

The 12th meeting of the 12th Elected Town Council of the Town of Happy Valley-Goose Bay was held on March 20, 2018 at 5:00 PM and called to order by Mayor Wally Andersen.

Members Present:

Mayor Wally Andersen
Deputy Mayor Bert Pomeroy
Councillor Michelle Baikie
Councillor Jackie Compton Hobbs
Councillor Shawn Crann
Councillor Lori Dyson-Edmunds
Youth Councillor Katie Wells

Also Present:

Executive Assistant, Kathy Eddy
HR Manager/Acting Town Manager Paul Motty
Director of Financial Operations/Acting Town Clerk Nadine MacAulay

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA OF THE 12th MEETING

It was moved by Councillor Dyson-Edmunds and seconded by Councillor Crann to adopt the agenda of the 12th meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Happy Valley-Goose Bay. Motion carried.

2. SWEARING IN OF JOSEPH TREMBLETT

Successful candidate in the March 13th By-Election, Joseph Tremblett took the Oath of Office and joined Council to participate in the remainder of the meeting.

3. DELEGATIONS

- a. Roberta Benefiel-Ms. Benefiel addressed Council about their submission to the PUB on Hydro Rates and applauded Council on their stand on this very important issue. Ms. Benefiel advised that Hydro denied the application for intervenors status and queried how this could be when the transmission line being paid for by citizens and be denied by the organization that is going to build it. Ms. Benefiel went on to talk about Bit Coin Operations (Data Centres) and how they require huge amounts of power and provide very little employment, adding that there are currently 2 operating in Town and a third

pending. She said this is a huge concern for this community as it will increase power rates by approximately 13%-18%. Ms. Benefiel said there are alternatives and suggested the \$20 million project be put on hold and the Town host a public meeting with Hydro and their lawyer, so the people of this community have an opportunity to come together and ask questions.

Ms. Benefiel said that Nalcor is saying the project is 89% complete and asked what will happen to the 11000 bags of fly ash that is being stored on the North Side. She said this is a serious concern and asked that Council investigate how and where the fly ash is going to be disposed of.

Ms. Benefiel acknowledged that March 31st is Labrador Flag Day and advised that the Labrador Land Protectors and the Grand Riverkeepers have some ideas and would like to work with Council to plan activities for the day.

4. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 11th MEETING

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Pomeroy and seconded by Councillor Baikie to approve the adoption of the minutes of the 11th meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Happy Valley-Goose Bay. Motion carried unanimously.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

There were 3 incoming letters in correspondence this month.

6. MUNICIPAL SERVICES- Councillor Shawn Crann

It was moved by Councillor Crann and seconded by Councillor Baikie to accept the Municipal Services committee report for March as presented. Motion carried.

Recommendations:

- a. Tender-Fire Chiefs' ½ ton pickup crew cab-The Municipal Services committee recommends Council award the contract for the supply of the ½ ton pickup truck to Labrador Motors in the amount of \$43,513.27 HST included. Moved by Councillor Crann and seconded by Councillor Compton Hobbs. Motion carried.
- b. Tender-1/2 ton pickup truck- The Municipal Services committee recommends Council award the contract for the supply of the ½ ton pickup truck to Labrador Motors in the amount of \$40,959.48 HST included. Moved by Councillor Crann and seconded by Mayor Pomeroy. Motion carried.

- c. Multi Year Capital Works Agreement-The Municipal Services committee recommends that Council authorize Mayor Wally Andersen and Acting Town Clerk Nadine MacAulay, Director of Financial Operations, to enter into a Multi Year Capital Works Agreement, Amendment #1, with Her Majesty the Queen in right of Newfoundland and Labrador, as represented by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Environment, on behalf of Council for the 2014-2017 Multi Year Capital Works Program. Moved by Councillor Crann and seconded by Councillor Compton Hobbs. Motion carried.

