

Meeting of Council held in the Council Chambers at 7:30 p.m.

Present:

L. Mercer	Mayor
F. Tibbo	Deputy Mayor
P. O'Brien	Councillor
D. Sheppard	Councillor
L. Walters	Councillor

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

The minutes of the meeting held on March 21, 1979 were adopted on a motion by Councillor Walters and seconded by Councillor Sheppard.

ROAD SIGNS

BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Deputy Mayor Tibbo asked if the Trans Canada Highway Road Signs for Gander were ready. Mr. Baird reported that the Dept. of Highways told him that the signs if they were in the depot at Grand Falls would be erected after April 24, 1979.

COLD PATCH

Mr. Duggan brought to Council's attention the fact that cold patch had been acquired and the patching program was being carried out. He emphasized that the Town did not expect the people to "grin and bear it" as was reported in the news media.

F.C.M. CONVENTION

Mayor Mercer asked all Councillors to notify Mr. Duggan on whether or not they would be attending the F.C.M. Convention in Quebec City.

REPORTS STANDING COMMITTEES AND ADMINISTRATION

(a) Finance Committee-Councillor Walters tabled the Committee's report (attached). It was moved by Councillor Walters and seconded by Councillor Sheppard that accounts as submitted are approved as listed:

Revenue:

(1) Penford Auto Supplies Ltd.	1,700.00
1 steam cleaner, 57-02	
(2) Nfld. Tractor & Equipment	852.56
rollers, collar, cap screws, 32-36	
(3) Nfld. Tractor & Equipment	801.90
Edge & accessories, 120	
(4) Workmen's Compensation Board of Nfld.	7,901.84
Provisional Assessment, 112-11	
(5) J.C. Pratt	749.25
1 30 min survivor breathing apparatus, ordered for Gander Lions Club, 21-01	
(6) Jim Penney Ltd.	767.44
an engine for Recreation Comm. truck	
invoice \$1,075.67 less credit of \$308.23	
(7) LaHave Equipment	1,151.24
1 ram. cylinder, 32-12	
(8) Hyde Park	729.75
6 by-wet fire fighting super wetting agent of 5 imp. gallons, 21-01	
(9) Domac Enterprises Ltd.	1,581.75
1 impeller for old sewage treatment plant	

- 10. Blackwood Hodge Equipment LTD. 2,822.97
repair serving motor to proclain, 32-42
- 11. Newfoundland Tractor & Equipment Co. 603.93
Edge, bolts, nuts, 32-11

FIRE DEPT.

- 1. ABM 805.13
PCS 2x8x16 & 2x8x10

Motion Carried.

E.P.A.

It was moved by Councillor Walters and seconded by Deputy Mayor Tibbo that E.P.A. be granted a property tax reduction of \$9,500.48 and a business tax reduction of \$5,000.25 in accordance with Council's policy set down on July 5, 1978. These reductions are for 1979. Motion Carried.

WRITE-OFF'S

It was moved by Councillor Walters and seconded by Councillor Sheppard that 30% property tax reductions be granted to the following in accordance with Council Policy:

NAME	ADDRESS	TAXATION	30% REDUCTION
Mary Andrews	33 Nungesser	\$377.63	\$113.29
Maisie Parsons	24 Hamilton	339.63	101.89
Lillian Tucker	23 MacDonald	310.18	93.06
Solomon Smith	43 Elizabeth	285.95	85.79
Gertrude Stack	21 Fitzmaurice	345.33	103.60
Flora Anstey	11 Wilcockson	331.08	99.32
Lenora Fox	14 Balbo	406.60	121.98
Lucy Lush	42 Blackwood	234.65	70.40
Garnet Greene	47 Nungesser	429.40	128.82
Elizabeth Oglivie	2 Boyd	331.55	99.47
Evelyn Lush	22 McKay	387.60	116.28
Frank Blundon	58 Nungesser	326.80	98.04
Gertrude Smith	11 Cotton	353.40	106.02
Louise Perry	45 Grandy	428.93	128.68
Phyllis Locke	27 Brochen	275.50	82.65
Ron Hounsell	147 Elizabeth	349.13	104.75
			<u>\$1,654.03</u>

	YEAR 1977		
Brett Saunders	155 Elizabeth	236.00	70.80

	YEAR 1978		
Lenora Fox	14 Balbo	363.80	109.14
Lillian Walsh	35 Memorial	293.25	87.98
			<u>\$1,921.95</u>

Motion Carried

INVENTORY

(b) Public Works Committee-(1) Deputy Mayor Tibbo tabled the Committee report (attached). It was moved by Deputy Mayor Tibbo and seconded by Councillor O'Brien that Council purchase a spare parts inventory worth approximately \$2,000 for the Vacuum Sweep. Motion Carried.

CONCERNED CITIZENS GROUP

(2) Deputy Mayor Tibbo informed Council of a meeting between himself and a Concerned Citizen's Group. However he did not table the minutes but he did report the following to the Mayor.

April 3, 1979

The Public Works Committee responded to a request from a group of people known as the "Concerned Citizens Committee" to meet with them.

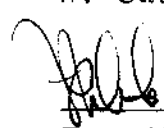
The minutes of the meeting are attached for your information.

