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 Councillors O'Leary, Hickman, Colbert, Hann, Breen, Galgay, Tilley, Hanlon and Collins.

Regrets: Deputy Mayor Duff.

The City Manager; Deputy City Manager/Director of Corporate Services and City Clerk; Deputy City Manager/Director of Public Works and Parks; Director of Planning; Director of Engineering, City Solicitor; and the Recording Secretary were also in attendance.

Call to Order and Adoption of the Agenda

SJMC2010-08-09/454R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Tilley; seconded by Councillor Collins: That the Agenda be adopted as presented with the following additional items:

- a. Memorandum dated August 6, 2010, from the Director of Engineering re: Sanitary Sewer Upgrading Project – Portugal Cove Road – McNeilly Street to New Cove Road
- b. Resolution re: Freedom of the City for the Royal Newfoundland Constabulary

Adoption of Minutes

SJMC2010-08-09/455R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Galgay; seconded by Councillor Hann: That the minutes of the meeting held on July 26, 2010, be adopted as presented.

Under business arising, Councillor Hann referenced his comments at the last Council meeting regarding the issue of the City moving forward with plans for an Arts Centre, and he noted that he had requested that he be provided with the list of the members who comprise the subcommittee of the Arts Advisory Committee dealing with this issue, including the groups and companies they represent, and if they represent private companies. He indicated that he has not yet received this information, and he requested that this information be brought forward for Council's next meeting.

Development Committee Report dated July 27, 2010

Council considered the following Development Committee Report dated July 27, 2010:

The following matters were considered by the Development Committee at its meeting held on July 27, 2010. The staff reports are attached for Council's information.

RECOMMENDATION OF APPROVAL:

1. Proposed Residential Subdivision Eleven (11) Building Lots Deer Park Contracting Limited Halliday Place (Ward 4)

The Development Committee recommends that Council grant Approval-in-Principle to the above noted application, subject to the following conditions:

- a. payment of the applicable Subdivision Application Fees, Development Fees, and Civic Improvement Assessments as required under Section 6.4 of the St. John's Development Regulations; and
- b. compliance with all requirements of the Departments of Engineering, Planning, and Public Works and Parks.

RECOMMENDATION OF REJECTION:

2. Crown Land Grant Referral Proposed Residential Building Lot Mr. Dwayne Earle Blackhead Road (Ward 5)

The Development Committee recommends that Council reject the above noted application as the property is not privately owned and the Committee does not recommend the development of lands which are currently Crown Lands and must be serviced by well and septic disposal systems.

Ronald Penney, Chairperson City Manager

SJMC2010-08-09/456R

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

Development Committee Report dated August 3, 2010

Council considered the following Development Committee Report dated August 3, 2010:

The following matter was considered by the Development Committee at its meeting held on August 3, 2010. The staff report is attached for Council's information.

RECOMMENDATION OF APPROVAL:

1. Discretionary Use Application/Proposed Private Park ACRO-ADIX School of Aerobatics Ltd. Applicant: John B. Munden Civic No. 413 Thorburn Road (Ward 4))

The Development Committee recommends that the requested Private Park application for ACRO-ADIX School of Aerobatics be approved. Final Approval will be subject to the applicant providing certification from the Government Services Centre of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador that the equipment used for the subject operation does meet structural and safety standards as required by those regulations and by-laws.

Ronald G. Penney, Chairperson City Manager

SJMC2010-08-09/457R

It was moved by Councillor Hanlon; seconded by Councillor Breen: That the Committee's recommendations be approved.

Councillor Hann advised that while he supported this application, he still had concerns regarding safety, specifically with the proximity of the operation to Thorburn Road and the potential that a child might run into the road. The City Manager indicated that as a condition of approval, the applicants must have their equipment certified by the Department of Government Services and the site may also be reviewed as part of that certification. Councillor Hanlon noted that she had visited the site several times and felt comfortable that the site was safe for children as the area around the equipment is enclosed.

