

March 2, 2009

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

Mayor Dennis O'Keefe presided.

There were present also Councillors Duff, Colbert, Hickman, Hann, Puddister, Galgay, Coombs, Hanlon and Collins

Regrets: Deputy Mayor Ellsworth

The Chief Commissioner and City Solicitor, the Associate Commissioner/Director of Corporate Services and City Clerk, the Associate Commissioner/Director of Engineering, the Director of Planning, the Director of Public Works and Parks and Manager, Corporate Secretariat were also in attendance.

Call to Order and Adoption of the Agenda

SJMC2009-03-02/122R

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

- a. Emails from Vaughan Benson and Becky Phillipps and Brad Coady re Parking Ban
- b. Memorandum dated March 2, 2009 from the Chief Commissioner and City Solicitor re Parking Ban
- c. Memorandum dated March 2, 2009 from the Associate Commissioner and Director of Engineering re Road Closure Request, Bay Bulls Road, Sunday March 8, 2009

Adoption of Minutes

SJMC2009-03-02/123R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Hickman; seconded by Councillor Coombs: That the Minutes of the February 23rd, 2009 meeting be adopted as presented.

Business Arising

SJMC2009-03-02/124R

Pursuant to Notice of Motion, it was moved by Councillor Puddister; seconded by Councillor Hickman: That the “On Street Parking Ban Hours” be amended, specifically Saturday from 12:30 a.m. to 2:30 a.m. and Sunday from 12:30 a.m. to 2:30 a.m. for a period effective March 6 to 31, as a pilot project.

In this regard, Council considered a memorandum dated February 26, 2009 from the Director of Public Works and Parks. In addition, Council considered a memorandum dated March 2, 2009 from the Chief Commissioner and City Solicitor regarding the Parking Ban. Also, Council considered E-Mails from Vaughan Benson and Beckey Phillipps, Mark Ivany and Bern Richardson and Brad Coady.

Discussion on the motion ensued during which the Director of Public Works and Parks was asked to explain staff’s recommendation against the change. He indicated that the proposed change would result in reduced snow clearing/removal productivity by approximately one-third. He noted that the midnight shift provides the best opportunity for staff to get the most work done when parked vehicles are off the street and when traffic does not slow down productivity. It is also the safest time for these operations to be carried out. The Director of Public Works and Parks pointed out that staff have not received complaints about the present parking ban hours. In fact, many complaints are due to plows leaving snow behind due to manoeuvring around cars parked on the street. The parking ban is usually not implemented until after Christmas to accommodate on-street visitor parking; and other major municipalities in the region implement their On-Street Parking Bans effective December 1st each year regardless of weather conditions.

Members of Council supporting the motion felt that the change could be tried as a pilot project and argued that the current parking ban hours are too early. They noted that in any event, discretion should be used in the issuance of tickets during the “parking ban” period.

Members of Council objecting to the motion agreed with the recommendations put forth by staff.

Following discussion, the motion being put there voted for it the mover, seconder and Councillor Hanlon. Voting against the motion were Councillors Duff, Colbert, Hann, Galgay, Coombs and Collins.

The motion failed.

Application for Towing and Vehicle Impound Yard, Redmond's Road, (Ward 3) - Cyril Fitzpatrick

Council considered a memorandum dated February 26, 2009 from the Director of Planning regarding the application for Towing and Vehicle Impound Yard, Redmond's Road.

Discussion ensued during which some members of Council asked if specific conditions were attached to the conditions of approval of the application. It was pointed out by the Director of Planning that Council did not impose any special conditions of approval other than that the development must be constructed and operated as indicated by the applicant in his application submitted to the City, i.e. as a towing and impound yard only. No conditions were placed by Council with respect to the posting of a bond to cover costs associated with an environmental clean-up and repairs to properties; nor was any condition established by Council as to the duration of time that the applicant can operate the towing and vehicle impound yard.

