

MINUTES OF MEETING

GRAND FALLS-WINDSOR TOWN COUNCIL

HELD IN THE TOWN HALL

7:00 P.M., WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15TH, 2017

PRESENT: Mayor: Barry Manuel
Deputy Mayor: Darren Finn
Councillors: Peggy Bartlett, Mike Browne, Amy Coady-Davis,
Bruce Moores, Tom Pinsent
Staff: J. Saunders, Town Manager\Clerk
N. Chatman, Director of Engineering & Works
K. Antle, Director of Parks and Recreation
B. Griffin, Director of Finance

Prior to the meeting the Mayor signed a Proclamation for the Girl Guides and Boy Scouts for “Thinking Week”.

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. and asked for any errors or omissions to the Minutes of Meeting #473 of Tuesday, January 24th, 2017.

Motion

Browne\Pinsent

Be it resolved that the Minutes of Meeting #473 of Tuesday, January 24th, 2017 would be adopted as circulated. This motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES

None

DISBURSEMENT REPORT

Councillor Pinsent presented the disbursement report in the amount of \$358,622.43.

Motion

Pinsent\Moores

Be it resolved that the disbursement report in the amount of \$358,622.43 would be adopted as presented. This motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Works and Planning

The following report was presented by Councillor Coady-Davis.

Capital Works

The Committee reviewed and discussed the documents that were presented. The Provincial Multi-Year Capital Works Funding Agreement is coming to an end and a complete review of remaining projects and funds were presented. There was realignment of the existing funding allocation due to project overruns and/or project surpluses. Reallocation was within existing funding agreement so no new money was required. Some funds were allocated for an assessment of the dam at New Bay, other funds to the Ski Chalet\Trail Lighting Project. Some remaining funds were placed in the 2016 Paving Project that has been carried over.

Mayor Manuel excused himself from the discussion of the Corduroy Brook Enhancement Association (CBEA) building. Remaining members discussed the requirements of all the building needs:- (including furnishings and interpretation pieces) being completed before building is to be used. A breakdown of all existing funding was presented and a request for additional funds be reallocated for the project from the current funding arrangement.

The Committee recommends that the new Schedule "A" attached be approved.

Maple School Tender Results

The Committee reviewed the results of the tender for the demolition of the Maple School. There were a total of seven (7) bidders with a low bid of \$308,200.00 including HST by Adams Construction Ltd.

The Committee recommends that the tender be awarded to Adams Construction Ltd.

Correspondence – Glenn Oldford

The Committee reviewed a land request by Glenn Oldford at the Trans Canada Highway\Toulett Drive intersection on the west end of Town. Mr. Oldford is proposing to develop the lot for self-storage units.

The Committee recommends denying this request at this time as the development plan for the whole area from the Trans Canada Highway to the riverfront has not been completed. No development shall be permitted until such time the plan is complete. The Committee requested that staff contact Mr. Oldford to suggest other areas of Town that the proposal could be approved.

Business Application – Used Furniture\Appliance and Pawn Shop

The Committee reviewed a request that was received from Eddie and Pearl Wilcox to open a used furniture\appliance store and pawn shop at 1B Queensway which is in a Commercial General (CG) zone. The Town's regulations do not permit a pawn shop in any area within the Town. Mr. Wilcox inquired why pawn shops were not permitted and requested a change in the regulations.

The Committee recommends that staff follow up with other jurisdictions that permit pawn shops to see if there are any special requirements or concerns. Also, staff should consult with the Municipal Police Chief to get his opinion and report back to the Committee.

Signage Policy

The Committee was presented with a proposed change to the Development Regulations under Section 13 of Signs and Advertisements under the Signage Policy in order to keep current.

The Committee recommends adopting the revised Signage Policy and also recommends staff move forward with the proposed regulation change.

Corduroy Subdivision

The Committee reviewed a request from Corduroy Developers Ltd. to purchase a parcel of land owned by the Town that they need to continue with the development along Ivany's Road. They have requested a fair price and also inquired if the tax arrangement for unsold land be reviewed as they consider it too high for vacant land and may prohibit desire to continue development.

The Committee recommends the parcel of land required be sold for \$20,000.00 to Corduroy Developers Ltd., but defer the tax inquiry to the Finance and Administration Committee.

Patricia Ballard – 216 Main Street West

The Committee was updated on the conversation with Mrs. Ballard regarding the water issues at her residence. She has no desire to move or sell her property and would prefer a solution. It was suggested that jacking up the house a few feet would help alleviate the issue. This was the proposed course of action by the developer of Blackmore Street before they went bankrupt and it has never been done.

The Committee requested that staff get a quote on jacking up the house and associated work and report back to the Committee.

Richard McDonald's Property – Second Avenue

The Committee reviewed an offer from Mr. McDonald to transfer ownership of the property at 1 Second Avenue to the Town as compensation for back taxes owed on the property at 44 Memorial Avenue.

The Committee recommends that this request be deferred to the Finance and Administration Committee.

Warhall Investments

The Committee was updated on the proposed development of the area on Lincoln Road and the old Club 63 property by Warhall Investments. A sketch of the proposed plan was discussed. The dental clinic is going through the process, but Mr. McCann was inquiring if the submitted proposal for long-term care facilities and possibly purchasing and redeveloping the existing mini mall. If approved in principle, he could approach owners of the adjacent properties to complete the overall development plan.

The Committee agrees with the concept in principle, but would need to see more details of the overall plan before recommending formal approval.

Residential Concerns\Complaints

The Committee discussed a proposal by the Director of Engineering and Works to have all concerns\complaints deferred to the Public Works Depot rather than have residents continue to report to the Councillors. The intent was to have the residents provide the details first hand to the frontline staff for proper recording and help alleviate the numerous requests that Council receive.

The Committee acknowledges that this request may work, but felt it important that all Council be available to the public to discuss their concerns. All members agreed that this was a very integral part of being a Councillor. The Committee does recommend that when a Councillor is contacted or approached by residents, the proper information be collected and forwarded to the correct Department Head for action. It is essential to get details of the concern\complaint and contact information including name, address and phone number.

I move the recommendations and report of this Committee.

Motion

Coady-Davis\Moores

Be it resolved that the Corduroy Brook Enhancement Association discussion be removed from the Minutes and voted on separately. Mayor Manuel excused himself from the meeting at this time. This motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

Motion

Coady-Davis\Bartlett

Be it resolved that the Schedule "A" changes for Corduroy Brook Enhancement Association be approved as presented. This motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

Motion

Coady-Davis\Bartlett

Be it resolved that these recommendations and report would be adopted as circulated with the Corduroy Brook Enhancement Association item removed and voted on separately. This motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

Finance and Administration

The following report was presented by Councillor Pinsent.

Taxation Levy Report

The Committee reviewed the taxation levy report for 2017. Total taxes levied was \$14,853,443. Based on the levy we require \$117,500 of additional revenue through assessment growth to meet the Budget target.

Defined Benefit Pension Plan – Annual Report

The Committee reviewed the Defined Benefit Pension Plan Annual Report. Total funds as of December 31st, 2016 were \$8,424,988. Total return for the year was \$579,131 (6.6%). The Director of Finance noted that valuation is in the process of being completed for that date.

Salt Inventory Expense Report

The Committee reviewed the salt usage for 2016 is 1,144 tons. Total cost for the year was \$126,605. The salt expense exceeded the revised Budget by \$34,605.

Provincial\Federal Funding Agreement – Wastewater Plant Treatment

The Committee reviewed the Provincial\Federal Funding Agreement for Wastewater Plant Treatment. Total project costs are \$9,751,143 (Federal - \$3,250,381 and Provincial - \$3,575,419). The Town's share is \$2,925,34. The agreement allows for completion is 2020.

The Committee recommends we enter into these agreements.

Cost of Living Allowance

The Committee reviewed the rate of inflation in Newfoundland and Labrador for 2016. Inflation for the year was 4.1% compared to 1.5% nationally. Due to terms of the Collective Agreement employees are due a 1% cost of living adjustment estimated to cost \$71,500.

The Committee recommends this adjustment be paid out.

Fuel Cost

The Committee reviewed the fuel cost for 2016. Total cost of diesel for the year was \$137,420. Total cost of gas for the year was \$95,296. Total fuel cost decreased by \$27,296 over the previous year. This decrease was due to price declines. Total usage was on par with the previous year.

Disbursement Report

The Committee reviewed the disbursement report for February 2nd, 2017.

The Committee recommends it be forwarded to the next Council agenda.

Group Insurance Taxation

The Committee discussed the issue of Federal Taxation of Employer Group Insurance payments. The Committee reviewed communication prepared by our Pension Consultant.

The Committee strongly opposes this taxation and recommends Council support opposition to this.

Bronze Statue – Gordon Pinsent

The Committee discussed a proposal to create a bronze statue of Gordon Pinsent.

The Committee recommends that we look into ways of funding this in partnership with community groups.

I move the recommendations and report of this Committee.

Motion

Pinsent\Moores

Be it resolved that these recommendations and report would be adopted as circulated. This motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

Deputy Mayor Finn referenced the funding announcement this past week for the next phase of the Wastewater Treatment Plant Agreement. It is significant to meet the new Federal Government effluent guidelines.

Mayor Manuel stated that Grand Falls-Windsor will be one of the first in Newfoundland and Labrador to meet the new guidelines for full compliance. He

noted that the demolition of the industrial area along the river has been completed and the Town is now focusing on the tourism potential. Environment Resources Management Association has done great work on enhancing the return of Atlantic salmon on the river and this supports the tourism growth potential.

Councillor Bartlett mentioned a bronze statue for Gordon Pinsent is just preliminary and asked residents interested on having ideas to honour Mr. Pinsent to contact any Town staff or Councillors.

The following three (3) Resolutions were presented by Councillor Pinsent:-

Resolution GF-W 2017-247

RE: WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY EXPANSION
PROJECT NO. 17-NRP-17-0005
PROVINCIAL-TERRITORIAL INFRASTRUCTURE COMPONENT (PTIC)

WHEREAS the Province and the Council have agreed to enter into a Municipal Infrastructure Agreement for the financing of the project(s) outlined in Schedule "A", dated February 15th, 2017, hereinafter referred to as the "works", and have agreed to cost not in excess of \$10,752,943 which amounts to \$9,751,143 after the GST\HST rebate calculation;

WHEREAS the cost shared funding for this Agreement is as follows:-

Provincial	-	\$3,575,419
Federal	-	\$3,250,381
Municipal	-	\$2,925,343

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are authorized to enter into this Agreement on behalf of the Council.

Motion

Pinsent\Finn

Be it resolved that Resolution GF-W 2017-247 would be adopted as presented. This motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

Resolution GF-W 2017-248

RE. WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY EXPANSION
PROJECT NO. 17-NRP-17-00005
NEW BUILDING CANADA FUND – PROVINCIAL – TERRITORIAL
INFRASTRUCTURE COMPONENT – NATIONAL AND REGIONAL
PROJECTS

WHEREAS the Federal Government and the Council have agreed to enter into a Municipal Infrastructure Agreement for the financing of the project(s) outlined in Schedule “A”, dated February 15th, 2017, hereinafter referred to as the “works”, and have agreed to cost not in excess of \$10,752,943 which amounts to \$9,751,143 after the GST\HST rebate calculation;

WHEREAS the cost shared funding for this Agreement is as follows:-

Provincial	-	\$3,575,419
Federal	-	\$3,250,381
Municipal	-	\$2,925,343

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are authorized to enter into this Agreement on behalf on the Council.

Motion
Pinsent\Finn

Be it resolved that Resolution GF-W 2017-248 would be adopted as presented. This motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

Resolution GF-W 2017-249

REVISED SCHEDULE “A”
MULTI-YEAR CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM

WHEREAS the Town of Grand Falls-Windsor qualifies under the Provincial Multi-Year Capital Works Program;

WHEREAS all projects and funding allocations under this Agreement must be approved through the Department of Municipal Affairs;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Grand Falls-Windsor has available funding remaining in the Multi-Year Capital Works Program and has to re-profile existing funding;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Schedule "A" be revised and funding be re-profiled as per attached Schedule "A".

Motion

Pinsent\Finn

Be it resolved that Resolution GF-W 2017-249 would be adopted as presented. This motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

Parks, Recreation and Special Events

The following report was presented by Councillor Browne.

2017 Atlantic Canada Event Summit

The Director of Parks and Recreation presented the Committee with details on the 2017 Atlantic Canada Event Summit scheduled for March 8th-10th in St. John's.

The Committee recommends the Mayor, Recreation Committee Chair, Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation and the Director of Parks and Recreation register for this event.

Centennial Field Mural

The Committee reviewed the proposed mural for Centennial Field from CNVAS.

The Committee recommends the Director of Parks and Recreation get back to the CNVAS group with a few modifications and report back to the Committee with an updated proof of the mural.

Town Funded Capital Request

The Director of Parks and Recreation presented the Committee with a list of Parks and Recreation Capital requests for 2017.

The Committee discussed the priorities on the list and recommends that list be referred to Finance for final approval of all Departmental Capital requests.

Meeting with Men's and Co-Ed Softball Leagues

Dave Canning from the Grand Falls-Windsor Men's Softball League and Mary Folkes from the Grand Falls-Windsor Co-Ed Softball League thanked Council for their support this past summer and presented a list of recommendations for the operation of their Leagues next summer. The biggest recommendation was an extension to their clubhouse which will be considered for Capital Funding in 2018. The majority of their requests will be addressed in the spring before the Leagues start for the summer in 2017.

The Committee stressed the importance of following Alcohol Regulations during tournaments and league play. The Committee recommends the Director develop a list of facility regulations and post in the clubhouse and ask the Leagues to get their players to follow these Regulations.

Pickle Ball

The new Pickle Ball Program had to be postponed on January 31st as the equipment has been delayed getting here. The program has been rescheduled for Tuesday, February 7th at 7:00-9:00 P.M. at the Windsor Pentecostal gymnasium. Everyone is encouraged to attend, all equipment will be provided.

Sport History Committee

The new Sport History Committee has been formed and its first meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 9th.

The Parks and Recreation Committee recommends they develop a Terms of Reference and report back to the next Parks and Recreation Committee meeting.

Programs Update

The Provincial Antique Car Show has been finalized for August 26th at Centennial Field, the Summer Hockey School and Summer Figure Skating School have been finalized for July 31st – September 1st and the Winterlude promotion is

now in full swing which is scheduled for February 17th-20th. Also, Mid Winter Bivver is sold out and will take place February 10th and 11th.

Recreation Software

The Committee discussed the benefits and costs of the proposed Recreation software from “TownSuite”.

The Committee recommends they meet with “TownSuite” staff at the next Committee of the Whole meeting on February 7th, 2017 to evaluate the benefits of the software.

Perfectly Centered Culinary Festival

The Committee discussed the major sponsorship package for the Perfectly Centered Culinary Festival.

The Committee recommends staff solicit businesses with the sponsorship package and report back to the Committee at the next Parks and Recreation Committee meeting.

I move the recommendations and report of this Committee.

Motion

Browne\Coady-Davis

Be it resolved that these recommendations and report would be adopted as circulated. This motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

Councillor Browne noted that Pickle Ball has started and encouraged all residents to come out on Tuesday and Thursday nights and participate. He also mentioned that the Mid Winter Bivver was very successful this past week-end and congratulated the Director of Parks and Recreation and staff and Economic Development Officer on their efforts.

Deputy Mayor Finn stated that the Terms of Reference for the Sport History Committee should be circulated and reviewed by Council.

Mayor Manuel confirmed that this is the process and will use all Town sport facilities to promote the sport heritage.

Deputy Mayor Finn requested TownSuite be reminded to send the sample programs for review by Council and staff.

Mayor Manuel noted that there are lots of programs and events happening in Grand Falls-Windsor and encouraged residents to get out and support them.

Economic Development, Tourism and Heritage

The following report was presented by Councillor Bartlett.

Adventure Central Presentation

Shannon Pinsent and Matt Malloy of Adventure Central gave the Committee a presentation on the types of initiatives that Adventure Central carries out.

Trade Show Booth Backdrop

The Economic Development Officer presented two (2) examples that might be used for the Town's Trade Show Booth for upcoming Trade Shows in Mount Pearl and Halifax.

The Committee made several recommendations and the Economic Development Officer will make the changes and circulate to Council for final approval.

Town Brand Purchase - 2017

The Economic Development Officer presented several submissions as part of the RFP process for the purchase of Town brand items for 2017.

The Committee reviewed the submissions and recommended that tenders be awarded as per the tendering contracts.

Community Radio

Councillor Pinsent led the discussion on this initiative. He has had discussions with several private, interested citizens and will meet with them again next week to help move it forward.

Phone App Marketing Options

The Economic Development Officer presented several initiatives that we are using to market the new Town Phone App, including an insertion notice in the recently mailed out tax bills, as well as a proposal to develop a survey contest.

The Committee recommended that we look at the survey process as well as develop a Facebook contest to increase the number of users of our Phone App. The App can be downloaded free from the App Store on an iPhone, iPad or Android product.

Mid Winter Bivver Update

The Economic Development Officer presented a spreadsheet with the ticket sales for each event for Mid Winter Bivver 2017. All events are now sold out and final plans are being worked on in preparation for the February 10th and 11th events.

The Committee suggested that we promote the 2017 Exploits Valley Salmon Festival at the Bivver events as well.

Biofuels Project Update

The Mayor gave a brief report on the status of the Biofuels Project. Council will continue to communicate with the parties involved in this project.

Next Steps for Heritage Sub-Committee

The Committee reviewed the newly adopted Heritage Regulations and discussed the makeup of the soon to be formed Heritage Committee. Council will ask the public to submit their names to gauge interest and will then select two (2) representatives from the submissions.

Other Business

Magnet for Summer Events – Councillor Pinsent suggested the Town create a refrigerator magnet that would include information on summer tourism events. The Economic Development Officer will follow up with this initiative.

Canadian Federation of Independent Businesses (CFIB) – The Canadian Federation of Independent Businesses Executive Director requested a meeting with Council this week. The Committee suggested that Thursday, February 2nd from 1:00-2:00 P.M. would be an appropriate day and time to meet.

Town\Newfoundland & Labrador Housing\Community Coalition Meeting – The Mayor, Town Manager\Clerk and Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation met with representatives from Newfoundland & Labrador Housing and the Community Coalition to discuss the opportunity to partner on several programs.

Civic Awards – The Committee decided that Wednesday, May 10th would be the date for the 2016 Civic Awards. They will be held at the Gordon Pinsent Centre

for the Arts and the Awards criteria will roll out in the next week or so. Interested parties can complete and submit nominations from the Town's website or by mail.

I move the recommendations and report of this Committee.

Motion

Bartlett\Browne

Be it resolved that these recommendations and report would be adopted as circulated. This motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

Mayor Manuel encouraged residents to nominate citizens for the Civic Awards Ceremony on May 10th.

Committee of the Whole

The following report was presented by Deputy Mayor Finn.

Recreation Event Booking Software

Representatives from TownSuite gave a presentation on recreation software available to administer requirements for all events and facilities. This would include online ticket purchases, event registration, facility bookings, etc...

Ms. Hobbs and Ms. Torraville were excused at 5:45 P.M.

The Committee recommends the proposal be discussed at a future meeting.

Municipal Enforcement Presentation

Chief Constable Thibault gave a report on the Departments activities. There was a significant increase in the number of tickets issued in 2016 compared to 2011. Animal Control complaints are down. There was discussion on collection of fines and tracking of tickets issued. Staff will follow up on the system in place with the Department of Justice.

Cameras were installed at the Saturday Drop-off Facility and fourteen (14) charges have been laid. This is working very well and indiscriminant dumping has decreased.

Speed notification signs are working well. There is a lot of data that can be downloaded from these units. We have two (2) new signs in stock and these will

be converted to portable units that can be located at different locations for a short period of time.

Staff are working on the proposals for security cameras at Municipal facilities. This will be presented to the Committee as part of the Capital Program.

Chief Constable Thibault stated the biggest challenge for his staff is meeting the expectations of the public as it is very difficult to cover all areas with the present staffing levels.

Councillor Bartlett asked both Chief Constable Thibault and Fire Chief MacKenzie for their opinion on the traffic flow situation on Queen Street\Peronne Road during events at the Legion. They both have concerns with access if there was a fire or other emergency in the area. Use of the lower parking lot and making the streets one-way would be an improvement. This issue is now being addressed by Engineering Staff.

The Committee thanked Chief Constable Thibault for his Departments contribution. He was excused at 7:00 P.M.

Fire and Emergency Department Report

Fire Chief Vince MacKenzie reported on the Fire Departments activities for 2016. Membership is down by several members so recruiting will commence in March and expect to be at full membership by early April. There were one hundred and twenty-two (122) emergency calls in 2016 and 3,592.5 hours of training for the members. Critical Incidents Stress Management (CISM) Training is scheduled for March 4th-8th, 2017. This is very important and the Chief hopes to re-establish a program and team.

Chief MacKenzie is continuing work on the Emergency Operation Centre upgrades. The Chief is hoping to co-ordinate Emergency Management Training in Grand Falls-Windsor for new staff and plans for an exercise this summer or fall. Chief MacKenzie has also been researching a mass notification system for Town communications. More information will be provided when available. There was discussion on Capital requests and this will be addressed under the Capital Program.

The Committee thanked Chief MacKenzie for the continued contribution of his Department. He was excused at 7:45 P.M.

Waste Management

The Committee briefly discussed waste management issues. The response to the latest correspondence from Central Newfoundland Waste Management will be completed and mailed soon. A meeting was held at the Regional Facility on

February 2nd, 2017 with Central Newfoundland Waste Management Executive Committee, several municipalities, Chamber of Commerce, commercial haulers and the Minister of Municipal Affairs. The Minister stated a review of the Provincial Waste Management Strategy will be completed this year.

150 Celebration Projects

Staff are identifying projects and the maximum funding available through the program for further discussion. Deadline for submitting application is February 28th, 2017.

Exploits Search and Rescue Command Centre

The Committee discussed correspondence from Exploits Ground Search and Rescue on the funding shortfall for their Command Centre.

The Committee recommends staff meet with Mr. Miller to review possible options.

Social Media Policy

The Committee discussed the need for a Social Media Policy for Council and staff and recommends this be reviewed by Finance and Administration for discussion at a future meeting.

I move the recommendations and report of this Committee.

Motion

Finn\Moores

Be it resolved that these recommendations and report would be adopted as circulated. This motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

OTHER BUSINESS

Councillor Browne congratulated the very successful Female Hockey Tournament the past week-end and our team did very well. He noted that the 25th Anniversary Winterlude takes place this week-end with lots of good events and encouraged residents to get out and support the events.

Deputy Mayor Finn noted that not all areas of Town have civic numbers on their residence. He explained that our regulations are very clear that numbers are to be visible from the street. This is very important for emergency vehicles to locate properties in case of an emergency.

Councillor Coady-Davis stated that International Women's Day is on March 9th at the Legion. She stated that Central Housing and Homelessness Coalition are holding their pancake breakfast on February 28th. She thanked the Grade 3 Class at Woodland Primary for the invite to read to the class. She also expressed thanks to the residents for their patience this winter and thanked staff for the great efforts to keep roads and sidewalks clear.

Councillor Moores congratulated the Recreation Department and Economic Development Officer for the work on the Mid Winter Bivver this past week-end. It was a very successful event.

Councillor Bartlett reiterated the comments on the Mid Winter Bivver and also on the upcoming events for Winterlude. She complimented the Mayor on our community being inclusive for the comments on our website and facebook page during the recent Quebec shooting. She also thanked the residents for their support for the Milltown school fire. She noted that snow clearing is an emotional issue and is a challenging activity. She asked residents for their patience, understanding and recognized the efforts of staff. She also asked residents to help out your neighbours when you are able.

Councillor Pinsent reiterated the importance of civic numbering to assist emergency personnel. He commended residents who participated in the vigil at Gorge Park in support of the Quebec shooting. He also congratulated staff for their efforts on a successful Mid Winter Bivver. He noted the amount of litter around Town and encouraged residents to keep our Town clean. He mentioned that he recently attended a meeting of the Committee for a community radio (Valley Radio) and said they are looking for volunteers. He also mentioned it was great to see joint regional efforts to support the biofuels project. He stated that Crime Stoppers are accepting nominations for 2016 Police and Peace Officer of the Year and suggested that the Town should nominate Chief Constable Thibault. Nominations will be accepted on or before March 20th, 2017.

Mayor Manuel thanked Councillor Pinsent for his work on the community radio station idea. He noted that he was recently in Pasadena for the Grade 5 Basketball Tournament and stated that Sprucewood Academy won the championship game. He congratulated the team and Coach Brian Cooke. He also noted that the Pee Wee Hockey Team won Gold in a tournament in Gander and congratulated the players and coaches involved. He encouraged residents to download the Town App. It is free and all alerts and notifications are immediate.

Motion

Browne\Pinsent

Be it resolved that the meeting of the Grand Falls-Windsor Town Council would be adjourned until the next regular scheduled meeting of 7:00 P.M., Tuesday, March 7th, 2017. This motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 P.M.

Barry Manuel
Mayor

J. Saunders
Town Manager\Clerk