Town of Badger

Minutes of the regular public meeting of the Badger Town Council held Tuesday, July 11, 2023 at 6:30pm in Council Chambers.

Members present:

Mayor:

Dennis Butt

Deputy Mayor:

Michelle Noseworthy

Councillors:

Jazmin Eddy Natasha Beaton

Ann Marie Young

Also, present:

Town Clerk/

Manager:

Pansy Hurley

Superintendent of

Works:

Scott Luscombe

Fire Chief:

Gordon White

President of Badger

Sports & Recreation: Nicole Eddy

Absent:

Councillors:

Jessica George

Nicholas Blackwood

Meeting was called to order and chaired by Mayor Butt at 6:30pm

Discussion:

1. Mayor Butt welcomed Fire Chief Gordon White. Fire Chief White gave his report.

Fire Chief advised that there is an issue with the transmission in Pumper #2. The unit is at Universal Repair Service here in Town. They are going to get the parts to repair the unit.

Fire Chief wondered if Council would consider giving the Fire Dept the Capsite room to extend their meeting space. He said this would give their meeting room more space and would better accommodate the pool table. They are getting more members attending meeting and practices but the space is tight for recreational purposes. Fire Chief said the Fire Dept would stand to all the cost involved in the renovation. Council will discuss the matter and advise the Fire Dept of its decision.

There being no further discussion Fire Chief White left the meeting at 6:40pm

Discussion continued:

2. Mayor Butt welcomed Scott Luscombe, Superintendent of Works to the meeting. Mr Luscombe gave his report.

Scott advised that there is some trouble with the lift station on Beothuck Street. They will be working on this tomorrow morning.

They got some asphalt patching done this morning; however, they couldn't get any asphalt in the afternoon. They used three ton today. They will also need some crush stone for the shoulders of the roads.

The students have been working really well. They did some clean up on the walking trail and painting picnic tables and band stands. Discussion on picking up litter again before Come Home Year celebrations begin. Councillor Young asked Scott to check the size of the tables at the stadium. Some vendors for the craft fair are asking for the information. Scott will check tomorrow. Deputy Mayor Noseworthy asked Scott to have extension cords ready for the Stadium for the Come Home Year events. This was an issue last year.

There being no further discussion Mr Luscombe left the meeting at 6:50pm Ms Nicole Eddy arrived at 6:50pm

3. Mayor Butt welcomed Nicole Eddy, President of Badger Sports and Recreation to the meeting.

Ms Eddy wondered if the front doors for the Stadium that we got from the School could be installed before Badger Day. Discussion held.

Ms Eddy wondered if the student workers could scrap the old paint of the walls at the Stadium. The paint is pealing in large pieces. Discussion held.

Ms Eddy asked if the band stands at the Stadium could be put in on the ice surface because her group is going to clean the Stadium tomorrow evening. They are putting all the Badger Day games and things in the Office at the Stadium. That will keep everything in one area.

There being no further discussion Ms Eddy left the meeting at 7:00pm

Adoption of Minutes:

1. Mayor Butt asked if there were any errors or omissions to the minutes of the regular public meeting of Council held Tuesday, June 13, 2023 which were circulated with the agenda for tonight's meeting.

Resolution #035-2023 A. Young/N. Beaton

Be it resolved that the minutes of the regular public meeting of Council held Tuesday, June 13, 2023 be adopted as circulated.

Vote:

In Favor 5: D. Butt; M. Noseworthy; J. Eddy;

N. Beaton, A. Young.

Opposed 0: Abstained 0.

MOTION CARRIED.

Business arising:

- 1. Discussion on meeting with Mr Harvey Day. Mr Day said he was charged business tax but he is not operating a business. Town Clerk/Manager advised that no business tax is charged on the property in question. The property is charge commercial water and sewer tax which would be an extra \$36.00 annually. Our property tax rates are the same for commercial and residential. It was felt there was some misunderstanding regarding this issue. With regarding to his questions regarding the former property of Terry Fox School on School Road some research would have to be done regarding that issue. Letter will be written to Mr Day explaining his tax bill for the property in question.
- 2. Mayor did discuss land development matter with a lawyer; however, to date he has not gotten a reply.
- 3. Discussion on the location for the gazebo. The one proposed last year was 12' X 12' similar to one at Catamaran Park. Picture was shown. It was suggested to put it on the land that has been cleared in the area of the Stadium. It was agreed that construction should be completed before Badger Day. General discussion.

