

MINUTES

Regular Meeting of Council
Wednesday, February 26, 2020 @ 4:30 pm
Council Chambers

Present:	P. Farwell	Mayor
	T. Pollett	Deputy Mayor
	R. Anstey	Councillor
	B. Dove	Councillor
	G. Brown	Councillor
	O. Fudge	Councillor
	P. Woodford	Councillor

Advisory and Resource:	D. Chafe	CAO/Town Clerk
	K. Hiscock	Director of Finance (A)
	J. Blackwood	Director of Engineering
	N. Newell	Director of Recreation & Community Services
	T. Barron	Director of Municipal Works
	D. Quinton	Director of Development (A)
	H. Lowe	Fire Chief
	K. White	Communications Coordinator

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Meeting was called to order at 4:30pm.

2. VISITORS/PRESENTATIONS

Heritage Day/Week Proclamation

The Mayor proclaimed February 17, 2020 as Heritage Day and February 17-23, 2020 as Heritage Week in the Town of Gander.

Dietitians of Canada Nutrition Month Proclamation

The Mayor proclaimed March as Dietitians of Canada Nutrition Month in the Town of Gander.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion #20-034

Approval of Agenda

Moved by Councillor Fudge and seconded by Councillor Dove that the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council on February 26, 2020 be adopted.

In Favour: 7 Opposing: 0

Decision: Motion carried.

4. MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

Motion #20-035

Regular Minutes for Approval

Moved by Deputy Mayor Pollett and seconded by Councillor Brown that the Minutes from the Regular Meeting of Council on February 5, 2020 be adopted as presented.

In Favour: 7 Opposing: 0

Decision: Motion carried.

Motion #20-036

Special Minutes for Approval

Moved by Deputy Mayor Pollett and seconded by Councillor Fudge that the Minutes from the Special Meeting of Council on February 13, 2020 be adopted as presented.

In Favour: 7 Opposing: 0

Decision: Motion carried.

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

None.

6. REPORTS – STANDING COMMITTEES:

A. Recreation & Community Living:

The Recreation & Community Services report was presented by Councillor Fudge.

The Recreation & Community Services meeting was held on February 17, 2020. The meeting was chaired by O. Fudge, Councillor. Other members present included: G. Brown, Councillor; T. Pollett, Deputy Mayor; N. Newell, Director of Recreation & Community Services; B. Freeborn, Administrative Coordinator.

The following items were discussed:

Gander Rotary Club re Cobb's Pond Redevelopment Phase 3

In January of this year, the Gander Rotary Club wrote advising they would like to explore funding options with ACOA to upgrade the entrance to Cobb's Pond Rotary Park at the intersection of Magee and Airport Blvd and asked Council to consider providing some funding towards this project. Council advised Rotary that they support this project but had just completed their budget for 2020 and that there were no funds available.

The Rotary Club is now asking if it is possible to do a change order and include this project in the Cobb's Pond Redevelopment Phase 3 that is currently underway. The Director of Engineering is recommending that this not be added to this phase as it is a different scope of work. The suggestion was to do as a separate project and the Director of Engineering feels that a lot of the work may be able to be done through the Municipal Works Department.

Since this project is intended to make the entrance more accessible, funding may be available through Senior or Accessibility Grants. The Director will advise the Gander Rotary Club accordingly.

Street Jam

Newfoundland Blizzard, operator of Street Jam, an outdoor ball hockey tournament, are requesting to host this event in the Steele Community Centre parking lot again this year from June 5 – 7, 2020. They are also asking Council to consider a three-year deal with the possibility of extending the term. The parking lot is shared between the Steele Community Centre, the Joseph R. Smallwood Arts & Culture Centre and the Swimming Pool. The Swimming Pool had some concerns with the size of the tournament and that there would be very little parking left for their patrons.

The Director explained that there is a section of the parking lot that is not used for the tournament; however, they would not be able to staff the area to make sure that patrons of the swimming pool have a designated parking spot. The Committee felt that there is a lot of parking in the area for both the swimmers and the ball hockey players and would like to confirm the date for this year.

However, they asked the Director to speak to management at the pool and ask, if the exact dates were set for the three years, would this advance notice help with their scheduling so this event can be hosted in Gander. Street Jam has become a large tournament with players and families coming to Gander from across the province.

Gander Community Tennis Association

At its last meeting, Council agreed that the Recreation and Engineering Departments would provide in-kind services for two projects the Gander Community Tennis Association are working on this year; a covered tennis court and a new outdoor seniors recreation area. The Tennis Association is asking permission to remove some trees which are in the area where the new bocce court will be located. They are concerned that the trees will lead to maintenance issues long term and affect the design as they take up a lot of space.

The Committee agreed with the removal of the trees if warranted when the design work is done. The Tennis Association has also agreed to place smaller shrubs and greenery in the design for the area.

Gander Minor Soccer

In 2019, the Recreation and Administration Department assisted Gander Minor Soccer with payroll and some accounting duties. Soccer is asking for continuing assistance again this year. The Committee agrees with this as soccer has a small volunteer group running the program currently and they want to ensure that soccer remains a viable sport in Gander. This past year, there was 225 youth enrolled in this program.

Gander Rotary Club re Bathroom Facility near Boardwalk

The Gander Rotary Club has been receiving requests to place a bathroom facility halfway around the Boardwalk at Cobb's Pond Rotary Park. Rotary would consider funding the construction of a building like the one at the Airport Nordic Ski Club if the Town would be willing to take on the maintenance, cleaning and emptying the storage tank.

The Committee asked that the Director speak to the Municipal Works Department and get their opinion since they are currently servicing the one at the ski club and would know if this type of facility would be able to be placed in a convenient area by the boardwalk. This item is being referred to the Municipal Works Committee for their review and recommendation.

20th Anniversary of 9/11

The 20th Anniversary of 9/11 will take place on September 11, 2021. There is growing global interest in Gander and our neighboring communities arising from the success of the Come from Away musical which is expected to result in an influx of visitors wishing to commemorate this anniversary.

The Event Coordinator submitted a list of proposed Steering Committee members for review and approval. The Committee agreed with the attached list, however, they suggested the addition of Rogers and Nav Canada and agreed that a committee should be struck so planning for this event can begin.

Winter Games 2022

The Department, in consultation with the Winter Game's provincial office, has started the process of putting a Committee in place for the 2022 Winter Games. The first official step is to appoint the Chair of the Winter Games Committee. It was decided that Deputy Mayor would take on this role. It was also discussed appointing the Director of Recreation and Community Services to serve as the Municipal Representative, a voting member on the Host Committee. The Chairperson together with the Municipal representative appointed by the Municipality will appoint the Director of Finance and the Secretary.

Motion #20-037

Winter Games 2022

Moved by Councillor Fudge and seconded by Councillor Brown that the Deputy Mayor be appointed as the Chair and the Director of Recreation and Community Services be appointed as the Municipal Representative of the 2022 Winter Games.

In Favour: 7 Opposing: 0

Decision: Motion carried.

Community Partnership Fund

The Director is in the process of reviewing applications for this year's Community Partnership Fund. The Committee recommends that the review committee for this process will consist of the CAO, Acting Director of Finance, Chamber of Commerce Chair and a youth representative from the Youth Advisory Committee.

The Committee agreed.

Upcoming events

Feb 29:	Gander Minor Hockey U9 Jamboree
Mar 6 - 8:	AAA Bantam & Midget Female Provincials
Mar 12 - 14:	Dept. of Fisheries & Oceans Hockey Tournament
Mar 17:	Seniors Wellness Session

B. Public Safety & Protective Services Committee:

The Public Safety & Protective Services Committee report was presented by Councillor Dove

The Public Safety & Protective Services Committee was held on February 19, 2020. The meeting was chaired by B. Dove, Councillor. Other members present included: R. Anstey, Councillor; O. Fudge, Councillor; T. Pollett, Deputy Mayor; H. Lowe, Director of Protective Services/Fire Chief; L. Small, Administrative Assistant.

The following items were discussed:

Animal Control Regulations

The Committee reviewed proposed amendments to Council's Animal Control Regulations. Changes include updated definitions, improved language and the addition of information for the appeal process. There were a couple of items that required further discussion and this item will be brought forward again once all items have been clarified.

The subject of animal tags was brought forward as it was felt the current tags deteriorate too easily and perhaps the town should investigate the cost of a newer version that would last longer. The Director will check on this and report back to Committee.

Traffic Regulations

The Committee reviewed proposed amendments to the Town of Gander Traffic Regulations including:

- Intent on page 1
- Section 5 (b) towing fees for vehicles will now be paid by the owner to the company listed on the notification
- Section 16 (a) v.- exceeding the speed limit by 51 km
- Section 16 (b) i, ii, suspension notice information
- Page 28 and 29-Addendum additions and appeal process

The Committee presents the amended Town of Gander Traffic Regulations for the first reading. Anyone wishing to express comments or concerns regarding the above noted changes can do so in writing to the Town Hall on or before March 31, 2020.

Policy FD-005 Payment of Vehicle Accident Costs to Volunteer Firefighters

The Committee was presented with proposed amendments to the Policy FD-005, Payment of Vehicle Accident Costs to Volunteer Firefighters.

The Committee agreed with the proposed changes with a correction to the second section of compensation, "In the absence of Comprehensive (collision) Insurance, Council will pay up to \$ 1,000 toward the cost of repairs for damages incurred."

The Committee now forwards this item to the Finance Committee for its review and recommendation to Council.

Volunteer Firefighters – Request for meeting attendance

The Director brought forward a request from the Volunteer Assistant Deputy Fire Chief to attend Public Safety Committee meetings for input from the volunteers.

The Committee agreed that attendance should be quarterly and items for discussion submitted to the Administrative Assistant for inclusion on the agenda as per Council's policy for delegations.

C. Public Works & Services Committee:

The Public Works & Services Committee report was presented by Councillor Anstey.

The Public Works & Services Committee meeting was held on February 18, 2020. The meeting was chaired by R. Anstey, Councillor. Other members present included: G. Brown, Councillor; T. Pollett, Deputy Mayor; T. Barron, Director of Municipal Works and Services; G. Whitt, Administrative Support Clerk.

The following items were discussed:

Curbside Give – Away Weekend

The idea of the Town hosting a trade up/curbside give-away day preceding the annual spring cleanup was discussed at the previous Public Works and Services Committee meeting. The Committee requested more information prior to making a recommendation to Council.

The Director advised the Committee the following are some general rules followed by municipalities who are participating in a Curbside Give-Away Weekend.

- Items are to be placed to the curb within the set time frames of the event.
- Residents are permitted to place good used items at the curbside clearly marked "FREE"

The Committee agrees that this event can be incorporated in the Town's waste diversion program to encourage residents to keep items suitable for reuse out of the landfill.

The Committee recommends the Town set a Curbside Give-Away Weekend as a pilot project preceding the 2020 Special Clean-up event. Details will be made available when they are finalized.

Plastic Bag Ban

The Committee reviewed an info note from Municipalities NL reminding residents the Provincial Government is enacting a provincial ban on the distribution of retail plastic bags with the relevant regulations to come into force on July 1, 2020.

Residents are encouraged to begin new shopping habits and consider potential alternatives to retail plastic bags.

Council will remind residents periodically of the deadline for the impending ban on retail plastic bags.

Provincial Waste Management Strategy Review Report

The Committee reviewed the Provincial Waste Management Strategy Report. It acknowledges that the waste diversion and reduction goals set by the 2002 Waste Management Strategy have not yet been met and Municipalities NL remains uncertain whether the report's recommended governance structure will move the province closer toward meeting those goals.

The report recommends that the eight island-based waste management regions be combined to form two regions – western/central and eastern, while Labrador's three regions remain as is, with a proposed fourth location. New board structures, sub-regional advisory committees and amended legislation would support these recommended changes. The Multi-Materials Stewardship Board (MMSB) is also proposed as the necessary lead agency for the oversight and monitoring of the Provincial Solid Waste Management Strategy.

The Committee recommends Council discuss the report at the next meeting with Central NL Waste Management (CNWM) and inquire if the proposed changes will have any effect on the Town of Gander.

Tender Summary #20-01, Rental of Garbage truck

The Director presented the tender summary for the rental of a garbage truck for use during the 2020 Annual Spring cleanup event. Two tenders were received, and the Director advised that the lowest of the tenders that met the specifications was submitted by T2 Ventures Inc. in the amount of \$23,920.00, HST included.

The Committee recommends that the tender for the for the rental of a garbage truck for use during the 2020 Annual Spring cleanup event be awarded to T2 Ventures Inc. and refers this tender to the Finance and Administration Committee for its consideration.

47 Rickenbacker Road

The Director presented the Committee with an invoice from the property owner of 47 Rickenbacker Road requesting reimbursement for the costs incurred to investigate a blocked sewer lateral. It was determined the blockage was caused by a sag in the pipe and falls within the Policy MW030 guidelines for reimbursement. It is recommended the owner of 47 Rickenbacker Road be paid \$691.60 to cover the costs incurred to investigate a blocked sewer lateral.

Motion #20-038

47 Rickenbacker Road

Moved by Councillor Anstey and seconded by Councillor Brown that the owner of 47 Rickenbacker Road be paid \$691.60 to cover the costs incurred to investigate a blocked sewer lateral.

In Favour: 7 Opposing: 0

Decision: Motion carried.

Notable Dates

The next Waste Transfer Date is set for March 14th

D. Development and Tourism Committee:

The Development and Tourism Committee report was presented by Deputy Mayor Pollett.

The Development and Tourism Committee meeting was held on February 18, 2020. The meeting was chaired by T. Pollett, Deputy Mayor. Other members present included: B. Dove, Councillor; O. Fudge, Councillor; G. Brown, Councillor; D. Quinton, Development Director (A).

The following items were discussed:

Commercial Construction Incentive Policy -1st Reading

The Committee reviewed the proposed Commercial Construction Incentive Policy for the 1st reading.

This Policy has been established to support Council's mandate of encouraging significant new commercial construction within the Town of Gander while helping to diversify the economy, stimulate new private sector job growth and increase the commercial tax base.

The Town of Gander Commercial Construction Incentive Policy would apply to qualifying private commercial property developers interested in constructing new commercial buildings within the municipal boundaries of the Town of Gander.

The terms of the Commercial Construction Incentive include a graduated commercial tax abatement for both property tax and water & sewer tax. The tax abatement term will extend the following benefits over a 5-year period:

- Year 1 tax abatement – 100%
- Year 2 tax abatement – 100%
- Year 3 tax abatement – 75%
- Year 4 tax abatement – 50%
- Year 5 tax abatement – 25%
- Year 6 tax abatement – 0%

The Town of Gander Commercial Construction Incentive Policy may be offered in conjunction with, or independent of, other federal or provincial incentive programs.

The Committee agreed with the Policy and presents it to Council for its 1st reading.

Promotional Opportunities

The Committee discussed several opportunities that have arisen lately as a result of attending the New York Times Travel Show, as well as other opportunities to promote Gander as a tourism destination around the world. The Town has been offered the opportunity of paid advertising at reduced rates in several international travel guides and magazines as well through television advertising.

The Committee is not recommending further spending on tourism advertising at this time as there is currently no budget for such additional spending as well as the fact that the Come From Away phenomena is providing promotion and advertising worth hundreds of thousands of dollars as the show continues to expand around the world. The Committee felt that if additional expenditures were to be considered it would perhaps be better spent on tourism product development to increase the overall tourism experience currently offered.

Home-Based Business Application-119 Byrd Avenue

The Committee reviewed an application from the resident of 119 Byrd Avenue - J Bursey Electrical to operate a home office for an electrical contracting business.

The advertising and discretionary use notices were posted with no formal objections received and it meets all of the Town of Gander’s Development Regulations.

Motion #20-039
Home Based Business Application – 119 Byrd Avenue

Moved by Deputy Mayor Pollett and seconded by Councillor Fudge that J Bursey Electrical be permitted to operate a home-office for an electrical contracting business from 119 Byrd Avenue.

In Favour: 7 Opposing: 0

Decision: Motion carried.

E. Engineering, Planning & Controls:

The Engineering, Planning & Controls Committee report was presented by Deputy Mayor Pollett.

The Engineering, Planning & Controls Committee meeting was held on February 19, 2020. The meeting was chaired by T. Pollett, Deputy Mayor. Other members present included: B. Dove, Councillor; G. Brown, Councillor; O. Fudge, Councillor; J. Blackwood, Director of Engineering; J. Hillier, Administrative Assistant.

The following items were discussed:

Building Permit Regulations (Accessory Buildings)

During the first reading of the Accessory building regulation, the committee had requested the Department provide a recommendation regarding Council’s discretion for accessory buildings in non-residential zones.

The Director presented the Committee a memo outlining the discretionary powers of Council. After review, it was recommended that the accessory building regulation be revised as attached. This proposed change would permit accessory buildings in non-residential zones to have a maximum size of 8% of the total lot size and remove the previous requirement which restricted the size to 50% of the main building.

This change would permit accessory building sizes relative to the overall lot size, therefore, the larger the lot size, the larger an accessory building permitted in non-residential zones. The Committee agreed with the recommendation and is prepared to bring forward this regulation at the next meeting for its second and final reading.

Building Permit Regulations (Fences)

The Committee reviewed the Town of Gander’s Building Regulations for Fences. The regulations were presented for a first reading on January 15, 2020.

There have been no subsequent suggestions or objections.

Motion #20-040

Building Permit Regulations (Fences)

Moved by Councillor Woodford and seconded by Councillor Anstey that the Building Regulations for Fences be approved as attached.

In Favour: 7 Opposing: 0

Decision: Motion carried.

Building Permit Regulations (Residential Patios, Decks, and Balconies)

The Committee reviewed the Town of Gander’s Building Regulations for Residential Patios, Decks, and Balconies. The regulations were presented for a first reading on January 15, 2020.

There have been no subsequent suggestions or objections.

Motion #20-041

Building Permit Regulations (Residential Patios, Decks, and Balconies)

Moved by Councillor Woodford and seconded by Councillor Fudge that the Building Permit Guidelines for Residential Patios, Decks, and Balconies be approved as attached.

In Favour: 7 Opposing: 0

Decision: Motion carried.

Building Permit Regulations (Mandatory Inspections)

The Committee reviewed the Town of Gander’s Building Regulations for Mandatory Inspections. The regulations were presented for a first reading on January 15, 2020.

There have been no subsequent suggestions or objections.

Motion #20-042

Building Permit Regulations (Mandatory Inspections)

Moved by Councillor Woodford and seconded by Councillor Dove that the Building Regulations for Mandatory Inspections be approved as attached.

In Favour: 7 Opposing: 0

Decision: Motion carried.

Building Permit Regulations (Permanent Non-Seasonal Swimming Pools)

The Committee reviewed the Town of Gander’s Building Regulations for Permanent Non-Seasonal Swimming Pools. The regulations were presented for a first reading on January 15, 2020.

There have been no subsequent suggestions or objections.

Motion #20-043

Building Permit Regulations (Permanent Non-Seasonal Swimming Pools)

Moved by Councillor Woodford and seconded by Deputy Mayor Pollett that the Building Regulations for Permanent Non-Seasonal Swimming Pools be approved as attached.

In Favour: 7 Opposing: 0

Decision: Motion carried.

Building Permit Regulations (Subsidiary Apartments and Secondary Suites)

The Committee reviewed, the Town of Gander’s Building Regulations for Subsidiary Apartments and Secondary Suites. The regulations were presented for a first reading on January 15, 2020.

There have been no subsequent suggestions or objections.

Motion #20-044

Building Permit Regulations (Subsidiary Apartments and Secondary Suites)

Moved by Councillor Woodford and seconded by Councillor Fudge that the Building Regulations for Subsidiary Apartments and Secondary Suites be approved as attached.

In Favour: 7 Opposing: 0

Decision: Motion carried.

Building Permit Regulations (Demolition)

The Director presented to the Committee, the Demolition Regulation for its first reading. In keeping with the new design and format for regulations the document has been updated and presented for its first reading.

The Committee reviewed the document and had some concerns with how demolition could affect adjoining buildings. The Committee would like the department to bring forward a recommendation for the regulation that would ensure the remaining structure of adjoining buildings are left both structurally and aesthetically sound following demolition.

Shipping Container Regulation

Following a Special Engineering, Planning and Controls Committee meeting on February 5, 2020, revisions were made to the proposed Shipping Container Regulation and the Director presents the proposed regulation, as attached, for its first reading.

The Committee reviewed the regulation and are pleased with the final document and recommends that this be forwarded to Chamber of Commerce and the business community for their review prior to a second reading of this regulation.

Dump Buffer Zone

The Director advised the Committee that the department has received a request from a resident inquiring about the removal of the dump buffer zone on Gander Bay Road. The resident feels that this buffer is hindering future development in the area.

The resident was advised, by Town staff, that a recommendation to remove this buffer was addressed within the new Municipal Town Plan which has been submitted to the Province for review and adoption. The resident is requesting that the Town move forward in contacting Municipal Affairs to help speed up the process of trying to have this buffer removed.

The Director advised that he could reach out to Municipal Affairs to further discuss this issue.

The Committee agreed.

Discretionary Use – 91 Elizabeth Drive

Notice is hereby given that the Town Council of Gander has received an application to occupy the second floor of the building at the above noted address as an Apartment.

It is noted that the Town of Gander Development Regulations permit **Apartments (over permitted uses)** as a Discretionary Use in a **Commercial Downtown** zone.

Motion #20-044**Discretionary Use – 91 Elizabeth Drive**

Moved by Councillor Woodford and seconded by Councillor Dove approval for the discretionary use at 91Elizabeth Drive, as attached pending there are no objections received by the advertised deadline on Friday February 21, 2020.

No objections were received.

In Favour: 7 Opposing: 0

Decision: Motion carried.

F. Finance & Administration:

The Finance and Administration Committee report was presented by Councillor Brown.

The Finance & Administration Committee meeting was held on February 21, 2020. The meeting was chaired by G. Brown, Councillor. Other members present included: R. Anstey, Councillor; O. Fudge, Councillor; D. Chafe, CAO/Town Clerk; K. Hiscock, Director of Finance (A); M. McWhirter, Deputy Municipal Clerk.

The following items were discussed:

Payment of Vehicle Accident Costs to Volunteer Firefighters Policy FD005

The Public Safety Committee referred the proposed changes of Policy FD005 to the Finance Committee for consideration and adoption.

The proposed changes in compensation are as follows:

- If the collision is deemed to be a “No-fault” incident, Council will pay up to 100% of the insurance deductible to a maximum of \$1,000.
- In the absence of Comprehensive Collision Insurance, Council will pay up to \$ 1,000 towards the cost of repairs for damages incurred.

Previously, the Policy stated that Council will pay the lesser of one half the insurance deductible or one half of the actual costs. If the accident is determined to be “No-fault” and in the absence of Comprehensive Collision Insurance the payment will be \$500.

Motion #20-044**Payment of Vehicle Accident Costs to Volunteer Firefighters Policy FD005**

Moved by Councillor Brown and seconded by Councillor Anstey that Policy FD005- Payment of Vehicle Accident Costs to Volunteer Firefighters be amended as attached.

In Favour: 7 Opposing: 0

Decision: Motion carried.

Pentecostal Church Request

The Committee reviewed correspondence from the Evangel Pentecostal Church requesting an exemption of taxes for their properties located at 55 & 57 Elizabeth Drive.

The Director of Finance (A) advised the Committee that the request met the conditions of the Town’s Policy F026- Affordable Housing Tax Exemption and are therefore exempt from property and water/sewer taxation.

Motion #20-045

Pentecostal Church Request

Moved by Councillor Brown and seconded by Councillor Anstey the Evangel Pentecostal Church properties located at 55 & 57 Elizabeth Drive be exempt from property and water/sewer taxation for 2020.

In Favour: 7 Opposing: 0

Decision: Motion carried.

MNL Central Regional Meeting

The Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador (MNL) Central Regional Meeting will be held on March 27 -28, 2020 at the Quality Hotel & Suites in Gander. There will be several changes to the meeting format to provide expanded roundtable discussions, more networking opportunities and practical advice for managing a municipality.

MNL is requesting municipal sponsorship of the event to help offset the cost for members to attend. The Committee is pleased that the Central Regional Meeting will be held in Gander and will provide sponsorship in the amount of \$500 as was provided for this event in 2017.

Motion #20-046

MNL Central Regional Meeting

Moved by Councillor Brown and seconded by Deputy Mayor Pollett that the Town provide \$500 to MNL for the Central Regional Meeting to be held on March 27-28, 2020.

In Favour: 7 Opposing: 0

Decision: Motion carried.

Property Tax Reduction

The Committee reviewed one residential tax reduction application which met Council’s policy on tax reductions for residential property.

Motion #20-047

Property Tax Reduction

Moved by Councillor Brown and seconded by Councillor Anstey that the property tax reduction be approved as attached.

In Favour: 7 Opposing: 0

Decision: Motion carried.

Tender Summary #20-01, Rental of Garbage Truck

The results of the tender for the rental of one garbage truck was presented to the Committee in which two bids were received. The lowest bid that met specifications was submitted by T2 Ventures Incorporated in the amount of \$23,920 inclusive of HST.

Motion #20-048

Tender Summary #20-01, Rental of Garbage Truck

Moved by Councillor Brown and seconded by Councillor Anstey the tender for the rental of one garbage truck be awarded to T2 Ventures Inc. in the amount of \$23,920 HST included be approved.

In Favour: 7 Opposing: 0

Decision: Motion carried.

G. Other Reports:

None

7. ADMINISTRATION

None

8. CORRESPONDENCE

None

9. NEW BUSINESS

Appointment of Town Clerk

With the retirement of our former Director of Finance /Town Clerk, Council must appoint a new Town Clerk.

A Hiring Committee comprised of Senior Management and Human Resource staff conducted an open job competition per Council's Hiring Policy. A total of 87 applications were received of which five individuals were interviewed. Based on his qualifications, interview and references, the Hiring Committee is recommending Mr. Brad Hefford be appointed as Town Clerk.

Motion #20-049

Appointment of Town Clerk

Council has accepted the Hiring Committee's recommendation and therefore, in accordance with Section 59 of the Municipalities Act, 1999 it was moved by Deputy Mayor Pollett and seconded by Councillor Anstey that Mr. Brad Hefford be appointed as the Town Clerk for the Town Council of Gander effective March 17th, 2020.

In Favour: 7 Opposing: 0

Decision: Motion carried.

Health Foundation – Golf Tournament

Council has been invited to sponsor the 2020 Golf for Health Tournament, an annual fundraising event hosted by the Central Northeast Health Foundation. Funds raised are used to enhance the quality of health and life for residents of the central northeast region of the province. As in past years, Council feels that a "Team Sponsorship" in the amount of \$800, is appropriate.

Motion #20-050

Health Foundation – Golf Tournament

Moved by Councillor Brown and seconded by Councillor Dove that Council sponsor the 2020 Golf for Health Tournament in the amount of \$800.

In Favour: 7 Opposing: 0

Decision: Motion carried.

Multi Year 2014-2017 Reallocation

Due to the increased costs for the Capital Projects on Laurell Road, Corrigan Street and Medcalf Street the Multi Year Capital Funding for 2014-2017 requires reallocation.

Motion #20-051

Multi Year 2014-2017 Reallocation

Moved by Councillor Brown and seconded by Councillor Fudge that the amended Schedule A for the 2014-2017 Multi Year Funding be approved as attached.

In Favour: 7 Opposing: 0

Decision: Motion carried.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion #20-052

Adjournment

There being no further business, it was moved by Deputy Mayor Pollett and seconded by Councillor Woodford that the meeting be adjourned.

In Favour: 7 Opposing: 0

Decision: Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 5:32 p.m.

P. Farwell, Mayor

D. Chafe, CAO/Town Clerk