

MINUTES

A public meeting of the Placentia Council was held Tuesday, September 17, 2014 at the Town Hall with the following in attendance:



Mayor: Wayne D. Power
Deputy Mayor: Keith Pearson
Councillors: Noella Collins
Frank Coombs
Dan Greene
Frankie Nash
William Woodman

Chief Administrative Officer: Ed O'Keefe
Manager of Town Affairs: Margie Hatfield
Public Works Supervisor: Harold Power
Administrative Office Manager: Mary Greene
Executive Assistant: Debbie Gear (Recording)

Mayor Power called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Prior to the start of regular business Mayor Power noted the passing of Firefighter David Power's father, the late Eugene Power. Mr. Power was a prominent member of our community who will be missed by many. Condolences will be sent on behalf of Council.

Mayor Power extended congratulations to all organizers and volunteers that were responsible for the successful event held in the Town Square this past weekend. The Voices of Placentia Bay Festival was well attended and enjoyed by all.

Council was informed that Ministers Dan Crummell and Felix Collins were at the Arts Centre today to make a public announcement on the award of the capital works funding and thanked all those that were able to attend. Representatives from Whitbourne were also in attendance for an announcement on their capital works at this time.

AGENDA APPROVAL

The agenda dated September 16, 2014 was circulated to Council prior to the meeting.

Motion # 14-162 Councillor Coombs/Councillor Collins

Be it resolved that the Agenda dated September 16, 2014 are adopted as circulated.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Collins, Coombs, Greene, Nash & Woodman voted in favour of the motion.)

MINUTES OF THE MEETING of August 19, 2014

The minutes of the meeting held August 19, 2014 were circulated prior to the meeting.

Motion # 14-163 Councillor Collins/Councillor Coombs

Be it resolved that the minutes August 19, 2014 as corrected and circulated on Monday September 15, 2014 are approved.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Collins, Coombs, Greene, Nash & Woodman voted in favour of the motion.)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

(Mayor Power, Chair; Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillor Dan Greene; Resource Person – Chief Administrative Officer)

The Executive Committee recommended that Council approve the resolution presented by Canada Post to maintain Saturday service at the postal outlet in Dunville.

Motion #14-164

Deputy Mayor Pearson/Councillor Collins

Be it resolved that whereas the hours of operation to the community could ultimately affect standard of postal services, and the services offered by the Canada Post Corporation are an integral part of the ongoing support and development of our community and to be efficient and meet the needs of our citizens it is necessary to maintain the current level of service, the Town Council of Placentia NL and the residents of the Community of Dunville approve opposition to any reduction of services proposed by the Canada Post Corporation.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Collins, Coombs, Greene, Nash & Woodman voted in favour of the motion.)

Gas Tax Agreement

The Executive Committee recommended that Council approve entering into the *Ultimate Recipient Gas Tax Agreement* with the Department of Municipal & Intergovernmental Affairs as per the document dated August 19, 2014.

Motion #14-165

Be it resolved that the motion for Council to enter into the *Ultimate Recipient Gas Tax Agreement* with the Department of Municipal & Intergovernmental Affairs as per the document dated August 19, 2014 is approved.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Collins, Coombs, Greene, Nash & Woodman voted in favour of the motion.)

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

(Councillor Dan Greene, Chair; Councillors William Woodman & Councillor Frankie Nash; Resource Person - Administrative Office Manager)

Accounts Payable

The Finance Committee recommended that Council approve the accounts payable journal dated September 3, 2014 in the amount of \$35,477.01.

Motion # 14-166

Councillor Greene/Councillor Nash

Be it resolved the accounts payable journal dated September 3, 2014 in the amount of \$35,477.01 is approved.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Collins, Coombs, Greene, Nash & Woodman voted in favour of the motion.)

General Account Cheque Register

The Finance Committee recommended that Council approve the general account cheque register dated September 3, 2014 in the amount of \$213,297.00 for cheques numbered from 022625 to 022686.

Motion # 14-167 Councillor Greene/Councillor Nash
Be it resolved that the general account cheque register dated September 3, 2014 in the amount of \$213,297.00 for cheques numbered from 022625 to 022686 is approved.
(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Collins, Coombs, Greene, Nash & Woodman voted in favour of the motion.)

