# The Town of Badger

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Badger Town Council held Tuesday, October 14, 2014 at 7:30pm in Council Chambers.

Members present:

Mayor:

Michael Patey

Deputy Mayor: Councillors:

Paula Bridger Colleen Paul

Neil Penton
Darren Bennett
Blanche Mercer

Also, present:

Fay Environmental:

Harry Hallett. Marketing

Manager

Superintendent of

Works:

Scott Luscombe

Town Clerk/

Manager:

Pansy Hurley

Absent:

Councillor:

Rodney Howell (illness)

# Discussion:

1. Mayor Patey welcomed Mr Harry Hallett, Marketing Manager, Advance Drinking Water systems of Fay Environmental Canada Ltd.

Mr Hallett did presentation on the system. The system takes water from virtually any source and turns it into bottled-quality water without the use of chemicals. You get water that is clean, clear and tastes great and is totally free of chlorine. It will turn discolored water to clear water. System comes complete with building. Mr Hallett advised that Gas Tax Funding could be used for the project. The cost is approximately \$320,000 plus tax and \$9,000 for delivery. Annual operations would be between \$3,500 to \$5,000. There is one year warranty on the unit and the Company is available 24/7. General discussion held on the presentation.

Mayor Patey thanks Mr Hallett for his presentation and advised that Council will consider the matter.

Mr Hallett left the meeting at 8:10pm

# **Discussion continued:**

- 2. Discussion with Mr Scott Luscombe, Superintendent of Works.
- -Scott advised that the Cat loader is down they have to go to Pasadena to get locks for one of the tire rims. There is a leak in the transmission on the backhoe. The mechanic from John Deer will do an inspection. Other equipment is ready to go.
- -Pump house working good on 35-36 lbs pressure.
- -The water tank is in progress. They advised that they would be back in a couple of weeks. They have to wait for the materials to set. Discussion on flushing the lines before water is pumped to the new tank.
- -They repairs two water line leaks today, one on Sunset Drive and the other on Third Avenue.
- -Scott advised that he is waiting for a quote from Pardy's Industrial regarding cleaning the sewerage treatment plant.
- -Scott was advised to take up the speed bumps before frost gets in the ground.
- -Discussion on asphalt, the contractor is suppose to be here and have those repairs completed. We are in contact with our engineering firm regarding this issue. There are several bad spots that we will have to repair as well. Should have those done in the next couple of weeks.

There being no further discussion Mr Luscombe left the meeting at 8:25pm

# **Adoption of Minutes:**

1. Mayor Patey asked if there were any errors or omissions to the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held September 15, 2014 which were circulated with the agenda for tonight's meeting.

### Motion #055-2014 B. Mercer/P. Bridger

Resolved that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held September 15, 2014 be adopted as circulated.

In Favor 6: Opposed 0: Abstained 0. CARRIED.

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# Business arising:

- 1. Work is being carried out on the subdivision development. There has been no discussion with the developer since work began.
- 2. There has been no decision on opening the road between Buchans and Burgeo. Mayor Patey said the issue was discussed at the MNL convention and there are concerns on how this will impact communities on the TCH.

# Correspondence:

- 1. Letter of complaint regarding salvage area and improper dumping of material. General discussion held. It was agreed that a letter would be written to the owner of the property advising that he must erect signs stating hours of operation and a gate to limit access to the property when they are closed. Letter will also written to complainant advised that Council is dealing with the matter.
- 2. Information received from Recreation NL regarding skateboard park inspections and membership in their organization. General discussion held.

#### Motion #056-2014 B. Mercer/N. Penton.

Resolved that The Town of Badger become a member Recreation NL at a cost of seventy-five dollars (\$75) annually.

# In Favor 6: opposed 0: Abstained 0. CARRIED.

- 3. The Steubenville Atlantic Youth Group is requesting to use the Community Centre at no charge to have pictures taken with Santa. They are fund raising for their annual trip. General discussion held. They are charging for pictures. We have a policy in place whereby if you are charging a fee then you have to pay the rental fee on the building. For an afternoon or evening event it would be fifty dollars (\$50).
- 4. Thank you card received from Myrtle Crann for use of the Community Centre following the Red Shoe Walk.

### Finances:

1. Town Clerk/Manager presented summary of the following reports:

AP Transaction Journal and Petty Cash:

Motion # 057-2014 B. Mercer/C. Paul

Resolved that Council approve the accounts payable journal, dated October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015 and totaling \$158,407.69 for disbursement as presented.

## In Favor 6: Opposed 0: Abstained 0. CARRIED.

2. Reimburse Petty Cash

Motion #058-2014 B. Mercer/C. Paul

Resolved that Council approve the Petty Cash reimbursement, dated October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015 totaling \$355.44 for disbursement as presented.

In Favor 6: Opposed 0: Abstained 0. CARRIED.

3. We have received the 2015 Operating Budget forms from the Department of Municipal and Intergovernmental Affairs. The Budget has to be returned to the Department by December 31, 2014. The Budget Committee will hold meetings to prepare the Budget for presentation to Council by the last Tuesday in November.

# Other Business:

- 1. Our Remembrance Day Service will be held on Tuesday, November 11, 2014 at 10:55am.
- 2. Discussion on our Christmas events for this year and it was agreed as follows:
- -Tuesday, Dec 2 at 7:00pm Lighting of Town Christmas Tree:
- -Friday, Dec 5 at 6:00pm Senior's Christmas Social (60 plus);

# Other Business continued:

-Saturday, Dec 6 at 10am - Breakfast with Santa, and;
7Pm - Santa Claus Parade
-Monday, Dec. 22 from 6:00 to 7:30pm - Judging of the
"Light Up for Christmas Contest". Prizes for the Contest are

1 <sup>st</sup>	\$100.00
2 <sup>nd</sup>	75.00
3rd	50.00

as follows:

Our regular meeting in Nov will be held on the 4<sup>th</sup> because of the Remembrance Day holiday on the 11<sup>th</sup>. It was also agreed that given everyone's busy schedule our regular meeting in December will be held on November 25<sup>th</sup> and our first meeting in January will be January 20<sup>th</sup>. We will have special meeting if the need arises.

- 3. Council reviewed updates to the Town's Emergency Plan. Some name changes were required. These changes will now be forwarded to the agencies concerned.
- 4. Discussion on our application for funding under the 2015-2015 Municipal Capital Works Program for water service laterals for Maple, Beothuck, School and River Rd The asphalt will have to be patched once this work is done. Then in the following year we would apply for paving of these roads. General discussion held on the issue. This funding would be 90/10 province/municipality.

#### Motion #059-2014 C. Paul/N. Penton.

Resolve that the Town of Badger apply to the Department of Municipal and Intergovernmental Affairs for funding under the 2015-2016 Municipal Capital Works Program for Water Service Laterals - Asphalt Patching Phase 2 (Maple, Beothuck, School, River Road, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Avenues) at a cost of \$531,631. Town is applying to use Gas Tax Funding for this project.

In Favor: 6 Mayor Michael Patey
Deputy Mayor Paula Bridger
Councillor Colleen Paul
Councillor Neil Penton
Councillor Darren Bennett
Councillor Blanche Mercer

Opposed: 0 Abstained: 0 MOTION CARRIED

# Other Business continued:

5. We have to submit our Capital Investment Plan to the Department of Municipal and Intergovernmental Affairs requesting to use Gas Tax Funds for our projects, which include the water service laterals, TownSuite Municipal Software as well as the new water storage tank which has been already been applied for. General discussion held.

#### Motion #060-2014 N. Penton/C. Paul.

Resolved that the Town of Badger submit its Capital Investment Plan to the Department of Municipal and Intergovernmental Affairs for Gas Tax Funding in the amount of \$522,343 for Water Service Laterals - Phase 2 at a cost of \$513,631 and TownSuite Municipal Software at a cost of \$8,712.00.

