

**Regular Meeting Minutes #1
January 15, 2014**

Members Present:

**Mayor Gary Goobie
Deputy Mayor Jim Joy
Councillor Sadie King
Councillor Roger Myette
Councillor George Penney
Councillor Rosena Norman
Councillor Kimberly Ghaney**

Staff Present:

**Gary Corbett, CAO
Christa Turnbull, Admin Assistant**

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

1.1 Adoption of meeting agenda of January 15, 2014

14-01-101

King/Norman
Carried

1.2 Adoption of minutes of meeting of December 18, 2013

Adopted as presented

2 BUSINESS ARISING

Joy- we have purchased the loader, I seen it during our storm and blackout.
Should be of asset and a great addition to our public works.

3 DELEGATION, PROCLAMATION, PRESENTATION

4 CORRESPONDANCE

4.1 PMA- Training Seminars & Annual Convention- Tabled

5 RECOMMENDATION OF PLANNING & LAND USE COMMITTEE

5.1

14-01-102

Penney/Myette

Location: 37 North Side Road

Proposal: Accessory Building (40x40)

Zoning: RMD

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Holyrood approve the above accessory building, (discretionary) to be located to the rear of the owners property fronting North Side Road, vinyl or clapboard to be used on the exterior, and subject to the Town of Holyrood Development Regulations.

Motion Carried

5.2

14-01-103

Penney/Norman

BE IT RESOLVED that the CAO has the discretionary power of Council to approve accessory buildings, patios, fence, signs, as per the Holyrood Development Regulations and/or any further town regulations. Any application that does not meet the current regulations must be approved at discretion of council. All residential and commercial applications must be approved by Council.

Motion Carried

6 RECOMMENDATION OF INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

6.1 Director of Infrastructure & Public Works

We welcome to our team Jill Yetman to the position of Director of Infrastructure & Public Works. Jill will commence this position on Monday, January 20, 2014.

6.2 Regional Water Services

We have received a response from the St. John's Regional Water Committee.

6.3 Blackout

During the recent blackouts, we would like to acknowledge and thank all those who helped.

- Public Works Staff for maintaining snow clearing, sewage lift stations and the town's pump houses and tending to numerous needs.
- Holyrood Volunteer Fire Department for the use of their equipment and warming facilities.
- Community Centre and to Joyce Kieley for the use of the community centre as warming facility.
- Seniors Advisory Committee, especially Sadie King & Ann Marie Marrie for their assistance in the warming facilities.
- Residents and businesses who provided food for the warming facilities.
- Residents who offered their assistance throughout the ordeal.
- Town Staff & Councillors who were available to assist where required.
- After hours service for keeping the lines of communication open.
- To all the Newfoundland & Labrador Power and NL Hydro staff and workers for trying to bring this issue to a resolve as soon as possible.

7 RECOMMENDATION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM COMMITTEE

8. RECOMMENDATION OF RECREATION AND COMMUNITY EVENTS COMMITTEE

8.1 Recreation Master Plan

Waiting on Final Draft.

8.2 Forever Young

Aqua fit, Sobey's Cooking class, Zumba class, Wellness seminar.

8.3 Crystal Carnival Update

Committee is up and running. Feb 7-March 23. Our festival is unique and will run for a month and a half. Our branding is front and center. We will have gateway signs at all entrances,

Line up includes night time sliding, ski trips, outdoor skating rink, Crystal Dip- encouraging all to participate- proceeds will be donated to Heavenly Creatures, Skidoo trip, Pink & Black party, Open mic night.

Crystal Carnival flyer will be out in the mail next week.

We have a strong committee including staff. Great group and work is well underway and I'm confident it will be a huge success.

9. RECOMMENDATION OF PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

In the next few weeks, we will be meeting.

10. RECOMMENDATION OF ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Eastern Waste Management had to renew our current contract. The cost for the next six months has increased significantly. This committee will have to make a lot of decisions over the next year.

11. RECOMMENDATION OF HERITAGE COMMITTEE

12. RECOMMENDATION OF CORPORATE SERVICES

12.1 ACCOUNTS PAYABLE CHEQUE REGISTER

Norman/Penney

14-01-104

BE IT RESOLVED that accounts as tabled in the amount of \$203,477.52, cheque #029290 to #29395 to be approved for payment from the General Account. Online banking payment amount \$50,954.28

Motion Carried

12.2 CAPITAL INVOICES

King/Myette

14-01-105

BE IT RESOLVED that payment in the amount of \$734,255.41 (from check number 55-70) be approved for capital invoices.

Motion Carried

12.3 BANKBOOK BALANCE- \$240,236.01

12.4 TRANSFER

Penney/Norman

14-01-106

BE IT RESOLVED to transfer \$75,000 from ROYMOR to the General Account.

12.5 BUDGET 14 Speech

See attached speech.

Ghaney/Norman

14-01-107

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Holyrood, in accordance with the Municipalities Act 1999 Section 75-79 adopt the attached Schedule of Taxes, Rates and Fees to take effect January 01, 2014.

Motion Carried

Joy/Norman

14-01-108

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Holyrood, in accordance with the Municipalities Act Section 75-79 adopt the 2013 Budget with operating revenues and expenditures totaling \$2,864,824.19

Motion carried

Deputy Mayor Joy

Covers the broad areas of growth, planning and service. There is a lot of work that has gone into the preparation of this budget with council, committee and staff. The cost of operating is amazing. The elements of our services have changed over the years. One of the figures that always amaze me is waste management. Back in 2007, I was involved with waste management group and addressing waste management. The cost at that time was around \$40,000 for that year. Today our figure is \$205,000. That represents a 500% increase. This is an idea of where the cost of operating has gone. Last years budget was 85,000 this year is 125,000 for fire department. Emergency response has \$20,000. Recreation is an area we work hard at broadening, but there is a cost attached to this. Many people are happy with our recreation programming. I am very pleased to see extra money invested in this area. In keeping cost down through economic development officer, we are looking at ways to fund facilities, etc. Example, at Holy Cross Park-through funding opportunities we were able to put \$100,000 in that park. I'm happy with the direction we are taking. In last years budget

we addressed the GIS seniors discount. Last year we completed a new well and filtration system, which comes with an increased cost- even though it is funded, we paid almost \$190,000 from the town, plus theres the cost of operation. Our borrowing is going to address some key areas as well. Overall it's positive, but unfortuntnely we have to increase the mil rate. But that comes with increases in expenses. We will generate new revenue with new growth. I will be supporting this budget.

Councillor Penney

As a member of the CSC, we had several meetings. They weren't all yes meetings, there was a lot of discussion. I took a position as did others. Looking back at it all, a lot of things went up significantly in the past few years. We have went up in recreation, waste management as well as staff. Holyrood is taking the lead. We have gone from 40 kms of road to 80 kms of road. Expenses have gone up. Our budget a few years ago was about 1.5 million. Now we are up to 2.8 million. Next year, we will not have any tax increases unless something catastrophic happens. I will be supporting this budget.

Mayor Goobie

We are here for the common good of the community, to provide our residents with the best possible services, programs and infrastructure to improve lives of residents and move our community forward and keep it sustainable. In doing so it comes with a cost. We all realized that Holyrood is a growing town. We have tremendous opportunities waiting. We have been positioning and planning our town carefully and responsibly for years to come for the young people who will be the leaders of tomorrow. We also have challenges as well- like many municipalities. As volunteers who are elected to make decisions on their behalf, that's a big undertaking. But when put in that position, we have to make the decisions that are in the best interest of the community overall. It's not about a particular area of town, it's about all of Holyrood. Any time there is an upward adjustment in taxes, people will not be happy. That's the reality. In this budget, it carefully outlines where our town is. I encourage all residents to review this budget.

13. RECOMMENDATION OF HOLYROOD MARINA PARK CORPORATION COMMITTEE

First meeting tomorrow night

14. RECOMMENDATION OF OCEANS HOLYROOD INITIATIVE COMMITTEE

Our Chief Development Officer has accepted a new position and we will move forward with a new plan.

15. DEVELOPMENT PERMITS

No new permits issued since last meeting

16. NEW RESIDENTIAL PERMITS

No new permits issued since last meeting

17. NEW BUSINESS

17.1 Deputy Mayor Joy

We finally got our CBS By Pass road opened. I didn't make it to the opening. I did drive over it today. It will be a benefit in many ways. We will see the economic benefit, as well as a great convenience. I went to a meeting many years ago, our MP and CBS Council, the Minister of Transport, was all there. It took a long time, but it's finally open.

Mayor Gary Goobie

I was asked to assist with the official opening and the cutting of the ribbon this morning.

18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

February 5, 2014 at 5:30 pm

19. ADJOURNMENT

14-01-109

Penney/King

Motion carried.