

# Town of Badger

Minutes of the regular public meeting of the Badger Town Council held  
Tuesday, May 11, 2021 at 6:30pm in Council Chambers.

Members present: Mayor: Ed Card  
Deputy Mayor: Dennis Butt  
Councillors: Ann Marie Young  
Nicholas Blackwood  
Stephanie Greene  
Michelle Noseworthy

Also, present; Superintendent  
of Works: Scott Luscombe  
Town Clerk/  
Manager: Pansy Hurley

Absent: Councillor: Natasha Beaton

## **Discussion:**

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Ed Card at 6:30pm.  
Mayor Card welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. Discussion with Mr Scott Luscombe, Superintendent of Works. Mr Luscombe presented his report.
  - Scott advised that the equipment was working good. The John Deere loader had its annual inspection and maintenance work completed.
  - The exterior work on the sewerage treatment plant has been completed.
  - Scott advised that he has a fence made up that they will put around the grassed area coming into the community. He hopes this will keep vehicles and ATVs off the site.
  - They have been working to repair some potholes in town streets.
  - Scott said the company will advise if they decide to sell any of their asphalt rollers. He said they have one booked for after the general clean-up.
  - Scott advised that Paul Chafe was going to send in a gage for the chlorination system; however, he has not received it to date.

**Discussion continued:**

1. Continued.....  
-Discussion on heaters that may still be on at the Stadium. Scott said the only one on was in the canteen. It was agreed to turn it off now. The blue cord running under the bleachers will be picked up for now. Everyone agreed that a wonderful job was done on the sewerage treatment building.

Scott Luscombe left the meeting at 6:40pm

**Adoption of Minutes:**

1. Mayor Card asked if there were any errors or omissions to the minutes of the regular public meeting of Council held Tuesday, April 13, 2021 which were circulated with the agenda for tonight's meeting.

Councillor Greene said that on page 1 the time recorded for her attending the meeting was 7:05pm and on page 5 it is 7:10pm.

Mayor Card said that Page 6 #10 the figure for constructing the dressing rooms at the Stadium should be \$80,074.50. He explained that a revised quote was requested for the work to keep our application request under the maximum funding application requirements.

**Motion #023-2021 M. Noseworthy/S. Greene**

Resolved that the minutes of the regular public meeting of Council held April 13, 2021 be adopted as circulated and corrected.

**Vote:**

**In Favor 6: E. Card; D. Butt; A. Young; N. Blackwood; S. Greene; M. Noseworthy**

**Opposed 0;**

**Abstained 0.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

## **Business Arising:**

1. Councillor Greene asked if anyone took part in the Marathon Gold virtual meeting. Mayor Card said that he did sign into the meeting. The purpose of the meeting was for Marathon Gold to introduce their new employees.
2. Councillor Greene advised that she has not heard anything on the application made to the Second Harvest Program. Councillor Greene said she would check on the application tomorrow.

## **Correspondence:**

1. Notice received from Exploits Chamber of Commerce regarding their 2021 Board of Directors Nomination. A form was made available if Council wanted to nominate someone. Deadline for nominations May 14, 2021.
2. Information received from the Dept of Municipal and Provincial Affairs regarding mail-in voting for the 2021 General Election being held Tuesday, September 28, 2021. Discussion held and it was agreed that the Community Centre has adequate space to accommodate the election. It was agreed that extra staff for cleaning will be necessary for this election.
3. Information was received regarding proposals for EnvironFest 2021 grants sponsored by Newfoundland Power. The deadline for submissions is Tuesday, May 25, 2021. Proposals could include improving park areas, enhancing trail systems, recycling program, adding or refurbishing green spaces, etc. Discussion held. It was agreed that cleaning up areas behind the Stadium which would include fill, topsoil and grass seed would be a good project. Proposal will be submitted.

## **Finances:**

1. Mayor advised that there has been no reply to our applications for special assistance grants for Sunset Drive sewer project and the work done replacing the motors in the lift station on Main Street. The invoice for Northern Investments for pumps and installation has been paid; however; the invoice for Horwood's in the amount of \$31,708.95 is still outstanding. Discussion held.

## **Finances continued:**

2. The Town Clerk/Manager presented the accounts payable journal dated May 11, 2021 in the amount of \$19,715.47 for disbursement as presented. Discussion held.

### **Motion # 024-2021 A. Young/N. Blackwood**

Resolved that Council approve the accounts payable journal dated May 11, 2021 in the amount of \$19,715.47 for disbursement as presented.

#### **Vote:**

**In Favor 6: E. Card; D. Butt; A. Young; N. Blackwood;  
S. Greene; M. Noseworthy.**

**Opposed 0;**

**Abstained 0.**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

3. Reimburse Petty Cash. Discussion held.

### **Motion #025-2021 M. Noseworthy/S. Greene**

Resolved that Petty Cash be reimbursed by \$91.55 (office expense \$84.65; garage \$6.90).

#### **Vote:**

**In Favor 6: E. Card; D. Butt; A. Young; N. Blackwood;  
S. Greene; M. Noseworthy.**

**Opposed 0;**

**Abstained 0.**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

## **Other Business:**

1. The Town has applied for provincial funding to employ six (6) Level I, II, and III student workers this Summer. An application was also submitted to employ two (2) post-secondary student workers. The deadline for these applications was today.

## **Other Business continued:**

2. We have confirmation from the Federal Program of funding to employ two (2) student workers for eight (8) weeks at thirty-five (35) hours per week.

3. Deputy Mayor Butt said that he has had discussion with residents regarding having health care workers in the community, who are interested, attend medical calls with the Fire Department to provide assistance. These workers would need to be equipped with a pager. Deputy Mayor said that our Fire Chief would have to be involved in the conversation. We would have to determine the liabilities which may be involved. All present agreed it was a good idea.

4. Deputy Mayor Butt wondered if we could order fridge magnets to distribute to all homeowners with the local emergency numbers residents can call. Residents can still call our local Fire Department in case of emergency. These magnets will be similar to those we had a few years ago and will include the new Town Logo.

### **Motion #026-2021 D. Butt/N. Blackwood**

Resolved that Council purchase fridge magnets with local emergency contact numbers to be distributed to all residents of the community.

#### **Vote:**

**In favor 6: E. Card; D. Butt; A. Young; N. Blackwood;  
S. Greene; M. Noseworthy**

**Opposed 0;**

**Abstained 0.**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

5. Discussion on the replacement of basketball nets and bases for the softball field.

## **Other Business continued:**

**Motion #027-2021 D. Butt/N. Blackwood.**

Resolved that Council purchase basketball nets for the multi court and a set of bases for the softball field.

**Vote:**

**In Favor 6: E. Card; D. Butt; A. Young, N. Blackwood;  
S. Greene; M. Noseworthy.**

**Opposed 0:**

**Abstained 0.**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

6. Councillor Greene wondered what could be done regarding dirt bikes on town streets. Discussion held. Mayor Card said he would call the parents regarding this matter.

7. Mayor Card advised that he had a meeting with engineers from the Dept of Municipal Affairs and Exploits Engineering regarding de-watering on Badger Drive for the rehabilitation of lift station project. Exploits Engineering is suggesting that a liner be put in the existing lift station then all new mechanical components would be install. They are suggesting this process rather than excavating the area to replace the exterior of the lift station. Engineer from the dept of Municipal Affairs felt this was a good idea given the soil conditions in the area. Mayor said the study for the de-watering would be approximately \$30,000.00. One of the lift stations is approximately eight feet from the TCH. General discussion held.

8. The annual general clean-up for the community will be held for three weeks the first week will be for cleaning the Town and the last two weeks will be taking debris from residential properties. There were six applications received. Discussion held. Council voted on workers for the clean-up which resulted in Clayton Loder and Byron White being selected. The person with the next largest amount of votes will be the alternate in the case one of those selected no longer wants the position.

## **Other Business continued:**

9. Discussion on having a new town lapel pin using our new town logo. Sign will be purchased for the cemetery on Earle Street which was designated cultural and historical under Section 3.8 of our Municipal Plan during a meeting held October 11, 2016. This was done to protect and preserve the burial site of Badger's first Mi'kmaq Aboriginal Settler, John Paul, Sr. A new sign will also be purchased for the Community Garden.

10. Discussion on erecting a "Stop" sign from Robin's Family Restaurant onto Earle Street. People are coming off the parking lot and not stopping. Check will be made with property owner before sign is erected.

11. The post and street sign on Highland Crescent has to be replaced. Both post and sign were removed from the site.

12. Discussion on new hoodies for town staff and Council. General discussion held and matter was deferred until our next regular public meeting.

## **Adjournment:**

**Motion #028-2021      A. Young/M. Noseworthy**

Resolved that there being no further discussion Council will now adjourn to meet again on Tuesday, June 8, 2021 at 6:30pm in Council Chambers.

### **Vote:**

**In Favor 6: E. Card; D. Butt; A. Young; N. Blackwood;  
S. Greene; M. Noseworthy.**

**Opposed 0;**

**Abstained 0.**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm

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Mayor

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Town Clerk/Manager