



**Regular Meeting of Council #12  
September 17, 2019**

**AGENDA**

**Present:**

**Mayor Gary Goobie  
Deputy Mayor Curtis Buckle (via phone)  
Councillor Kevin Costello  
Councillor Kim Ghaney  
Councillor Jim Joy  
Councillor Sadie King  
Councillor Roger Myette**

**Staff:**

**Gary Corbett, CAO  
Christa Turnbull, Exe. Assistant**

**1. CALL TO ORDER/ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**19-12-93**

**Ghaney/King**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that this meeting is now called to order.

In Favor 7

Mayor Goobie  
Deputy Mayor Buckle  
Councillor Costello  
Councillor Ghaney  
Councillor Joy  
Councillor King  
Councillor Myette

Opposed 0

Abstained 0

Motion Carried

**2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF AUGUST 27, 2019**

**Adopted as presented.**

**3. BUSINESS ARISING**

**n/a**

**4. PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT**

**a. Permits**

**19-12-94**

**Costello/Myette**

**BE IT RESOLVED** to approve the following permits that have been issued from January 12-September 6, 2019

New Buildings – 5

15 Saul Drive

12 Saul Drive

104 Country Path

268 Salmonier Line  
427 Conception Bay Highway  
Extension- 1  
Accessory Buildings: 19  
Other – 75 (includes general repairs, fences, patios, site, etc.)  
In Favor 7  
Mayor Goobie  
Deputy Mayor Buckle  
Councillor Costello  
Councillor Ghaney  
Councillor Joy  
Councillor King  
Councillor Myette  
Opposed 0  
Abstained 0  
Motion Carried

**b. Costello/Ghaney**

**19-12-95**

Proposed Amendments: St. John's Urban Region Regional

- Plan Amendment, Municipal Plan Amendments No. 8, 2019 and No. 11, 2019
- Development Regulations Amendment No. 10, 2019 and No. 11, 2019

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town of Holyrood has no concerns with the proposed amendments from the Town of Portugal Cove St. Philip's.

In Favor 7

Mayor Goobie  
Deputy Mayor Buckle  
Councillor Costello  
Councillor Ghaney  
Councillor Joy  
Councillor King  
Councillor Myette

Opposed 0  
Abstained 0  
Motion Carried

**5. RECREATION AND COMMUNITY EVENTS**

**a. Update**

Fall Activity Guide is now in mailboxes. Harvest Hoedown will be happening on September 28 at IBEW. There will be live country music, produce & craft market, kid's zone, petting farm, hay rides, food vendors and enclosed beer garden. Encourage everyone to participate.

Please see the new 2019 Fall Activity Guide for a full list of upcoming programs. We're happy to see some new programming added to our current program structure. New Programs:

- Sensory Play Program
- Busy Bakers
- Bits and Bites
- Line Dancing

Highland Park Playground infrastructure has been installed. Public Works staff are currently working on entrance to the playground space.

## **6. BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT & MARKETING**

### **a. Update**

The Town of Holyrood had a game changer last week which will have a positive effect on our town for years into the future.

On Wednesday, September 11, the Town officially sold 44.1 acres of industrial property to Blue Ocean Development Partners Ltd. This is the beginning of the Blue Ocean Industrial Place.

This sale provided immediate influx of money for the Town and as well the agreement reached sees an additional payment to the town for every acre sold based on a base price. The Town will also realize a significant new business tax base as new businesses develop there. Fellow colleagues – this is a good news story – one which will allow this town to complete projects to benefit our residents without financial burden to existing programming.

It's been awhile since we as council sat with staff and began the process toward this great achievement and I am happy as Chair of Business Development and Marketing to say it is completed.

A huge thank you to Staff for their hard work and their commitment – even when things didn't go as planned – but staying on track and getting this great accomplishment across the line.

Our Department of Business Development and Marketing is working with a number of business opportunities and we are walking the interested parties through the process. It is quite exciting to see such an active interest in doing business in our Town and when we have all the preliminary work completed with an application ready for consideration, we will present it to Council for their comments and approval.