In Favor 6: Mayor Michael Patey

Deputy Mayor Paula Bridger Councillor Colleen Paul Councillor Neil Penton Councillor Darren Bennett Councillor Blanche Mercer

Opposed 0.

Abstained 0.

### MOTION CARRIED.

- 6. Councillor Paul advised that the new website is scheduled to go live on November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014. General discussion on content.
- 7. Councillor Paul said she had a verbal request from two residents that Council hold public meeting to discuss things such as the status of the water tank, paving and any others issues that maybe ongoing. These items did get brought up during the open house for the Municipal Plan. Mayor Patey said that we put out news letters and the website will be up and running shortly where information will be posted. We have our regular meetings, committee meetings and other seminars and meetings sponsored by the Department of

# Other Business continued:

Municipal Affairs and MNL that councillors attend. Council was elected to run the affairs of the town and that is what we are doing. The water tank and road work are ongoing projects. It was felt this type of public meeting would not serve any purpose. Councillor Paul will contact the residents regarding the matter.

- 8. Councillor Paul suggested that in the Budget preparation could the Committee consider purchasing a 40" flat screen TV and a laptop computer for Council Chambers. These items would be used in emergency situations.
- 9. Councillor Penton said that he spoke to Councillor Howell (who is unable to be here tonight) regarding a keyless entry for the door to the fire hall. The cost is approximately \$642.85. It seems some firemen are showing up without their key to the building. Each firemen has a key to the door at the front of building next to the bay doors. General discussion check with Fire Chief regarding the matter.
- 10. Councillor Penton said that Councillor Howell was also concerned about garbage collection and having to take the garbage out of the containers. He said that Ed Evans said Badger was the only town on the island not using garbage containers. It was explained that when this process started Central Waste Management required the garbage to be curbside, in regular garbage bags and covered. You can't put garbage boxes at the curb because they would be in the way for snow clearing as well as causing an appearance issue. CNWM said curbside and that is what the town did. Town Clerk/Manager spoke to Mr Evans he had one complaint about not being able to leave his garbage in his garbage box. He said he also had a call from Councillor Howell regarding the issue. Mr Evans said that there are very little complaints from Badger and everything is working well. It was felt that you are not going to change something that is working based on one concern being expressed. Mayor Patey said that he would contact Mr Evans regarding the matter.
- 11. Councillor Bennett had information on new signage for our town. We have agreed that logging is our history and is what represents our community. Councillor Bennett suggested two 6' figures of loggers to be placed at the east and west entrance to Badger on the TCH. These figures would cost approximately \$10,000 each. He suggested

# Other Business continued:

getting a prototype done of what the figure would look like. This would cost \$400 to \$600. Councillor Bennett said we need to brand our community to promote tourism. Gas Tax Funding could be used for this project. General discussion held. It was suggested this be given more consideration.

- 12. Councillor Mercer asked about doing something for Councillor Howell, who is ill. Mayor and any councillors who are available will visit him tomorrow with a fruit basket and card.
- 13. Mayor Patey said the MNL convention had some good information seminars. Training for emergency responders and staff is very important. You must have your people trained. Discussion on emergency centres and equipment they require. They are working with each political party regarding the fiscal framework issue.
- 14. Mayor Patey advised the BioMaxx will winterize the flow meter at the sewerage treatment plant and give Council an update on information collected.
- 15. General discussion on the presentation made by Mr Hallett of Fay Environmental. It was agreed that Council would not pursue this matter at this time.

# Adjournment:

### Motion #061-2014 B. Mercer/N. Penton

Resolved that Council will now adjourn to meet again on Tuesday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 7:30PM.

In Favor 6: Opposed 0: Abstained 0. CARRIED.

Meeting closed at 10:45pm.

Mayor	
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