

# COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

January 25, 2022 1:00 pm

In Attendance: Deputy Mayor Mitchell Marsh

Councillor Belinda Adams Councillor Junior Humphries

Councillor Ryan Pike Councillor Dawn Willcott Councillor Kim Hartery

Staff Present: Cathy Etsell, CAO

Kim Conway, Director of Finance & Admin

Tom Mihajlovic, Director of Eng. & Public Works Craig Purves, Director of Planning & Development

Nick Miller, Director of Recreation & Community Events

Krista Hedlund, Deputy Clerk

Regrets: N/A

## 1. Call Meeting to Order

## 1.1. Adoption and Approval of Agenda

Moved By: Councillor Willcott Seconded By: Councillor Pike

Be it resolved the agenda for meeting of January 25, 2022 be adopted as presented.

Question called; Deputy Mayor Marsh, Councillor Adams, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Pike, Councillor Willcott and Councillor Hartery all in favor. **Carried** 

# 2. Delegations

N/A

# 3. Adoption and Signing of Minutes

Moved By: Councillor Humphries Seconded By: Councillor Hartery

Be it resolved the minutes of the public meetings held December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021 be adopted as presented.

Question called; Deputy Mayor Marsh, Councillor Adams, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Pike, Councillor Willcott and Councillor Hartery all in favor. **Carried** 

#### 4. Business Arising from Minutes

N/A

## 5. Correspondence

## 5.1 Dept of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture

Correspondence dated December 16, 2021 from the Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture provides approval to Occupy Land from Crown Lands for the purpose of trail expansion at Tanya Lake, Application No. 157560.

5.2 Dept of Municipal & Provincial Affairs – Donation of Land Approval

Correspondence from the Department of Municipal & Provincial Affairs dated December 31, 2021 provides approval for the Town of Labrador City to donate land located at 501 &

503 Lakeside Drive, Labrador City to Hope Haven for the purposes of their Transitional

Housing project.

5.3 **Dept of Health & Community Services – Healthcare Concerns** 

The Department of Health & Community Services sends a letter to the Town in response to concerns sent by Council in November. The Department indicates that they are working

with LG Health and the Labrador West Community Advisory Panel regarding the unique

issues in the region, in addition to new measures the Department release on October 18,

2021 to improve Primary Health Care across the province.

5.4 Union of Canadian Transportation Employees – Wabush Airport

The Union for the Canadian Transportation Employees sends a letter highlighting concerns with the Wabush Airport regarding safety and regulatory non-compliance infractions with

regards to Emergency Services. It highlights that Transport Canada, as the regulator, and

also the Operator, has not met its requirements.

6. **New Business** 

> 6.1 **Resignation of Mayor**

On January 19, 2022, Mayor Brian Barnett resigned from Council effective immediately,

citing personal health matters. Council wishes with him all the best in the future.

Town Clerk, Kim Conway, took over Chair of the Meeting while appointing a new Mayor.

6.2 **Appointment of Mayor** 

Moved By: Councillor Humphries

Seconded By: Councillor Pike

Be it resolved as per Section 19(3) of the Municipalities Act, Chapter M-24, S.N. 1999 as amended, due to vacancy of the mayor's seat, Council will appoint the position of Mayor

by nomination from the floor, for the remainder of this term, to September 2025.

Question called; Deputy Mayor Marsh, Councillor Adams, Councillor Humphries,

Councillor Pike, Councillor Willcott and Councillor Hartery all in favor. Carried

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#### 6.3 Position of Mayor

**Moved By:** Councillor Humphries **Seconded By:** Councillor Hartery

Call for nomination for position of Mayor for the remainder of the term to September 2025.

Councillor Belinda Adams nominated by Councillor Humphries & Councillor Hartery.

Second call for nomination; no further nominations.

Third call for nomination; no further nominations.

**Be it resolved** Belinda Adams be appointed Mayor for the Town of Labrador City for the remainder of the term to September 2025.

Question called; Deputy Mayor Marsh, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Pike, Councillor Willcott and Councillor Hartery all in favor. **Carried** 

By-Election date will be announced at the next meeting of Council scheduled for February 22, 2022.

