

**Town of Long Harbour - Mount Arlington Heights**  
**Minutes of Regular Meeting**  
**June 23, 2016**

**In Attendance**

Mayor Gary Keating

Councillor Patricia Burke

Councillor Lydia Burke

Councillor Norma Keating

*Absent: Councillor Felix Bailey  
Councillor William Murphy  
Deputy Mayor Kevin McDonald*

Also in Attendance: Town Manager, Juanita Gosse

**CALL TO ORDER**

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

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**MOTION 06-23-16-01 Adopt Agenda**

Moved by Councillor Norma Keating, seconded by Councillor Lydia Burke;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the agenda be adopted as presented.

**In Favor:** Mayor Gary Keating  
Councillors: P. Burke, L. Burke, N. Keating,

**MOTION CARRIED**

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES, REGULAR MEETING**

**MOTION 06-23-16-02 Minutes of May 17, 2016**

Moved by Councillor Patricia Burke, seconded by Councillor Norma Keating;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the minutes of May 17, 2016 Regular Meeting be adopted as presented.

**In Favor:** Mayor Gary Keating  
Councillors: P. Burke, L. Burke, N. Keating

**MOTION CARRIED**

## **Managers' Report – June 23, 2016**

**Special Meeting of June 14, 2016:** Council met to discuss the funding portion of the Training Centre transfer. Several documents were reviewed; the Letter of Understanding dated May 10, 2010 and the Letter of Intent for the Sale of the Training Centre dated September 28, 2015.

Deed of Quit Claim with affidavit and warranties dated May 24, 2016, and the Indemnity Agreement both executed by Vale was received by Council's legal representative Bill Sheppard at Stewart Mckelvey.

Vale considers ownership of the building to have effectively transferred with the delivery of these documents.

The proposed payment of \$400,000 is being discussed by Vale. The transfer of the building does not represent an acknowledgement of that payment nor do the building transfer substitute it.

After considering ACOA funding for this project, project timelines and other funding options, it was the consensus of Council to move forward and award the tender contract to the lowest bidder as per Motion 04-19-16-10.

Tender was awarded to Can-Am Platforms & Construction. We have asked the company to provide:

1. Letter good standing – Workplace Health, Safety and Compensation Commission
2. Insurance and Bonding documents
3. Letter of Good Standing – Certificate of Recognition Program from Newfoundland and Labrador Construction Association.

Once these documents are received we will schedule the project start-up meeting.

**Fire Department:** At the Special Meeting of June 14, 2016, Chief Tulk reported that after a unanimous vote, the Fire Department officially removed a firefighter from their roster. A letter was submitted to the town informing Council of same.

On Saturday, June 11, 2016, Chief Tulk called Mayor Keating to the Fire Hall to witness flooding within the building. Apparently the kitchen sink had been plugged and the water turned on. It is unknown how long the water was running. There was a significant amount of damage to the Fire Hall building. The RCMP was called and there is an ongoing investigation.

Our insurance company employed emergency measures to mitigate the damage and has estimated repair costs at \$40,000.00.

A public notice was mailed out to inform residents.

- ServiceMaster has been retained to do the repairs and will start tomorrow.

**Water Treatment Plant:** Project is near completion. Operator training started last week. Cahill estimates they will turn the plant over to the town on July 7, 2016.

It was decided to have the official opening of the Water Treatment Plant on Sunday, July 31, 2016. The ribbon cutting will be held at the plant site at 2:00 p.m., with refreshments after at the Ball Park. Invitations to be forwarded to MHA Mark Browne and MP Ken McDonald.

**Brush cutting:** Brush cutting is going well. There have been many positive comments on this work. We will continue this work between water treatment plant training and priority maintenance.

**Maturin Pond Walking Trail Rehabilitation Project:** This project is scheduled to begin on July 5, 2016.

**Job Creation Partnership:** We didn't apply for this program as there was no community interest.

**Town Entrance Signs:** Permits from Government Services and Transportation & Works are approved for the new location. Installation work should begin next week.

**Student Summer Grants:** Tarrah Green is our Conservation Corp Green Team ECHO student. Tarrah will be our historian this summer. We have also hired Rebecca Murphy, post-secondary student for seven weeks, 30 hours per week.