7. COMMUNITY SERVICES, RECREATION AND SPECIAL EVENTS- Councillor Jackie Compton Hobbs.

It was moved by Councillor Compton Hobbs and seconded by Councillor Baikie to accept the Community Services, Recreation and Special Events committee report dated March 5th as presented. Motion carried.

Recommendations:

- a. Winter Carnival-The Community Services & Recreation committee recommends Council allocate \$6,000.00 towards the Winter Carnival activities scheduled for April 14th and 15th. Moved by Councillor Compton Hobbs and seconded by Councillor Crann. Motion carried.

8. DEVELOPMENT, PLANNING AND ENFORCEMENT- Councillor Bert Pomeroy

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Pomeroy and seconded by Councillor Baikie to accept the Development, Planning and Enforcement committee report dated March 12th as presented. Motion carried.

Recommendations:

- a. Civic Numbering Regulations-The development, planning and enforcement committee recommends Council support and approve the Civic Numbering Regulations for the Town of Happy Valley-Goose Bay to come into effect on April 1st, 2018. Moved by Deputy Mayor Pomeroy and seconded by Councillor Compton Hobbs. Motion carried.
- b. 83 B Hamilton River Road- The development, planning and enforcement committee recommends Council issue a demolition order to Keith Norman Russell to demolish the old warehouse at 83B Hamilton River Road as it is a dilapidated building and a public

nuisance. Moved by Deputy Mayor Pomeroy and seconded by Councillor Dyson-Edmunds. Motion carried.

- c. Data Centres- The development, planning and enforcement committee recommends Council Classify data centres as a General Industry which must comply with the following conditions:

- Register with the Town of Happy Valley-Goose Bay as a business.
- Follow all the Towns Development and Planning Regulations, including the zoning laws.
- Receive Fire and Life Safety Inspection and meet all Service NLs requirement for a commercial business.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Pomeroy and seconded by Councillor Compton Hobbs. Motion carried.

9. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT- Councillor Lori Dyson-Edmunds

It was moved by Councillor Dyson-Edmunds and seconded by Councillor Crann to accept the Economic Development and Public Engagement committee report dated March 5th as presented. Motion carried.

Recommendations: No recommendations this month.

10. FINANCE, ADMINISTRATION AND POLICY- Councillor Michelle Baikie

It was moved by Councillor Baikie and seconded by Councillor Crann to accept the Administration and Policy committee report dated March 12th as presented. Motion carried.

Recommendations:

- a. Donation Victoria Burden-The Finance, Administration and Policy committee recommends that Council approve the request from Victoria Burden for financial support in the amount of \$500.00 to attend the Miss Teen Beauty International Pageant. Moved by Councillor Baikie and seconded by Councillor Compton Hobbs. Motion carried.
- b. Donation Melville Music Festival-The Finance, Administration and Policy committee recommends Council approve a cash donation to the Melville Music Festival in the

amount of \$300.00. Moved by Councillor Baikie and seconded by Deputy Mayor Pomeroy. Motion carried.

- c. Fire and Emergency Services Rates Policy F0029-The Finance, Administration and Policy committee recommends Council adopt the Fire and Emergency Services Rates policy F0029 as presented in Council package. Moved by Councillor Baikie and seconded by Councillor Crann. There was discussion and it was the consensus of Council that the policy required further information. Mayor Andersen called for the vote as the motion was already on the table. All voted against the motion, thus the motion was defeated.

11. APPROVAL OF CHEQUES

It was moved by Councillor Baikie and seconded by Councillor Compton Hobbs to approve the cheques in the amount of \$607,114.40 Motion carried.

<u>Number</u>	<u>Issued</u>	<u>PAYEE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
017149		RECEIVER GENERAL (taxes)	58,065.60
	03/15/2018		
017151		A.L.P.A. EQUIPMENT LTD.	7,405.89
	03/15/2018		
017152		ACKLANDS GRAINGER INC	3,143.66
	03/15/2018		
017154		BABB SECURITY SYSTEMS	709.55
	03/15/2018		
017155		BELL ALIANT	504.15
	03/15/2018		
017156		CANADIAN SAFETY EQUIPMENT INC.	1,082.96
	03/15/2018		
017157		CBCL LIMITED	21,828.44
	03/15/2018		
017158		CIMCO REFRIGERATION	9,828.04
	03/15/2018		
017159		COMBINED COUNCILS OF LABRADOR	3,500.00
	03/15/2018		
017160		COMPTON-HOBBS, JACKIE	500.00
	03/15/2018		
017163		DESJARDINS FINANCIAL SECURITY	40,157.52
	03/15/2018		
017164		DEXTER INSTITUTE	3,754.75
	03/15/2018		
017165		DMG CONSULTING LIMITED	5,581.17
	03/15/2018		
017166		ENVIROMED DETECTION SERVICES	2,665.13
	03/15/2018		
017167		FIREHALL ON LINE BOOKSTORE	1,456.38
	03/15/2018		
017169		GOOSE BAY WHOLESALERS LIMITED	2,915.74
	03/15/2018		
017170		GOOSE BAY AUTO PARTS	993.00
	03/15/2018		
017172		HITECH COMMUNICATIONS LTD.	762.09
	03/15/2018		

017173		J. A. LARUE INC	861.98
017174	03/15/2018	L. PEYTON BARRETT	1,380.00
017176	03/15/2018	LABRADORIAN PRINTERS LTD.	516.35
017177	03/15/2018	LABRADOR SPECIALTY SERVICE INC.	2,090.63
017178	03/15/2018	LABRADOR MOTORS LTD.	617.39
017182	03/15/2018	MEALY MOUNTAIN COLLEGIATE	500.00
017183	03/15/2018	MEDICAL WEST SUPPLIES INC.	554.17
017184	03/15/2018	MOKAMI TRAVEL SERVICE LTD.	3,069.77
017187	03/15/2018	NEWFOUNDLAND & LABRADOR HYDRO	6,379.09
017190	03/15/2018	NORTHERN LIGHTS LTD	1,133.46
017192	03/15/2018	OLTHUIS KLEER TOWNSHEND LLP	670.56
017195	03/15/2018	PIKE'S HOME HARDWARE BUILDING CENTER	778.72
017197	03/15/2018	PROCOM DATA	4,140.00
017199	03/15/2018	Receiver General (Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada)	1,650.00
017200	03/15/2018	ROYAL LEPAGE TURNER REALTY	600.00
017206	03/15/2018	SWITCH ELECTRICAL INC.	2,203.40
017209	03/15/2018	TOROMONT CAT (CROMAN)	2,029.59
017210	03/15/2018	TOSSS SIGNS INC.	512.33
017213	03/15/2018	VOHL INC	608.83
017214	03/15/2018	WESTERN PUMP SERVICES	357,714.69
017215	03/15/2018	WOODWARD'S OIL LIMITED	54,249.37
			\$607,114.40

12. COUNCILLORS FORUM

Councillor Baikie welcomed Councillor Tremblett to Council and offered congratulations to Victoria Burden. Councillor Baikie spoke of the water shut off today and said she was pleased that the WS department was able to complete the repair in a timely fashion. Councillor Baikie advised that unfortunately she will be away for the Winter Carnival but encouraged all to get out and enjoy it. Councillor Baikie said she is looking forward to seeing the Town Manager, Electrician and Community Constable positions filled. Councillor Baikie said she has concerns with the Bit Coin operations in Town as well and hopes Hydro will be mindful.

Councillor Compton Hobbs welcomed Councillor Tremblett. Councillor Compton Hobbs reminded everyone of the upcoming events; Volunteer Appreciation, Winter Carnival, Snowflake Ice Show

and encouraged all to come out and enjoy. Councillor Compton Hobbs said she is very concerned about the most recent complaint about services at the Labrador Health Centre. She said the Town will be issuing a statement and she feels the community should take their concerns farther by organizing a rally. She said our health care system is failing us and she feels we need a full health authority review. Councillor Compton Hobbs said Council is the voice for this community and Council needs to change and improve our health care.