Some members of Council alluded to the concerns raised by Mr. Gordon Holden. The Chief Commissioner and City Solicitor pointed out that if the landowner does something to cause harm to a person's property in this instance, they have no recourse against the City but they have the right to take action against that person.

With respect to the concern that the yard might operate in contravention of the application approved by Council, the City can take action against the owner which could include seeking an order from the courts to close that portion of the operation which is in contravention of Council approval.

Development Committee Report dated February 24, 2009

Council considered the following Development Committee Report dated February 24, 2009:

RECOMMENDATION OF APPROVAL:

**1. Request for Release of Five (5) Additional Building Permits
King Edward Place Development (Ward 2)**

The Development Committee recommends that Council approve the release of building permits for the next five (5) dwelling units for the King Edward Place Development.

**Art Cheeseman, Chairperson
Associate Commissioner/Director of Engineering**

SJMC2009-03-02/125R

It was moved by Councillor Hann; seconded by Councillor Hickman: That the Committee's recommendation of approval be accepted.

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Public Works & Environment Standing Committee Report dated February 24th, 2009

Council considered the following Public Works and Environment Standing Committee Report dated February 24th, 2009:

In Attendance:

- Councillor Wally Collins, Chairperson
- Deputy Mayor Ron Ellsworth
- Councillor Shannie Duff
- Councillor Frank Galgay
- Councillor Tom Hann
- Councillor Sandy Hickman
- Ron Penney, Chief Commissioner & City Solicitor
- Art Cheeseman, Associate Commissioner/Director of Engineering
- Paul Mackey, Director of Public Works & Parks
- Bob Bishop, Director of Finance & City Treasurer
- Dave Blackmore, Director of Building & Property Management
- Jim Clarke, Manager of Streets & Parks
- Brendan O'Connell, Manager of Environmental Services
- Phil Hiscock, Operations Assistant – Streets
- Mike O'Leary, Waste Management Engineer

Karen Chafe, Recording Secretary

1. On-Street Parking Ban

The Committee considered a Council Directive from the Regular Meeting of February 9th, 2009 wherein Councillor Puddister indicated he received a request from a constituent that the City use discretion when issuing tickets after 12:30 am for cars parked on the street. He suggested that consideration be given to revising the hours for the on-street parking ban from 12:30 am to 2:30 am on Saturdays & Sundays and has since given a notice of motion to amend the hours on that basis.

Staff advised that to reduce the productive time allocated to the overnight shift will have a major negative impact on the efficiency of operations. The following points were noted:

- If cars are permitted to park on the streets for 2 hours longer than the present practice, this will reduce snow clearing/removal productivity by approximately one-third, particularly when consideration is given to the mandatory requirement for lunches and breaks that have to be built into shifts.
- The midnight shift provides the best opportunity for staff to get the most work done when cars are off the street and when traffic does not slow down productivity. It is also the safest time for these operations to be carried out.
- The suggestion that discretion be used when issuing tickets is not practical or equitable to the public in general as this will result in inconsistencies with some officers choosing to ticket vehicles while others may not. It also leaves the general public with the false impression that they may not be ticketed and, therefore, may be more apt to take chances in parking their vehicles on the street. This becomes problematic when an unexpected snow storm occurs and vehicles have to be towed away.

The parking ban is not usually implemented until after the Christmas holidays to accommodate on street visitor parking.

- Staff have not received complaints about the present parking ban hours. In fact, more complaints are received because of plows leaving snow behind due to parked cars on the street obstructing plowing operations.

The Committee on motion of Councillor Duff; seconded by Deputy Mayor Ellsworth recommends that the on-street parking ban policy remain unchanged, noting the operational inefficiencies that will result, as noted above.

2. Service Evaluation Survey Results

The Committee refers the attached Service Evaluation Survey Results from the Department of Public Works & Parks to Council for information purposes.

3. Snowmobiles within the City

The Committee considered a Council Directive from the Regular Meeting of February 16th, 2009 wherein Councillor Hanlon noted that concern has been raised by residents in her Ward on the use of snowmobiles within the City's parks and trails, etc., and tabled information on how other municipalities address the situation.

The Committee notes that this is an enforcement issue that is the responsibility of the Royal Newfoundland Constabulary. The City is keen to work with the RNC to monitor the issue and the general public is encouraged to contact the RNC whenever problem issues arise. It should be noted that the Chief Commissioner/City Solicitor has already written a letter to the RNC regarding the matter. The Parks Division has also been asked to work with the Pippy Park Commission to install barriers at various access points in the park to offset the problem.

4. Policy 08-04-18: Premises Isolation from the Public Water Supply

The Committee considered a memorandum dated February 20th, 2009 from the Manager of Environmental Services regarding proposed revisions to the above captioned Policy. The revisions are requested:

- To update the Policy to match the latest version of the applicable CSA standard;
- To provide owners of property with on site hydrants with an alternative of placing premises isolation control measures inside a building mechanical room instead of constructing an above ground enclosure under certain circumstances;
- To clarify issues of interpretation of the Policy that the City has encountered with mechanical consultants since enforcing the Policy.

The Committee on motion of Deputy Mayor Ellsworth; seconded by Councillor Hann recommends approval of the revisions as outlined by the Manager of Environmental Services, as per the attachment included with this report.

5. Overnight Snow Removal Notification

The Manager of Streets & Parks referenced problems with the general public's continued reliance on the use of the temporary "*snow removal tonight*" signs which are placed in the snow banks of those areas where snow removal will occur. The service is provided as a courtesy to the general public, however, residents should not rely solely on these signs, which have in the past been stolen. This results in cars remaining on the street and having to be towed. The onus is on residents to contact the City's snow line, 311 or sign up for the daily e-mail reminders which ensure the most updated information on snow removal schedules.

Chairperson

SJMC2009-03-02/126R

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

Regarding Item #3 (Snowmobiles within the City) Councillor Puddister asked that the Chief Commissioner and City Solicitor research the current fines applicable to snowmobile operators who contravene provincial regulations within municipal limits with a view to seeking stiffer penalties.

Following discussion, the motion being put was unanimously carried.

Arts Jury Report dated February 20th, 2009

Council considered the following Arts Jury Report dated February 20th, 2009:

A meeting of the Arts Jury was held on Friday, February 20th, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. in the Department of Economic Development, Tourism, and Culture boardroom, 348 Water St. The purpose of the meeting was to review the ninety-four (94) applications received which totaled \$273,124. The maximum funding allocation is for \$101,000. Last year, the City received 122 applications totaling \$358,557 in requests. It should be noted that over 20% of last year's arts grant fund was allocated to festival funding initiatives which this year have their own fund process. Of the 94 applications received this year, 15 were rejected.

With regard to application submitted from Michael El-Gohary under the music category, Councillor Duff abstained from discussion, declaring a conflict of interest in this case. Under the dance category, Sean Panting abstained from discussion, declaring a conflict of interest for the application submitted by Lynn Panting.

The following is recommended for approval:

- **That the attached grants applications totaling \$101,000 be approved.**
- **That the Writers' Alliance of Newfoundland and Labrador be given a multi-year grant of \$3500 each year for a three year period, beginning in the year 2009 and ending in the year 2011, at which time such grant may be subject to renewal.**
- **That the C2C Theatre application be given a multi-year grant of \$2500 each year for a three year period, beginning in the year 2009 and ending in the year 2011, at which time such grant may be subject to renewal.**

- **That the following applications be referred to the Festivals Fund for consideration, as they do not fall within the criteria of arts grants funding for individuals and organizations:**
 - - **Nickel Independent Film Festival application**
 - **Copasetic by Productions Inc. application**
 - **Tango on the Edge**
Aaron Wagner

- **That the Arts Grants Policy be reviewed to clarify the stipulations under which applications are considered, i.e. it was agreed that funding for schools and fundraising events should not be eligible. It was also agreed that applications must be judged first and foremost on the artistic merit and originality of the work and should benefit directly or indirectly the local community in which it is created.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Melanie Del Rizzo, Chair
Councillor Sandy Hickman
Anita Singh, Visual Arts
Sean Panting, Music Sector

Councillor Shannie Duff
Councillor Debbie Hanlon
Monica Kidd, Literary Arts

2009 Grants to Artists & Art Organizations		Amounts Recommended	
LITERARY	AMOUNT REQUESTED	Arts Grants to Individuals	Arts Grants to Organizations
ORGANIZATION			
Newfoundland Writers' Guild	\$ 1,000		750
Riddle Fence Inc. (Mark Callanan)	\$ 4,800		2,500
Writers' Alliance of Newfoundland & Labrador	\$ 9,275		3,500
INDIVIDUAL			
David Andrews	\$ 1,400	750	
Susan Chalker Browne	\$ 1,000	500	
Paul Butler	\$ 2,000	500	
Robert Chafe	\$ 2,500	1,500	
Gerard Collins	\$ 700	700	
Joanne Soper-Cook	\$ 2,400	700	
Bob Hallett	\$ 5,000	500	
Maura Hanrahan	\$ 3,000	750	
Mike Heffernan	\$ 1,000	750	
Brad Hodder	\$ 1,000	500	
Joel Thomas Hynes	\$ 1,000	750	
Timothy Laurence Marsh	\$ 2,000	250	
Paul Rowe	\$ 2,000	750	
Aaron Wagner (Festival)	\$ 5,000	-	
Marian Frances White	\$ 1,000	500	
LITERARY SUBTOTAL	\$ 46,075	\$ 9,400	\$ 6,750
MUSIC			
	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AGI	AGO
ORGANIZATION			
Les. Ms. Choir Inc.	\$ 2,070		-
Opera Roadshow Jour Hansel & Gretel (Caroline Shiller)	\$ 7,724		1,500
Rock Can Roll (Liz Solo)	\$ 1,500		1,000
Shalloway - Newfoundland & Labrador Youth in Chorus	\$ 2,500		1,500
INDIVIDUAL			
Duane Andrews	\$ 1,500	1,000	
Ian Bailey	\$ 2,250	500	
David Chafe	\$ 5,000	1,000	
Chris Driedzic	\$ 3,000	1,000	
Michael El-Gohary	\$ 1,000	500	
Lee Hanlon	\$ 1,000	750	
Mike Hanrahan	\$ 5,000	750	
Cheryl Hickman (Opera On The Avalon)	\$ 7,500	-	
Geraldine Hollett	\$ 4,195	1,000	
Jane Leibel	\$ 2,000	750	
Mary O'Keeffe	\$ 1,500	500	
Elizabeth Pickard (Liz Solo)	\$ 2,000	-	
Colleen Power	\$ 2,000	1,000	
Vernon Regehr	\$ 975	-	
Sherry Ryan	\$ 1,500	1,000	
Krista Vincent	\$ 1,000	1,000	
MUSIC SUBTOTAL	\$ 55,214	\$ 10,750	\$ 4,000
MULTI-MEDIA / FILM			
	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AGI	AGO
ORGANIZATION			
Nickel Independent Film Festival (Festival)	\$ 2,500		-
Odd Sock Films Inc.	\$ 1,000		1,000
INDIVIDUAL			
Frank Barry	\$ 1,000	750	
Rhonda Buckley	\$ 1,000	500	
Jordan Canning	\$ 1,000	1,000	
Ruth Lawrence	\$ 2,000	1,500	
Mary Lewis	\$ 1,000	1,000	
Jody Richardson	\$ 1,000	1,000	
Allison White	\$ 2,000	500	
MULTI-MEDIA SUBTOTAL	\$ 12,500	\$ 6,250	\$ 1,000
THEATRE			
	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AGI	AGO
ORGANIZATION			
Artistic Fraud of Newfoundland (Multi-Year Fund 08/09/10)	\$ 10,000		4,000
C2C Theatre (Charlie Tomlinson) recommended for multi-year	\$ 2,500		2,500
Corner Boys Inc. (Rick Boland/Marlene Cahill)	\$ 3,000		1,000
NAXX - Newfoundland Artist X (Lois Brown/Marlene Cahill)	\$ 2,000		1,000
Newfoundland Historic Trust (Jonathan Walsh)	\$ 1,000		1,000
Resource Centre for the Arts Ops (Multi year fund 07/08/09)	\$ 5,000		5,000
RCAT (Multi year fund 07/08/09)	\$ 3,000		3,300
She Said Yes!	\$ 1,000		1,000
The Open Actors Studio (Bryan Hennessey)	\$ 2,000		1,000
Wonderbolt Productions (Beni Malone) (Multi-Year 07/08/09)	\$ 5,000		3,000

2009 Grants to Artists & Art Organizations		Amounts Recommended	
INDIVIDUAL			
Sharon King-Campbell	\$ 1,000	500	
Jane Dingle	\$ 2,000	750	
Darka Erdelji	\$ 2,000	1,250	
Aiden Flynn	\$ 5,710	2,500	
Peter Halley (Shelley Neville)	\$ 14,250	-	
Bryan Hennessey	\$ 1,500	750	
Andy Jones	\$ 3,000	2,000	
Shelley Neville	\$ 5,000	-	
Nicole Rousseau	\$ 1,500	750	
THEATRE SUBTOTAL	\$ 70,460	\$ 8,500	\$ 22,800
DANCE			
	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AGI	AGO
ORGANIZATION			
Broken Accidents Collective (Sarah Joy Stoker)	\$ 2,000		1,000
Copasetic by Productions, Inc. (Festival)	\$ 9,723		-
Tango on the Edge (Festival)	\$ 3,000		-
INDIVIDUAL			
Tammy MacLeod (Festival)	\$ 1,000	500	
Lynn Panting	\$ 1,000	750	
Lisa Porter	\$ 1,000	500	
Sarah Joy Stoker	\$ 1,000	750	
DANCE SUBTOTAL	\$ 18,723	\$ 2,500	\$ 1,000
VISUAL			
	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AGI	AGO
ORGANIZATION			
AIC Gallery (Gordon Laurin)	\$ 10,000		5,000
Craft Council of Newfoundland & Labrador (Multi-Year 07/08/09)	\$ 1,000		1,000
Eastern Edge Gallery (Multi-Year 07/08/09)	\$ 20,000		3,500
Independent Artists Cooperative	\$ 2,000		-
RCA Visual (Multi Year 07/08/09)	\$ 5,000		5,000
St. Michael's Printshop - (Multi-Year 07/08/09)	\$ 5,000		5,000
Visual Artists Newfoundland and Labrador	\$ 1,000		1,000
INDIVIDUAL			
Iakov Afanassiev	\$ 500	500	
Greg Bennett	\$ 3,500	1,500	
Shane N. Dwyer	\$ 1,000	500	
Michael Flaherty	\$ 1,000	750	
J. Corey Gorman	\$ 3,000	300	
Jonathan S. Green	\$ 850	500	
Libby Guy	\$ 3,650	-	
John Haney	\$ 1,652	750	
Deborah Jackman	\$ 1,000	-	
Jennifer Morgan	\$ 2,000	750	
April Norman	\$ 2,500	1,000	
Rhonda Pelley	\$ 1,500	1,000	
Christine Roch	\$ 3,000	-	
Judy Stacey	\$ 1,000	-	
VISUAL SUBTOTAL	\$ 70,152	\$ 7,550	\$ 20,500
Grand Total of Requests	\$ 273,124		
Fund Balance after Requests	\$ (172,124)		
Individual Grants Awarded		44,950	
Organization Grants Awarded			56,050
Total Grants Awarded			101,000
Balance of Fund after Grants Awarded			-

SJMC2009-03-02/127R

It was moved by Councillor Duff; seconded by Councillor Hickman: That the Jury's recommendations be approved.

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Nomenclature Committee Report 26, 2009

Council considered the following Nomenclature Committee Report dated February 26, 2009:

Revised New Street Name –Future Collector Street “A”
Kelsey Drive Commercial Area – Stage 1

- 1. Messenger Drive

Phyllis Bartlett
Manager, Corporate Secretariat

Council unanimously endorsed the Committee’s recommendation.

Development Permits List

Council considered as information the following Development Permit List for the period February 20, 2009 to February 26, 2009:

**DEVELOPMENT PERMITS LIST
DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING
FOR THE PERIOD OF February 20, 2009 TO February 26, 2009**

Code	Applicant	Application	Location	Ward	Development Officer's Decision	Date
INST	ND Dobbin Limited	Indoor Soccer Facility	Churchill Avenue	1	Approved	09-02-26
COM	Susan Hamilton	Retail Store	120 Lemarchant Rd	2	Approved	09-02-26
COM	Alison Power	Home Office	15 Cessna Street	4	Approved	09-02-26

*	Code Classification:		
	RES	- Residential Institutional	INST -
	COM	- Commercial Industrial	IND -
	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. John's Local Board of Appeal.		

**Gerard Doran
Development Officer
Department of Planning**

Building Permits List

SJMC2009-03-02/128R

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

2009/02/25

Permits List

CLASS: COMMERCIAL

HICKMAN MOTORS LIMITED	20 PEET ST	SN CAR SALES LOT
MSS LAND DEVELOPMENTS LIMITED	20 WHITE ROSE DR	SN WAREHOUSE
FORTIS PROPERTIES CORPORATION	140 WATER ST - 9TH FLOOR SUITE	RN OFFICE
MARTEK	33 PIPPY PL	RN OFFICE
KEY ACCESS	120 LEMARCHANT RD KEY ACCESS	TI OFFICE
EASTERN SIDING SYSTEMS INC.	THE VILLAGE-430 TOPSAIL RD	RN RETAIL STORE
PHB GROUP INC.	7 PLANK ROAD-DEANERY AVE	TI OFFICE
THE SIGNATURE SALON	392 ELIZABETH AVE	CR SERVICE SHOP
NOTUS ELECTRONICS LTD	391-395 EMPIRE AVE	CR OFFICE
ZEDIT SOLUTIONS INCORPORATED	210 WATER ST	RN OFFICE
DEACON INVESTMENTS INC	70 O'LEARY AVE-HEALTH INFO	CR OFFICE
FACILITIES DESIGN GROUP INC.	430 TOPSAIL RD.- LAURA	TI RETAIL STORE

THIS WEEK \$ 1,662,275.00
TO DATE \$ 59,573,549.00

CLASS: INDUSTRIAL

THIS WEEK \$.00
TO DATE \$ 2,685,000.00

CLASS: GOVERNMENT/INSTITUTIONAL

PENTECOSTAL ASSEMBLIES OF	565 KENMOUNT RD ELIM PENTECOST	SN CHURCH
VERA PERLIN SCHOOL	350 PENNYWELL RD	SN SCHOOL
FED. GOV'T. (R.C.M.P. COMPLEX) PROFIT	100 EAST WHITE HILLS RD	RN ADMIN BLDG/GOV/NON-

THIS WEEK \$ 77,568.00
TO DATE \$ 44,719,420.00

CLASS: RESIDENTIAL

KARWOOD CONTRACTING LIMITED	8 SPRUCE GROVE AVE, LOT 125	NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
GUARDIAN HOMES INC.	34 GOLD MEDAL DR, LOT 5-186	NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
PATRICK EMBERLEY	4 PENNYWELL RD	NC PATIO DECK
JAMIE WHITE	29 SERPENTINE ST	NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
CHAD WARREN & SHERRY MCHUGH	566-568 THORBURN RD	NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
ROGER KNEE	27 DUMBARTON PL	CR SUBSIDIARY APARTMENT
GARY KIRKLAND	252 PENNYWELL RD	CR SUBSIDIARY APARTMENT
BRENDAN BARRETT	6 KENSINGTON DR	EX SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
GLEN & TINA TAYLOR	22 BALNAFAD PL	RN SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
DAVID W. FINN &	24 CONWAY CRES	RN SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
DANIELLE IRVINE	1 CLARK PL	RN SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING

MELVIN & STEPHANIE COOMBS	10 LEMARCHANT RD	RN SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
MELVIN COOMBS	10 LEMARCHANT RD, (A)	RN SUBSIDIARY APARTMENT
MELVIN COOMBS	10 LEMARCHANT RD	RN SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
ERCO HOMES	38 SGT. CRAIG GILLAM AVE	RN SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
THE MAJESTIC	390 DUCKWORTH ST	SN PLACE OF AMUSEMENT

THIS WEEK \$ 711,700.00
TO DATE \$156,453,637.00

CLASS: DEMOLITION

THIS WEEK \$.00
TO DATE \$ 1,905,800.00

THIS WEEK'S TOTAL: \$ 2,451,543.00

TOTAL YEAR TO DATE: \$265,337,406.00

REPAIR PERMITS ISSUED: 2009/02/19 TO 2009/02/25 \$ 149,000.00
2007/12/13 TO 2009/02/25 \$ 3,839,160.00 YTD

LEGEND

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

Payrolls and Accounts

SJMC2009-03-02/129R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Hann; seconded by Councillor Collins : That the following Payrolls and Accounts for the week ending February 26, 2009 be approved as presented:

**Weekly Payment Vouchers
For The
Week Ending February 26, 2009**

PAYROLL

Public Works	\$ 384,200.53
Bi-Weekly Casual	\$ 14,354.01

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Cheque No. 143742 - 143997 \$ 3,754,124.67

Total: \$ 4,152,679.21

Tenders

- a. Tender - Provision of Telephone Services
- b. Tender – Supply of Insertion Water Meters

SJMC2009-03 -02/130R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Hann; seconded by Councillor Collins: That the recommendations of the Associate Commissioner/Director of Corporate Services and City Clerk and the Director of Finance and City Treasurer be approved, and the tenders awarded as follows:

- a. **Aliant at \$20.00 per access line, for the three year period commencing March 1, 2009**
- b. **G & M Project Management at \$40,766.31 (taxes not included)**
- c.

14 Murphy’s Avenue – James Abbott

Council considered a memorandum dated February 26, 2009 from the Chief Commissioner and City Solicitor regarding the above noted.

SJMC2009-03-02/131R

It was moved by Councillor Puddister; seconded by Councillor Coombs: That the recommendation of the Chief Commissioner and City Solicitor that land adjacent to 14 Murphy’s Avenue, measuring 20 x 100, be sold to Mr. James Abbott at a rate of \$2.00 per square foot plus usual fees and taxes, be approved.

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Bennett’s River Storm Sewer, Merriam Holdings Ltd. – 683 Water Street

Council considered a memorandum dated February 26, 2009 from the Chief Commissioner and City Solicitor regarding the above noted.

SJMC2009-03-02/132R

It was moved by Councillor Colbert; seconded by Councillor Galgay: That the recommendation of the Chief Commissioner and City Solicitor that an easement required by the City from Merriam Holdings Ltd. to install a major storm sewer system be acquired for \$6,000.00 plus legal fees, be approved.

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Snow Clearing Report for the period January 1st to February 27th, 2009

Council considered the snow clearing report for the period January 1st to February 27th, 2009 showing a negative variance of \$341,366.00.

Phone Poll – Request from HMCS Cabot for a Sea King Helicopter Flying Display in St. John’s Harbour on March 20 and 21, 2009

SJMC2009-03-02/133R

It was moved by Councillor Hickman; seconded by Councillor Colbert: That the phone poll pertaining to a request from HMCS Cabot for a Sea King Helicopter Flying Display in St. John’s Harbour on March 20 and 21, 2009, be ratified.

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Request from Choices for Youth that the City support their fundraiser in support of youth at risk and people experiencing poverty in our community, in the form of purchasing 15 tickets at \$75 each, to the soup competition to be held on March 19, 2009

SJMC2009-03-02/134R

It was moved by Councillor Puddister; seconded by Councillor Galgay: That the City purchase a table of 15 in support of the Choices for Youth fundraising event at a total cost of \$1,125.00

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Road Closure Request, Bay Bulls Road, Sunday March 8, 2009

Council considered a memorandum dated March 2, 2009 from the Associate Commissioner and Director of Engineering regarding the above noted.

SJMC2009-03-02/135R

It was moved by Councillor Duff; seconded by Councillor Collins: That approval be granted for the closure of Bay Bulls Road on Sunday, March 8, 2009 from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. to facilitate an emergency sanitary sewer line

repair at Civic No. 237, subject to the conditions of the Engineering Department. Bay Bulls Road would be closed from Long Beach Street to Walsh's Lane during this time frame. Normal traffic flows would be detoured to Old Bay Bulls Road.

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Councillor Collins

Councillor Collins advised that tenders will be called next week for the upgrading of Doolings Line. It is anticipated that the work will begin early spring.

Councillor Hanlon

Councillor Hanlon congratulated Ryne Flood, who has been named for the second time, the Newfoundland Student Entrepreneur Champion by the National Charitable Organization, Advancing Canadian Entrepreneurship

Councillor Hanlon referenced a news article – Economic Snapshot, February 27, 2009 wherein St. John's lays claim to title of Hottest Job Market in Canada.

Councillor Galgay

Councillor Galgay noted he received a call from Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins, Quidi Vidi Road, concerning the fact that the City used to clear the entrance to their driveway on Quid Vidi Road. He advised that he has referred the matter to the Public Works & Environment Committee for consideration, on their behalf.

Councillor Puddister

Councillor Puddister advised the general public that tenders will be called in August following the Regatta, for the Quidi Vidi Flood Control Structure noting that the City will be entering into an agreement with the Province for cost sharing of the project.

Councillor Hickman

Councillor Hickman encouraged members of Council to support his recommendation that the City consider allocating funding towards preventative

measures to control the pothole situation and avoid the potentially harmful consequences.

Councillor Colbert

Councillor Colbert referenced the recent media reporting on the possibility of restoring hockey to Mile One Stadium. He advised that Council has not been apprised of any solid or otherwise recommendations for any hockey team and will await briefings by SJSE whose mandate it is to negotiate with prospective teams. Any negotiated proposal with them will be brought forward to Council for discussion.

Councillor Coombs also pointed out that in fairness to SJSE Council has been apprised of enquiries received in relation to a hockey franchise but have not been presented with any type of formal agreement.

Councillor Duff

Councillor Duff advised that the Parks and Recreation Master Plan has been presented to the Parks and Recreation Standing Committee and the next step will be to present the report to Council for Approval-in-Principle within two to three weeks.

Councillor Duff advised that the City Cycling Plan has been received from the Consultant and presented to the Parks and Recreation Committee as a committee of the whole of Council. She noted that further discussions will need to take place at Council level with a view to finding a document that is acceptable to put forward to a public consultation process.

Mayor O'Keefe

His Worship the Mayor advised that he has decided not to attend the 2009 Junos in Vancouver, as previously approved by Council, due to the fact that the City will not have a participatory role in the ceremonies.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned 6:15 p.m.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK