The Regular Meeting of the St. John's Municipal Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 4:30 p.m. today.

His Worship the Mayor presided.

There were present also Deputy Mayor O'Keefe, Councillors Colbert, Duff, Hickman, Hann, Puddister, Galgay, Coombs and Ellsworth.

Regrets: Councillor Collins.

The Chief Commissioner/City Solicitor, Associate Commissioner/Director of Corporate Services and City Clerk, Director of Planning, and Recording Secretary were also in attendance.

Call to Order and Adoption of the Agenda

SJMC2007-08-06/428R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Puddister; seconded by Councillor Hickman: That the Agenda be adopted as presented with the following additional item:

a. Memorandum dated July 31st, 2007 from the Chief Commissioner/City Solicitor re: Trunk Sewer Flow Metering Chamber.

Adoption of Minutes

SJMC2007-08-06/429R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Puddister; seconded by Councillor Hickman: That the Minutes of the July $23^{\rm rd}$, 2007 meeting be adopted as presented.

Civic # 2 Blatch Avenue (Tenant Problems Causing Disturbances)

His Worship the Mayor acknowledged the presence in the gallery of concerned residents from Blatch Avenue who wrote a letter of concern to the Mayor as well as a petition expressing their frustration and requesting that Council assist them in their plight to protect their right to peaceful enjoyment of the neighbourhood. The problem lies with the rooming house situated at civic # 2 Blatch Ave and owned by Chris Squires, which has been a troubled property for several years. Some examples of disturbance as outlined in

the letter from the residents are as follows: tenants have been assaulted and one almost killed on the sidewalk in front of the house as well as groups of young men armed with bats, banging on the doors of the property and roaming around in the garden. Police and emergency vehicles have been at the property almost every day. Syringes have been found discarded on the grounds and a windows was smashed-out because of an expelled object. The problem is a serious one and deters the children of the neighbourhood from playing outside due to fear while many residents also hide inside their homes. The petition was signed by twenty-two residents, all of whom live on Blatch Avenue.

Councillor Galgay indicated that he too was aware of the problem and has referred the matter to the Dept. of Building & Property Management for appropriate action. It was noted by the Mayor, however, that the situation calls for extreme measures to be taken and that the owner of the property, Mr. Chris Squires should be put on notice to take immediate action or be subjected to public ridicule through the Council Chamber and the media. Though residents are free to file complaints through the appropriate regulatory process, it is often time-consuming, taking six months to a year before there is any resolution. The City is also restricted in its actions and can only deal with those complaints involving maintenance issues. It does not have any authority to deal with tenancy or occupancy issues.

Councillor Hann referenced a similar situation taking place on Moss Heather Drive which became so extreme that the Royal Newfoundland Constabulary had to be called to respond. The City has also issued notices in that regard. Deputy Mayor O'Keefe also referenced the problems at Moss Heather Drive, particularly from civic #'s 64 and 109. The behaviour of the residents is abominable and these properties have also been put on notice.

The Chief Commissioner/City Solicitor advised that the Provincial Government is in the process of finalizing arrangements to permit ticketing authority to the City of St. John's which is expected some time during this Fall.

Additional Sidewalk Repair/Replacement (CD# R2007-07-23/53)

Under business arising, Council considered the memorandum dated July 25th, 2007 from the Director of Public Works & Parks regarding the above noted matter.

SJMC2007-08-06/430R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Colbert; seconded by Councillor Puddister: That the recommendation of the Director of Public Works & Parks be approved and that \$400,000 be added for additional sidewalk repair/replacement work to the existing contract with Modern Paving Limited.

Rezoning of City-Owned Property (2-4 Syme's Bridge) Ward 5

Under business arising, Council considered the memorandum dated July 31st, 2007 from the Director of Planning regarding the above noted matter.

SJMC2007-08-06/431R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Colbert; seconded by Councillor Puddister: That Council give formal approval to St. John's Municipal Plan Amendment Number 47, 2007 and St. John's Development Regulations Amendment Number 405, 2007, and that the attached Resolution be adopted.

URBAN AND RURAL PLANNING ACT, 2000 RESOLUTION TO APPROVE ST. JOHN=S MUNICIPAL PLAN AMENDMENT NUMBER 47, 2007 and ST. JOHN=S DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS AMENDMENT NUMBER 405, 2007

Under the authority of Sections 16, 17 and 18 of the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000, the

St. John=s Municipal Council:

- a) adopted St. John=s Municipal Plan Amendment Number 47, 2007 and St. John=s Development Regulations Amendment Number 405, 2007 on the 10th day of July, 2007;
- b) gave notice of the adoption of St. John=s Municipal Plan Amendment Number 47, 2007 and St. John=s Development Regulations Amendment Number 405, 2007 by advertisements inserted in the Telegram newspaper on the 14th day and the 18th day of July, 2007;
- c) set the 30th day of July, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at St. John=s City Hall for the holding of a public hearing to consider objections and representations.

Now under the authority of Section 23 of the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000, the St. John=s Municipal Council approves St. John=s Municipal Plan Amendment Number 47, 2007 and St. John=s Development Regulations Amendment Number 405, 2007 as adopted.

SIGNED	and SE	ALED 1	this 6 th	day of	August,	2007.

Mayor	
Director of Corp	orate Services
and City Clerk	

Notices Published

1. An application has been submitted by the Royal Newfoundland Constabulary Association requesting permission to construct a 16 ft. x 20 ft. patio deck at the rear of the RNC Association building located at **Civic No.** 125 East White Hills Road. The proposed deck will be enclosed with a privacy fence 6 ft. in height. (Ward 1)

SJMC2007-08-06/432R

It was decided on motion of Deputy Mayor O'Keefe; seconded by Councillor Colbert: That the application be approved subject to consideration being given to the close proximity of the abutting neighbours on Newfoundland Drive and that their peaceful enjoyment of their neighbourhood be respected.

2. An application has been submitted by Mr. Jeff Reardon to rezone the property at Civic No. 31 Shaw Street from the Apartment Low Density (A1) Zone to the Residential High Density (R3) Zone to obtain approval to subdivide the existing single residential building lot and create three (3) residential building lots. Two of the lots would be for semi-detached houses and one lot for a single-detached house. (Ward 2)

SJMC2007-08-06/433R

It was decided on motion of Deputy Mayor O'Keefe; seconded by Councillor Colbert: That the application be approved and that the attached resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION ST. JOHN'S DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS AMENDMENT NUMBER 412, 2007

WHEREAS the St. John's Municipal Council wishes to make provision for the redevelopment of property at Civic Number 31 Shaw Street.

