The 7th meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Happy Valley-Goose Bay was held on February 21, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. and called to order by Mayor Leo Abbass.

Present:
Mayor Leo Abbass
Deputy Mayor Stan Oliver
Councillor Bill MacKey
Councillor James H. Saunders
Councillor Madelyn Kelly
Town Manager Al Durno
Director of Tourism, Parks and Recreation Ken Anthony
Recording Secretary Donna Jones

Absent: Councillor Dean Clarke – out of town
Town Clerk V. Sheppard – other commitment

1 **DELEGATION**, **Herb Brown**

Herb Brown addressed the meeting on behalf of the 2nd Annual Big Land Challenge Dog Team Race. They are requesting the town's assistance with event insurance, snow clearing, policing and parking, snow fencing and safety vests for the race marshals. The Recreation Director was asked to research the insurance request as to how similar groups, the regatta and the Rioglet Dog Team Race for instance, are covered under insurance and get back to Mr. Brown with the information. Mr. Brown will be advised on the other requests by Monday.

2 **ADOPTION OF AGENDA OF THE 7th MEETING**

It was moved by Deputy Mayor S. Oliver seconded by Councillor J. Saunders to adopt the agenda of the 7th meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Happy Valley-Goose Bay with additional items presented. Motion Carried unanimously.

3 **ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF 6th MEETING**

It was moved by Councillor W. MacKey seconded by Deputy Mayor S. Oliver to approve the adoption of the minutes of the 6th meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Happy Valley-Goose Bay. Motion Carried unanimously.

4. **ACTION REPORT**

5 **CORRESPONDENCE**

There were 7 Incoming Letters and 10 Outgoing Letters in the Council Package.

a) Mayor Abbass read incoming letter #2 from the Hon. Paul Shelley supporting the regional performance space for the Mealy Mountain Collegiate

6 **MUNICIPAL SERVICES COMMITTEE – Councillor James H. Saunders**

It was moved by Councillor James Saunders seconded by Deputy Mayor S. Oliver to adopt the Municipal Services report as presented. Motion Carried unanimously.

a) **Permit Report**

Enclosed in Council package was the Permit Report for February 16, 2006.

b) **Land Application – Brian Swain**

Application received from Brian Swain for land, 30x90 meters approximately 12K up the Trans Labrador Highway for the purpose of constructing a cottage. Committee recommends approval.

c) **Land Application – Bill Nippard**

Application from Bill Nippard for land 60x80 meters located on Mountain View Drive for the use of a residential development. Committee recommends approval subject to the following conditions:

a. All expenses related to servicing the lot are the sole responsibility of the applicant
b. A Survey to be submitted and approved by the town prior to development
c. town to determine where water and sewer connections are to be terminated
d. town to rescind original motion by council to have this land rezoned from residential to open space [item 7(aa) of the May 22, 1997 minutes]
e. this is to be a single low density residential lot only and not to be subdivided in the future.

d) **Clean and Safe Water Workshop**

Committee recommends that Sheldon Normore, Keith Pye and the Chair of Municipal Services Committee attend the Clean and Safe Water Workshop being held in Gander, NL March 21-23, 2006.

e) **Municipal Services Installation Regulation**

Committee recommends that Council adopt the revised Municipal Services Installation Regulation – Sewer Blockages, Back-ups, Breaks and Flushing /Cleaning.

f) **Request – Kevin and Sandra Hann**

Request received from Kevin and Sandra Hann to remove the street light from the hill at the end of Valleyview Drive or turn off the light early in the evening. Committee recommends investigating the cost of a timer, surveying the local residents and having the Community Constable carry out patrols in the area.

g) **Notice – Water**

Committee recommends that the town issue a notification of water safety as an insert in the town's 2006 municipal billing.

h) **Kelland Drive Street Lighting**

Lighting is now complete.

7 **TOURISM, PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE -** Councillor B. MacKey

It was moved by Councillor B. MacKey seconded by Councillor J. Saunders to adopt the Tourism Parks and Recreation Committee report as presented. Motion Carried unanimously.

a) **Tourism Parks and Recreation Report**

Enclosed in package for information is the Tourism Parks and Recreation Committee report for January 18, 2006 – February 16, 2006.

b) **Request for Funding – Lake Melville Xtreme Minor Hockey Association**

Request received from Lake Melville Extreme Minor Hockey Association for a donation of ice time during their Mega Tournament February 10-12, 2006. Committee recommends denying this request due to financial restraints.

c) **Goose Bay Curling Club**

The Goose Bay Curling Club will be hosting the Ladies Mukluk Curling Bonspiel on March 3, 2006. Deputy Mayor Oliver will be attending the opening ceremonies.

d) **National Broomball Championship**

Committee recommends that Councillor MacKey, Tourism Parks and Recreation Director Anthony, Town Clerk Sheppard, and Clarence Webber attend the National Broomball championship being held in Leduc, Albert, March 25-29, 2006 to present the town's request to host the 2008 National Broomball Championship in Happy Valley-Goose Bay.