Reid Walter will fill the grade level student grant for 35 hours per week, seven weeks.

We have approval for one other grade level student for 25 hours per week for five weeks.

**Annual Leave:** Requesting approval for 10 annual leave days - August 8<sup>th</sup> -19<sup>th</sup>  
- Annual leave was approved.

**Long Harbour- Mount Arlington Heights Days:** MP Ken McDonald wants to join in the festivities during Long Harbour Days. His office has asked that I forward an event calendar so he can plan a visit.

**Long-term Service Award** - We have received the 2016 Municipal Long-term Service Award Information and Application for Elected Officials. Any Councillor with 12 – 35+ years are eligible for this award. The deadline date to submit the application is August 5, 2016.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Toromont Cat**

Toromont Cat is a service provider to Vale in the maintenance and repair of site equipment. They have been requested by site services at Vale to license the shop their technicians operate from on site to an official inspection station of commercial equipment.

As part of the licensing process Toromont Cat requires a letter of approval from the municipality.

I spoke with Motor Vehicle Registration and they confirmed that the town would be approving the commercial activity from the location as per the zoning outlined in our Municipal Plan. As this location is zoned industrial and is within the Vale site this activity would have no affect the general public.

**MOTION 06-23-16-03 Licensing Approval**

Moved by Mayor Gary Keating, seconded by Councillor Lydia Burke;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Town of Long Harbour-Mount Arlington Heights certifies approval for Toromont Cat to establish their shop at the Vale site as an official inspection station of commercial equipment.

**In Favor:** Mayor Gary Keating  
Councillors: P. Burke, L. Burke, N. Keating

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Department of Transportation & Works, Office of the Minister - New Building  
Canada Fund Application**

In response to the towns request to partner in an application under the New Building Canada Fund to secure funding to improve four kilometres of road in Long Harbour-Mount Arlington Heights.

The Department of Transportation and Works is supportive of our proposal and recognizes our commitment. This work has been listed for consideration under their Provincial Roads Improvement Program.

The Hon. Al Hawkins is unable to provide a commitment, however, with the Town's willingness to contribute and the possibility of a cost-share with the Federal Government, our application will be taken into consideration.

**Request for Support for the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Gravy Boat Softball Tournament**

Letter thanks Council for their support last year. The hoodies/hats/t's etc. were a huge success.

This year is the 10<sup>th</sup> annual tournament and organizers would appreciate any support the town can offer with awards for various categories of the event.

**MOTION 06-23-16-04 Donation to the Gravy Boat Softball Tournament**

Moved by Councillor Lydia Burke, seconded by Councillor Norma Keating;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Town of Long Harbour-Mount Arlington donate \$500.00 to the 2016 Gravy Boat Softball Tournament.

**In Favor:** Mayor Gary Keating  
Councillors: P. Burke, L. Burke, N. Keating

**MOTION CARRIED**

## **Mayor's March 2016**

The 2016 Mayor's March for Heart Disease and Stroke can be scheduled anytime this summer from June to August.

- Council will participate in the 2016 Mayor's March and will schedule the walk during the last week in August.

## **Suggestions for Recreation Area in the Cove**

Email from a resident suggesting Council create a rest area in front of the community stage with benches and/or picnic tables. Murals on the building showcasing the wildlife, birds, fishery and local traditions, history and culture would make a great addition to this mini-park.

- Council will consider options for this area and will discuss again at the next regular meeting.

## **Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador -Tidy Towns Competition**

The Tidy Towns judges will be arriving in Long Harbour-Mount Arlington Heights on Monday, August 15, 2016 to judge our community for this year's Tidy Towns Competition. Judging should take approximately 3 hours. Judging is set to begin at 12:00 noon at the Town Office.

## **DEVELOPMENT**

### **National Building Code**

#### **MOTION 06-23-16-05 – Department of Municipal Affairs/Adoption of the National Building Code**

Moved by Councillor Norma Keating and seconded by Councillor Lydia Burke;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Town of Long Harbour & Mount Arlington Heights adopts the 2010 National Building Code and any supplements and amendments as the minimum development standard. This includes the new energy efficiency provisions.