# 6.4 Dept of Municipal & Provincial Affairs – Approval Letter 2020-2023 MYCW

**Moved By:** Deputy Mayor Marsh **Seconded By:** Councillor Pike

Be it resolved that, we the Ultimate Recipient, the Town of Labrador City, accept cost-shared funding as outlined in the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure project approval letter dated 20th of December 2021, Project Name & Number as per Schedule noted below, with a total project value of \$3,752,477 including HST. This Council agrees to provide the Ultimate Recipient share value of \$2,006,857after HST rebate, in funding for this project and authorizes the Mayor and the Town Clerk to enter into a funding agreement with the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure on behalf of the Town of Labrador City.

Project Name	Project Number	Original Funding \$ (hst inclusive)	Net Funding (after hst rebate)	Provincial Share \$	Municipal Share \$
Street	,				-
Reconstruction					
Program 2021 - A					
(Avalon & Cartier)	17-MYCW-22-00062	884,860	802,422	401,211	401,211
Street					
Reconstruction					
Program 2021 - B					
(Roche & Hudson)	17-MYCW-22-00063	1,115,903	1,011,940	505,970	505,940
Street					
Reconstruction					
Program 2021 - C					
(Harrie Lake)	17-MYCW-22-00064	893,173	809,960	404,980	404,980
Street					
Reconstruction					
Program 2021 - D					
(Walsh River)	17-MYCW-22-00065	858,541	778,555	389,277	389,277
Unallocated - E				305,419	
TOTAL		3,752,477	3,402,877	2,006,857	1,701,408

Question called; Mayor Adams, Deputy Mayor Marsh, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Pike, Councillor Willcott and Councillor Hartery all in favor. **Carried** 

# 6.5 Reprofiling of Funding: Drake Wastewater Treatment Plant

**Moved By:** Councillor Willcott **Seconded By:** Councillor Pike

**Be it resolved** Council re-allocate funding from the 2020 Street Reconstruction Project #17-RNC-21-00023 in the amount of \$187,695.15 inclusive of HST to the following projects: 2019 Street Reconstruction Project #17-RNC-20-00006 \$ 28,332.67 and Drake WWTP Upgrades Project #17-SCF-19-00120 \$ 159,362.48.

Question called; Mayor Adams, Deputy Mayor Marsh, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Pike, Councillor Willcott and Councillor Hartery all in favor. **Carried** 

## 6.6 2019 Street Reconstruction – Change Order #5

Moved By: Councillor Humphries
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Marsh

**Be it resolved** Council approve Change Order #5 for the 2019 Street Reconstruction Project # 17-RNC-20-00006 in the amount of \$71,150.14 inclusive of HST.

Question called; Mayor Adams, Deputy Mayor Marsh, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Pike, Councillor Willcott and Councillor Hartery all in favor. **Carried** 

# 7. Committee Reports

#### 7.1 Finance & Admin

a) Donations

Moved By: Councillor Hartery Seconded By: Councillor Pike

Be it resolved Council approve donation in the amount of \$100.00 to the Royal Canadian Legion – Provincial Command for the annual Veterans Service Recognition Book.

Question called; Mayor Adams, Deputy Mayor Marsh, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Pike, Councillor Willcott and Councillor Hartery all in favor. **Carried** 

b) Administration / Miscellaneous

Appointment of Auditor - Pearl R. Lee

Moved By: Councillor Humphries
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Marsh

Be it resolved Council approve Pearl R. Lee to conduct the 2021 Annual Audit.

Question called; Mayor Adams, Deputy Mayor Marsh, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Pike, Councillor Willcott and Councillor Hartery all in favor. **Carried** 

**Urban and Labrador Region Directors** 

**Moved By:** Deputy Mayor Marsh **Seconded By:** Councillor Willcott

**Be it resolved** Council submit their vote for Ms. Mary Thorne-Gosse for Urban Region Director with the Municipal Assessment Agency.

Question called; Mayor Adams, Deputy Mayor Marsh, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Pike, Councillor Willcott and Councillor Hartery all in favor. **Carried** 

#### **Budget Motion Correction**

Moved By: Councillor Pike

Seconded By: Councillor Hartery

**Be it resolved** Council amend Budget resolution (h) from the December 14, 2021 meeting to reflect a minimum Business Tax of \$600.00 per annum for Class 9 effective January 1, 2022.

Question called; Mayor Adams, Deputy Mayor Marsh, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Pike, Councillor Willcott and Councillor Hartery all in favor. **Carried** 

c) Policies & Procedures

**Enforcement – Municipal Violations** 

**Moved By:** Deputy Mayor Marsh **Seconded By:** Councillor Pike

**Be it resolved** Council approve amended Policy #4.2-1 Enforcement – Municipal Violations as presented.

Question called; Mayor Adams, Deputy Mayor Marsh, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Pike, Councillor Willcott and Councillor Hartery all in favor. **Carried** 

## **Crown Land Applications**

Moved By: Councillor Humphries Seconded By: Councillor Pike

**Be it resolved** Council approve newly created Policy #5.1-5 Crown Lands Applications as presented.

Question called; Mayor Adams, Deputy Mayor Marsh, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Pike, Councillor Willcott and Councillor Hartery all in favor. **Carried** 

#### 7.2 Planning & Development

## a) Follow Up Listing

# **Enforcement Tracking**

Labrador Regional Appeal Board: Craig Simms vs. Town of Labrador City

The board found that the non-conformity of the stairwell enclosure was legally established as Section 108 of the Urban & Rural Planning Act, 2000 applies. The Board found that the enclosure of the stairwell did not increase the non-conformity because the enclosure will not further reduce the rear yard setback.

#### b) New Business

## Regulations - Mobile Vehicle Regulations

Moved By: Councillor Pike

Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Marsh

Be it resolved Council repeal the Mobile Vehicle Regulations effective January 26, 2022.

Question called; Mayor Adams, Deputy Mayor Marsh, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Pike, Councillor Willcott and Councillor Hartery all in favor. **Carried** 

#### c) Unfinished Business

## Regulations - Temporary Patio Regulations - Draft

Draft for the new Temporary Patio Regulations was presented for information. The Regulations will be reviewed by the Town Solicitor prior to adoption.

#### 7.3 Parks & Recreation

## a) Unfinished Business

## **Age Friendly Community**

**Moved By:** Councillor Hartery **Seconded By:** Councillor Pike

**Be it resolved** Council support to work diligently to build an Age Friendly Community and actively support the new Age Friendly Committee.

Question called; Mayor Adams, Deputy Mayor Marsh, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Pike, Councillor Willcott and Councillor Hartery all in favor. **Carried** 

#### Community Accessible Van - Trust Transit

The Town of Labrador City is pleased to announce that the Community Accessible Van is now in operation, under the operation of Trust Transit. The committee will continue to review logbooks for operational efficiencies throughout the year.

## b) Special Events

## **Winter Olympics**

Program & Events Coordinator is preparing online virtual activities for the upcoming Winter Olympics; details to be posted on the Special Events Facebook page.

#### **Heart Health Month**

The Town is asking all residents to get active; in 2021 we tracked 15,291 km, this year we would like to beat that number. Check out the Special Events Facebook page for details.

#### Self Care Kits

Program & Events Coordinator will be working with the local Mental Health Department to assemble Self Care kits; these kits will be available to the public through the Mental Health Department.

#### **Winter Carnival**

Due to Covid the past two carnivals have been cancelled or drastically reduced to virtual events. In 2022 we will host a "Celebrate Winter" event, which will span over several themed weeks that the public can participate in, some events will be virtual, some will be pop-up outdoor events. Stay tuned to the Special Events page for more details.

## **Summer Festival**

August 12-14 the Town will host a Summer Festival; the committee is working on sponsor packages; we will also be seeking interest from local groups to partner for the sale of alcohol and beverages. More details to follow.

#### Come Home Year

The Parks & recreation Committee discussed Come Home Year 2024; we will seek interest from community members to be a part of the planning committee. Stay tuned for advertising in the coming months.

## c) Facilities

## **Labrador City Arena**

The new chiller has been installed and ice is being laid; all groups will be notified of start up dates and scheduling.

## **Outdoor Skating Rinks**

Both outdoor rinks, Gordie Young Softball Field and Harrie Lake Rink are in operation; Chill's Loop will be in operation in the coming weeks.

## Centennial Playground Lights / Trail

The Christmas lights will remain up and on to light the trail at the playground for any residents wishing to use it. The trail will remain open for the winter season.

#### d) New Business

## Cain's Quest

Cain's Quest 2023 – Arena will be used Wednesday March 1<sup>st</sup> 8 am to 8 am March 2<sup>nd</sup> for Fan Night and Friday March 10<sup>th</sup> 4 pm to March 12<sup>th</sup> for the banquet.

# Meeting with Big 4

Meeting with Big 4 will be arranged for further discussions on how to try and improve memberships.

#### **Green Team Project**

The Director of Parks & Recreation will be researching Green Team projects that could benefit our community.

#### **Grant Request**

Moved By: Councillor Hartery Seconded By: Councillor Pike

**Be it resolved** Council approve Recreation Grant Matrix Funding in the amount of \$75,000 as presented, noting abstention for Councillor Humphries for Labrador West Minor Hockey and Special Olympics.

Question called; Mayor Adams, Deputy Mayor Marsh, Councillor Pike, Councillor Willcott and Councillor Hartery all in favor. **Carried** 

Moved By: Councillor Pike

Seconded By: Councillor Willcott

**Be it resolved** Council approve Recreation Grant Matrix Funding for the Labrador West Recreation Association (Big 4) in the amount of \$75,000 as presented.

Question called; Mayor Adams, Deputy Mayor Marsh, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Pike, Councillor Willcott and Councillor Hartery all in favor. **Carried** 

Moved By: Councillor Humphries Seconded By: Councillor Pike

**Be it resolved** Council approve Recreation Grants for Travel as follows: \$40,000 Provincial, \$6,500 Atlantic & National, \$4,000 International and \$3,000 for Provincial Team Training.

Question called; Mayor Adams, Deputy Mayor Marsh, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Pike, Councillor Willcott and Councillor Hartery all in favor. **Carried** 

Moved By: Councillor Hartery
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Marsh

**Be it resolved** Council approve Recreation Grants Miscellaneous as follows: \$26,500 Margaret Butt Memorial Library, \$10,000 high School Initiative, \$12,000 Seniors Rent Subsidy, \$3,800 School Ski Program, \$45,600 Snowbirds Gymnastics Rent Assistance.

Question called; Mayor Adams, Deputy Mayor Marsh, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Pike, Councillor Willcott and Councillor Hartery all in favor. **Carried** 

## 7.4 Municipal Services Committee

a) New Business

Moved By: Councillor Humphries Seconded By: Councillor Pike

**Be it resolved** that the Drake Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrades, Project # 17-SCF-19-00120 be awarded to Enercon Builders Inc. in the amount of \$7,332,444.85 inclusive of hst. This represents an additional \$2,325,412.67 that will be the responsibility of the Town of Labrador City.

Question called; Mayor Adams, Deputy Mayor Marsh, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Pike, Councillor Willcott and Councillor Hartery all in favor. **Carried** 

## 8. Applications for Permits

8.1 Permit 22-004 Approval in Principle: Sub-Division of Land 126 Humphrey Road and Permit 22-005 Approval in Principle: Consolidation of Land 118-122 Humphrey Road

Moved By: Councillor Pike

Seconded By: Councillor Willcott

Be it resolved Council grant the Director of Planning & Development permission to approve Approval in Principle Permit 22-004 for Sub-Division of Land at 126 Humphrey Road and 22-005 to Consolidate Land at 118-122 Humphrey Road, subject to conditions outlined on the permit.

Question called; Mayor Adams, Deputy Mayor Marsh, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Pike, Councillor Willcott and Councillor Hartery all in favor. **Carried** 

## 9. Unfinished Business

N/A

#### 10. Tenders

N/A

## 11. Approval of Accounts & Purchase Orders

**Moved By:** Councillor Humphries **Seconded By:** Councillor Pike

Be it resolved Council approve Accounts and Purchase Orders in the amount of \$3,791,533.54 as presented, noting abstentions for Deputy Mayor Marsh on cheque #'s 16905 and 16978.

Question called; Mayor Adams, Deputy Mayor Marsh, Councillor Humphries, Councillor Pike, Councillor Willcott and Councillor Hartery all in favor. **Carried** 

# 12. Date of Next Meeting & Adjournment

The date of the next Council Meeting will be February 22, 2022. There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 4:40 pm by Deputy Mayor Marsh.

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Kim Conway, Town Clerk	Belinda Adams, Mayor