Business arising continued:

- 4. Mayor Butt advised that he spoke with Mr Chris Hiscock from Dept of Transportation and Works regarding the speeding issue on Buchans Highway through town and the need for cross walks in the area. Mayor Butt said that his discussion was not very positive. He will continue to work on the issue.
- 5. Discussion on the paving quote received to pave section of School Road:

Resolution #036-2023 N. Beaton/J. Eddy

Be it resolved that the Town of Badger accept the quote received from Penney Paving to pave a section of School Road measuring 220m x 5.5m. Total cost of the project is \$42,389.00. As per quote from Penney Paving dated June 21, 2023 Quote #23P157.

Vote:

In Favor 5: Dennis Butt, Mayor
Michelle Noseworthy, Deputy Mayor
Jazmin Eddy, Councillor
Natasha Beaton, Councillor
Ann Marie Young, Councillor

Opposed 0: Abstained 0. MOTION CARRIED.

Business Arising continued:

Resolution #037-2023 A. Young/M. Noseworthy

Be it resolved that the Town of Badger submit its Capital Investment Plan to the Canada Community Building Fund Secretariat with the Department of Municipal and Provincial affairs for CCBF funding in the amount of \$42,389.00 HST included. This funding will be used to pave a section of School Road measuring 220m x 5.5m. Total cost of the project is \$42,389.00. As per quote from Penney Paving dated June 21, 2023 Quote #23P157.

Vote:

In Favor 5: Dennis Butt, Mayor
Michelle Noseworthy, Deputy Mayor
Jazmin Eddy, Councillor
Natasha Beaton, Councillor
Ann Marie Young, Councillor

Opposed 0: Abstained 0. MOTION CARRIED.

Correspondence:

- 1. Information received from Municipalities
 Newfoundland and Labrador regarding the Housing
 Accelerator Fund. General discussion. Councillors will
 review the material to see if there is a project application
 Council might like to submit.
- 2. Information received regarding the AIM Management Conference 2023 Atlantic Asset Management Conference. Discussion held.

Finances:

1. Town Clerk/Manager presented the accounts payable journal dated July 11, 2023 in the amount of 39,296.85 for distribution as presented. Discussion held.

Resolution #038-2023 M. Noseworthy/N. Beaton

Be it resolved that Council approve the accounts payable journal dated July 11, 2023 in the amount of \$39,296.85 For distribution as presented.

Vote:

In Favor 5: D. Butt; M. Noseworthy; J. Eddy; N. Beaton; a. Young.

Opposed 0: Abstained 0. MOTION CARRIED.

2. Reimbursement of Petty Cash. Discussion held.

Resolution #039-2023 A. Young/E. Eddy

Be it resolved that Petty Cash be reimbursed by \$81.30 (supplies for Canada Day activities).

Vote:

In Favor 5: D. Butt; M. Noseworthy; J. Eddy;

N. Beaton; A. Young.

Opposed 0: Abstained 0.

MOTION CARRIED.

Other Business:

1. General discussion on the Fire Department's request to take the Capsite room to extend their meeting room. The room is presently used by Recreation to store their supplies and equipment. Town also stores equipment and the Badger Day supplies are stored there. The matter was deferred until later this Fall.

Other Business continued:

2. Councillor Young advised that the Come Home Year Committee has \$31,938.28 in its bank account. They now have enough money to pay for all the bands they have booked. The Committee has worked very hard organizing the Come Home Year events. Discussion held. Council is very pleased with the amount of hard work the Committee members have put into the Come Home Year celebrations.

Adjournment:

Resolution #040-2023 A. Young/M. Noseworthy

Be it resolved that there being no further discussion Council will now adjourn to meet again on Tuesday, August 8, 2023 at 6:30pm in Council Chambers.

Vote:

In Favor 5: D. Butt; M. Noseworthy; J. Eddy; N. Beaton; A. Young.

Opposed 0: Abstained 0. MOTION CARRIED.

Town Clerk/Manager

Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm

Mayor			