The motion being put was carried unanimously.

Special Events Committee Report dated July 30, 2010

Council considered the following Special Events Committee Report dated July 30, 2010:

The following recommendations of the Committee are forwarded to Council for approval in principle subject to any conditions that may be required by the Special Events Advisory Committee:

1)	Event:	Quidi Vidi 5 km Road Race
	Location:	Quidi Vidi Lake area
	Date:	August 15, 2010
	Time:	7:45 - 9:00 am

This event requires the following road closures;

Clancey Drive, Lakeview Avenue, Carnell Drive – Northbound only The Boulevard – Carnell Drive to the Bridge at East end.

Recommendation:

It is the recommendation of the Committee that Council approve the above noted events, subject to the conditions set out by the Special Events Advisory Committee.

Robin King, P. Eng. Chair – Special Events Advisory Committee

SJMC2010-08-09/458R

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

Freedom of the City – Royal Newfoundland Constabulary

His Worship the Mayor read the following Resolution regarding the Freedom of the City for the

Royal Newfoundland Constabulary:

The City of St. John's acknowledges with gratitude the outstanding contributions of the Royal Newfoundland Constabulary (RNC) to the City of St. John's. On the 9th day of August, 2010 Mayor and Council unanimously adopted the following resolution:

- **WHEREAS** The Royal Newfoundland Constabulary (RNC) is the oldest civil police force in North America dating back to 1729, with the appointment of the first police constables.
- WHEREAS The RNC is a modern progressive police service committed to being responsive to the needs of the community. They are involved in such initiatives as the Junior Policy Academy, Students Taking Responsibility in Violence Education (STRIVE), Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE), Crime Prevention for Business, Drive Wise, etc.
- WHEREAS In 1979, the force had the prefix "Royal" conferred on it by Queen Elizabeth II in recognition of its long and distinguished service to Newfoundland and Labrador making it one of only six police forces in the Commonwealth to receive such an honour.
- WHEREAS In 1980, the jurisdiction of the RNC was extended to various areas which had been policed by the RCMP since Confederation. In addition to the City of St. John's, it now polices the Northeast Avalon (which includes Mount Pearl and surrounding communities), the City of Corner Brook and Labrador West.
- WHEREAS In 1980, the RNC reached a significant milestone in its history by recognizing gender equality and opening its recruitment to women. Since 2005, women have accounted for approximately 40% of new recruits and today represent approximately 20% of the total number of RNC police officers.
- WHEREAS The RNC has a dedicated force of 500 members. The sworn members are made up of Constables, Sergeants, Staff Sergeants, Inspectors, Superintendents, Deputy Chief and Chief.
- **WHEREAS** The goals and objectives of the RNC continue to improve public safety and have created a positive relationship between the police and the community they protect.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of St. John's proudly confers the Freedom of the City on the **ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND CONSTABULARY**.

IN WITNESS THEREOF the seal of the City of St. John's has been affixed and this Resolution has been duly signed by His Worship, the Mayor and the City Clerk, this 9th day of August in the year 2010.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK

SJMC2010-08-09/459R

It was moved by Councillor Tilley; seconded by Councillor Galgay: That the Resolution be adopted and that the Freedom of the City be conferred to the Royal Newfoundland Constabulary.

The motion was passed unanimously.

Development Permits List

Council considered as information the following Development Permits List for the period

July 23 to August 5, 2010:

DEVELOPMENT PERMITS LIST DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING FOR THE PERIOD OF July 23, 2010 TO August 5, 2010