The comments of the Public Works Commission are as follows:

1. The Town Manager should determine if all staff members concerned have stated or will state that all the claims against the Town in the instances referred to are clearly not the responsibility of the Town, because the Town in all cases referred to is clear of all fault.

2. If the Town's workmanship or lack thereof is responsible for any of the damage incurred, then the appropriate officials of the Town together with a committee of Council, prepare a report of such findings for the consideration of the Town Council.

H. Saunders



F. Tibbo, Chairman P.W.C.

ARENA

(c) Recreation Committee- No report. Mr. Walsh reported that the problem of drinking in the Arena had been reported to the Recreation Director. Mr. Hoskins had contacted the R.C.M.P. and they agreed to enforce provincial laws plus the individuals concerned would be barred from the Arena for a period of time. Council agreed.

FIRE DEPT.

(d) Fire Department Committee-Councillor O'Brien tabled a report of the Fire Department Committee (attached). He also went on to say that the Fire Brigade voted to award the Fire Chief a salary of \$300 per month. However he received nothing official on it yet.

Councillor Sheppard asked about the progress of the Fire training ground. Councillor O'Brien did not know the status of the project, however Mr. Baird gave a progress report stating that a total of \$37,000 had been spent to date.

Deputy Mayor Tibbo reported that he had talked to the Firemen handling the project and they were pleased with the progress and the foreman.

DEVELOPMENT

(e) Development Committee-Councillor Sheppard tabled the Committee report (attached).

QUARRY PERMIT

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It was moved by Councillor Sheppard and seconded by Councillor O'Brien that a quarry permit be granted to Walter Tulk for the east end of Gander Lake. Motion Carried.

METRIC SIGNS

(f) Traffic Committee-Mr. Duggan reported that metric conversion decals were ordered for town signs.

C.N. LAND

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(g) Administration- It was moved by Councillor Sheppard and seconded by Councillor O'Brien that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the document for sale of land to C.N. Motion Carried.

HOUSING

Mr. Duggan reported that N.L.H.C. informed him that an additional 50 building lots would be available in July.

DEVELOPMENT

Mr. Duggan reported also that over the past 24 hours he had received two requests for non-retail commercial land. However no other details were available at present.

NEW BUSINESS

(a) Correspondence

(1) Letter from the Minister of Justice concerning the aerial ladder truck was tabled. Mr. Hickman was non-committal.

(2) Letter from Mr. Stan Boone, Chief of Police, Mount Pearl concerning the request for information on Gander's Police Force was tabled.

(3) Letter from N.L.H.C. concerning the availability of building lots was tabled. N.L.H.C. stated that they were working on the problem.

(4) Letter from a Senior Planner of the Department of Municipal Affairs concerning the Veterinary Clinic was tabled. The Department denied the application for the T.C.H. However, they recommended the Gander Bay Road was suitable.

(b) Plans and Permits

It was moved by Councillor Walters and seconded by Councillor Sheppard that building permits be approved as follows subject to all existing regulations:

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Art Mercer Lot 441, Raynham Ave.	Dwelling with Basement Apt. \$50,000
Calvin Diamond Lot 430, Raynham Avenue	Dwelling \$46,000
Randell Mercer Lot 448, Raynham Avenue	Dwelling with Basement Apt. \$45,000
Kenneth Cook Lot 431, Raynham Avenue	Dwelling \$40,000
D.C. Hookey Lot 429, Raynham Avenue	Dwelling \$37,000
Felix Murrin Lot 443, Raynham Avenue	Dwelling \$40,000
Roy Barrett Lot 432, Raynham Avenue	Dwelling \$35,000
Joseph Farrell Lot 440, Raynham Avenue	Dwelling \$40,000
Robert Stroud Lot 353, Corrigan Street	Dwelling \$33,000
Harvey Rideout 34 Hamilton Street	Garage \$4,000

Motion Carried.

BUILDING PERMIT FEE

Council discussed the building permit fee. Council agreed that another attempt should be made to persuade the minister to include an open ended section of the Local Government Act to let the Municipal Government determine the permit fee.

Occupancy Permits

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It was moved by Deputy Mayor Tibbo and seconded by Councillor O'Brien that Occupancy Permits be granted as follows:

- (1) Pittman Rental Center-Dave Blunden Building-Carr Crescent
- (2) Gander Radio & T.V.-George Barry Building-Carr Crescent
- (3) Robert Lambert-5 Scott Place

Motion Carried.

YOUTH COUNCIL

(c) Other Business

Deputy Mayor Tibbo asked if Council would discuss the Youth Council Agreement at the next Council meeting. Mayor Mercer said that this

was the intent, once all Councillors had the opportunity to read the document.

FLOODED AREAS

Deputy Mayor Tibbo asked that Mr. Baird respond to the Concerned Citizen points in his Public Works Committee report. However on legal advice, Mr. Baird cannot respond to any questions on the flooded areas in question.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Councillor O'Brien at 9:00 p.m. that the meeting be adjourned.

All agreed.

Lloyd Mercer
L. Mercer-Mayor

D. Walsh-Town Clerk