The 18th meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Happy Valley-Goose Bay was held on December 18, 2006 at 5:00 p.m. and called to order by Mayor Leo Abbass.

Present:
Mayor Leo Abbass
Deputy Mayor Stan Oliver
Councillor Dean Clarke – arrived 5:15 p.m.
Councillor Paul Tsibidis
Councillor Madelyn Kelly
Councillor James H. Saunders
Town Manager Al Durno
Director of Tourism, Parks and Recreation Ken Anthony – arrived 5:45 p.m.
Recording Secretary Donna Jones

Absent:: Councillor Bill MacKey – out of town
Town Clerk V. Sheppard - vacation
Director of Economic Development Betty Collins-Menne – annual leave

1 DELEGATION,

There were no delegations.

Mayor Abbass welcomed to the Council Chambers, Kenn Oliver, the new Editor with *The Labradorian* newspaper.

2 ADOPTION OF AGENDA OF THE 18th MEETING

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Stan Oliver seconded by Councillor P. Tsibidis to adopt the agenda of the 18th meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Happy Valley-Goose Bay as presented. Motion Carried unanimously.

3 ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF 17th MEETING

It was moved by Councillor P. Tsibidis seconded by Councillor J. Saunders to approve the adoption of the minutes of the 17th meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Happy Valley-Goose Bay as amended. Motion Carried unanimously.

4 ACTION REPORT

a) Mayor Abbass queried 4(a) 17th minutes as to whether a meeting has been arranged with Destination Labrador. The Town Manager advised that a meeting will be arranged in the New Year.

b) Councillor Saunders queried 6(e) 17th minutes as to the ruling obtained from Municipal Affairs concerning Conflict of Interest. The Town Manager advised that they

advised that Councillor Kelly would not be in a Conflict of Interest on the Labrador School Board's request to council concerning their property in Spruce Park.

c) Councillor Saunders queried 6(k) 17th minutes as to when a meeting would be set with the Nunatsiavut Government on this topic. The Mayor requested that Councillor Saunders go ahead and set up a meeting on this topic in the New Year.

5 CORRESPONDENCE

There were 8 Incoming Letters and 17 Outgoing Letters in the Council Package.

a) Councillor Kelly queried Incoming Letter #4 and the Town Manager advised that this issue has now been settled.

b) Mayor Abbass commented on Incoming Letter #2 from the Métis Nation.

c) Mayor Abbass presented a book he received from INCO titled *Nickel on the Big Land.*

d) Mayor Abbass commented on the 21st Annual Christmas Carol service he recently took part in. He requested a letter under his signature be prepared for Rev. Matthew Lucas as he will be leaving the area in the near future.

6 MUNICIPAL SERVICES COMMITTEE – Councillor James H. Saunders

It was moved by Councillor J. Saunders seconded by Councillor M. Kelly to adopt the Municipal Services Report as presented. Motion Carried unanimously.

a) **Permit Report**

Permit Report to December 12, 2006 was enclosed for information.

b) **Land Application – Amanda Fudge**

Application received from Amanda Fudge for Crown Land 30 x 60 m on Lake Crescent in Spruce Park for the use of residential. Committee recommends denying the request due to the site currently being zoned as Public and not Residential.

c) **Land Application – Franz Mene**

Application received from Franz Mene for Crown Land 65 x 50 m on Lake Crescent in Spruce Park for the use

of residential. Committee recommends denying the request due to the site currently being zoned as Public and not Residential.

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

Request received from Mokami Status of Women Council to have a building 20 x 52 feet placed on their lot located at 1 Kessessassiou Street. Committee recommends approving the request in principal subject to the following conditions: a) approval from Government Services for Fire, Life Safety and Accessibility, and, b) the site plan to be submitted and approved prior to the building being placed on the lot and, c) that the building is placed on a permanent foundation.

e) **Johnny Hill Phase 2**

Request received from Labrador Construction (Tundra Properties) to develop the second phase of Johnny Hill Subdivision. Committee recommends that Council approve the request subject to the following condition: a) 10% of the selling price per lot is to be paid to the Town of Happy Valley-Goose Bay once each lot is sold, and b) Town staff to meet with Labrador Construction to discuss the development in regards to the number of lots, road requirements, water and sewer requirement and the phasing approach before construction begins.

f) **Demolition – Perrault Place**

Enclosed in Council's package was information from NLHC regarding the demolition of Perrault Place.

g) **ACAP Meeting Minutes**

Enclosed in Council's package were the minutes of the ACAP workshop held on October 25, 2006.