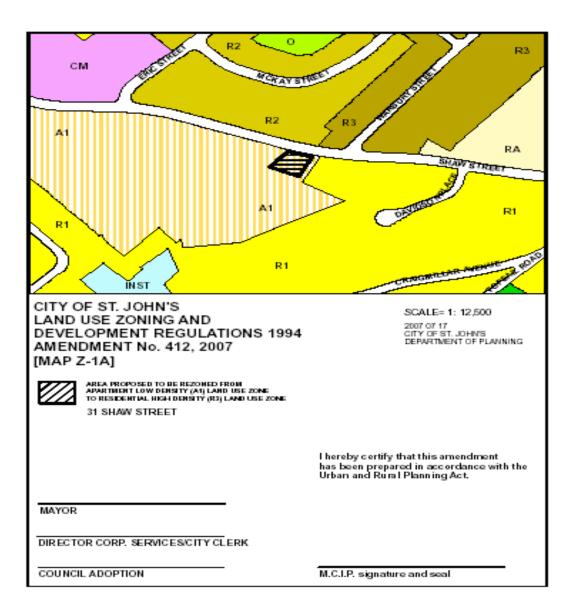
BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the St. John's Municipal Council hereby adopts the following map amendment to the St. John's Development Regulations pursuant to the provisions of the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000:

Rezone land at Civic Number 31 Shaw Street from the Apartment Low Density (A1) Zone to the Residential High Density (R3) Zone as shown on Map Z-1A attached.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the St. John's Municipal Council requests the Minister of Municipal Affairs to register the proposed amendment in accordance with the requirements of the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000.

IN WITNESS THEREOF the Seal of the City of St. John's has been hereunto affixed and this Resolution has been signed by the Mayor and the City Clerk on behalf of Council this 6th day of August, **2007**.

Mayor	I hereby certify that this Amendment has been prepared in accordance with the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000.
Director of Corporate Services/ City Clerk	MCIP



3. An application has been submitted by The Salvation Army to rezone the rear portion of land at Civic No. 43 Pearce Avenue (bordering land abutting the existing Salvation Army Cemetery at Civic No. 84 Blackmarsh Road) from the Residential Medium Density (R2) Zone to the Cemetery (CEM) Zone to accommodate future expansion of the cemetery. (Ward 3)

SJMC2007-08-06/434R

It was decided on motion of Deputy Mayor O'Keefe; seconded by Councillor Colbert: That the application be approved and that the attached resolutions be adopted-in-principle subject to the issuance of a Provincial release from the Department of Municipal Affairs.

RESOLUTION ST. JOHN'S MUNICIPAL PLAN AMENDMENT NUMBER 50, 2007

WHEREAS the St. John's Municipal Council wishes to make provision for the expansion of the Salvation Army Cemetery located off Blackmarsh Road/Pearce Avenue.

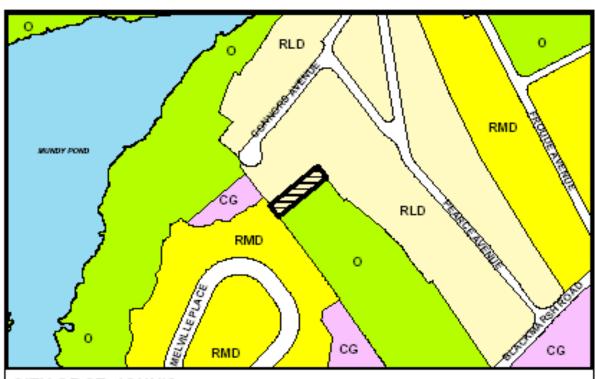
BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the St. John's Municipal Council hereby adopts the following map amendment to the St. John's Municipal Plan pursuant to the provisions of the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000:

Redesignate land off Pearce Avenue from the Residential Medium Density Land Use District to the Open Space Land Use District as shown on Map III-1A attached.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the St. John's Municipal Council requests the Minister of Municipal Affairs to register the proposed amendment in accordance with the requirements of the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000.

IN WITNESS THEREOF the Seal of the City of St. John's has been hereunto affixed and this Resolution has been signed by the Mayor and the City Clerk on behalf of Council this 6th day of August, **2007**.

Mayor	I hereby certify that this Amendment has been prepared in accordance with the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000.
Director of Corporate Services/ City Clerk	MCIP



CITY OF ST. JOHN'S

MUNICIPAL PLAN 2003 AMENDMENT No. 50, 2007 [MAP III-1A]



AREA PROPOSED TO BE REDESICNATED FROM RESIDENTIAL MEDIUM DENSITY (RMD) LAND USE DISTRICT TO OPEN SPACE (O) LAND USE DISTRICT

REAR OF 43 PEARCE AVENUE

SCALE= 1: 12,500

2007 07 17 CITY OF ST. JOHN'S DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING

I hereby certify that this amendment has been prepared in accordance with the Urban and Rural Planning Act.

MAYOR

DIRECTOR CORP. SERVICES/CITY CLERK

COUNCIL ADOPTION

M.C.I.P. signature and seal

RESOLUTION ST. JOHN'S DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS AMENDMENT NUMBER 411, 2007

WHEREAS the St. John's Municipal Council wishes to make provision for the expansion of the Salvation Army Cemetery located off Blackmarsh Road/Pearce Avenue.

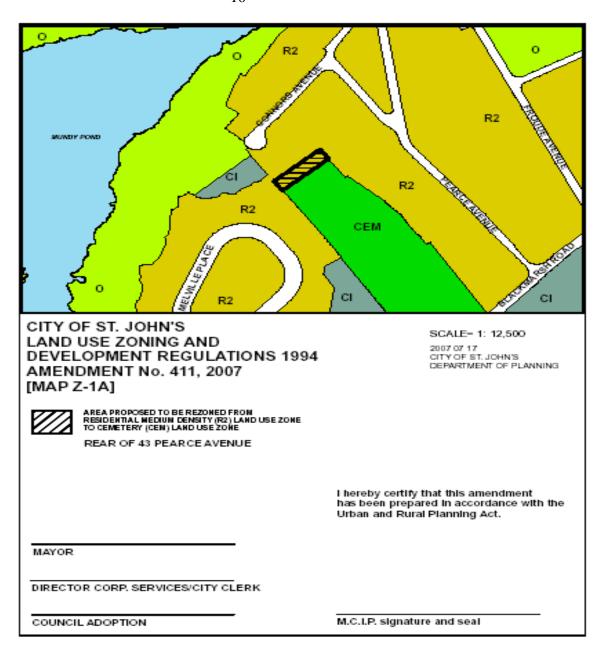
BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the St. John's Municipal Council hereby adopts the following map amendment to the St. John's Development Regulations pursuant to the provisions of the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000:

Rezone land off Pearce Avenue from the Residential Medium Density (R2) Zone to the Cemetery (CEM) Zone as shown on Map Z-1A attached.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the St. John's Municipal Council requests the Minister of Municipal Affairs to register the proposed amendment in accordance with the requirements of the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000.

IN WITNESS THEREOF the Seal of the City of St. John's has been hereunto affixed and this Resolution has been signed by the Mayor and the City Clerk on behalf of Council this 6th day of August, **2007**.

Mayor	I hereby certify that this Amendment has been prepared in accordance with the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000.
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Director of Corporate Services/ City Clerk	MCIP



4. A Variance of Non-Conformity application has been submitted by James Cavell requesting permission to establish and operate a used car sales business from a vacant garage at Civic No. 230 Old Bay Bulls Road. The proposed business, with the applicant as the sole employee, will operate Monday to Friday 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. On-site parking can accommodate 10 (ten) vehicles. (Ward 5)

SJMC2007-08-06/435R

It was decided on motion of Deputy Mayor O'Keefe; seconded by Councillor Colbert: That the application be approved.

