legion Provincial Command Military Service Booklet.

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

b) **Taxation**

**Moved By:** Councillor Lawlor

**Seconded By:** Councillor McGrath

Be it resolved Council approve Service Club Rebates as presented in the amount of \$122,438.42 which represents \$99,684.24 in commercial tax and \$22,754.18 in business tax, noting abstention by Councillor Penney for the Knights of Columbus and Councillor Humphries for the Lion's Club.

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

c) **Administration / Miscellaneous**

**Moved By:** Councillor Fahey

**Seconded By:** Councillor Humphries

Be it resolved Council grants permission to destroy accounting records for 2011 and prior as per the list presented.

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

**Moved By:** Councillor Lawlor

**Seconded By:** Councillor Penney

Be it resolved Council approve projects as pretend by the Participatory Budget Committee for a total amount of \$100,000 as per the approved budget; \$25,000 for the Indoor Playground and \$75,000 for accessible playground equipment at Centennial Playground.

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

d) Finance

**Moved By:** Councillor McGrath

**Seconded By:** Councillor Fahey

Be it resolved Council approve Accounts Payable and Purchase Orders in the amount of \$1,721,050.20 with noted abstentions: Councillor McGrath 11700, 11773, 11839 and Councillor Humphries 11786.

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

**Moved By:** Councillor Fahey

**Seconded By:** Councillor McGrath

Be it resolved Council approve Recreation Grant Matrix Funding in the amount of \$75,000 as presented.

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

**Moved By:** Councillor Fahey

**Seconded By:** Councillor Penney

Be it resolved Council approve Recreation Travel Grants in the amount of \$62,000 for Provincial, \$12,600 for Atlantic/National and \$7,400 for International Travel – noting abstention by Councillor Humphries for Minor Hockey & Special Olympics.

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

**Moved By:** Councillor Humphries

**Seconded By:** Councillor Lawlor

Be it resolved Council approve amended policy #5.1-4 Compliance Letters as presented.

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

## 7.2 Planning & Development

### a) Fratian Investments – Business Tax Incentive Strategy

**Moved By:** Councillor McGrath

**Seconded By:** Councillor Lawlor

Be it resolved Council execute the Reimbursement Agreement with Fratian Investments Ltd., in accordance with Policy No. 2.1-6 Business Tax Incentive Strategy, as presented.

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

### b) First Steps Family Resource Centre – Land Sale Request

**Moved By:** Councillor Lawlor

**Seconded By:** Councillor McGrath

Be it resolved Council, in accordance with Section 201.2(7) on the Municipalities Act, 1999, lease an area of land approximating 0.14ha at the NW corner of Cashin Crescent & Tamarack Drive to the Family Resource Centre Inc., subject to Ministerial approval.

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

### c) Letter of Intent to Labrador West Pioneer Living Inc.

The Director of Planning & Development will draft a letter of intent to the Labrador West Pioneer Living Inc. advising of Labrador City's commitment to donate land for their project, subject to Ministerial approval.

### d) Sale of Real Property Tanya Crescent Development

**Moved By:** Councillor Penney

**Seconded By:** Councillor Fahey

Be it resolved Council approve to advertise the Sale of Real Property – Tanya Crescent Development, 3048 Tanya Crescent, 3057, 3059, 3061 Harrie Lake Drive.



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

## 8. Applications for Permits

### 8.1 19-041 Approval in Principle Medical / Professional 222 Amherst Ave

Prior to discussion on this item, Mayor Button declared a conflict and exited the Chambers.

**Moved By:** Councillor McGrath

**Seconded By:** Councillor Lawlor

Be it resolved Council approve Approval in Principle Permit 19-041 for a Medical/Professional Centre at 222 Amherst Avenue, subject to stipulations outlined on the permit.

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

Mayor Button rejoins the meeting.

### 8.2 Permit 19-052 BIRA 520 Tamarack Drive

**Moved By:** Councillor Fahey

**Seconded By:** Councillor Penney

Be it resolved Council approve BIRA Permit 19-052 for a home-based business located at 520 Tamarack Drive, subject to no objections being received and stipulations outlined on the permit.

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

### 8.3 Permit 19-055 Approval in Principle General Assembly 500 Vanier Ave

**Moved By:** Councillor Humphries

**Seconded By:** Councillor Penney

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Be it resolved Council approve Approval in Principle Permit 19-055 for General Assembly at 500 Vanier Avenue, subject to no objections being received and stipulations outlined on the permit.

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

#### **8.4 Permit Ratification List #5**

**Moved By:** Councillor Fahey

**Seconded By:** Councillor Lawlor

Be it resolved Council approve Permit Ratification List #5 as presented, noting abstention by Mayor Button to 19-041 222 Amherst Avenue.

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

#### **9. Unfinished Business**

N/A

#### **10. Tenders**

N/A

#### **11. Date of Next Meeting & Adjournment**

The date of the next Council Meeting will be Tuesday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm. There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 1:40 pm by Councillor McGrath.

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Cathy Etsell, Acting Town Clerk

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Wayne Button, Mayor