Special Accounts Cheque Register

The Finance Committee recommended that Council approve the special accounts cheque register for September 2014.

Motion # 14-168 Councillor Greene/Councillor Woodman
Be it resolved that the special accounts cheque register dated September 2014 is approved.
(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Collins, Coombs, Greene, Nash & Woodman voted in favour of the motion.)

Visa Statement

The Finance Committee recommended that Council approve the Visa statement dated July 5 to August 4, 2014 in the amount of \$568.40.

Motion # 14-169 Councillor Greene/Councillor Woodman
Be it resolved that the Visa statement dated July 5 to August 4, 2014 in the amount of \$568.40 is approved.
(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Collins, Coombs, Greene, Nash & Woodman voted in favour of the motion.)

Account #DASIJ001 – Request for Tax Adjustment

The Finance Committee recommended that Council approve the adjustment of \$300.00 to account #DASIJ001 for the 2014 taxation year as the business is not yet started.

Motion #14-170 Councillor Greene/Councillor Nash
Be it resolved that the motion that the adjustment of \$300.00 to account #DASIJ001 for the 2014 taxation year is approved as the business is not yet started.
(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Collins, Coombs, Greene, Nash & Woodman voted in favour of the motion.)

Account #SEAYJ001 – Request for Tax Adjustment

The Finance Committee recommended that Council approve the adjustment of \$400.00 on account #SEAYJ001 for the taxation year 2012 as the business did not operate.

Motion #14-171 Councillor Greene/Councillor Collins
Be it resolved that the adjustment of \$400.00 on account #SEAYJ001 for the taxation year 2012 is approved as the business did not operate.
(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Collins, Coombs, Greene, Nash & Woodman voted in favour of the motion.)

Air Conditioning Repair

The Finance Committee recommended that Council approve the expenditure of \$4,280.00 plus HST to replace parts/repair the air conditioning units at the Town Hall and Arts Centre.

Motion #14-171 Councillor Greene/Councillor Woodman

Be it resolved that the expenditure of \$4,280.00 plus HST to replace parts and repair the air conditioning units at the Town Hall and the Arts Centre is approved.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Collins, Coombs, Greene, Nash & Woodman voted in favour of the motion.)

Air Conditioner Maintenance

The Finance Committee recommended that Council approve the expenditure of \$680.00 plus HST for twice annual maintenance checks on two (2) York air conditioning units at the Town Hall and the carrier unit at the Arts Centre.

Motion #14-172 Councillor Greene/Councillor Woodman

Be it resolved that the expenditure of \$680.00 plus HST for twice annual maintenance checks on two (2) York air conditioning units at the Town Hall and the carrier unit at the Arts Centre is approved.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Collins, Coombs, Greene, Nash & Woodman voted in favour of the motion.)

TCP Donation

The Finance Committee recommended that Council approve the donation of \$100.00 to the TCP Health Care Foundation.

Motion # 14-173 Councillor Greene/Councillor Woodman

Be it resolved that the donation of \$100.00 to the TCP Health Care Foundation is approved.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Collins, Coombs, Greene, Nash & Woodman voted in favour of the motion.)

2013 Audited Financial Statements

The Finance Committee recommended that Council approve the audited 2013 financial statements as prepared by Byron Smith Accountant.

Motion #14-174 Councillor Greene/Councillor Nash

Be it resolved that the audited 2013 financial statements as prepared by Byron Smith Accountant are approved.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Collins, Coombs, Greene, Nash & Woodman voted in favour of the motion.)

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT – September 9, 2014

(Councillor W. Woodman, Chair; Councillors D. Greene & F. Coombs; Resource Person Public Works Supervisor)

The Public Works Committee recommended that Council approve the following permit applications that were previously approved by the Public Works Supervisor:

1. #3 Ville Marie Drive Extension – application to construct a shed.
2. #1146 Main Road, Dunville - application to extend an existing residence to include a porch.
3. #27-31 Fort Louis Road, Jersey side - application to construct a patio.
4. #1194 Main Road, Dunville - application to construct a garage.
5. #92 Freshwater Crescent - application for residential extension .
6. #28 Fox Harbour Road, Dunville - application to construct a patio/gazebo at #28 Fox Harbour Road, Dunville.