Planning and Housing Standing Committee Report dated July 31st, 2007

Council considered the following Planning and Housing Standing Committee report dated July 31st, 2007:

In Attendance: Councillor Shannie Duff, Chairperson

Councillor Tom Hann Councillor Sandy Hickman Councillor Art Puddister Councillor Frank Galgay Councillor Ron Ellsworth Councillor Wally Collins

Mr. Ron Penney, Chief Commissioner & City Solicitor

Mr. Cliff Johnston, Director of Planning

Mr. David Blackmore, Director of Building & Property

Management

Mr. Walt Mills, Acting Director of Engineering

Mr. Robin King, Transportation Engineer

Mr. Ken O'Brien, Manager of Planning & Information

Mr. Jim Clarke, Manager of Streets & Parks Ms. Kelly Butler, Recording Secretary

1. Proposed Rezoning of Properties – Torbay Road North (Ward 1)

The Committee considered the <u>attached</u> memorandum dated July 27, 2007, from the Director of Planning regarding the above noted matter.

The Committee has agreed to direct the Department of Planning to advertise the applications recently received from Fairview Investments Limited and the Cole family to rezone their respective properties located on the east side of Torbay Road, north of the Clovelly Golf Course, from the Industrial General (IG) Zone and Commercial Industrial (CI) Zone to the Commercial Regional (CR) Zone.

The Committee has also agreed to direct the Department of Planning to advertise the proposed rezoning of properties situated at Civic Nos. 639, 660, 690, 692, 694, 696 Torbay Road to the CR Zone, and the proposed rezoning of the Covallino property, the Cosmo Limited property, and the Keating property (these three properties are all located on the east side of Torbay Road) also to the CR Zone.

The proposed rezoning of additional lands in the Torbay Road North area to the CR Zone will also involve rezoning of lands along identified waterways/ wetlands to the Open Space (O) Zone in order to provide an environmental buffer for these waterways/wetlands.

As information and as per discussions between the Department of Planning and the Department of Municipal Affairs, the City's public notification of these additional proposed rezonings in the Torbay Road North area will also include references to the applicable amendments to the St. John's Urban Region Regional Plan.

2. Request for a Text Amendment to the St. John's Development Regulations for a Proposed Car Sales Lot – Hickman Motors Limited – Civic No. 266 Torbay Road (Ward 1)

The Committee considered the <u>attached</u> memorandum dated July 26, 2007, from the Director of Planning regarding the above noted matter.

The Committee agreed to direct the Department of Planning to advertise the proposed text amendment to the St. John's Development Regulations to introduce "car sales lot" as a Discretionary Use in the Commercial Neighbourhood (CN) Zone. The Committee further directed staff to concurrently advertise the application from Hickman Motors Limited to establish a care sales lot at Civic No. 266 Torbay Road.

Upon completion of the advertising processes, the proposed text amendment and the application from Hickman Motors Limited will be referred to a future Regular Meeting of Council for a decision.

3. Proposed Rezoning of Property – Mr. Tom Hogan – Civic No. 615 Empire Avenue (Ward 3)

The Committee considered the <u>attached</u> memorandum dated July 27, 2007, from the Director of Planning and the Manager of Planning and Information regarding the above noted application.

The Committee agreed to direct the Department of Planning to schedule a public meeting to be chaired by a member of Council on the proposed rezoning of the property located at Civic No. 615 Empire Avenue from the Residential Low Density (R1) Zone to the Commercial Mixed (CM) Zone to allow the proposed self-storage warehouse.

SJMC2007-08-06/436R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Duff; seconded by Councillor Ellsworth: That the Committee's recommendations be approved.

Regional Water Committee Report dated July 19th, 2007

Council considered the following Regional Water Committee Report dated July 19th, 2007:

A meeting of the Regional Water Services Committee was held on Thursday, July 19, 2007, at 12:00 noon in the Cahill Room, 4th Floor, City Hall Annex.

In Attendance: CITY OF ST. JOHN=S

Councillor Ron Ellsworth, Chairperson Councillor Wally Collins Ron Penney, Chief Commissioner & City Solicitor Art Cheeseman, Associate Commissioner/Director of Engineering Bob Bishop, Director of Finance & City Treasurer Kevin Breen, Director of Human Resources Lynnann Stapleton, Manager of Water Resources Carl Keeping, Manager of Budgetary Services Diane Winsor, Manager of Employee Relations Kelly Butler, Recording Secretary

CITY OF MOUNT PEARL

Councillor John Walsh Eliol Blackmore, Assistant City Engineer

TOWN OF PARADISE

Rick Appleby, Director of Operations

TOWN OF CONCEPTION BAY SOUTH

Councillor Ken George Ron Franey, Director of Public Works

Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda was adopted as presented with the following addition:

• Memorandum dated July 10, 2007, from the Director of Human Resources re: Tentative Collective Agreement - NAPE 7808 and City of St. John's

Collective Agreement - NAPE 7808

The Committee considered a memorandum dated July 10, 2007, from the Director of Human Resources regarding the above noted matter.

The Director of Human Resources outlined the proposed collective agreement and highlighted the following points:

- Wage increase of 8% over four years, which is in line with the collective agreement reached with CUPE 1289 (inside workers);
- Cost-sharing of group insurance benefits for retirees (for new hires);
- Vacation and sick leave provisions for 12 hour shift employees modified for new hires

The Director of Human Resources noted that the proposed wage increase would cost approximately \$80,000 over four years.

The Committee noted their consensus with the proposed collective agreement and agreed that they would refer the matter to their respective Councils for approval and advise the Director of Human Resources accordingly.

Minutes

The minutes of the March 7, 2007, meeting were adopted as presented.

Councillor Walsh noted that at the last meeting the DAF plant was discussed and information was supposed to be forwarded to the Committee regarding possible rate

increases. He noted that he thought he had received the information, but asked if staff could circulate it to the members again. The Manager of Water Resources indicated that she would resend the information.

Regional Water Study Review

The Director of Engineering advised that the consultant's report had been sent out to Committee members, and he suggested that a separate meeting be held to discuss the report. He noted he would ask the consultant (Newfoundland Design) to prepare a presentation for the meeting. The Committee agreed with this suggestion.

Councillor Ellsworth encouraged the Committee to invite members of their respective Councils and staff to attend the meeting should they wish to do so.

Water Levels

The Manager of Water Resources advised that the water levels at Bay Bulls Big Pond are 2.4 feet lower than last year. She noted that a complete water ban is not anticipated, however, she cautioned that conditions can change quickly. Water conservation efforts from the regional municipalities are still very important.

Update on DAF and Ozone Upgrades

The Manager of Water Resources advised that since the Committee's last meeting, the design process for the above noted facilities has commenced. The Committee will be kept apprized of any developments in this regard. She noted that Bay Bulls Big Pond is experiencing another algae bloom this summer, and it is anticipated that the implementation of the DAF and Ozone systems will help to address this problem.

Algae Levels

The Committee considered a memorandum dated July 12, 2007, from the Manager of Water Resources regarding the above noted matter.

The Manager of Water Resources noted that this summer's algae bloom is the fourth event since 2002. Staff are doing some additional maintenance work, such as air wanding filters every week and performing backwashes every 12 hours. Staff have also increased monitoring of water quality before and after the filter beds.