e) **Canadian Tire Jump Start Program**

The Canadian Tire Jump Start Program will be sponsoring a free public skating session on February 19, 2006 from 1pm – 2:50 p.m. This program is in place to provide financial assistance to purchase equipment for the less fortunate who would like to participate in physical activity.

f) **Central Labrador Stakeholders Meeting**

A meeting will be held on Monday, February 20, 2006 at the Town Office with Council, Central Labrador Economic Development Board, Labrador Lake Melville Tourism Association, Labrador North Chamber of Commerce, the Goose Bay Airport Corporation, North West River Town Council, the Department of Tourism Culture and Recreation and the Combined Councils, to discuss how we can communicate and work together in moving the Central Labrador agenda as a region of Labrador.

g) **Ladies Dressing Room**

Committee recommends that Council make repairs in the ladies dressing room at a cost of approximately $500 to be taken out of the arena building maintenance budget.

h) **SnoBreak 2006**

Enclosed in Council's package is the SnoBreak 2006 schedule for March 19-26, 2006

i) **Explore NL**

Enclosed in Council's package is information concerning Explore NL being held in St. John's from May 13-14, 2006.

j) **5 Wing Goose Bay Carnival 2006**

The 5 Wing Goose Bay Carnival will be held February 19, 2006. A schedule of events is enclosed for Council's information.

k) **Turf and Structural Conference 2006**

Enclosed in Council's package is information regarding the Turf and Structural Conference being held in Gander, NL from March 14-16, 2006.

l) **Other Items Discussed**

a. Ski Hill

b. Grant to Birch Brook Nordic Ski Club
c. Picture for the "*Hall of Fame"*

8 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT Councillor M. Kelly

It was moved by Councillor M. Kelly seconded by Councillor B. MacKey to adopt the Economic Development Committee report as presented. Motion Carried unanimously.

a) **Request – Mokami Status of Women Council**

Committee recommends that Council donate $250 to the Mokami Status of Women Council and Libra House.

b) **Items Discussed at the Combined Councils of Labrador**

- Health Labrador
- NL Hydro
- Transportation
- Ministers present were Hon. Ed Byrne; Hon. Jack Byrne; Hon Paul Shelley; and Hon. Tom Rideout
- Destination Labrador and Tourism Association efforts were highlighted

c) **Labrador Economic Development Board**

Information was enclosed in Council's package.

d) **Gas Tax**

Final agreement just about finalized.

e) **Stakeholders for Tourism**

Enclosed in Council's package were the minutes for the meeting held on February 6, 2006.

9 FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE – Deputy Mayor S. Oliver

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Oliver seconded by Councillor B. MacKey to approve the Finance and Administration Committee with the additional items presented and items (a), (h) and (l) moved to Business Session. Motion Carried unanimously.

a) **Request – Cliff Sampson (BUSINESS SESSION)**

b) **Funding Request – Desiree Lethbridge**

Request received from Desiree Lethbridge for assistance in paying the registration fee for the 5th Annual Conflict Resolution Seminar of the Dream Catcher Youth Council being held in Winnipeg during March 2006. Committee recommends that Council contribute $250.00.

c) **Court Case – Sewer Backup**

Enclosed in Council's package was a report on the court case re sewer backup on Diefenbaker Street on August 1, 2004

d) **RCMP Statistics**

Enclosed in Council's package was the RCMP 2004 and 2005 statistics comparisons.

e) **Request – Kinsmen Club**

A request from the Kinsmen Club of Happy Valley-Goose Bay for the town to advertise, at a cost of $100 for a full page ad, in their booklet for the Annual Spring Zone meetings being held in Happy Valley-Goose Bay March 31, 2006. Committee recommends approval with funds coming from the Economic Development budget.

f) **Complaints Report**

Enclosed in Council's package was the complaint report for January 2006.

g) **Request – United Church**

A request received from the United Church for a donation to the Raising the Steeple Fund. Committee recommends denying this request as it does not meet the donation policy.

h) **Request – Voisey's Bay and Beyond – BUSINESS SESSION**

i) **Fines Report**

Enclosed in Council's package was the traffic fines report for January 2006.

j) **Annual Fire Report**

Enclosed in Council's package was the 2005 Annual Fire Report

k) **Fuel Prices**

Enclosed in Council's package were the fuel price reports for December 20, 2005 and February 15, 2006.

l) **Request – Ann Morris – BUSINESS SESSION**

m) **Birch Brook Nordic Ski Club, The Big Land Loppet**

A letter was received from Birch Brook Nordic Ski Club to assist them in their Big Land Loppet. It was moved by Deputy Mayor S. Oliver seconded by Councillor J. Saunders that as per Council's donation policy $250.00 be allocated to assist with their event. Motion Carried unanimously.

n) **Advertising – Horizons**

It was moved by Deputy Mayor S. Oliver seconded by Councillor J. Saunders that due to budgetary restraints Council will not take out advertisements in the *Horizons* magazine. Motion Carried unanimously

o) **Installation of Stop Sign on Mud Lake Road**

A letter was received from Transportation and Works in response to our request to have a Stop Sign installed on Mud Lake Road and the intersection of Elizabeth Avenue.