7. #402 Southeast Road – application to construct a personal use garage.
8. Belfor Property Restoration Limited’s application for commercial renovations permit to redo the roof at Alyward’s Limited (permit fee \$150 as per past precedent – Metal World)
9. Newfoundland Power applications:
 - To install one pole and one anchor to provide service to Gerard Wilson’s apartment building on Main Road Dunville.
 - To install two poles and two anchors to provide service to a new residence for Ken Fitzgerald in Kelly Crescent, Southeast.
 - One pole and two anchors to provide service to a new garage for Gerard Smith, Old Settlement Hill, Freshwater.
10. Vendor Permits
 - Ron Ryan Contracting - lawn/building maintenance and care
 - Ronald McDonald House – Placentia Group – ticket sales at Placentia Mall
 - Kenneth Healey – heavy equipment construction.
11. Application for sign approval at Dalfen’s Mall, Townside, Placentia – Royal Bank.

Motion #14-175

Councillor Woodman/Councillor Coombs

Be it resolved that the following permit applications as approved by the Public Works Supervisor:

1. #3 Ville Marie Drive Extension – application to construct a shed.
2. #1146 Main Road, Dunville - application to extend an existing residence to include a porch.
3. #27-31 Fort Louis Road, Jersey side - application to construct a patio.
4. #1194 Main Road, Dunville - application to construct a garage
5. #92 Freshwater Crescent - application for residential extension with the addition of the 100% surcharge - the construction started without permit approval.
6. #28 Fox Harbour Road, Dunville - application to construct a patio/gazebo at #28 Fox Harbour Road, Dunville with the addition of the 100% surcharge – the construction started without permit approval.
7. Belfor Property Restoration Limited’s application for commercial renovations permit to redo the roof at Alyward’s Limited (permit fee \$150 as per past precedent – Metal World)
8. #402 Southeast Road – application to construct a personal use garage.
9. Newfoundland Power applications:
 - a. To install one pole and one anchor to provide service to Gerard Wilson’s apartment building on Main Road Dunville.
 - b. To install two poles and two anchors to provide service to a new residence for Ken Fitzgerald in Kelly Crescent, Southeast.
 - c. One pole and two anchors to provide service to a new garage for Gerard Smith, Old Settlement Hill, Freshwater.
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11. Application for sign approval at Dalfen’s Mall, Townside, Placentia – Royal Bank.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Collins, Coombs, Greene, Nash & Woodman voted in favour of the motion.)

#21 New Settlement Hill

The Public Works Committee recommended that Council approve a permit to construct a new residence at #21 New Settlement Hill, Freshwater.

Motion #14-176 Councillor Woodman/Councillor Nash

Be it resolved that the permit to construct a new residence at #21 New Settlement Hill, Freshwater is approved pending approval from all other government agencies and the applicant accepts responsibility for costs association with connection to the Town's water supply.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Collins, Coombs, Greene, Nash & Woodman voted in favour of the motion.)

Deputy Mayor Pearson declared himself in conflict (brother) and left the room.

#17-19 Lake's Road

The Public Works Committee recommended that a Council approve a permit to construct a new residence and personal use garage at #17-19 Lake's Road, Dunville.

Motion #14-177 Councillor Woodman/Councillor Collins

Be it resolved that the permit to construct a new residence and personal use garage at #17-19 Lake's Road, Dunville is approved pending approval from all other government agencies and the applicant accepts responsibility for costs association with connection to the Town's water supply.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Councillors Collins, Coombs, Greene, Nash & Woodman voted in favour of the motion.)

The Deputy Mayor returned to the meeting.

#206-210 Harbour Drive, Dunville

The Public Works Committee recommended Council approve the construction of a new residence at #206-210 Harbour Drive, Dunville.

Motion # 14-178 Councillor Woodman/Councillor Coombs

Be it resolved that the permit to construct a new residence at #206-210 Harbour Drive, Dunville is approved pending approval from all other government agencies and the applicant accepts responsibility for costs association with connection to the Town's water supply.

Hunt's Road – Shed Construction

Council held brief discussion on whether or not to approve construction of a shed on Hunt's Road following opinion from the Town Planner. It was agreed that the Public Works Committee continue to review the application. Amendments to the Town Plan will be considered. Council was adamant that there be no intentional contravention of the regulations when deciding on this or any permit application.

Sewer Problem – Near #22 Burnt Woods, Southeast

The Town has received a complaint of sewer line break near #22 Burnt Woods, Southeast. The break will be fixed by the Town's Public Works staff and a policy will be developed on dealing with residential sewer problems.

Sink Hole – Gillwell Street

The Public Works Supervisor investigated a complaint of a sink hole on Gillwell Street but could not locate any water or sewer lines in proximity to the area. The resident has hired someone to look further into what may have caused the problem and when he starts his contract the Public Works Supervisor will use the Town's resources to listen for a leak.

Dunville Water Treatment Plant (DWPT) Pump

A representative from Basil Fearn will check the pump at the DWTP to determine if it can be fixed on site; if not it will have to be removed and sent out for repair.

Blivet Operations

Councillor Woodman has asked to meet with representatives from the Department of Municipal and Intergovernmental Affairs to discuss the disposition of the malfunctioning Blivet in Southeast. The CAO informed Council staff have already met with Municipal Affairs and they say we can allocate funding from our Capital Works to complete.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT – September 11, 2014

(Councillor W. Woodman, Chair; Councillors D. Greene & F. Coombs; Resource Person Public Works Supervisor)

Frecker Place Drawings Review

The Public Works Committee recommended that the Town's engineering firm be retained to review Phase I of the Frecker Place Development drawings as received at the Town Hall on September 6, 2014.

Motion #14-179

Councillor Woodman/Deputy Mayor Pearson

Be it resolved that the motion to retain the Town engineering firm to review Phase I of the Frecker Place Development drawings as received at the Town Hall on September 6, 2014 is approved.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Councillors Collins, Coombs, Greene, Nash & Woodman voted in favour of the motion.)

Radiator for Fire Truck

The Public Works Committee recommended that Council approve the expenditure of approximately \$11,000 to purchase a radiator for the 1988 Pearce Pumper based on verbal approval from the Finance Committee.

Motion #14-180

Councillor Woodman/Councillor Coombs

Be it resolved that the expenditure of approximately \$11,000 to purchase a radiator for the 1988 Pearce Pumper based on verbal approval from the Finance Committee is approved.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Councillors Collins, Coombs, Greene, Nash & Woodman voted in favour of the motion.)

2005 Ford F150 Pickup Truck

The Public Works Committee recommended that Council approve the sale of the 2005 Ford F150 pickup truck to the highest bidder as the motor has failed and it is not fiscally viable to replace it.

Motion # 14-181

Councillor Woodman/Deputy Mayor Pearson

Be it resolved that Council approve the sale of the 2005 Ford F150 pickup truck to the highest bidder is approved.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Councillors Collins, Coombs, Greene, Nash & Woodman voted in favour of the motion.)

Purchase of Vehicle

The Public Works Committee recommended approval to purchase a used pickup truck for use by the Public Works Department at a cost of \$18,000 plus tax based on Finance Committee approval.

Motion # 14-182

Councillor Woodman/Deputy Mayor Pearson

Be it resolved that the expenditure of \$18,000 plus HST to purchase a used pickup truck for use by the Public Works Department is approved.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Councillors Collins, Coombs, Greene, Nash & Woodman voted in favour of the motion.)

Snow Clearing Tender Documents

The Public Works Committee recommended that Council approve the advertising of the tender for the snow clearing contract as reviewed and amended by the committee.

Motion # 14-183

Councillor Woodman/Deputy Mayor Pearson

Be it resolved that the advertising of the tender for the snow clearing contract as reviewed and amended by the committee is approved.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Councillors Collins, Coombs, Greene, Nash & Woodman voted in favour of the motion.)

Transportation & Works Maintenance

The Department of Transportation will be asked to replace the stop sign on Fox Harbour Road, clean out ditches as promised and to paint the lines on Jersey Hill, Beach Road and other prominent areas for safety reasons. They will also be reminded that September Mist needs to be culled from the side of the road for pedestrian safety.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

(Councillor Francis Coombs, Chair; Councillors Dan Greene & William Woodman; Resource Person – CAO)

Bus Stop

A request has been received to reinstall the bus shelter that was previously removed from Freshwater Crescent when there were no users in that area; there are elementary school children on that street again.

It was recommended that someone do a tally of how many people use the Town's bus shelters on a daily basis and that Eastern School District be contacted for information on bus stops and student numbers.

Dilapidated Properties

The Municipal Enforcement Officer (MEO) reported that a property in Freshwater was reported to have been removed and the debris properly disposed of; however it appears there are still metals there.

There is a property on Flynn Street in Placentia that is dilapidated and full of garbage that Council is requesting the MEO deal with.

Account # BARRYJ002 - Dixon Street Property

The owner (owner's brother) of property on Dixon Street that has been marked for sale to recoup back taxes has offered settlement on the outstanding balance on the account (includes interest). Council is recommending that the owner be written to commit to either remediate or

remove and clean up all residual debris from this property within a 30 day period and if he complies, Council will consider acceptance of the settlement offer.

Motion #14-184

Deputy Mayor Pearson/Councillor Woodman

Be it resolved that the outstanding tax settlement offer on account #BARRJ002 is approved on condition that the property in question is remediate or removed and all residual debris is removed within 30 days or the Town will seize and sell the property.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Councillors Collins, Coombs, Greene, Nash & Woodman voted in favour of the motion.)

Eastern Waste Management – Waste Removal Contract

A resolution as made at the meeting that the Town of Placentia participate in the Eastern Regional Service Board's waste collection for the next three years at a cost of \$180.00 per household which will provide weekly garbage collection, bi-weekly recyclables collection and twice a year bulk collection with the contract effective January 2, 2015.

Motion #14-185

Councillor Nash/Councillor Coombs

Be it resolved that the Town of Placentia will participate in the Eastern Regional Service Board's waste collection for the next three years at a cost of \$180.00 per household which will provide weekly garbage collection, bi-weekly recyclables collection and twice a year bulk collection with the contract effective January 2, 2015.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Councillors Collins, Coombs, Greene, Nash & Woodman voted in favour of the motion.)

Council noted the importance of encouraging residents to recycle where possible to not only protect the environment but to keep costs of the contract down.

CULTURE & TOURISM COMMITTEE REPORT

(Deputy Mayor Pearson, Chair; Councillor Noella Collins; Resource Person – Manager of Town Affairs)

Brand Signature

The Culture and Tourism Committee recommended that Council approve the guidelines for third party use of the new Town of Placentia Brand Signature.

Motion 14-186

Deputy Mayor Pearson/Councillor Woodman

Be it resolved that the guidelines for third party use of the new Town of Placentia Brand Signature are approved.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Councillors Collins, Coombs, Greene, Nash & Woodman voted in favour of the motion.)

Council asked that these guidelines be circulated to all members that do not have them.

Tent Loan Agreement

The Tourism and Culture Committee recommended that Council approve the Tent Loan Agreement as prepared by the committee.

Motion #14-187

Be it resolved that the Tent Loan Agreement prepared by the Committee is approved.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Councillors Collins, Coombs, Greene, Nash & Woodman voted in favour of the motion.)

Council asked that the agreement be circulated to all members that do not have them.

Parks Canada – Castle Hill Closure

Mayor Power has written Parks Canada regarding the early closure of Castle Hill while the tourism season is still active. This correspondence was sent to a local representative; the Mayor will address the matter with more senior personnel of Parks Canada.

Voices of Placentia Bay Festival

The Deputy Mayor commended all volunteers and staff of the success of the Voices of Placentia Bay Festival.

Town Square Monument

Discussion was held on the repairs necessary to maintain the integrity and stability of the monument in the Town Square. Professional advice will be sought on if the statue can be refurbished and/or moved. The committee will continue discussion on how to best preserve the statue.

RECREATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Councillor Noella Collins, Chair; Councillor Frankie Nash; Deputy Mayor Keith Pearson; Resource Person – Manager of Town Affairs)

Curling Rink Project

At its meeting the Recreation Committee had recommended withdrawal from participating in the curling rink project; however this was done on the basis that they had not received all information requested. The recommendation was withdrawn to allow time to get information on the operating costs and a full financial projection. The matter is referred back to the committee for further discussion.

Staffing at Arena

There was some discussion on seasonal workers at the arena at the committee level. It was agreed that this is a personnel issue that should be considered by management.

Swimming Pool Application

The Mayor and CAO have had a brief discussion with the MHA on the pool project; the application has to meet certain criteria and be prioritized by importance to Council. The Town's share of funding must be in place when the application is made. When the documents are submitted the MHA will lobby on the Town's behalf. The Mayor also discussed this item with Minister Crummell.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

(Councillor Frankie Nash; Chair; Deputy Mayor Pearson & Councillor Collins, Resource Person, Manager of Town Affairs)

Small Towns/Big Industry Committee

The Economic Development Committee recommended that Council withdraw from the Small Towns-Big Industry initiative and develop a similar initiative of Small Towns-Big Industry to include the Argientia Management Authority.

Motion #14-189**Councillor Nash/Deputy Mayor Pearson**

Be it resolved that the Town of Placentia 's intention to withdraw from the Small Towns-Big Industry initiative and develop a similar initiative of Small Towns-Big Industry for Placentia that would include the Argentia Management Authority.

(CARRIED: Mayor Power, Councillors Collins, Coombs, Greene, Nash & Woodman voted in favour of the motion.)

CONCERNS OF COUNCILLORS

Councillor Woodman noted that he attended a meeting of the Urban Municipalities Committee this past weekend in St. John's. Minutes will be forthcoming in the near future.

Councillor Nash had made notice at the August meeting of a motion she intended to present for vote at this Council meeting regarding Fire Department operations based on the fact that that the Placentia Volunteer Fire Department is an integral part of the municipality that is a bonafide and respected component of the municipality supported by the Town in all aspects including financial.

Motion # 14-190**Councillor Nash/Councillor Collins**

Be it resolved that the request for quarterly reports from the Placentia Volunteer Fire Department be submitted for record and review by the Municipal Services Committee and entire Council, to include information on the number of responding calls, any training taken place or pending, budget expenditures, up-to-date volunteer roster and all other pertinent information of interest is rejected.

Discussion on the Motion

The CAO reported that he meets with the Fire Chief on a regular basis as he does with all departmental managers; the Chief reports on fire incidents and his purchases are all budgeted and/or approved through Finance as is the practice with all departments. This request could be construed as micromanagement and cause conflict.

Deputy Mayor – Recognizes that the operation of the fire department is in good hands; the request is being made for information purposes only. This would be a positive move to let them know Council has an interest by asking for updates and highlights of their activities.

Councillor Greene – Thinks the department works well as it is and does not see the need to burden the volunteers with more work. It will not look like a positive step and may cause problems.

Councillor Coombs – Agrees with the CAO; the Department is well run which is why Council doesn't hear much. He knows that the Chief does the training over there and if a fire fighter doesn't keep up with the training then he/she is out. He feels it is better to ask the Department if there are questions; not ask for quarterly reports.

Mayor Power – Pointed out that not all training costs the Town in dollars; there are train the trainer programs in place.

Councillor Collins – would like to know things such as who has training and at what level. She was advised that Fire and Emergency Services has regulations on minimum standards to enter a fire scene. New members are trained by senior staff.

Councillor Nash – asked if it is micro-management to get reports from other department heads and the CAO explained that he doesn't get written reports from them. When he has questions he asks because it is he who is accountable to Council, not the managers. Councillor Nash explained that she wants the reports for her own information so that she can have answers for the public. She is not questioning integrity.

Councillor Woodman's comment was that if it's not broke, why fix it.

Vote on the Motion: (DEFEATED: Deputy Mayor Pearson, Councillors Nash and Collins voted in favour of the Motion; Mayor Power and Councillors Greene, Coombs and Woodman voted against the motion.)

ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting of Council concluded at 9:35 p.m.

Wayne D. Power, Mayor

Ed O'Keefe, CAO

Date