The increase in algae events is indicative of the changing water quality at Bay Bulls Big Pond. She noted that the algae itself is not harmful, it is the bacteria and coliforms that can hide in it that are the concern.

Budget Update

The Manager of Water Resources provided an overview of the status of the budget to May 31, 2007. She noted that there are a few areas where expenditures are over budget, however, this is mostly due to buying supplies in bulk (ammonia, electrical supplies, etc.) to ensure there is enough material on hand for the summer. She noted that these overages should even out through the remainder of the year. She also noted that diesel fuel is over budget, and that is not expected to change, given the ever increasing cost of fuel.

(The Director of Human Resources and the Manager of Budgetary Services retired from the meeting.)

CBS Reservoir

The Director of Engineering noted that there have been ongoing discussions with the Town of Conception Bay South regarding the operation of its reservoir, however, no consensus could be reached. Therefore, it was agreed that in order to resolve the matter, an outside consultant would be hired to review the setup and operation of the reservoir. Kavanagh and Associates was hired and they have since completed the review. He noted that staff will meet with representatives from the Town to review the consultants report and recommendations.

With respect to the consultant's report, Mr. Franey noted that recommendation #1 could be implemented immediately. Regarding recommendation #2, he noted that staff are prepared to recommend to Council that this alternative be undertaken as well.

The Director of Engineering noted that he would contact Mr. Franey to set up a meeting in the near future.

Project Management for Upcoming Projects

The Committee considered a memorandum dated July 12, 2007, from the Manager of Water Resources regarding the above noted matter.

The Director of Engineering advised that in the past, the City hired a project manager from its Engineering Department staff to management capital works projects within the regional water system, however, no charges were levied to the regional water budget. As it is not possible to do this for upcoming projects, it is recommended that Mr. Terry Knee, Supervisor of the Bay Bulls Big Pond facility, be assigned as the Project Manager. It is also proposed that another engineer be hired to assume the role of supervisor of the facility. The engineer would be trained in all operations and maintenance aspects of the facility as the current foreperson of the facility is close to retirement. Mr. Knee's salary would be part of the project budget, therefore, there would be no salary increase in the operations budget.

The Committee agreed with the promotion of the current supervisor of the Bay Bulls Big Pond facility, Mr. Terry Knee, to Project Manager, and the hiring of an additional engineer to assume the position of supervisor of the facility.

OTHER BUSINESS

Water Conservation and Water Metering

Councillor Walsh noted that the City of Mount Pearl is doing what it can to aid in the conservation of the regional water supply. He indicated that the City has a leak detection program in place and carries out regular inspection of water lines. He noted that the City is going to implement zone meters which would track flow rates and help identify problem areas more effectively.

The Director of Engineering indicated that the City has installed zone meters to find out where the highest water consumption is taking place. Council has also authorized a two year period for completely revamping all commercial water meters in the City. Some of the meters don't function properly, and there are a lot of properties that are not monitored

at all. The City has also implemented a voluntary residential water metering program which will help get a more accurate figure for residential water consumption. He noted, however, that the City's main concern is commercial usage.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

SJMC2007-08-06/437R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Ellsworth; seconded by Councillor Puddister: That the Committee's report be approved.

Rotary Sunshine Park Committee report dated July 24th, 2007

Council considered the following Rotary Sunshine Park Committee report dated July 24th, 2007:

Attendees: Deputy Mayor Dennis O'Keefe, Chairperson

Councillor Ron Ellsworth Ben Lake, Rotary Club Fred Earle, Rotary Club Bruce Templeton, Rotary Club Lou Puddister, Rotary Club

Dawn Chaulk, Town of Portugal Cove/St. Phillips Addison Bown, Grand Concourse Authority Ron Penney, Chief Commissioner/City Solicitor

Bob Wilson, Manager – Division of Property Management

Jim Clarke, Manager of Streets & Parks Tanya Haywood, Manager of Facilities

Mike Johns, Foreperson – Public Works & Parks Lisa Hill, Lead & Active Community Coordinator

Karen Chafe, Recording Secretary

Report:

1. Reception at Rotary Chalet (September 18th, 2007)

The Grand Concourse Authority provided an update on the progress of trail development at Rotary Park. The rough-grading of the trails are almost complete on the Chalet side of Bennett's Road and much positive feedback has been received on the work done so far. The Committee felt that it would be appropriate to have a reception and walk-about to mark the official opening of the trail system. Invitees will include the municipal councils of St. John's and Portugal Cove/St. Phillips, representatives from the Rotary Club and the Grand Concourse Authority and relevant Provincial Government and ACOA representatives.

The Committee recommends that Council approve the proposed reception and costs associated with such. The tentative date of the reception is September 18th, 2007.

2. Cheque Presentation from Lions Pacers

Mr. Ben Lake presented to the Committee a cheque for \$1000 from the Lion's Pacers group to assist under-privileged children using the Rotary Sunshine Park Chalet.

3. Illegal Consumption of Alcohol at Rotary Sunshine Park

Concerns were expressed by the Committee about the blatant illegal consumption of alcohol on the beach at Healy's Pond. Such behaviour is sometimes accompanied by unruliness or vandalism. The problem is particularly intense during sunny weather days when the park is most crowded. The Town of Portugal Cove St. Phillips agreed to write a letter to the Royal Newfoundland Constabulary in this regard, but it was also suggested that the City's Parks Patrol may wish to consult with the RNC as well as monitor the area. It was also agreed that any incidents witnessed by Parks or Recreation staff who are on site should be immediately reported to the RNC.

SJMC2007-08-06/438R

It was decided on motion of Deputy Mayor O'Keefe; seconded by Councillor Puddister: That the Committee's recommendations be approved.

Discussion ensued on item # 3 with regard to the serious problems of public alcohol consumption at Rotary Park and particularly in the vicinity of the beach area. These problems occur during daylight hours as well as at night in full view of other patrons who take their children to the area. The facility is family-oriented and there is zero tolerance for the consumption of alcohol in this area. Measures have been taken to increase the City's patrol of the beach and the Royal Newfoundland Constabulary have also increased their monitoring of the area. The Town of Portugal Cove/St. Phillips has also written the RNC advising them of the problem and requesting further assistance.

Councillor Puddister suggested that consideration be given to installing cameras, particularly around the beach area. The practicality of this was questioned, however, noting that cameras would have to be constantly monitored. Councillor Hann also suggested that this problem is reflective of the bigger picture and that consideration should be given in next year's budget to hiring more patrol staff to deal with these types of issues, particularly during the summer months.

Heritage Advisory Committee E-Mail Poll dated August 1st, 2007

Council considered the following Heritage Advisory Committee E-Mail Poll dated August 1st, 2007:

Attendees: Councillor Shannie Duff, Chairperson

Councillor Ron Ellsworth Bernadine Simmonds

Gerard Hayes
Neil Hardy
David Kelland
Debbie O'Reilly
Melanie Del Rizzo
Andrew Ryan

8 Forest Road

The Committee reviewed the attached photographs which display the new doors for 8 Forest Road. It should be noted that the existing doors are not original to the property. The owner is proposing to install two of the doors in the photograph in the center of the main entrance. One will be fixed in place as the new wheelchair lift will be directly behind it. The other will be used as the main entrance. The exterior trims that are visible in the photograph (typical steel door trims) will be removed and new wide band sawn pine will be installed to match other trims on the building.