**In Favor:** Mayor Gary Keating  
Councillors: N. Keating, P. Burke, L. Burke

**MOTION CARRIED**

### **Builders, Contractors, and Home Owners Compliance**

#### **MOTION 06-23-16-06 – Compliance with the National Building Code**

Moved by Councillor Norma Keating and seconded by Councillor Patricia Burke;

**BE IT ALSO RESOLVED THAT** the onus for compliance of the 2010 National Building Code and any supplements and amendments as the minimum development standard including the new energy efficiency provisions and the development standards rests with the home owner and/or developer/contractor.

**In Favor:** Mayor Gary Keating  
Councillors: N. Keating, P. Burke, L. Burke

**MOTION CARRIED**

## FINANCE

### **Cheque Log**

The cheque log for the period from May 17, 2016 – June 23, 2016 the amount of \$83,414.14 was presented.

### **MOTION 06-23-16-07 Cheque Log**

Moved by Councillor Lydia Burke seconded by Councillor Norma Keating;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the cheque log be approved as presented.

**In Favor:** Mayor Gary Keating  
Councillors: P. Burke, L. Burke, N. Keating

**MOTION CARRIED**

### **Cash Analysis**

Cash analysis was distributed to all councillors.

## CORRESPONDENCE

### **Eastern Regional Service Board**

The Eastern Regional Service Board is offering an annual opportunity for community based volunteer groups to access and dispose of waste collection during community clean up events. The attached document outlines the parameters that will guide this program.

### **Remember the Fallen – Forget-me-Not Campaign**

The Forget-me-Not Committee Thanks Council for commemorating a hero. Enclosed is the scroll honoring John Breen as Commemorated and Remembered.

### **Thank you Card:**

Received from the community Priest Jose Joaquin thanking the Town Manager and Council for facilitating his stay at the Long Harbour Lodge this winter. It made his ministry easier and less stressful.

## **New Horizons for Seniors Programs - Call for Proposals**

Call for proposals from community organizations supporting senior programs. The call for proposals will support activities that engage seniors and address one or more of the program's five objectives: volunteering; mentoring; expanding awareness of elder abuse; social participation; and capital assistance. NHSP will fund projects up to \$25,000 per organization and project having a duration of one year. The deadline date to apply for funding is July 29, 2016.

- The Call for Proposals will be forwarded to the Seniors Group

## **CUPW: Canada Post Government Review of Postal Service**

The Federal Government is conducting a review of Canada Post. Everything but postal privatization is on the table. This means daily mail delivery, restoring home delivery, postage rates, the moratorium on post office closures and more. The government has appointed an independent task force to collect input from Canadians, do research, gather facts and identify options for the future of our postal service. Following this, a parliamentary committee will consult with Canadians on the options identified by the task force and make recommendations.

CUPW would like to ensure that the views of the municipalities are considered. Therefore, we would like to you to provide input to the Canada Post review via the following resolution:

### **MOTION 06-23-16-08 Canada Post Review**

Moved by Mayor Gary Keating, seconded by Councillor Patricia Burke;

**Whereas** Canada Post announced drastic cutbacks to our public postal service in December 2013, including plans to end home mail delivery in our country.

**Whereas** there was a huge public outcry in response to the cutbacks and stiff opposition from most federal parties, including the Liberal Party, which promised to halt the delivery cuts and conduct a review of Canada Post, if elected.

**Whereas** the delivery cuts were halted and our Liberal government is currently conducting a Canada Post Review, starting with an independent task force that will collect input from Canadians, do research, gather facts and draft a discussion paper in September of 2016 identifying viable options for postal service in this country.

**Whereas** a parliamentary committee will consult with Canadians in the fall of 2016 on the options that have been identified in the task force's discussion paper and then make recommendations to the government on the future of Canada Post.

**Whereas** it will be crucial for the task force and parliamentary committee to hear our views on key issues, including the importance of maintaining the moratorium on post office closures, improving the Canadian Postal Service Charter, restoring home mail delivery, keeping daily delivery, adding postal banking, greening Canada Post, and developing services to assist people with disabilities and help older Canadians to remain in their homes for as long as possible.

**Therefore, be it resolved** that the Town of Long Harbour-Mount Arlington Heights provide input to the Canada Post Review task force and make a submission when the parliamentary committee consults with Canadians this fall.

**In Favor:** Mayor Gary Keating  
Councillors: P. Burke, L. Burke, N. Keating

**MOTION CARRIED**

## **Provincial Strategy on Climate Change**

The Government of Newfoundland and Labrador has launched consultations to engage residents and stakeholder's in the development of a new provincial strategy on climate change.

Climate change is one of the greatest challenges facing the planet.

There are two ways to participate in the consultations, online or in-person. Visit website [www.gov.nl.ca/TalkClimateChange](http://www.gov.nl.ca/TalkClimateChange) to participate in the online session or attend in-person, Wednesday, July 20<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. at Roncalli Elementary School.

## **Official Opening of the Whitbourne Waste Recovery Facility**

Council is invited to the official opening of the Whitbourne Waste Recovery Facility. The opening will be held Friday, June 24<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. at the site on Old Brigus Road, Whitbourne. There will be a small reception at the Whitbourne Council Office following the site tour.

## **Department of Municipal Affairs – Information Circular**

On July 1, 2016 the HST will increase to 15% which will impact the cost of ongoing municipal infrastructure projects. While the department will not be making any adjustment to the total projects budgets, the provincial funding allocation identified in funding approval letters and funding agreements will be maintained. For projects approved after April 1, 2016, communities will be required to re-invest the provincial sales tax rebate into approved infrastructure project similar to the requirement to re-invest the GST rebate.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Councillor Patricia Burke:** Reported the Parish will host a local talent concert during Long Harbour-Mount Arlington Heights Days.

Also reported that she has formed a committee to work on gathering local history for publication. The committee volunteers are: Veronica Power, Doreen Greene, Adrian Norman, Kevin Greene Jr. and Noreen King.

This project is a significant undertaking. Getting people to submit their family history is going to be challenging. The initiative must be well advertised and promoted to entice residents to participate. This summer the goal will be to gather information, stories and photos.



**Councillor Lydia Burke:** Reported on Long Harbour – Mount Arlington Heights Days: She and Norma has had two planning meetings with staff. Kids activities are scheduled with Zumba, magic show, games etc. It was decided that prices for the dance will be hoodies and t-shirts.

Personnel Issues: Meetings are ongoing. Some documentation has been distributed to councillors. She and Kevin will meet again next week.

Canada Day Celebrations: As the Ball Tournament for Canada Day weekend is cancelled, Sports and Recreation will host Canada Day Celebrations on July 1, 2016.

**Councillor Norma Keating:** Reported on Tidy Towns. It was noted that there is very little public interest in Tidy Towns. A letter was mailed out to all householders inviting volunteers for this committee; there was no response.

- It was decided that without a committee the town will withdraw from participating in the Tidy Towns competition.
- It was also decided to mail one last letter to the community inviting residents to join the committee.

Beautification Policy, Anti Littering Regulations and Ball Park Regulations were developed to assist in the Tidy Towns initiative. These policies were forwarded to all councillors for review.

- It was noted that all regulations and policies should be reviewed by Councillors and amended to meet the needs of Long Harbour-Mount Arlington Heights.
- Council will review the policies and they will be presented at the next regular meeting for discussion and amendments.

Electronic Waste Collection: Councillor Keating sought approval from council to host an Electronic Waste Collection on Thursday, July 21, 2016.

#### **MOTION 06-23-16-09 Electronic Waste Collection**

Moved by Councillor Lydia Burke seconded by Councillor Norma Keating;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Town will host an Electronic Waste Collection on Thursday, July 21, 2016.

**In Favor:** Mayor Gary Keating  
Councillors: P. Burke, L. Burke, N. Keating

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Mayor Gary Keating:** Asked that a wreath be ordered for Canada Day and delivered to Norman's Cove.

Reported that the council office will receive a petition to keep the x-ray unit at the Placentia Hospital. Office staff should encourage everyone to sign it.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

#### **MOTION 06-23-16-10 Adjournment**


Moved by Councillor Lydia Burke, seconded by Councillor Norma Keating;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the meeting be adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

**In Favor:** Mayor Gary Keating  
Councillors: P. Burke, L. Burke, N. Keating,

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Date of the Next Meeting:** July 12, 2016

  
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Gary Keating  
Mayor

  
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Juanita Gosse  
Town Manager