h) **Water Distribution Assessment Report**

Enclosed in Council's package was a water distribution assessment report from Fracflow Consultants Inc.

i) **Metering**

Committee recommends that a meeting be set up in the New Year to review the Water Distribution Assessment Report from Fracflow Consultants Inc.

j) **Information – Nunatsiavut Government**

Enclosed in Council's package was information from the Nunatsiavut Government regarding health and the environment. Committee recommends that Council

arrange a meeting with the Nunatsiavut Government to discuss services.

k) **Pine Tree Quarry**

Superintendent of Works, Road Transport gave a verbal report on the Pine Tree Quarry.

l) **Taxi Regulation**

Committee recommends that the Taxi Regulations item 3 be amended to include 3(a) *"any person who violates Section 3 will have their taxi drivers licences suspended 30 days for a first offence, 60 days for a second offence, and indefinite for third offence. In the event a person does not hold a taxi drivers licence the vehicle license will be suspended and the same penalties will apply."*

7 **TOURISM PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE - Councillor D. Clarke**

a) **Tourism Parks and Recreation Committee Report**

Tourism Parks and Recreation Report as of December 12, 2006 was presented.

b) **Plumber's Cup**

The 4th Annual Plumber's Cup will be held on Wednesday, December 27, 2006.

c) **Access North Tentage**

Enclosed in Council package was information on the Access North Tentage. Committee recommends that the Tourism Parks and Recreation Director investigate ways and means of recovering maintenance costs of the tents and report back to the next committee meeting.

d) **Annual Santa Claus Parade**

The annual Santa Claus Parade will be held on Saturday, December 16, 2006 beginning at 11 a.m. on base and finishing up at the College of the North Atlantic.

e) **Hospitality Newfoundland and Labrador**

Hospitality Newfoundland and Labrador will be hosting their annual general meeting in St. John's, NL from February 1 - 4, 2007.

f) Major Event – Voisey Bay Nickel

Committee recommends that the Director of Tourism Parks and Recreation and a member of Council meet with Mr. Tom Paddon, Voisey's Bay Nickel, to discuss partnership of major events.

Mayor Abbass advised that Deputy Mayor Olivier has agreed to sit on a committee concerning a possible Heritage site for Birch Island improvement.

8 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE Councillor M. Kelly

It was moved by Councillor M. Kelly seconded by Councillor P. Tsibidis to adopt the Economic Development Committee Report as presented. Motion Carried unanimously.

a) **Minutes - Central Labrador Economic Development Board**

The minutes of CLEDB were presented for information.

b) **Minutes – UAV Student Competition**

Minutes of the November 2006 meeting were presented for information.

c) **PR Proposal by ACOA**

Acknowledgement of PR proposal by ACOA was received and is now in St. John's office.

d) **NL Business Caucus Air Access Survey**

This survey is to be completed by Council at your discretion. The Town Manager will be completing this survey for the Council.

e) **December 2006 Minutes of UVS Student Competition**

Information item

f) **The Big Land Interdisciplinary Health Conference**

This conference is being held March 14-17, 2007 in Happy Valley-Goose Bay. 125 press kits prepared for conference. Delegates from all over the world.

g) **Recreation Centre/Pool/Conference Centre**

Committee recommends writing Hon. John Hickey expressing the priority for a centre and requesting a study be done in this regard.

h) **Regional Economic Development Workshop, St. John's, NL January 2007**

Committee recommends Councillor Kelly and Director of Economic Development attend.

i) **Combined Councils of Labrador – January 2007**

Committee recommends that Deputy Mayor Stan Oliver and Town Manager Al Durno will attend.

9 FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE – Deputy Mayor S. Oliver

It was moved by Deputy Mayor S. Oliver seconded by Councillor J. Saunders to approve the Finance and Administration Committee Report as presented. Motion Carried unanimously.

a) Happy Valley-Goose Bay Youth Centre

Committee recommends that Council rescind motion made at the 3rd Council meeting held on October 30, 2001:

7(n) 3rd Minute October 30, 2001

"moved by Councillor M. Kelly seconded by Deputy Mayor L. Abbass that insurance funds from the old town garage in the amount of $75,000 be ear marked to the youth in the development of building and furnishing for a youth centre."

b) Consultant

Committee recommends that Council engage Morneau Sobeco, a pension plan specialist to review the town's pension plan and advise on the future.

c) Water and Sewer Charges

Committee recommends that Council charge a fee of $350.00 per year on owned or leased serviced vacant land effective January 1, 2007. These rates will be advertised on the rollup and on the town's web site.