Code	Applicant	Application	Location	Ward	Development Officer's Decision	Date
RES	George L. Reid	Proposed Building Lot	Heavy Tree Road	5	Rejected- Regulation 14(1)-Land Development Advisory Authority	10-07-23
RES	David & Christine Rowe	Demolition & Rebuild of Single Detached Dwelling	23 Shoal Bay Road	5	Approved	10-07-26
RES	Michael Parsons	Demolition & Rebuild of Single Detached Dwelling	3 Jordan Place	5	Approved	10-07-26
RES	Kimberly Howlett	Subdivide for Residential Building Lot	843 Main Road	5	Approved	10-07-27
СОМ	North Atlantic Petro/Gas Bar	Extension to Convenience Store	280 Torbay Road	1	Approved	10-07-29
RES	Robert White	2 Semi-detached dwelling units	Pleasant St. (subdivision of No.114 Pleasant St.)	2	Approved	10-07-29
СОМ	Bill Clarke	Home Office Electrical Contractor	12 Caldwell Place	3	Approved	10-07-28
СОМ	Rhonda & Patrick Sears	Service Shop – Dog Grooming Salon	301 LeMarchant Road	2	Approved	10-07-28
COM	Summit Motors	Extension to Building	409 Kenmount Road	3	Approved	10-07-28
RES	JWR Contracting Limited	Building Lot	Lot #5 Maddox Cove Road	5	Approved	10-08-05
RES	Sean Murphy	Demolition & Rebuild of Single Detached Dwelling	9 Marconi Place	1	Approved	10-08-05

*	Code Classification: RES- Residential COM- Commercial AG - Agriculture	INST IND	- Institutional - Industrial
**	This list is issued for information purpo writing of the Development Officer's dec to the St. John's Local Board of Appeal.	cision and of th	

Gerard Doran Development Officer Department of Planning

Councillor Hann noted that Summit Motors, 409 Kenmount Road is in Ward 4, not Ward 3 as indicated on the Development Permits List.

Building Permits List

SMJC2010-08-09/460R

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

2010/08/04

Permits List

CLASS: COMMERCIAL

BARKING BEAUTIES	556A TOPSAIL RD		
AMY E SMALL JASON BRAKE	3 VANGUARD CRT	CO	COMMERCIAL SCHOOL
JASON BRAKE	201 WATER ST- NAUTICAL NELLIES	OC	RESTAURANT
CANADIAN CHINESE INTERNATIONAL	215 WATER ST	OC	RESTAURANT
BEST CHINESE	215 WATER ST	OC	RESTAURANT
WEATHER SHORE WINDOWS	77 BLACKMARSH RD	SN	LIGHT INDUSTRIAL USE
	15 george st		TAVERN
MURPHY PROPERTIES INC.	90 KENMOUNT RD	SN	ADMIN BLDG/GOV/NON-PROFIT
	210 LEMARCHANT RD		CLUB
A.I.M.E. PHYSIOTHERAPY INC.	204-206 MAIN RD	MS	CLINIC
	77 MAJOR'S PATH		
PHILLY'S MINI-MART LTD.	27 AIRPORT HEIGHTS DR 474 TOPSAIL RD	SN	CONVENIENCE STORE
MURPHY PROPERTIES INC.N	474 TOPSAIL RD	SN	ADMIN BLDG/GOV/NON-PROFIT
GOODLIFE FITNESS CENTRES INC.	TORBAY RD	SN	CLUB
YUAN XU	215 WATER ST PETER'S PIZZA	SN	RESTAURANT
BEST CHINESE YUAN XU	215 WATER ST	SN	RESTAURANT
SHARMA ESTATES INC.	801 WATER ST	RN	MIXED USE
FRACFLOW CONSULTANTS INC.	154 MAJOR'S PATH	NC	ACCESSORY BUILDING
LONGVIEW HOLDING LIMITED	33-37 ELIZABETH AVE	RN	RETAIL STORE
BELL ALIANT	CASHIN AVE./MT. PLEASANT AVE.	NC	COMMUNICATIONS USE
LLOYD'S REGISTER	140 WATER ST	RN	OFFICE
PHB GROUP INC.	AIRPORT RD	NC	OFFICE
WEIGHT WATCHERS	430 TOPSAIL RD, WEIGHT WATCHER	ΤI	SERVICE SHOP
CHIMO CONST	10 FORT WILLIAM PL-3RD FLOOR	RN	OFFICE
HENRY'S CAMERAS	15-27 STAVANGER DR	CR	RETAIL STORE
NFLD. CHOCOLATE COMPANY	166 DUCKWORTH ST	RN	RETAIL STORE
VILLAGE SHOPPING CENTRE(2006)	THE VILLAGE-430 TOPSAIL RD	RN	SHOPPING CENTRE

2010-08-09

GEORGE ENGELBRENTT	409 KENMOUNT RD	EX RETAIL STORE
		THIS WEEK \$ 1,994,334.00
	CLASS: INDUSTRIAL	
FARRELL'S EXCAVATING LTD.	2700 TRANS CANADA HWY	NC INDUSTRIAL USE
		THIS WEEK \$ 20,000.00
		INIS WEEK \$ 20,000.00
	CLASS: GOVERNMENT/INSTITUTIONA	L
		THIS WEEK \$.00
	CLASS: RESIDENTIAL	
		NC FENCE
DOUG HICKEY		NC PATIO DECK
KEVIN TISDALL/ SHERRIE TISDAL TONY WILLIAMS		NC PATIO DECK NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
EDWARD & GLORIA ELLIOTT		
NEW VICTORIAN HOMES	9 BANIKHIN PL. LOT 62	NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
WILLIAM DURUCHER	9 BANIKHIN PL, LOT 62 16 OUTER BATTERY RD	NC PATIO DECK
KENNETH FITZPATRICK		NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
		NC SINGLE DETACHED & SUB.APT
SEAN HARDING KARWOOD CONTRACTING	21 SPRUCE GROVE AVE, LOT 111	NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
AIDEN MITCHELL & PAMELA	4 BUGLER PL	NC FENCE
TRUE NORTH HOMES	35 CAPE PINE ST, LOT 15	NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
GUY MATTHEWS	8 CARIBOU PL	NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
RAYMOND G. DYER AND		NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
PROTECH CONSTRUCTION	16 CASTLE BRIDGE DR	
WILLIAM J & CHRISTINE L HEDGES		NC ACCESSORY BUILDING NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
		NC FENCE
		NC FENCE
		NC PATIO DECK
		NC SWIMMING POOL
	25 FAGAN DR	NC PATIO DECK
SHAWN BROWN	12 FORDE DR	NC PATIO DECK
SHAWN MCGUIRE	17 FRANCIS ST	NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
SHUBAYOGA HOMES INC.	36 GALAXY CRES	NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
TODD SHORT AND DOROTHY SUSAN		NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
PAUL HEDGES	28 GLENVIEW TERR	
RAY BONIA	8 GLOVER PL	NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
PATRICK & RAMONA MARTRET	86 HARRINGTON DR	NC FENCE
KEITH SOPER MATTHEW POWELL AND	103 HIGHLAND DR	NC FRICE
DANNY DINN	73 HOPEDALE CRES 24 HOWLETT'S LINE	NC FENCE NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
FAIRVIEW INVESTMENTS LIMITED	26 ICELAND PL. LOT 9	NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
MARK WILSON & TASHA REID	14 JAMIE KORAB ST	NC PATIO DECK
MARK WILSON & TASHA REID THELMA BLACKWOOD	30 JENNMAR CRES	NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
GERALD COUGHLAN	2 LAGGAN PL, LOT 61	NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
JOSHUA MERCER	55 LESLIE ST 7 LONG BEACH ST	NC PATIO DECK
CARL PENNEY	7 LONG BEACH ST	NC FENCE
MICHAEL & CYNTHIA TAYLOR		NC FENCE
KIMBERLY HOWLETT LIAM KELLY		NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
	4 / MARK NICHOLS PL	NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
CATHERINE SNOW	14 MAYOR AVE	NC PATIO DECK
JOHN SNOW MICHEL & REETA TREMBLAY		NC FENCE
MICHEL & REETA TREMBLAY ELIZABETH A. CALLAHAN	10 MORRIS AVE	NC PATIO DECK NC PATIO DECK
WALTER & CHARLOTTE DINHAM		NC PATIO DECK
FAISAL RASHID		NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
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TED FIRE
8 STA NORMAN 87

RUSSELL WANGERSTY 8
113 OULD VID RD

RUSSELL WANGERSTY 8
113 PLOSANT 87

TED FIRE
8 STA NORMAN 87

RUSSELW WANGERSTY 8
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THIS WEEK \$ 4,006,219.00

CLASS: DEMOLITION

242 NEW PENNYWELL RD	DM SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
144 OLD BAY BULLS RD	DM SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
17 PLANK RD	DM SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
166 DUCKWORTH ST	DM MIXED USE
77 BLACKMARSH RD	DM MIXED USE
33-37 ELIZABETH AVE	DM OTHER
344 DUCKWORTH ST	DM COMMUNICATIONS USE
1 1 7 3	44 OLD BAY BULLS RD 7 PLANK RD 66 DUCKWORTH ST 7 BLACKMARSH RD 33-37 ELIZABETH AVE

THIS WEEK \$ 352,200.00

THIS WEEK''S TOTAL: \$ 6,372,753.00

REPAIR PERMITS ISSUED: 2010/07/22 TO 2010/08/04 \$ 432,633.00

LEGEND

CO	CHANGE OF OCCUPANCY	ΤI	TENANT IMPROVEMENTS
CR	CHNG OF OCC/RENOVTNS	SN	SIGN
ΕX	EXTENSION	MS	MOBILE SIGN
NC	NEW CONSTRUCTION	CC	CHIMNEY CONSTRUCTION
OC	OCCUPANT CHANGE	CD	CHIMNEY DEMOLITION
RN	RENOVATIONS	DV	DEVELOPMENT FILE
SW	SITE WORK	DM	DEMOLITION

Payrolls and Accounts

SJMC2010-08-09/461R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Hann; seconded by Councillor Hickman: That the following Payrolls and Accounts for the weeks ending July 29 and August 6, 2010, be approved:

> Weekly Payment Vouchers For The Week Ending July 29, 2010

PAYROLL

Public Works	\$ 360,406.05
Bi-Weekly Casual	\$ 169,185.39

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

\$ 3,794,969.39

Total: \$ 4,324,560.83

Weekly Payment Vouchers For The Week Ending Aug 6, 2010

PAYROLL

Public Works	\$ 422,330.77
Regional Fire Services	\$ 596,880.19
Bi-Weekly Management	\$ 593,589.41
Bi-Weekly Administration	\$ 694,431.15

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

\$ 1,128,644.40

Tenders

- a. Supply of Road Salt
- b. Two (2) Tandem Snow Plow Brine Sanders

SJMC2010-08-09/462R

It was decided on motion of Councillor O'Leary; seconded by Councillor Collins: That the recommendations of the Director of Finance and City Treasurer be approved and the tenders be awarded as follows:

- a. The tender for Supply of Road Salt was awarded to the lowest bidder meeting specifications, A. Harvey & Co. @ \$ 95.09 Tonne (Pick up form Dock) or \$97.35 Tonne (Delivered to Depot) as per the Public Tendering Act.
- b. The tender for Two (2) Tandem Snow Plow Brine Sanders was awarded to the lowest bidder meeting specifications, Western Star Trucks @ \$ 662,190.00 as per the Public Tendering Act. (Taxes not included.)

Correspondence

2010 Retaining Wall Program

Council considered a memorandum dated August 5, 2010, from the Director of Engineering

regarding the above noted matter.

SJMC2010-08-09/463R

It was moved by Councillor Breen; seconded by Councillor Hanlon: That the recommendation of the Director of Engineering be approved and that the following list of retaining walls be repaired under the 2010 Retaining Wall Program:

RETAINING WALL REHABILITATION

Hamilton Avenue – Civic No. 182-186 Gulliver Place Cul-de-sac Patrick Street – Civic No. 145 McKay Street – Adjacent to Civic No. 13 Richmond Street Duckworth Street – Adjacent to Anglican Cathedral Gower Street – Church Hill to Cathedral Street Knight Street – Civic No. 8

PROVISIONAL RETAINING WALL REHABILITATION

Battery Road @ Cabot Avenue Hipditch Hill – Civic No. 17 Hill O'Chips Long's Hill – South Side Cousens Place – Cyril J. Abery Memorial Park Southside Road – Guiderail East of Civic No. 220

The motion being put was carried unanimously.

Request for Waiver of Fees – Stella Burry Community Services – Carew Lodge Expansion

Council considered a memorandum dated July 26, 2010, from the Director of Building and Property Management regarding the above noted matter.

SJMC2010-08-09/464R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Galgay; seconded by Councillor Hanlon: That the request from Stella Burry Community Services for a waiver of the permit and development fees for the Carew Lodge Expansion Project be approved.

August 2010 Economic Update

Council considered as information the August 2010 Economic Update.

Mayor O'Keefe advised that he had met with the new President of Exxon Mobil, Meg O'Neill and Paul Leonard, President of the Hibernia Management and Development Company. He noted that Mr. Leonard is originally from Newfoundland and recently returned from Houston to take up his new position. Mayor O'Keefe noted that the relocation of Exxon Mobil's head office to the City of St. John's bodes well for the oil and gas industry in the Province.

Letter from the Honourable Keith Ashfield, Minister for the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency Acknowledging Mayor O'Keefe's Letter of Support for the Enhancement of the St. John's International Airport

Council considered as information the above noted letter from Minister Ashfield to His Worship the Mayor.

Councillor Collins

- Councillor Collins noted that a meeting was held with area residents regarding the Della Drive Basketball Court. A number of things have been done to address the situation including the installation of signage and additional lighting. He indicated that the situation will be monitored and no further action will be taken for the time being.
- Councillor Collins referenced the future Municipal Plan Review and he requested that staff take a look at the Blackhead Road area relative to the existing zoning and future development of the area.

Councillor Hanlon

 Councillor Hanlon tabled a memorandum dated August 6, 2010, from the Director of Engineering re: Sanitary Sewer Upgrading Project – Portugal Cove Road – McNeilly Street to New Cove Road. She noted that in March 2010, there was extensive flooding in this area. As a result, a study was completed which identified two main issues: (a) there is a capacity problem in the existing sanitary sewer main in this section of Portugal Cove Road; and (b) the existing storm sewer main extends only partially along this section of Portugal Cove Road. In order to address these problems, immediate remedial work is required at an estimated cost of \$1,170,000. The City has requested that the sanitary sewer component of the work be funded through cost-sharing of \$700,000 in the Province's 2011-2014 Multi-Year Capital Program.

SJMC2010-08-09/465R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Hanlon; seconded by Councillor Breen: That the recommendation of the Director of Engineering be accepted as follows:

- 1. that the sanitary sewer main in the section of Portugal Cove Road between McNeilly Street and New Cove Road be upgraded to 300 mm in diameter;
- 2. that a storm sewer main be installed beneath the upgraded sanitary sewer main; and
- 3. that the section of existing storm sewer in Portugal Cove Road between McNeilly Street and New Cove Road be lowered.

It is further recommended, given the frequency of the flooding of properties that has occurred and the likelihood of additional sewage back-up incidents, that this project be funded immediately, and that the \$700,000 which has been included in the 2011-2014 Multi-Year Capital Program request to the Province be reallocated to another project if the Multi-Year Program is approved.

Councillor Tilley

- Councillor Tilley referenced the recent Royal St. John's Regatta and he noted that it was a hugely successful and well attended event. He requested that the Mayor write a letter of congratulations to the Committee.
- Councillor Tilley referenced a letter to the editor in the weekend edition of The Telegram regarding the state of the exterior façade of City Hall. In this regard, he requested that the Director of Building and Property Management provide a report on the cost to enhance and improve the exterior façade of City Hall.

Councillor Galgay

 Councillor Galgay noted that the Newfoundland and Labrador Folk Festival took place this weekend and was very well attended. He congratulated the organizers on their efforts. Councillor Galgay offered his congratulations to the Royal Newfoundland Constabulary on being awarded the Freedom of the City. He noted that the parkette on the intersection of Queen's Road and Long's Hill will soon be home to a commemorative statute of an RNC Officer.

Councillor Colbert

Councillor Colbert referenced the recent public hearing held to discuss an application for a condominium development on New Cove Road, and he noted that the residents had expressed concerns about the traffic situation. He indicated that the realignment of Portugal Cove Road/New Cove Road intersection was also discussed at that meeting in terms of how it would help alleviate the current traffic problems. The commencement of the realignment project had been delayed until Newfoundland Power was able to begin relocation of the utility poles. Councillor Colbert inquired about the anticipated completion date for the realignment of the New Cove Road/Portugal Cove Road intersection. In response, the Director of Engineering advised that Newfoundland Power started their work at the end of July and the relocation of the utility poles is scheduled for this week. Therefore, it is anticipated that the base coat of asphalt should be down by October.

Councillor Hann

- Councillor Hann noted that the 26th Annual St. John's Triathlon was held this week, and it has become such a successful event that it is now the largest event of its kind in Atlantic Canada.
- Councillor Hann congratulated the organizers of the Folk Festival on a successful event, noting that this year's event was record breaking in terms of attendance. He noted that the organizers worked with City staff to relocate some of the performance tents to allow for increased capacity.

Councillor Hickman

- Councillor Hickman referenced the St. John's Time program, noting that all of the festivals were well attended and a big draw for visitors.
- Councillor Hickman congratulated the Royal St. John's Regatta Committee on the success of the Regatta.
- Councillor Hickman offered his congratulations to the Blackhorse Ball Hockey Team on its performance at the Canadian Ball Hockey Championships. He noted that the 2013 World Ball Hockey Championships are slated to take place in St. John's.
- Councillor Hickman advised that Canadian Geographic Magazine is running a capital cities photo contest, and he encouraged residents to submit their photos of St. John's to <u>www.canadiangeographic.ca</u>

Councillor O'Leary

- Councillor O'Leary congratulated the organizers of the Buskers Festival, the Folk Festival, and the St. John's Regatta on the success of their events.
- Councillor O'Leary congratulated the Royal Newfoundland Constabulary on being awarded the Freedom of the City. Regarding the parkette on Gower Street/Queen's Road, she noted that there is a visibility issue for cars when turning onto Gower Street from Queen's Road, possibly due to there being one too many parking spaces on Gower Street. She asked that this matter be referred to the Police and Traffic Committee for investigation.
- Councillor O'Leary noted that she had recently inquired about the status of the Fire Department's Learn Not To Burn Program, and the Director of Regional Fire Services has advised that the program was reviewed earlier this year. The program has been enhanced and will be returning to schools in the fall.

- Councillor O'Leary referenced the earlier discussion about an Arts Centre for the City, and she noted that there was some confusion as to whether the City was moving forward with plans for such a centre. She noted that she is very supportive of having a dedicated arts centre in the City and would be interested in hearing any further updates on the matter.
- Councillor O'Leary congratulated St. Patrick's Church receiving funding from the Federal Government for renovations to the church.

Mayor O'Keefe

 Mayor O'Keefe announced that as a result of winning a bet between himself and Mayor Randy Simms on the outcome of this weekend's Senior Baseball Championships, the City of St. John's flag would be flying over Mount Pearl City Hall for one week and Mayor Simms will wear the St. John's Team's baseball jersey at the next Mount Pearl Council meeting.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK