

***Town of Long Harbour - Mount Arlington Heights
Minutes of Regular Meeting
November 18, 2014***

In Attendance

Mayor Gary Keating	Councillor Patricia Burke
Deputy Mayor Kevin McDonald	Councillor Lydia Burke
Councillor Madonna Murphy	Councillor Norma Keating
Councillor Edward Bruce	
Town Manager Juanita Gosse	

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gary Keating called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION 11-18-14-01 Adopt Agenda

Moved by Councillor Patricia Burke, seconded by Councillor Madonna Murphy

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

In Favor: Mayor Gary Keating
Deputy Mayor Kevin McDonald
Councillors: P. Burke, D. Murphy, L. Burke, N. Keating, E. Bruce

MOTION CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MINUTES, REGULAR MEETING

MOTION 11-18-14-02 Minutes of October 21, 2014

Moved by Councillor Norma Keating and seconded by Deputy Mayor Kevin McDonald

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of October 21, 2014 Regular Meeting be adopted as presented.

In Favor: Mayor Gary Keating
Deputy Mayor Kevin McDonald
Councillors: P. Burke, D. Murphy, L. Burke, N. Keating, E. Bruce

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Managers Report – November 18, 2014

Capital Works Project - Water Treatment Facility: There's been several meetings with Municipal Affairs and the Department of Environment regarding the design proposals. Bae Newplan is working diligently to keep the project moving forward. The Department of Environment had concerns that included the size of the water tower, design redundancy, and facility capabilities. They felt that the facility and tower proposed are too large for our needs. Both Keith Bartlett and I have had several discussions with both government departments on these issues. We have established that it was the Dept. of Environment that determined the size of the facility and tank using our flow rate information. It was also established that both departments approved every aspect of the design build Request for Proposals (RFP) including the minimum standards for this project.

The RFP technical evaluation was suppose to be completed on November 7th however, there were several items that required additional information and/or clarification from the proponents. All information is due back on December 5th and the evaluation meeting will be scheduled sometime in mid December.

Bae Newplan feels that 1.5 million dollars will not cover the cost of the treatment plant and water tower; therefore, we will have to consider applying for additional funding or consider alternatives to a water tower. The costs envelops will not be open until the technical evaluation is completed. Once we have the cost information we can decide on our next steps. .

Technical evaluations are based on predetermined criteria outlined in the RFP including a set of minimum standards. Proponents will receive full points for project elements having met the minimum standard. With this in mind, the project selection will come down to costs. Cost envelops will be open after the technical evaluation.

Vale –Training Centre Transfer: Transfer of this building should be completed later this week.

Town Calendar: Working on the 2015 Town Calendar. First draft is complete although I am waiting on the garbage collection schedule from Eastern Waste Management.

Newsletter: Working on our Christmas Newsletter. Items includes Council's Christmas Message, 2015 Budget, Mayor's March for Heart & Stroke, Christmas Message from our Fire Department, Bulk Garbage Collection, and Community Events.

Stray Cats: We have had a complaint from the Lodge about stray cats.
- It was agreed that we have no legislation for dealing with stray cats.

Community Enhancement Project: A resident called this week asking if Council will host a grant for insurable hours this winter. Apparently there are several residents seeking hours to qualify for EI.

Eastlink: We have had several calls from residents regarding poor satellite service. Kathleen has reported this to Eastlink. She is also trying to confirm the rumor that Eastlink will be discontinuing their service in Long Harbour. This has not been confirmed at this point. Kathleen spoke with the District Manager, Arthur Taylor today. He explained that Long Harbour does not have the fiber line and therefore cannot be upgraded to the best satellite service. He is not aware of a decision to discontinue service and although they can't upgrade, they can make repairs to enhance the service. He will send a technician to Long Harbour as soon as possible.

Request to Purchase Pickup Truck – Fire Department

Council considered the options of purchasing a new or used vehicle.
- It was agreed that Deputy Mayor McDonald will further explore the options and report back to Council.

Councillor Bruce stepped out of the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Strategic Development Plan:

MOTION 11-18-14-03 Approval of 2014 Strategic Development Plan

Moved by Councillor Lydia Burke and seconded by Councillor Madonna Murphy

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the 2014 Strategic Development Plan be adopted as presented.

In Favor: Mayor Gary Keating
Deputy Mayor Kevin McDonald
Councillors: P. Burke, D. Murphy, L. Burke, N. Keating

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Councillor Bruce returned to the meeting.

Municipal Plan/Development Regulations Amendment:

Development Regulations were distributed to all councillors for their review. Suggested amendments will be tabled at the next regular meeting.

2015 Budget:

Budget Comparison, Residential Tax Rate Analysis and Business Tax Comparisons were distributed to all councillors for their review. Council will meet before the next regular meeting to discuss the 2015 budget.

Transportation & Works Minister David Brazil – Response - Provincial Roads

Letter is in response to Council's request for funding under the Provincial Roads Improvement Program to upgrade and pave the five kilometers of road in Long Harbour-Mount Arlington Heights. The project has been listed for consideration for funding in the upcoming year.

As for our request to partner with the Provincial Government to fund the project, the response was that arrangements for discussion should be made through our MHA Felix Collins.

Department of Environment - 2014 Winter Drinking Water Quality Report

2014 Winter Drinking Water Quality Report was distributed to all councillors for their review.

Golden Bay 50+ Club

Letter of request from the Golden Bay 50+ Club for a donation to help with its Annual Christmas Dinner and Dance.

MOTION 11-18-14-04 Donation to Golden Bay 50+ for Community Christmas Dinner

Moved by Councillor Patricia Burke and seconded by Deputy Mayor McDonald

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Long Harbour-Mount Arlington Heights will donate \$1,200.00 to the Golden Bay 50+ Club for the 2014 Annual Community Christmas Dinner and Dance.

In Favor: Mayor Gary Keating
Deputy Mayor Kevin McDonald
Councillors: P. Burke, D. Murphy, L. Burke, N. Keating, E. Bruce.

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CWTA – Recycle My Cell

Letter was distributed to all Councillors for information purposes. CWTA offers a Recycle My Cell program. The Website for additional information on how to recycle your cell is RecycleMyCell.ca.

DEVELOPMENT

FINANCE

1. Cheque Log & Visa Statement

The cheque log for the period of October 22, 2014 – November 18, 2014 in the amount of \$33,639.76 was presented.

MOTION 11-18 -14-05 Cheque Log & Visa Statement

Moved by Councillor Norma Keating and seconded by Councillor Deputy Mayor McDonald

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the cheque log be paid as presented.

In Favor: Mayor Gary Keating
Deputy Mayor Kevin McDonald
Councillors: P. Burke, D. Murphy, L. Burke, N. Keating, E. Bruce

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2. Cash Analysis:

Cash analysis was distributed to all councillors for review.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councillor Edward Bruce: Nothing at this time.

Councillor Patricia Burke: Sewing class is going well.

Councillor Lydia Burke: Working on the Christmas Social.

Councillor Norma Keating: Inquired about removing the sods from the infield.
- This will be scheduled for April of 2015.

Councillor Donna Murphy: Nothing at this time

Deputy Mayor Kevin McDonald: Continuing to work with Town Manager on replacing the latch and scene light for the Fire Department. Will schedule a meeting with the Fire Department to discuss training and attendance.

Mayor Gary Keating: Vale is hosting a celebration of first nickel production tomorrow at 10:00 a.m.

Adjournment:

MOTION 11-18-14-06 Adjournment

Moved by Deputy Mayor Kevin McDonald and seconded by Councillor Madonna Murphy

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting be adjourned to a privileged session at 8:45 p.m.

In Favor: Mayor Gary Keating
Deputy Mayor Kevin McDonald
Councillors: P. Burke, D. Murphy, L. Burke, N. Keating, E. Bruce

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Date of the Next Meeting: December 16 2014



Gary Keating
Mayor



Juanita Gosse
Town Manager