d) Service Charge

Committee recommends that Council reduce the service charge for two (2) percent to one (1) percent per month commencing January 2007.

e) Request for Funding

Request received from Mushuau Innu, Natuashish to assist with enabling their youth to interact with NL youth in hockey tournaments, etc. Committee recommends denying this request as it does not comply with our donation policy.

f) Request – Big Land Challenge Dog Team Race

Request received from the Big Land Challenge Dog Team Race Committee to cover the liability insurance for the race and all events under the SnoBreak banner. Committee recommends referring back to the Finance and Administration Committee for more information.

g) Heating Fuels

Enclosed in Council's package is heating fuels pricing effective November 23 and December 7, 2006.

h) Complaints – November 2006

Enclosed in Council's package were the November 2006 town office complaints listing.

i) Approval to Borrow – Sewer Treatment Plant

Committee recommends that Council borrow from the Royal Bank of Canada $90,000.00 plus interest for the sewage treatment plant study. This represents the first borrowing authorization on a $158,082.00 Provincial government share.

j) Traffic Fines

Enclosed in Council's package was the traffic fines report as of November 2, 2006

k) RCMP Statistics

Enclosed in Council's package was the RCMP statistics report for October 2006.

l) Request – Lake Melville Ministerial Association

Request received from the Lake Melville Ministerial Association for a donation to the Christmas Hamper Fund. Committee recommends that Council contribute $500.

10 APPROVAL OF CHEQUES

It was moved by Deputy Mayor S. Oliver seconded by Councillor D. Clarke to approve cheques in the amount of $102,878.52. Motion Carried unanimously**.**

Cheque Number	Pay to the order of:	Cheque Amount
60015681	Newfouncland & Lab Hydro	$ 7,739.50
60015697	Computers & Communications	1,595.94
60015713	Newfoundland/Lab Federation of Municipalities	4,856.20
60015731	Atlantic Purifications	1,007.20
60015733	Commodity Tax Consultants Inc.	14,370.76
60015735	Downhomer Publishing Inc.	695.40
60015746	Lewis Concrete Forming Ltd.	564.30
60015747	Mobile Power Solutions	598.04
60014748	Moktech 2000 Limited	910.74
60015749	National Shoe	2,285.08
60015759	Scotia Tech	28,500.00
60015760	Speedy Auto & Window Glass	2,016.41
60015761	Stephco Electrical	1,290.48
60015762	Terry's Tents & Shoe Repair	1,597.95
60015763	Thomas Industrial Sales Ltd.	1,999.70
60015764	Toromont Cat	1,429.60
60015768	Postage By Phone	8,000.00
60015773	Aliant Telecom	1,000.00
60015776	Goose Bay Wholesalers Ltd.	1,282.08
60015778	Goose Sales & Services Ltd.	782.35
60015784	Labrador Construction Ltd.	1,946.84
60015792	SGE Acres Limited	8,704.18
60015794	United Rentals of Canada Inc.	586.99
60015796	Mark's Work Wearhouse	783.09
60015798	The Mason's # 17 Ltd.	678.50
60015799	Uncle Ern's Meats & Treats	2,015.61
60015801	Western Pump Services	1,731.55

60015831	Nor-Lab Limited	1,005.31
60015819	Furlotte & Furlotte	570.00
60015821	Goose Sales & Services Ltd.	1,661.71
60015828	Moktech 2000 Limited	673.01
	TOTAL	$102,878.52

11 COUNCILLORS FORUM

a) Councillor Clarke extended Christmas Greetings to everyone.

b) Councillor Saunders wished everyone a Merry Christmas and thanked management and staff for everything throughout the year.

c) Councillor Kelly extended a welcome to the new Editor at *The* Labradorian and also extended Christmas Greetings to everyone.

d) Councillor Tsibidis also extended Christmas Greetings.

e) Deputy Mayor Oliver passed along Christmas Greetings and also extended thanks to all town staff.

f) Mayor Abbass extended Christmas Greetings and extended thanks to all town staff.

The open session adjourned at 615 p.m. and reconvened at 6:20 p.m. with a Business Session.

12 BUSINESS SESSION

a) **Hospitality Newfoundland and Labrador - Representation**

The Town Manager and Councillor Kelly will have discussions on this and Councillor Kelly will call an Economic Development Committee meeting.

b) **Letter from Fire Chief**

A letter was received from the Fire Chief and the Town Manger will respond.

c) **ACAP**

Mayor Abbass commented on the minutes of the last ACAP meeting. The next meeting will be held on January 8, 2007.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

MAYOR LEO ABBASS

TOWN CLERK VALERIE SHEPPARD