

MINUTES

A public meeting of the Placentia Council was held August 19, 2025 in Council Chambers with the following in attendance:

Council

Mayor: Keith Pearson
Deputy Mayor: Wayne Power
Councillors: Mike Williams
Gerard Wilson

Staff

Gerry Hynes, CAO
Lesley Murphy, Manager of Finance
Jennifer Bennett, Mgr. of Tourism, Marketing & Com.
Debbie Gear, (Recording)

Absent: Councillor Fitzpatrick
Councillor Kay Smith
Rodney Cooney, Public Works Superintendent
Kathryn Smith, Executive Assistant

Spectators: -0-

Mayor Pearson called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda for the meeting was circulated prior to the meeting, there were no additions made.

Motion # 25-266 **Deputy Mayor Power/Councillor Wilson**
Be it resolved that the agenda for the Council meeting held August 19, 2025 is adopted as circulated. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Motion # 25-267 **Deputy Mayor Power/Councillor Wilson**
Be it resolved that the minutes of the meeting held July 15, 2025 are adopted as circulated and reviewed prior to the meeting; there were no omissions or errors noted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

(Mayor Keith Pearson, Chair; Deputy Mayor Wayne Power, Councillor Jamilee Fitzpatrick; Resource Person - CAO)

The Chair provided an update from the Executive Committee report.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

(Councillor Kay Smith, Chair; Councillor Mike Williams, Councillor Gerard Wilson; Resource Person-Manager of Finance)

In the absence of the Finance Committee Chair, Councillor Wilson presented the Finance Committee report. The following recommendations were made:

- MOTION # 25-268 Councillor Wilson/Deputy Mayor Power**
Be it resolved that the motion to approve the payment of the invoice from Battlefield Equipment – NFDL in the amount of \$5,375.59 including HST for generator rental, sub pump and discharge hose for the Jersey side Stormwater Project is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)
- MOTION # 25-269 Councillor Wilson/Deputy Mayor Power**
Be it resolved that the motion to approve the payment of the invoice from CG HAVE Services in the amount of \$5,507.40 including HST to repair a pump at the Port of Argentea Wellness Centre (YMCA) is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)
- MOTION # 25-270 Councillor Wilson/Deputy Mayor Power**
Be it resolved that the motion to approve the payment of the invoice from Stewart McKelvey in the amount of \$7,058.70 for professional services rendered is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)
- MOTION # 25-271 Councillor Wilson/Councillor Williams**
Be it resolved that the motion to approve the payment of the invoice from Wolseley in the amount of \$6,116.92 including HST for water works supplies is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)
- MOTION # 25-272 Councillor Wilson/Deputy Mayor Power**
Be it resolved that the motion to approve the remaining Accounts Payable Transaction Journal dated August 5, 2025, in the amount of \$46,249.76 is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)
- MOTION # 25-273 Councillor Wilson/Councillor Williams**
Be it resolved that the motion to approve the Cheque Register for the Operating Account in the amount of \$707,156.74 for cheques numbered 033340 to 033383 is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)
- MOTION # 25-274 Councillor Wilson/Councillor Williams**
Be it resolved that the motion to approve the Cheque Register for the Special Projects Accounts in the amount of \$436,173.10 is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)
- MOTION # 25-275 Councillor Wilson/Deputy Mayor Power**
Be it resolved that the motion to approve the payment of Visa statements dated June 28, 2025, to July 28, 2025, in the amount of \$7,680.59 is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)
- MOTION # 25-276 Councillor Wilson/Deputy Mayor Power**
Be it resolved that the motion to approve a 30% of cost advance payment in the amount \$53,733.75 to CIMCO Refrigeration as downpayment for purchase of chillers for Unity PARC arena is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

MOTION # 25-277 Councillor Wilson/Deputy Mayor Power
(Withdrawn) *The motion to approve sponsorship for the Star of the Sea's 150th Anniversary celebrations in the amount of \$3,000 was withdrawn by the mover and the seconder. Council agreed to defer the original request to budget considerations for 2026.*

MOTION # 25-278 Councillor Wilson/Deputy Mayor Power
Be it resolved that the motion to approve payment of the annual grant to the Placentia Area Historical Society in the amount of \$4,000 as budgeted is adopted. **(CARRIED UNANIMOUS)**

Deputy Mayor declared conflict on the following motion and left the meeting.

MOTION # 25-279 Councillor Wilson/Councillor Williams
Be it resolved that the motion to approve sponsorship for the Placentia Bay Industrial Showcase in the amount of \$6,000 as budgeted is adopted. **(CARRIED UNANIMOUS)**

Deputy Mayor Power returned to the meeting.

