

Municipal Minute

September 2017

The Municipal Minute is a publication dedicated to providing residents with important information to highlight significant developments, milestones and other noteworthy items from the Placentia Council Chamber. The Municipal Minute is published following each Public Council meeting.

CONGRATULATORY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council extends congratulations to the following:

- Brent Payne, member of the Outer Cove Rowing Crew that captured first place at the 2017 Royal St. John's Regatta.
- Hillary Neville, MacKenzie Wakeham, Mackenzie Leonard Power, Lauren Kelly, Grace Follett, Tyra Lannon, Trainer Tony Woodman and Coxswain Kenny King who made up the Harold Hotel rowing crew. The crew won their individual races at all three regattas and took silver at the Harbour Grace Regatta.
- Jordan Pomeroy, Nicholas Pittman, Stephen Mullaley and Jermey O'Reilly were part of the NL Seniors Men's Softball team (Galway Hitmen) that captured the silver medal at the Canadian Fastpitch Championships held in Saskatchewan.
- Track and Field athletes, Peter Hynes and Taylor Hann who were selected as part of Team NL competing in the 2018 Special Olympics Canada Summer Games in Nova Scotia next summer.
- Patrick Pearson for being selected for the Premier's Youth Advisory.

EXPENDITURES

Highlights of expenditures approved by Council this month include:

- \$300 towards the 2017 Regatta Opening Ceremonies
- \$100 to Trinity Conception Placentia Health Foundation
- Approval of snow clearing tender for next three years

BUS SHELTERS

The Town is reviewing the location of bus shelters throughout the Town with a view to improving locations based on safety and usage.

PERMITS

Council approved the following permits:

- Two residential development permits
- Occupancy permit to operate a car sales business
- Vendor permit for a Hair Salon
- Mobile vendor permit for Hydro-seeding
- Crown land application for the purpose of operating a commercial greenhouse for food crops

FALL/WINTER ACTIVITY GUIDE

The Recreation and Tourism Committees are gathering information for inclusion in a Fall/Winter Activity Guide to inform residents of recreational programs and events happening in Placentia. If you have an event or program that you would like to include, please submit details by September 30th.

PLACENTIA BAY INDUSTRY SHOWCASE

The Town was proud to partner with the Placentia Area Chamber of Commerce for PBIS 2017 held September 19-21. The showcase brought together key partners involved in activities in the Placentia Bay Region and provided great opportunities to network and explore involvement.



Mayor Power addressing conference delegates at PBIS 2017

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Council approved audited financial statements for 2016 prepared by Byron Smith Chartered Accountant. The auditor noted the Town was compliant with all regulations and that the financial information was presented fairly with no areas of concern. The Town also underspent on budget expenditures for 2016.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

Following a dumping incident by contractors carrying out work for Provincial Government at a clearing on route 100 near the watershed area, Government was asked to have an environmental assessment conducted. The report confirms there is no contamination from road material deposited.

CAPITAL WORKS

Council approved entering into an agreement with Municipal Affairs and Environment for the period 2017-2020. This will help access funding to continue with infrastructure improvements in our community.

EVENTS

The Tourism and Culture, Recreation and Economic Development Committees noted several upcoming community events which the town is hosting or partnering to deliver, including:

November 26 - Christmas Fair at the Arts Centre

November 27 - Annual Tree Lighting in the Square

December 2 - Annual Dunville Lions Club Town of Placentia Santa Claus Parade

For more information including up to date event information please visit www.placentia.ca/events

PLACENTIA AWARE

The Placentia Aware Community Notification System has been up and running. Residents and businesses are encouraged to register if that have not already done so by calling the Town Hall or on-line at www.placentia.ca.

TIM HORTON'S SMILE COOKIE CAMPAIGN

Council extends thank you to the local Tim Horton's for contributing proceeds from the recent Smile Cookie Campaign to our local Volunteer Fire Department.



Tom Yetman, NI Fire Service, Placentia Fire Chief Wayne Power and Firefighter Jerry Roache

COUNCIL TERM

The Town of Placentia 2013-2017 Council held its final public Council meeting on September 18, 2017. Mayor and Councillors expressed their views on a successful and busy term on Council and wished all of those seeking office good luck.



(L-R Councillor Frankie Nash, Deputy Mayor Keith Pearson, Mayor Wayne Power, Councillor Dan Greene, Councillor William Woodman, Councillor Noella Collins)

ELECTION INFORMATION

Advanced Poll: Saturday September 23, 2017 8am - 8pm
Location: Star of the Sea Association

Election Day: Tuesday, September 26, 2017 8am - 8pm
Location: Star of the Sea (Townside, Southeast, Jerseyside & Ferndale)
Freshwater Community Centre (Freshwater)
Dunville Lions Club (Dunville)

Proxy Voting is also available for those who may not be able to vote in person. To apply please contact the Town Hall prior to 4pm Monday September 25, 2017.

NEXT PUBLIC COUNCIL MEETING

The next Public Meeting is scheduled for October 17, 2017. Submissions, including permit applications, for consideration by Council are due by Friday, October 6, 2017. Members of the public are welcome and encouraged to attend all public council meetings.