It is a great moment in time for the Town of Holyrood and its future.

## 7. PUBLIC SAFETY

### a. Update

Emergency Management Plan- coming up we will be doing an annual review to make sure everything is up to par and updated.

Enforcement- monthly reports from Municipal Enforcement. We have an officer on 3 days per week. Town staff are working on doing up various steps for different situations. Residents seem pleased with municipal enforcement and the officer is doing great work.

Fire department policies and procedures document will be reviewed.

## 8. INFRASTRUCTURE & PUBLIC WORKS

### a. Update

Lot of the discussion & focus at Committee Meetings recently involved a problem on our town`s water system that was causing the loss of thousands of gallons of water resulting in the level / volume in our storage tank at very concerning levels. A major effort by public works, managerial staff & resources from our engineering consultants was ongoing for several weeks in trying to identify what the problem was. It was proving very difficult to find while various procedures were being carried out to find and isolate the location. Then on September 10 staff had located a significant leak. The following morning, our storage tank was back to normal level with system operating normally. I'd like to ask our CAO, who was working closely on this problem for the whole period to add further detail on this.

#### ***Update on water situation from the CAO:***

Staff walked all areas of the town. Visited areas that are prone to leaks. Tank started to decrease on a daily basis. Losing about 70,000 gallons per day and stress was put on all our wells. Tank went down as far as 19 feet. We were looking at alternate measure. We shut down the water in all areas of the town, to give the tank time to recoup. Staff were getting exhausted from late nights of working. We sent out a notice and asked residents to listen around properties for any water leaks. One of the funeral homes determined there was a water leak in the area. Staff worked to fix the leak, and the tank filled up within several days.

Thanks Gary. I would like to thank everyone involved as well for the great effort put forward in solving this problem.

I would like to mention as well at our committee meetings there has been a lot of discussion on the priority projects. We will be applying for under the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) which I will read shortly. The larger portion of the funding being

applied for will be for Water Improvement Type Projects- approx. \$1.645 million

Also in conjunction with our Water Supply, we will be having a meeting on Thursday with our engineering consultants to discuss longer term water supply options/alternatives.

**b. RFP for the approved ICIP Projects**

**19-12-96**

**Joy/Myette**

**BE IT RESOLVED** the Town of Holyrood approve the development of a Request for Proposals (RFP) to secure engineering services to develop a plan, prepare a scope of work and oversee the execution of the 2 - Investing in Canada Infrastructure Projects. These projects include Country Path Water Project and the Soccer Field Upgrade Project.

The RFP will be developed in accordance with Municipal Affairs Procurement Regulations and will be presented to 5 recognized engineering companies for consideration. All responses to the RFP will be evaluated in partnership with Municipal Affairs according to specified criteria and approved by Council before awarding takes place.

In Favor 7

Mayor Goobie  
Deputy Mayor Buckle  
Councillor Costello  
Councillor Ghaney  
Councillor Joy  
Councillor King  
Councillor Myette

Opposed 0

Abstained 0

Motion Carried

Councillor Costello declared a conflict of interest and left the room.

**c. New applications to Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP)**

**Joy/Ghaney**

**19-12-97**

**BE IT RESOLVED** the Town of Holyrood submit applications to the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program to access funding to complete the following projects to improve services to residents

**1. Water Improvements** – to purchase a 500,000-gallon water

tank, including installation and site preparation: the purchase and installation of 2 PRV's- North Side Road-CBH, North Arm-O'Connell's Well, drill 2 new wells and secure the required infrastructure and SCADA application This project has a cost of 1.645 million and will secure a safe, reliable, water supply for the Town.

**2. Road Improvement-** to upgrade, improve drainage, and pave the following local roads to ensure safe, reliable vehicular and pedestrian traffic:

- North Side Road
- Sir Albert Walsh Drive
- O'Rourke's Road

The costs associated with the completion of this component if the application is \$355,197.00

In Favor 6

Mayor Goobie  
Deputy Mayor Buckle  
Councillor Ghaney  
Councillor Joy  
Councillor King  
Councillor Myette

Opposed 0

Abstained 0

Motion Carried

**9. CORPORATE SERVICES**

**a. Bankbook Balance \$ 856.30**

**b. General Account**

**19-12-98**

**King/Costello**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that accounts as tabled in the amount of \$122,652.91 from August 23-September 5, 2019 be approved for payment from the General Account.

In Favor 7

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Councillor Costello  
Councillor Ghaney  
Councillor Joy  
Councillor King  
Councillor Myette

Opposed 0

Abstained 0

Motion Carried

## **10. NEW BUSINESS**

### **Buckle**

Hats off and thanks to public works and office staff for work during the water leak. Thanks to residents for patience and working with the town to get this resolved.

ICIP projects- new tank and wells, etc. is the #1 priority for our town. Would really help us to isolate leaks in the town.

### **Ghaney**

Physician shortage- we have garnered some media attention. Thanks to residents who have spoken out about their concerns. Rosena Barron and Keli Ann Pye-Beshara spoke out on the issue as well. We have sent a letter to Eastern Health and we are working on setting a meeting to tackle the issue. Eastern Health Community consultation on September 30. Need to register by Sept 24. I encourage residents to register and speak their minds on how health care is delivered. Looking forward to having discussions. Hopefully this is first steps in finding a solution. We have shared the link on Town of Holyrood social media.

### **King**

Congratulations to Gary and Marjorie for bringing the file on Industrial Park to a conclusion.

Thanks to staff and public works for all the work put into finding the water leaks. They went above and beyond the call of duty.

### **Joy**

Last week there were many positive happenings in our town in addition to the correction of our water problem.

On the economic side, the finalizing of the agreement of purchase & sale of land between the town & owner/developer for phase 1 (44.1 acres) of land at the Industrial Place to be called Blue Ocean Industrial Park will provide new opportunities and long-term benefits to our town.

Really positive to see the start of a new commercial building - just below Orange Store/North Atlantic/Tim Horton's building.

Also, site work being done just above this for further development in this area.

The whole development plan that is happening now was started through the vision of our CAO, Gary Corbett & now new development opportunities that are and will be happening are supported strongly

through our Director of Business Development & Marketing, Marjorie Gibbons with Christa Turnbull & other staff. Thanks to Gary and all involved on this major initiative.

It's certainly nice to see the start of a number of new homes in our town. Construction has certainly been down for past couple years and the new builds are a positive sign that things are starting to change.

**Myette**

Looking forward to the Holyrood Hoedown. Nice to see an event in the fall.

Congratulation to town staff on the sale of land at the Industrial park.

Losing 70,000 gallons of water a day. We were close to an alternate source of water. Big thanks to Chris Kelly and public works staff. Working long hours in undesirable weather conditions. Great to see their commitment. Thanks to Town staff also who were sending out updates via social media.

Thank the residents of Holyrood for the patience during the rerouting of traffic while the culver was replaced on the TCH.

Thanks to the summer students at swim park as well as the lifeguards. My son is a lifeguard, and one time he saved someone's life. Lifeguards have the national training, CPR, first aid, etc. Good to know they are trained in life saving abilities.

**Costello**

Great to see the purchase sale agreement finalized for the industrial park. Thanks to Gary and the team for getting this done.

Pleased that the water leak was fixed. Residents were, for the most part, very patient. They were well informed via social media. Adding the 500,000-gallon tank will increase capacity by 150%, drilling new wells will give more water, the SCADA system will make pumping the wells more efficient, and adding PRV's will keep water in the tank and eliminate the high pressure. That one project will make our water system as effective and efficient as possible.

Fire Department moving chase the ace to Wednesday nights. Encourage everyone to attend.

**11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**



October 8, 2019

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

**19-12-99**

**Ghaney/King**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that this meeting now adjourn at 6:27 pm.

In Favor 7

- Mayor Goobie
- Deputy Mayor Buckle
- Councillor Costello
- Councillor Ghaney
- Councillor Joy
- Councillor King
- Councillor Myette

Opposed 0

Abstained 0

Motion Carried

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Mayor

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CAO

*Minutes taken by CT*