MOTION # 25-280 Councillor Wilson/Councillor Williams
Be it resolved that the motion to approve the purchase of 200 tonnes of salt and 500 tonnes of salt/sand mixture for the 2025-2026 snow clearing season at an approximate cost of \$83,500 plus HST is adopted. **(CARRIED UNANIMOUS)**

MOTION # 25-281 Councillor Wilson/Councillor Williams
Be it resolved that the motion to approve a one-time interest credit to related to the property at #6 Flynn Street in the amount of \$1,150.73 is adopted. **(CARRIED UNANIMOUS)**

MOTION # 25-282 Councillor Wilson/Councillor Williams
Be it resolved that the motion to approve a contribution to the Star of the Sea in the amount of \$1,000 for meals at the 50th Anniversary of the Placentia All Star Team celebration is adopted. **(CARRIED UNANIMOUS)**

It was noted that the contribution was made to the Star of the Sea on behalf of the organizing group.

PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT

(Councillor Gerard Wilson, Chair, Councillor Kay Smith, Councillor Mike Williams; Resource Person-Public Works Super.)

The Public Works Committee made the following recommendations:

MOTION # 25-283 Councillor Wilson/Deputy Mayor Power
Be it resolved that the motion to approve the award of a contract to Canadian Aerial Services Inc. (RPM) for a leak detection study in the amount of \$19,757.87 plus HST is adopted. **(CARRIED UNANIMOUS)**

MOTION # 25-284 Councillor Wilson/Councillor Williams
Be it resolved that the motion to approve a brush cutting agreement with the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure is adopted. The province will fund the program at a cost of \$20,000. **(CARRIED UNANIMOUS)**

- MOTION # 25-285 Councillor Wilson/Deputy Mayor Power**
Be it resolved that the motion to approve the purchase and installation of two push button traffic signs and a crosswalk near the intersection of Ville Marie Drive with Route 100 Dunville at a cost of \$9,175.00 plus HST is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)
- MOTION # 25-286 Councillor Wilson/Councillor Williams**
Be it resolved that the motion to approve a change order for infrastructure changes in the amount of \$67,607 HST included for project # 17-GI-23-00080 Dunville Watermain Repairs is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)
- MOTION # 25-287 Councillor Wilson/Councillor Williams**
Be it resolved that the motion to approve a change order for infrastructure changes in the amount of \$7,500.30 HST included for project # 17-MCW-24-00009 is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)
- MOTION #25-288 Councillor Wilson/Deputy Mayor Pearson**
Be it resolved that the motion to award the contract to construct a storage shed for the Arts Centre to Skyline Contracting in the amount of \$25,950.00 plus HST is approved. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

RECREATION COMMITTEE REPORT

(Councillor Jamilee Fitzpatrick, Chair; Deputy Mayor Wayne Power; Resource Person - Manager of Tourism, Marketing and Communications)

In the absence of the Recreation Committee Chair, Deputy Mayor Power presented the Recreation Committee report.

TOURISM & COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

(Deputy Mayor Wayne Power; Councillor Jamilee Fitzpatrick and Councillor Jamilee Fitzpatrick; Resource Person - Manager of Tourism, Marketing & Communications)

The Chair provided an update from the Tourism Committee report.

PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

(Councillor Mike Williams Chair; Councillor Gerard Williams; Resource Public Works Superintendent)

The Planning and Development Committee made the following recommendations:

- Motion #25-289 Councillor Williams/Councillor Wilson**
Be it resolved that the motion to approve naming the next street development in Frecker Place to **FRANCIS'S WAY** after the late Francis McGrath in the memory of his dedication to volunteering at that facility as well as his total commitment to youth and community is adopted. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Motion #25-290

Councillor Williams/Councillor Wilson

Be it resolved that the motion to approve the issuance of a taxi permit for Jeremy's Taxi Ltd. is adopted on condition that all other government agencies approval has been received. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

Motion #25-291

Councillor Williams/Councillor Wilson

Be it resolved that the motion to approve construction of a deck at # 177-181 Harbour Drive is adopted on condition that all government agencies approvals have been received. (CARRIED UNANIMOUS)

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

(Councillor Jamilee Fitzpatrick, Chair; Deputy Mayor Wayne Power; Resource Person Manager of Tourism, Marketing & Communication)

In the Chair's absence, Deputy Mayor Power provided an update from the Economic Development Committee report.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Mayor called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion # 25-292

Councillor Wilson/Deputy Mayor Power

Be it resolved that the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 PM was adopted. (CARRIED: UNANIMOUS)



KEITH PEARSON, MAYOR



GERRY HYNES, CAO



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