The Committee recommends approval of the doors as outlined in the photographs.

SJMC2007-08-06/439R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Duff; seconded by Councillor Ellsworth: That the Committee's report be approved.

Mural Design Committee Report dated August 3rd, 2007

Council considered the following Mural Design Committee Report dated August 3rd, 2007:

Date: August 3, 2007

To: The Mayor and Members of Council

From: Councilor Hickman

Subject: Report from Mural Design Committee



I am pleased to present the final draft of the mural design. This design was created by Derek Holmes and April Norman who are the two artists selected this year to design and execute the mural. The mural this year will be placed on the east wall of the Lettuce Farm on Hamilton Ave.

You'll note that this is not one of our usual heritage designs in that it doesn't depict an actual place or time in our history. This year we decided to go with a more contemporary image using the ever popular "Trompe L'eil effect. Trompe L'eil means trick of the eye

and these kinds of murals have held the fascination and enjoyment of citizens and visitors in cities all over Europe, the US and Canada.

Overall the artists have brought in an exciting new design that will enhance the neighbourhood and provide enjoyment for the many people who travel to and fro on that section of Hamilton Ave. The goals of the mural program are to celebrate our culture and heritage, engage the public with art, and invest in our local arts community. I think this design amply fulfills these goals. The mural completion date is estimated to be no later than the end of September.

Respectfully Submitted;

Councilor Hickman Committee Chair

SJMC2007-08-06/440R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Hickman; seconded by Councillor Hann: That the final draft of the mural design as included in the Council agenda be adopted.

Development Permits List

Council considered as information the following Development Permits List for the period July 20, 2007 to August 2, 2007:

DEVELOPMENT PERMITS LIST DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 20, 2007 TO AUGUST 2, 2007

"ISSUED FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY"

Code	Applicant	Application	Location	Ward	Developm ent Officer's Decision	Date
Com.	Mr. Cyril Fitzpatrick	Proposed Parking Lot Expansion	Civic No. 71 Blackmarsh Road	Ward 2	Application Rejected: Contrary to Section 9.1.1	07 07 24
Ind.	Kirkland Balsom Associates	Bell/Aliant OPI Site	Empire Avenue @ Taxation Centre	Ward 4	Application Approved	07 07 24
Com.	Mr. William March	Home Occupation: Lawn Care & Snow Removal Business	Civic No. 16 Cambrea Street	Ward 1	Application Rejected: Contrary to Section 7.9	07 07 25
Res.	Ms. Sherri Lewis	Residential Building Lot	New Pennywell Road	Ward 4	Application Approved	07 07 26
Com.	Mr. Brian Reardon	Home Office: Electrical Contracting Business (Telephone Only)	Civic No. 61 Radio Range Road	Ward 1	Application Approved	07 07 26
Res.	Mr. Mark Healy	Residential Building Lot	Densmore's Lane	Ward 5	Application Approved	07 07 30

* Code Classification: RES - Residential INST - Institutional COM - Commercial IND - Industrial AG - Agriculture ** This list is issued for information purposes only. Applicants have been advised in writing of the Development Officer's decision and of their right to appeal any decision to the St.				Ed Murray Development		
NOTES	S:					
Res.	Mr. Gerry Fitzpatrick	Residential Building Lot	Civic No. 41 Pearce Avenue	Ward 3	Application Approved	07 07 30
Res.	Mr. Justin Martin	Residential Building Lot	Lot No. 4 Groves Road	Ward 5	Application Approved	07 07 30
	Mr. John Halleran	Residential Building Lot	Fourth Pond Road	Ward 5	Application Approved	07 07 30

Building Permits List

SJMC2007-08-06/441R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Duff; seconded by Councillor Hann: That the recommendation of the Director of Building and Property Management with respect to the following Building Permits lists be approved:

2007/07/31

Permits List

CLASS: COMMERCIAL

	1.60		
	168 ELIZABETH AVE		
	AVALON MALL, COTTON GINNY		
SMITTY'S RESTURANT	131 DUCKWORTH ST - SMITTY'S	SN	RESTAURANT
	15 HALLETT CRES		OFFICE
	272 HEAVY TREE RD		
CHRISTMAS WAREHOUSE #2	193 KENMOUNT RD	MS	RETAIL STORE
	207 KENMOUNT RD		
THE TDL GROUP CORP.	275 KENMOUNT RD	MS	EATING ESTABLISHMENT
			CLINIC
A.I.M.E. PHYSIOTHERAPY INC.	204-206 MAIN RD	MS	CLINIC
GOULDS KICKERS SOCCER ASSN	434-438 MAIN RD	MS	PARISH HALL
ABC SIDING & WINDOWS INC.	1 MARCONI PL, ABC SIDING	MS	RETAIL STORE
	NEW PENNYWELL ROAD, CITY TERR		
PRO-GLO LIMITED	33 O'LEARY AVE 36 PEARSON ST, SUN SPA	SN	PLACE OF AMUSEMENT
SUN SPA	36 PEARSON ST, SUN SPA	MS	SERVICE SHOP
	36 PEARSON ST, SECOND PAGE		
JODY TEMPLE	16 QUEEN ST - QUEEN ST	SN	TAVERN
JODY TEMPLE	16 QUEEN ST -GEORGE ST	SN	TAVERN
TIM DONUT LIMITED	30 ROPEWALK LANE	MS	RESTAURANT
BASIL J. DOBBIN	16 STAVANGER DR-NATIONS CREATI	MS	RETAIL STORE
THE BUSINESS DEPOT LTD.	34 STAVANGER DR, BUSINESS DEPO	MS	RETAIL STORE