It was moved by Councillor B. MacKey seconded by Councillor J. Saunders to have the existing Yield Sign on Elizabeth Avenue removed and replaced with a Stop Sign effective 1 June 2006. Advertising on this will take place to inform the public. Motion Carried unanimously.

p) **INFO Note – NLFM**

An INFO Note from the NLFM was received concerning the agreement being reached with the provincial government on the allocation of the federal gas tax funding.

q) **Business Application – Mike Voisey**

An application from Mike Voisey to operate a retail, wholesale souvenir and gift shot at 55a Grenfell Street. This item is deferred to the next Municipal Services Committee for recommendation.

10 APPROVAL OF CHEQUES

It was moved by Deputy Mayor S. Oliver seconded by Councillor J. Saunders to approve the cheques in the amount of $407,954.67. Motion Carried unanimously**.**

Cheque Number	Pay to the order of:	Cheque Amount
60014073	Atlantic Business	$ 2869.25
60014074	Atlantic Police and Security	741.75
60014075	Baine Johnston Insurance	64,404.60
60014076	Daniel Bursey	1,000.00
60014077	CBCL Limited	6,569.97
60014078	Computers & Communications	14,835.00
60014087	Labrador Winter Games	1,350.00
60014089	Michelin North America Inc.	807.21
60014097	RobertsonSurrette	3,085.84
60014098	Saunders Equipment Ltd.	647.86
60014099	SGE Acres Limited	57,920.19
60014101	Valley Business Equip. Inc.	514.51
60014095	Pitney Bowes of Canada Ltd.	1,168.40
60014106	Stewart McKelvey Stirling	959.11
60014115	Cimco Refrigeration	882.88
60014119	Del Equipment Ltd.	833.75
60014122	Enviro-Safe Systems Ltd.	1,247.93
60014131	Maxxam Analytics Inc.	1,998.13
60014132	Moktech 2000 Limited	1,382.54
60014143	Stewart McKelvey Stirling	1,033.76
60014145	Technology Ramp Design Inc.	4,562.63
60014153	Western Star & Sterling Trucks	2,276.44
60014157	Toromont Cat	13,889.94
60014161	Federal Equipment	850.91
60014162	Goose Bay Airport Corporation	2,354.19
60014166	Speedy Auto & Window Glass	1,436.33
60014170	CBCL Limited	2,106.11
60014180	RobersonSurrette	2,300.00
60014181	Goose Sales & Services	1,064.90

60014182	Churchill Construction Ltd.	127,540.32
60014183	CBCL Limited	11,171.15
60014187	Labradorian Printers Ltd.	1,424.28
60014188	Moktech 2000 Ltd.	1,807.27
60014199	Ontrac Equipment Services	1,726.42
60014200	ALS Financial Centre	1,332.00
60041202	CBCL Limited	2,925.62
	TOTAL	$343,021.19

11 **COUNCILLORS FORUM**

a) Councillor MacKey reminded everyone of the USA Fitchburg Hockey Team who will be playing at the E.J. Broomfield Memorial Arena during March 4 and 5.

b) Deputy Mayor Oliver wished the Happy Valley-Goose Bay Winter Games Team lots of luck in the upcoming games.

c) Councillor Kelly also extended Good Luck to the Winter Games Town Team.

d) Councillor Saunders extended best of luck to the town delegation going to Leduc to present the town's request to host the 2008 National Broomball Championship in Happy Valley-Goose Bay.

e) Mayor Abbass advised he was asked by two people about having snow in various areas around town trucked away.

f) Deputy Mayor Oliver commented on the meeting held recently between the Council and the RCMP.

There being no further business the Open Session adjourned at 7:45 p.m. reconvening at 7:50 p.m. with a Business Session.

12 **BUSINESS SESSION**

a) Request – Cliff Sampson, Leave with Pay

It was moved by Deputy Mayor S. Oliver seconded by Councillor B. MacKey to approve a request received from Cliff Sampson for leave with pay to attend the 2006

Labrador Winter Games from March 12 – 18. Motion Carried unanimously.

b) **Request – Voisey's Bay and Beyond**

It was moved by Deputy Mayor S. Oliver seconded by Councillor B. MacKey to deny a request received from the Voisey's Bay and Beyond to write off interest charged on their account. Motion Carried unanimously.

c) **Request – Ann Morris, Leave with Pay**

It was moved by Deputy Mayor S. Oliver seconded by Councillor B. MacKey to approve a request received from Ann Morris for leave with pay to attend the 2006 Labrador Winter Games during March 12-18, 2006.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:00p.m.

MAYOR LEO ABBASS

TOWN CLERK VALERIE SHEPPARD