Councillor Dyson-Edmunds said she has the same thoughts about our health care as Councillor Compton Hobbs. She encouraged the public to reach out and voice their concerns. Councillor Dyson-Edmunds welcomed Councillor Tremblett and welcomed back PR Manager Naomi Sharpe from maternity leave. Councillor Dyson-Edmunds said she is looking forward to the winter carnival and offered hats off to the organizers. Councillor Dyson-Edmunds was pleased to say that she just got word that all 4 missing snowmobilers from Natuashish have been located safe and sound.

Youth Councillor Wells welcomed Councillor Tremblett and acknowledged Councillor Compton Hobbs for spearheading the Winter Carnival. She said she is encouraging youth to participate and enjoy the event.

Councillor Tremblett thanked everyone for their well wishes and said he is looking forward to working with Council. He volunteered to help with the Winter Carnival and any other events that may require his assistance.

Councillor Crann welcomed Councillor Tremblett and that he admires his persistence. Councillor Crann advised that he met with the Superintendent of Roads and Grounds and is pleased to say the roads have all been graded and sanded. He advised he also met with the Superintendent of Water and Sewer and that the problem on Hamilton River Road has been corrected. Councillor Crann said he is pleased to say the 2nd annual Regula Schule Food Drive will be taking place on March 31st at the Co-op and encouraged all to support this much needed cause.

Deputy Mayor Pomeroy congratulated and welcomed Councillor Tremblett to the table and agreed that persistence does pay off. Deputy Mayor Pomeroy acknowledged Ms. Benefiel's delegation and agreed that rate payers should not be expected to pay higher rates; that Council needs to send a strong message that we are not prepared to pay more to accommodate data centres. He said the increase should be paid by the data centres. Deputy Mayor Pomeroy agreed with previous comments about health care and agreed that things must improve. He said the staff at the hospital are not happy in the environment and Council needs to take action. He encouraged everyone to take the online survey and let their views be known. He said we need to send a message to the Province that our residents deserve better than this.

Mayor Andersen welcomed Councillor Tremblett and said the fact that he never gave up shows a lot about his character and that he wants to good things for this community. Mayor Andersen said

he met with Minister Eddie Joyce this past week regarding funding for the Wellness Centre. He said Council has the letter from the Federal Government, the capital campaign is in order and now we wait for the Provincial budget to come down. Mayor Andersen said he gave the land transfer letter to Minister Joyce as well and expects a response very soon. Mayor Andersen said he attended the Urban Municipalities Committee meeting last week and one of the presentations he attended was presented by a former RNC officer on how legalizing cannabis will affect our community. He said he also attended presentations about the Highway Traffic Act. Mayor Andersen welcomed PR Manager Naomi Sharpe back from maternity leave. Mayor Andersen referred to previous comments about our health care and said at the Health Forum these concerns were made very clear to Minister Hagee. He said he feels Council needs input from all of Labrador and an open invitation to rally together will give more fuel to the fire and create one strong voice for ALL of Labrador. Mayor Andersen said there are some positions (Doctors/Specialists) that need to be stationed at our hospital instead of in St. Anthony. Mayor Andersen spoke of the hydro rates and encouraged anyone to speak out to ensure we get good hydro rates. Mayor Andersen advised that Spring Gulch water is very close; just waiting on a few minor details from Ottawa. Mayor Andersen wished everyone a Happy Easter and encouraged everyone to enjoy the holiday with family and friends.

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There being no further business, a Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councillor Compton Hobbs and seconded by Councillor Dyson-Edmunds. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:30 PM.

MAYOR WALLY ANDERSEN

ACTING TOWN MANAGER RANDY DILLON