	34 STAVANGER DR, BUSINESS DEPO		
HERBAL MAGIC	386 STAVANGER DR, HERBAL MAGIC	MS	RETAIL STORE
JASON AND LESLEY BOURNE	644 TOPSAIL RD-DISCOVER MUSIC	MS	RETAIL STORE
GENTARA COMPANY LIMITED	655 TOPSAIL RD-BARKING BEAUTIE	MS	SERVICE SHOP
	272-276 TORBAY RD, PIPER'S		
	272-276 TORBAY RD CREDIT UNION		
NORTH ATLANTIC REFINING LTD.	280 TORBAY RD, NORTH ATLANTIC	MS	RETAIL STORE
	464 TORBAY RD, COLOR YOUR WORL		
	TORBAY ROAD-TORBAY RD MALL		
ORIENTAL STAR RESTAURANT INC.	TORBAY ROAD-TORBAY RD MALL	SN	RESTAURANT
JOSADA HAIR STUDIO	TORBAY ROAD-TORBAY RD MALL	MS	SERVICE SHOP
CASH CITY	TORBAY ROAD-TORBAY RD MALL	MS	RETAIL STORE
FRENCHY'S CLOTHING STORE LTD.	TORBAY ROAD-TORBAY RD MALL	MS	RETAIL STORE
	TORBAY ROAD-TORBAY RD MALL		
FRENCHY'S CLOTHING STORE LTD.	TORBAY ROAD-TORBAY RD MALL	SN	RETAIL STORE
DAKOTA'S SALON AND SPA INC.	611 TORBAY RD, DAKOTA'S SALON	MS	SERVICE SHOP
TROPICAL AND MARINE PETS INC.	611 TORBAY RD		RETAIL STORE
NORTH ATLANTIC REFINING LTD.	694 WATER ST, NORTH ATLANTIC	MS	SERVICE STATION
THE VAULT RESTAURANT INC	291 WATER ST 15 GEORGE ST 270 WATER ST 312 WATER ST, PEDDLERS	SN	RESTAURANT
MULLIGAN'S/THE DECK	15 GEORGE ST	NC	PATIO DECK
LONG ROAD INCORPORATED	270 WATER ST	RN	RETAIL STORE
PEDDLERS (PETE QUINTON)	312 WATER ST, PEDDLERS	RN	PATIO DECK
JOHN HOWARD SOCIETY	312 WATER ST, PEDDLERS 426 WATER ST 191 KENMOUNT RD 10 FACTORY LANE 135 MACDONALD DR EAST WHITE HILLS RD	RN	OFFICE
EARLE CONSULTING LTD.	191 KENMOUNT RD	RN	RESTAURANT
GRANT SMITH	10 FACTORY LANE	NC	PATIO DECK
KENNY'S POND RETIREMENT RESIDE	135 MACDONALD DR	NC	ACCESSORY BUILDING
COUNTRY RIBBON INC.	EAST WHITE HILLS RD	RN	INDUSTRIAL USE
AIDEN WILLIAMS	EAST WHITE HILLS RD 165 DOYLE'S RD	EX	ACCESSORY BUILDING
DOMINIC FITZPATRICK	272 TORRAY ROAD, OUTZNO'S	CR	EATING ESTABLISHMENT
WEDGWOOD INSURANCE	85 THORBURN RD	RN	OFFICE
GRAFTON-FRASER INC.	AVALON MALL, TIP TOP	RN	RETAIL STORE
SALVATION ARMY HOME	85 THORBURN RD AVALON MALL, TIP TOP 105A TORBAY RD	RN	HOME FOR AGED
CIR MANAGEMENT LTD.	139 TORBAY RD, TIM HORTONS	NC	RESTAURANT
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THIS WEEK \$ 1,324,345.00 TO DATE \$ 29,720,666.00

CLASS: INDUSTRIAL

THIS WEEK \$.00
TO DATE \$ 1,524,967.00

CLASS: GOVERNMENT/INSTITUTIONAL

CITY OF ST. JOHN'S	SOUTHSIDE RD	NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
SAC LAVALIN PRO PAC	PLEASANTVILLE, SNC LAVALIN PRO	SW ADMIN BLDG/GOV/NON-PROFIT
ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH	76 QUEEN'S RD	RN CHURCH
SHELLEY MOORES	145 TORBAY RD	CR RECREATIONAL USE
BOWRING PARK	305 WATERFORD BRIDGE RD	SW ADMIN BLDG/GOV/NON-PROFIT

THIS WEEK \$ 1,483,500.00 TO DATE \$ 13,816,935.00

CLASS: RESIDENTIAL

CAMELOT HOUSING CO-OP SOC. LTD 9 ANTHONY AVE

JOSEPH STAMP

75 BATTERY RD

NC FENCE

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MARILYN MICHELLE GEORGE 4 BAYBERRY PL NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
ENCON CONSTRUCTION LTD. 38 BAYBERRY PL, LOT 21 NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
CHRIS WALSH BEAVER BROOK DR, PARCEL B NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
FRED & CHERYL TUCKER 1094 BLACKHEAD RD NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
D TAMES & CHERYL SKANES 14 BLAKE PL. NC ACCESSORY BUILDING R.JAMES & CHERYL SKANES R.JAMES & CHERYL SKANES

14 BLAKE PL

NC ACCESSORY BUILDING

JAMES BROWN & SANDRA ROWE

99 BONAVENTURE AVE

RAYMOND P. GREENE

13 BURRY PORT ST

NC FENCE

KIRBY JACOBS & MICHELLE THOMAS

14 BLAKE PL

NC PATIO DECK

CENCE

PETER INGRAM

31 DORSET ST

NC PATIO DECK

CLYDE BOYD

9 DRAKE CRES

NC PATIO DECK

CHRISTOPHER SQUIRES & CYNTHIA

26 DUMBARTON PL

BASIL MCGRATH

64 DUNTARA CRES

NC ACCESSORY BUILDING

SHARON ROGERS

779 EMPIRE AVE, LOT 1

NC SINGLE DETACHED & SUB.APT

WILLIAM & ROSE DEBOURKE

202 FOREST RD

NC ACCESSORY BUILDING

EDWARD & JOSEPHINE WHITTEN

81 GLENVIEW TERR

NC FENCE

NEW VICTORIAN HOMES

152 GREEN ACRE DR, LOT 98

NC SEMI-DETACHED DWELLING

NEW VICTORIAN HOMES

154 GREEN ACRE DR, LOT 9

NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING

MARK WELLS

340 GROVES RD, LOT 9

NC SWIMMING POOL

STELLA BURRY COMMUNITY SER.INC

67 GUY ST

NC FENCE 14 BLAKE PL NC ACCESSORY BUILDING STELLA BURRY COMMUNITY SER.INC 67 GUY ST NC FENCE NC FENCE STELLA BURRY COMMUNITY 69 GUY ST 69 GUY ST

HALL'S RD, LOT 20A

8 HARRINGTON DR

10 HERCULES PL

11 HOPEDALE CRES, LOT 212

32 HOPEDALE CRES, LOT 203

NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING

NC PATIO DECK

NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING

NC SINGLE DETACHED & SUB.APT DLG CONTRACTING MICHAEL MACDONALD KEVIN GREEN JOHN PROWSE DARRELL LEWIS 54 HOPEDALE CRES - LOT 193 NC SINGLE DETACHED & SUB.APT R & R HOMES 60 HOPEDALE CRES - LOT 190 NC SINGLE DETACHED & SUB.APT
3 HOPEDALE CRES, LOT 148 NC SINGLE DETACHED & SUB.APT
4 HOPEDALE CRES, LOT 150 NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
5 HOPEDALE CRES, LOT 152 NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
6 NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
7 HOPEDALE CRES, LOT 152 NC SINGLE DETACHED & SUB.APT
6 NC SINGLE DETACHED & SUB.APT
7 HOPEDALE CRES - LOT 155 NC SINGLE DETACHED & SUB.APT
7 HOPEDALE CRES - LOT 159 NC SINGLE DETACHED & SUB.APT
7 HOPEDALE CRES - LOT 159 NC PATIO DECK R & R HOMES WILLIAM BYRD R & R HOMES MODERN HOMES LTD. R & R HOMES R & R HOMES

FRANCIS & RAE LYNN O'KEEFE

12 HOPEALL ST
21 JULIEANN PL FRANCIS & RAE LINN S ...

PAULA BENNETT 21 JULIEANN FL

STEFANIE BROCKERVILLE 9 KERSHAW PL

STEPHANIE BROCKERVILLE 9 KERSHAW PL

GREGORY & JUDITH MCCANN- 7 LAMBERT PL

67 LAURIER ST

2 LOREILIA ST NC PATIO DECK NC FENCE NC FENCE NC PATIO DECK NC PATIO DECK NC ACCESSORY BUILDING IRVING N. PELLEY 3 LOBELIA ST NC FENCE IRVING N. PELLEY

3 LOBELIA ST

NC FENCE

CHRISTOPHER W. CAMPBELL

75-77 LONG'S HILL

NC PATIO DECK

PRO TECH CONSTRUCTION LTD

JASON NICHOLS

85 MACBETH DR

NC ACCESSORY BUILDING

KENNY'S POND RETIREMENT

135 MACDONALD DRIVE

NC APARTMENT BUILDING

NC PATIO DECK PATRICIA COLLINS 14 MCKAY ST NC PATTO DECK NC FENCE 59 MALKA DR TARA BROWN CARL & SUSANNE DOHEY 1 MARK NICHOLS PL L. ELLSWORTH STANLEY 23 MONCHY ST NC FENCE NC FENCE GARY ROULET & DALE PITTMAN 22 NEWHOOK PL
DARRYL BANFIELD 41 NEWHOOK PL NC FENCE 41 NEWHOOK PL NC PATIO DECK
134 NEW PENNYWELL RD NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING DARRYL BANFIELD ALBERT JONES JEFFREY CAREW

14 NORTHERN RANGER ST, LOT 123 NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
HANN CONSTRUCTION LTD.

5 OAKLEY PL, LOT 286

MC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
NC PATIO DECK

BERNARD CONNOLLY

155 OLD BAY BULLS RD
NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
BARRY EDWARD BISHOP
17 OLD PETTY HARBOUR RD
NC SINGLE DETACHED & SUB.APT
REGINALD & MARJORIE KENNEDY
94 PALM DR
NC PATIO DECK REGINALD & MARJORIE KENNEDY 94 PALM DR MATTHEW HOWSE 4 PARKVIEW CRES NC FENCE

DAVID & JACQUELINE HEELEY 39 PARLIAMENT ST NC FENCE

CAROLINE WHELAN 87 PERLIN ST NC FENCE

CAROLINE WHELAN 87 PERLIN ST NC ACCESSORY BUILDING

COLLEEN HOGAN QUIDI VILLAGE ROAD NC SEMI-DETACHED DWELLING

LEONARD PENTON 35 RANKIN ST NC ACCESSORY BUILDING MATTHEW HOWSE 4 PARKVIEW CRES NC FENCE LEONARD PENTON 35 RANKIN ST NC ACCESSORY BUILDING

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LINDA OAKE

BERNICE PITTMAN

A ST. MICHAEL'S AVE

MC FENCE

STEPHEN & CHRISTINA SHORT

JOANNE BARTLETT

JOANNE BARTLETT

PROTECH CONSTRUCTION

19 SHORMALL ST, LOT 15

MC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING

PROTECH CONSTRUCTION

23 SHORMALL ST, LOT 12

MC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING

PROTECH CONSTRUCTION

22 VEITCH CRES - LOT 243

MC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING

BERNO ENSURE SUBJULION

LOT 4)

RODERICK & ROSE MARIE KELLY

REVOR BURKE & DENA BURKE

A WINSLOW ST

TREVOR BURKE & DENA BURKE

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CO HOME OFFICE

CLIFTON AUGUSTUS BUIDEN AND

FRANK AND JUDY O'NEIL

PRANK AND JUDY O' TOM ROGERS

7/ STAMP'S LANE

PATRICK ROYLE

13 WINTER PL

RN SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING

MARTIN BLIZNAKOV

65 HIGHLAND DR

SW SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING

STEFANIE BROCKERVILLE

9 KERSHAW PL

NORTHERN PROPERTY HOLDINGS

170 TORBAY RD, HILLIEW TERRACE

WAN-FUNG LEE

134 UNIVERSITY AVE

SW SINGLE DETACHED & SUB.APT JAMES B. & JUANITA LESTER 181 BROOKFIELD RD MS AGRICULTURE

> THIS WEEK \$ 4,454,509.00 TO DATE \$ 63,797,254.00

CLASS: DEMOLITION

ALAN MCCANN & SHARON MCCANN QUIDI VIDI HARBOUR FRONT DM HARBOUR USE SHAMUS TRAVERSE 41 SALISBURY ST DM SINGLE DETACHI
LEONS FURNITURE 58 KENMOUNT RD - LEONS DM RETAIL STORE
ATLANTIC SHOPPING CENTER LTD. AVALON MALL, URBAN PLANET DM RETAIL STORE DM SINGLE DETACHED & SUB.APT

> THIS WEEK \$ 104,000.00 TO DATE \$ 371,456.00

THIS WEEK''S TOTAL: \$ 7,366,354.00

TOTAL YEAR TO DATE: \$109,231,278.00

LEGEND

CO	CHANGE OF OCCUPANCY	SW	SITE WORK
NC	NEW CONSTRUCTION	EX	EXTENSION
OC	OCCUPANT CHANGE	TI	TENANT IMPROVEMENTS
RN	RENOVATIONS	CC	CHIMNEY CONSTRUCTION
SN	SIGN	CD	CHIMNEY DEMOLITION
MS	MOBILE SIGN	WS	WOODSTOVE
CR	CHNG OF OCC/RENOVTNS	DM	DEMOLITION

Payrolls and Accounts

SJMC2007-08-06/442R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Colbert: seconded by Councillor Hickman: That the following Payrolls and Accounts for the weeks ending July 26^{th} , 2007 and August 2^{nd} , 2007 be approved as presented:

Weekly Payment Vouchers For The Week Ending July 26, 2007

PAYROLL

Public Works	\$ 285,491.64
Amalgamation	\$ 522,169.94
Bi-Weekly Administration	\$ 567,479.35
Bi-Weekly Management	\$ 509,792.12

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Cheque No. 119443-119729	\$3,687,887.68
(Includes Direct Deposits/Transfers/Eqp. Leasing)	

Total: \$5,580,045.00

Weekly Payment Vouchers For The Week Ending August 2, 2007

PAYROLL

Public Works	\$ 259,260.78
Bi-Weekly Casual	\$ 121,064.67

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Cheque No. 119730 – 119926 \$1,894.637.03 (Includes Direct Deposits/Transfers/Eqp. Leasing)

Total:

\$2,274,962.48

Notices of Motion, Written Questions and Petitions

The following Notice of Motion was given by Deputy Mayor O'Keefe:

<u>TAKE NOTICE</u> that I will at the next regular meeting of Council move to amend the St. John's Residential Property Standards By-Law and the Commercial Maintenance By-Law of the City of St. John's so as to provide that residential and commercial properties within the City of St. John's are to be kept free of graffiti.

Dated at St. John's this 6th day of August, 2007

Deputy Mayor Dennis O'Keefe

Petition from Residents of Doyles Road

Deputy Mayor O'Keefe tabled a petition from the residents of Doyles Road requesting that the City take action on the following problems: dust, noise and garbage. The matter was referred to the appropriate staff for investigation, as well as the Public Works & Environment Standing Committee.

Ratification of Phone Polls:

SJMC2007-08-06/443R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Puddister; seconded by Councillor Coombs: That the following Phone Poll be ratified:

a. July 31, 2007 – Request for One Night Extension to the George Street Festival.

<u>Supreme Court Decision on Oceanex, Molson and Labatt – 2007 Assessment Appeal</u>

Council considered as information, a memorandum dated August 3rd, 2007 from the Chief Commissioner/City Solicitor regarding the recent Supreme Court decision on Oceanex,

Molson and Labatt -2007 Assessment Appeal. The memorandum clarifies incorrect statements which were made in the Telegram article of July 31, 2007.

2007 Prince of Wales Prize

Council considered as information, a memorandum dated August 1st, 2007 from the Chief Commissioner/City Solicitor regarding the City's being awarded the 2007 Prince of Wales Prize by the Heritage Canada Foundation. The award honours municipal governments for their continued commitment to the preservation of built heritage. A copy of the press release announcing the award was also included in the agenda.

SJMC2007-08-06/444R

It was decided on motion of Deputy Mayor O'Keefe; seconded by Councillor Galgay: That the recommendation of the Chief Commissioner/City Solicitor be approved and that Councillor Duff receive the Prince of Wales Prize award on behalf of the City in recognition of her leadership in preserving the built heritage of the City and that she be accompanied by Ken O'Brien of the Planning Department who assisted in preparing the nomination for the award and who has played an important role in this area for many years. The award will be presented to the City on October 12th, 2007 in Edmonton.

Reardon Construction - Blackmarsh Road/Melville Place

The Committee considered a memorandum dated July 24th, 2007 from the Chief Commissioner/City Solicitor regarding the storm sewer line on land of Reardon Construction at Blackmarsh Road/Melville Place. There is no easement for this line and its presence is precluding the development of this land.

SJMC2007-08-06/445R

It was decided on motion of Deputy Mayor O'Keefe; seconded by Councillor Puddister: That Council approve the exchange of land whereby the City would convey its adjacent land in exchange for land of the developer, of an equal size in the location of the sewer line.

Meehan's Lane – Frank Tobin

Council considered a memorandum dated July 31st, 2007 from the Chief Commissioner/City Solicitor regarding 17 Meehan's Lane and the owner of this property's interest in purchasing the small parcel of land from the City adjacent to his property as per the plan (on file with the City Clerk's Dept.).

SJMC2007-08-06/446R

It was decided on motion of Deputy Mayor O'Keefe; seconded by Councillor Hickman: That approval be given to sell the small parcel of land adjacent to 17 Meehan's Lane at \$1.00 per square foot (approximately \$400.00) plus usual administration fees.

Economic Update - August 2007

Council considered as information the Economic Update of August 2007.

Letter from Bill Casey, M.P. re: the Federal Equalization Program

Council considered as information the letter dated July 20th, 2007 from Bill Casey, M.P. for Cumberland Colchester Musquodoboit Valley, acknowledging Mayor Wells' letter regarding the City's stand on federal equalization and its support of the Provincial Government in this regard.

Trunk Sewer Flow Metering Chamber

Council tabled a memorandum dated July 31st, 2007 from the Chief Commissioner/City Solicitor regarding the Trunk Sewer Flow Metering Chamber.

SJMC2007-08-06/447R

The Committee on motion of Councillor Colbert; seconded by Councillor Hickman: recommends Council's approval of the installation of a flow metering chamber onto its existing trunk sewer at Empire Avenue and that the required easements as outlined in schedules A & B (on file with the Legal Dept.) be expropriated from the Fortis Properties and A. Harvey & Company Limited.

Deputy Mayor O'Keefe

Deputy Mayor O'Keefe relayed comments from a paramedic with respect to the tremendous job done by the Public Works Dept. in relation to their immediate response to emergency situations. Such staff have been an important part of saving numerous lives during storm situations and ensuring that roads are cleared on a top priority basis for emergencies.

Councillor Shannie Duff

Councillor Duff congratulated staff of the Public Works and Engineering Departments for their quick response to address issues arising from the recent tropical storm Chantal which caused the cancellation of the Regatta on Wednesday.

Due to staff's efficiency in dealing with various issues that arose, the Regatta was able to take place the following day without any major incidents.

Councillor Duff questioned the status of the new design for the dam mechanism and whether or not this will be installed in the future. The Chief Commissioner/City Solicitor advised that the project was not funded this year, however, it is on the list for multi-year capital funding.

There will be a fund raiser on August 18th, 2007 at the Anna Templeton Center in aid of the building's restoration. All members of Council are invited to partake in this event.

Councillor Hickman

Councillor Hickman congratulated City staff, volunteers and festival organizers who helped to make "St. John's Time" a great success this year.

Congratulations were extended to Crosbie Industrial for their record-breaking time during this year's Regatta.

This year's tourism season has so far been a successful one with growth indications of approximately 6%. The strong convention season was also a factor in this regard.

Councillor Hann

Councillor Hann also commended City staff for their work during the Regatta, noting the many compliments and feedback he has received from the general public in this regard.

The St. John's Folk Festival was also held this week and the numbers of participants and patrons have increased over previous years which is a good indication that this has been one of the most successful festivals held to date. Councillor Hann thanked the City for its support in this regard.

Councillor Puddister

The President of the Royal St. John's Regatta Committee has asked Councillor Puddister to pass on to Council the Committee's thanks and appreciation for a job well done at the Regatta. Particular reference was made to the Dept. of Public Works & Parks and Mr. Paul Mackey for their efforts in keeping the dam open to facilitate the lowering of pond levels.

Councillor Galgay

Councillor Galgay referenced the piece of land on the corner of Job St., heading west on Hamilton Avenue which is overgrown with grass and he requested that the Dept. of Public Works & Parks investigate this area for the clean-up of garbage and cutting of grass.

Councillor Coombs

Councillor Coombs expressed dismay at the recent news that Astraeus Airlines have cancelled their direct flight from St. John's to the United Kingdom. He questioned if any alternative solutions can be found to offset this decision. Mayor Wells indicated that in light of the fact the airline was only carrying 15-20% of its capacity and with the stiff competition from Air Canada, there is very little if anything that can be done in this regard.

Councillor Coombs referenced the letter received by all members of Council regarding Destination St. John's and questioned if there have been any further developments. Mayor Wells advised that the status quo remains with the hotel tax agreement and that there will be no changes in this regard.

Reference was made to the pesticide debate which occurred at the last regular meeting. As Council does not have the statutory authority to impose a by-law on pesticides as regulated under the City of St. John's Act, any further discussion on this matter would be moot. It was questioned whether or not Council will eventually be in a position to have such authority. The Chief Commissioner/City Solicitor advised that he has written the Province in this regard, however, no such agreement is forthcoming.

Mayor Wells indicated that he will be pursuing via the political agenda, the issue of the City's obtaining a general grant of powers. He anticipated that some type of response to this request will be forthcoming after the next Provincial election in three-four months. If such authority is not forthcoming, Council will have to seek specific authority for areas it wishes to specifically regulate.

Councillor Coombs concurred with the suggestion to defer the pesticide debate pending the outcome of these issues.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

MAYOR