MINUTES REGULAR MEETING - CITY COUNCIL December 14, 2015 - 4:30 p.m. - Council Chambers

Present Mayor D. O'Keefe

Deputy Mayor R. Ellsworth

Councillor T. Hann
Councillor S. Hickman
Councillor D. Lane
Councillor A. Puddister
Councillor D. Breen
Councillor J. Galgay
Councillor B. Tilley
Councillor W. Collins

Others City Manager

Associate City Manager

Deputy City Manager of Community Services

Deputy City Manager of Planning, Development & Engineering

Deputy City Manager of Finance & Administration

Deputy City Manager of Public Works

City Solicitor

Chief Municipal Planner

City Clerk

Supervisor of Legislative Services

CALL TO ORDER/ADOPTION OF AGENDA

SJMC2015-12-14/558R

Moved - Councillor Collins; Seconded - Councillor Hann

That the agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

SJMC2015-12-14/559R

Moved – Councillor Tilley; Seconded – Councillor Hickman

That the minutes of December 7, 2015 be adopted as presented with the following revision:

 Page 3 under the "Tenders" section, 1st tender should be awarded to M-B Companies for the amount noted (\$106,762.40); and not to Saunders Equipment as stated in the minutes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NOTICES PUBLISHED

- A Discretionary Use (Non-Conforming Use) application has been submitted by Karwood Estates Inc. to develop a residential dwelling at 28 Fogwill Place. The proposed modular home will have a floor area of approximately 107 m².
- 2. A Discretionary Use Application has been submitted requesting permission to convert the first storey ground floor at **13 Queen Street** into residential use. The floor area to be converted is approximately 69 m².
- 3. A Discretionary Use Application has been submitted by St. John's Fish Exchange requesting municipal approval to operate a Lounge in association with a new restaurant located at **351 Water Street**. The lounge portion will occupy a total floor area of 84m². Hours of operation will be Monday Friday 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m.-10:30 p.m., Saturday and Sunday 4:30 p.m.-10:30 p.m.
- 4. A Discretionary Use Application has been submitted requesting permission to occupy 45A Eastaff Street as a Home Occupation for Aesthetics Services. The proposed business will offer aesthetic services and will occupy a floor area of approximately 8.7 m2 and will operate Monday Sunday, 8am 8pm. One (1) client per session, and by appointment only with 30 minutes between each session. Onsite parking is available for the business. The applicant is the sole employee.

SJMC2015-12-14/560R

Moved – Councillor Puddister; Seconded – Councillor Hickman

That all the applications noted above be approved subject to all applicable City requirements.

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5. A Discretionary Use application has been submitted requesting permission to occupy 24 Waterford Bridge Road as a three (3) room Bed and Breakfast. The applicant has also requested municipal approval for a Tourist Home Liquor License in conjunction with the proposed B&B to serve alcohol at the property. The proposed business will be owner operated and adequate on-site parking is provided.

SJMC2015-12-14/561R

Moved - Councillor Tilley; Seconded - Deputy Mayor Ellsworth

That the application be denied.

SJMC2015-12-14/562R

Moved - Councillor Puddister; Seconded - Councillor Lane

That the application be deferred for referral back to staff to ascertain if there are options to approval without a liquor license.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Police & Traffic Committee Report

SJMC2015-12-14/563R

Moved - Councillor Hickman; Seconded - Deputy Mayor Ellsworth

That the report be deferred to the January 4, 2016 regular meeting of council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Development Committee Report – December 8, 2015

Council considered the above noted report.

SJMC2015-12-14/564R

Moved – Councillor Puddister; Seconded – Councillor Tilley

That the report be adopted as presented.

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DEVELOPMENT PERMITS LIST

Link to List

Council considered as information the Development Permits List for the period December 3 - December 9, 2015.

BUILDING PERMITS LIST

Link to List

Council considered the Building Permits list for the period of December 3 - December 9, 2015.

SJMC2015-12-14/565R

Moved – Councillor Puddister; Seconded - Councillor Breen

That the building permits list for the period December 3 - 9, 2015 be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REQUISITIONS, PAYROLLS AND ACCOUNTS

Link to Memo

Council considered the requisitions, payrolls and accounts for the week ending December 9, 2015.

SJMC2015-12-14/566R

Moved - Councillor Puddister; Seconded - Councillor Breen

That the Payrolls and Accounts for the week ending December 9, 2015 be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

TENDERS/RFSs

Tender – Purchase of Nine New Tandem Dump Truck Sanders

Council considered the above noted tender.

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SJMC2015-12-14/567R

Moved - Councillor Puddister; Seconded - Councillor Breen

That the tender be awarded to the overall lowest bidder meeting specifications Western Star and Freightliner Trucks of Newfoundland in the amount of \$2,129,661. HST extra to price quoted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

OTHER BUSINESS

E-Poll – Music Festival's Senior Rose Bowl Award

SJMC2015-12-14/568R

Moved - Councillor Lane ; Seconded - Councillor Breen

That the e-poll be approved and that Council grant \$2,500 to the Kiwanis Music Festival's Senior Rose Bowl Award.

Election of Board of Management - Downtown St. John's

Council considered the Decision Note dated December 10, 2015 from the City Clerk regarding the above noted.

SJMC2015-12-14/569R

Moved - Lane; Seconded - Councillor Hann

That the following nominees be approved:

BIA Election – December 2015		
Individual	Company	Date of Receipt
Colin Andrews	Stewart McKelvey	November 30, 2015
Seamus Patrick O'Keefe	George Street Association	November 25, 2015
Wayne Purchase	Martek Morgan Finch Incorporated	November 25, 2015
Kim Saunders	East Port Properties	November 26, 2015
Sheena McCrate	St. John's Sports & Entertainment	November 30, 2015
Duncan Whitcomb	The Hardman Group Limited	December 3, 2015
Richard Lorne Loder	Ballistic	December 3, 2015

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Budget 2016 - 18

Councillor Galgay, Chairperson of the Finance & Administration Standing Committee presented Budget 2016 -18 including revenues and expenditures which are balanced at \$302.2 million for 2016, a 4.4 percent increase over last year.

SJMC2015-12-14/570R

Moved - Councillor Galgay; Seconded - Councillor Breen

That the 2016 Budget be adopted as presented with the attached resolutions: Link to List

- 2016 Accommodation Tax Resolution
- 2016 Downtown St. John's Business Improvement Area Levy
- Interest Rate on Arrears of Tax Resolution
- 2016 Property Tax Rate Resolution Commercial Properties
- 2016 Property Tax Rate Resolution Residential Properties
- 2016 25% Property Tax Reduction for Senior Citizens Resolution
- 2016 Business Tax Rate on Utilities Resolution
- 2016 Water By Meter Resolutions
- 2016 Water Tax Resolution

All members present outlined their reasons for either supporting or rejecting the budget, after which time, the question of the motion was called.

MOTION CARRIED WITH COUNCILLORS PUDDISTER, LANE AND HICKMAN DISSENTING

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

MAYOR	
CITY CLERK	

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