

Minutes of Council Meeting

Town Hall, February 7, 2017 7:30 p.m.

Present:	Mayor	Brian Sceviour
	Deputy Mayor	John Mullett
Councillors:		Jim Snow
		Kenneth Tucker
		Edward Vatcher
		Lester Watton
	Town Clerk/Treasurer	Elaine Bursey
	Town Manager	Brian Peckford
	Supt. Works	Corb Randell
	Dir. Rec/Tourism	Chris Watton
Regrets:	Councillor	Derek Snow

1. Call to Order

Mayor Brian Sceviour called the meeting to order at 7:38 p.m.

2. Agenda

17-023 Mullett/Tucker

Resolved to adopt the agenda as presented.

In favour: Mayor Sceviour, Deputy Mayor Mullett, Councillors J. Snow, Tucker, Vatcher and Watton.
None opposed. Motion carried.

3. Minutes

3.1 Council Meeting Jan 24, 2017

17-024 J. Snow/Watton

Resolved to adopt minutes of the Jan 24, 2017 regular Council meeting as circulated.

In favour: Mayor Sceviour, Deputy Mayor Mullett, Councillors J. Snow, Tucker, Vatcher and Watton.
None opposed. Motion carried.

4. Action Sheet - Tabled for information.

5. Town Manager Report – Damage Claims Information for Residents

- The Town carries private insurance to which all claims are forwarded to.
- There is a misconception the Town pays out claims - it does not - any claims paid are made through the insurance company if it is deemed the Town is liable.
- The insurance company has no obligation to inform the Town of the status of claims.
- Residents are encouraged to provide as much information as possible when making a claim.
- Forms for making such claims are available at the Town Hall.

6. Recreation/Tourism – Meeting held Feb 7/17.

6.1 Bid for NL Games

The Recreation Committee recommends to decline.

6.2 Woolfrey's Pond Municipal Park

17-025 Vatcher/Mullett

Resolved that Woolfrey's Pond Municipal Park will open this season on May 18, 2017 and close on Sep 10, 2017.

In favour: Mayor Sceviour, Deputy Mayor Mullett, Councillors J. Snow, Tucker, Vatcher and Watton.
None opposed. Motion carried.

6.3 Event Atlantic

Event Atlantic was formed in 2015 as a non-profit association comprised of members from a number of sectors including tourism, economic development, sport industry and various levels of governments from all four Atlantic Provinces.

The association works towards a number of key objectives including the sharing of event hosting best practices, establishing consistent event measures, exploring joint event hosting opportunities for the region and marketing Atlantic Canada as an event hosting destination.

The City of St. John's, in partnership with STEP St. John's (Sport Tourism Event Partnership St. John's), will play host to the third annual Atlantic Canada Event Summit. The Summit is being held March 8-10, 2017 at the Sheraton Hotel Newfoundland in conjunction with the Tim Hortons Brier.

17-026 Vatcher/Mullett

Resolved the Director of Recreation and Tourism, and the Special Events Coordinator be approved to attend Event Atlantic in St. John's, March 8-10, 2017.

In favour: Mayor Sceviour, Deputy Mayor Mullett, Councillors J. Snow, Tucker, Vatcher and Watton.
None opposed. Motion carried.

6.4 Miscellaneous Recreation

- Applications are now being accepted for the Community Garden.
- Three new events are planned:
 1. Feb 25, Moonlight Ski
 2. Mar 11, Snowshoe Poker Run
 3. Mar 18, Sliding Event

7. Economic Development - No report.

8. Lands - No report.

9. Public Works

9.1 Garbage Refuse Policy

17-027 Watton/J. Snow

Resolved to adopt the attached Garbage Refuse Policy.

In favour: Mayor Sceviour, Deputy Mayor Mullett, Councillors J. Snow, Tucker, Vatcher and Watton.
None opposed. Motion carried.

10. Protective Services

10.1 Update

Mayor Sceviour reported on a meeting held Feb 1, 2017 at which Hon. Eddie Joyce and MHA Derek Bennett were in attendance and committed support for the initiative of a Regional Fire Department.

11. Finance

11.1 Cheque Register

17-028 Mullett/J. Snow

Resolved to approve cheques 35512 – 35577 with the exception of cheques 35552 and 35572.

In favour: Mayor Sceviour, Deputy Mayor Mullett, Councillors D. Snow, J. Snow, Tucker, Vatcher and Watton.
None opposed. Motion carried.

11.2 Cheques 35552 and 35572

Councillor Tucker declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting.

17-029 Mullett/J. Snow

Resolved to approve cheques 35552 and 35572.

In favour: Mayor Sceviour, Deputy Mayor Mullett, Councillors, J. Snow, Vatcher and Watton.
None opposed. Motion carried.

Councillor Tucker returned to the meeting.

12. Other Business & Correspondence

12.1 Canadian Council of the Blind

17-030 Mullett/Watton

Resolved to proclaim Feb 5-11, 2017 as White Cane Week.

In favour: Mayor Sceviour, Deputy Mayor Mullett, Councillors D. Snow, J. Snow, Tucker, Vatcher and Watton.
None opposed. Motion carried.

12.2 Late Goward Heath

Mayor Sceviour made mention of the recent passing of former Lewisporte resident Goward Heath, noting Mr. Heath was a long standing veteran, founding member of the Lewisporte Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion, and supporter of the Air Cadet program. He was also the reason that Cabot Street was renamed to Veterans Drive. The Recreation Committee will explore options for something fitting in memory of Goward Heath.

13. Adjournment

17-031 Waton/Mullett

Resolved the meeting adjourn.

In favour: Mayor Sceviour, Deputy Mayor Mullett, Councillors J. Snow, Tucker, Vatcher and Watton.
None opposed. Motion carried.

Time: 8:05 p.m.

Brian Sceviour, Mayor

Elaine Bursey, Town Clerk/Treasurer