

MEETING #531

MINUTES OF MEETING

GRAND FALLS-WINDSOR TOWN COUNCIL

HELD IN THE TOWN HALL

7:00 P.M., TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST, 2020

PRESENT: Mayor: Barry Manuel
 Deputy Mayor: Mike Browne
 Councillors: Rod Bennett, Amy Coady-Davis,
 Holly Dwyer, Shawn Feener, Mark Whiffen
 Staff: D. Finn, Chief Administrative Officer
 N. Chatman, Director of Public Works and
 Development
 K. Antle, Director of Community Services
 K. Hutchinson, Deputy Town Clerk
 R. Hannaford, Communications Officer

Prior to the meeting the Mayor signed Proclamations for Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) Awareness Week and Suicide Prevention Month.

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. and asked for any errors or omissions to the Minutes of Meeting #530 of August 11th, 2020.

Motion
Bennett\Feener

Be it resolved that the Minutes of Meeting #530 of August 11th, 2020 would be adopted as circulated. This motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Community Services

The following report was presented by Councillor Coady-Davis.

Marathon Gold

Community Corporation Agreement

The Committee reviewed the draft Community Corporation Agreement from Marathon Gold and recommends to accept it as presented and to send the Agreement back to Marathon Gold to be signed.

COVID-19 Relief Funding

The Committee discussed the \$15,000.00 COVID-19 Relief Funding received from Marathon Gold to be distributed to both community food banks, the walking track at Shanawdithit Centennial Field and to Special Olympics and recommends the Town distribute this money as soon as possible.

Community Partnership Funding

The Committee also discussed the \$15,000.00 Community Partnership Funding received from Marathon Gold and recommends to use this money to replace many of the park benches and picnic tables in our parks and playgrounds.

The Committee thanks Marathon Gold for their kind support and recommends staff continue to work with them to move their mining project forward.

Arena Concerns – Correspondence

The Committee discussed correspondence from Minor Hockey, the Recreation Hockey League and a private arena user about the confusion around the plans for the Joe Byrne Memorial Stadium.

The Committee recommends the Director respond to all groups informing them Council's only decision to-date is to utilize the Joe Byrne Memorial Stadium for gymnastics while the arena is vacant. Due to the COVID-19 restrictions some arena user groups will not be playing this season and we are unsure of the demand

for ice time in both our arenas. Staff are currently in contact with the user groups to find out the demand for ice time and will report back to the Committee after speaking to all user groups for a decision on opening dates for both arenas.

Centennial Scholarships

The Committee discussed the plans for this year's Centennial Legacy Scholarships. As Exploits Valley High was closed before the end of the school year applications were not put out to the students.

The Committee recommends staff put scholarship applications on our Facebook page, our website and at Exploits Valley High in September and set the deadline for applications for December 1st, 2020 and award the scholarships before the end of the year.

Community Healthy Living Grant

The Director presented the Committee with a proposed application for the Provincial Community Healthy Living Grant.

The Committee recommends to submit the application as presented.

Gorge Park Parking – Correspondence

The Committee discussed correspondence from a resident regarding the “No Parking” signs for boaters that were installed at Gorge Park.

The Committee recommends staff continue the plan to increase parking spaces at the Park and try to complete this work before the end of the season. The Committee also recommends the Director and Deputy Mayor Browne meet with the resident on the Exploits River at Gorge Park to look at the possibility of installing more mooring locations for boaters and report back to the Committee.

Sheppard Street Playground – Correspondence

The Committee discussed correspondence from a resident about the deteriorating condition of the playground equipment at Sheppard Street Playground. The Director informed the Committee the old equipment has been removed and new equipment is on order.

The Committee recommends to install this equipment this season as soon as the equipment arrives.

Millcrest School

The Committee discussed the plan to acquire the old Millcrest School for the Gymnastics Program. A request is submitted to the Nova Central School Board and the RC Diocese and we are waiting their response.

Cheerleading – Correspondence

The Committee discussed correspondence from a private Cheerleading Club requesting the Town to take over the administration and operation of their Club.

The Committee recommends to deny this request, but to give assistance to the Club where possible to keep them operating effectively.

Fall\Winter Recreation Programs

The Director presented the Committee with plans for Recreation Programs this fall and winter that meet all the Provincial COVID-19 Regulations.

The Committee recommends the programs as presented and for the Director to give Council an update weekly as to what programs are happening.

Outdoor Concert Requests – Correspondence

The Committee discussed correspondence from two (2) companies from St. John's looking to bring drive-in outdoor concerts to Grand Falls-Windsor this summer.

The Committee recommends to deny this request, but to schedule several "Concerts in the Park" on Fridays with local entertainers and a maximum of one hundred (100) people in attendance.

Ribfest 2021 – Correspondence

The Committee discussed correspondence from an out-of-Province business requesting to bring a "Ribfest to Grand Falls-Windsor during the summer of 2021.

The Committee recommends this request and for staff to work out the details with the organizers ensuring all details of the event fit within the Provincial Guidelines.

EXCITE Building – Tenants

The Committee discussed a request from a prospective tenant for the EXCITE Building who may want six thousand (6,000) plus square feet of office space.

The Committee recommends staff review the amount of space available and further update the Committee when a definite request is submitted.

Medical Simulation Centre – Update

The Director updated the Committee with the idea for a Medical Simulation Centre in Grand Falls-Windsor. Memorial University, The Faculty of Medicine, Central Health and the College of the North Atlantic are all very supportive of the project.

The Committee recommends staff continue to work with all partners for this project and keep Council updated as things progress.

Central Health Flu Clinics – Correspondence

The Committee discussed correspondence from Central Health requesting Town building space for their Flu Shot Clinics this fall and winter.

As it is hard to commit Town buildings for such long periods of time, the Committee recommends Central Health find an alternate location. However, if they are unable to find a suitable location elsewhere in Town, they can check back with us to see if we can make accommodations on a temporary basis.

Ski Trail Fire – Update

The Director informed the Committee we have put in an insurance claim for the fire at the Ski Trail storage building and we are waiting coverage details for the ski-doo and groomer.

Sliding Hill

The Committee discussed a request from a resident with the support from the Rotary Club to assist with the sliding hill at the Ski Trail with the possibility of extending the project in the future to a tubing, snowboarding and downhill skiing hill.

The Committee recommends to invite the resident to the next Community Services meeting for details.

I move the recommendations and report of this Committee.

Motion

Coady-Davis\Bennett

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

Deputy Mayor Browne advised that a member of the staff and himself met with Brian Caravan who took them on a boat tour around Gorge Park and they discovered that there is plenty of space there that can be used for parking and moorings for boats. We have had many complaints with respect to the lack of parking at Gorge Park because the salmon fishers with their boats and trailers are taking up too much space. We will be discussing this in the next Committee meeting and hopefully be able to come up with a plan to clear some land so it is less frustrating for residents that are visiting Gorge Park.

Mayor Manuel noted we do recognize that there is a parking issue at Gorge Park and we want to make sure that all interests of people using that area are protected so that people can access the river for salmon fishing and be able to launch their boats effectively and safely, but still have that area available for people that want to use that area for leisure, playgrounds and trails. We also have plans for extension along the river so there will be more pedestrian activity, so exploring the parking options is necessary. The area does see a lot of traffic, so much so that the garbage cans have to be emptied sometimes three (3) times in one day. In saying that, he would like to encourage people to not use these bins as garbage dumpsters where big bags of garbage are being emptied as it is primarily for coffee cups and garbage used in the Park.

Councillor Coady-Davis advised we committed to awarding the Centennial Scholarship every year, but because of COVID-19 we did not get the applications out, so they are going out now and will be available at the schools and on the Town website and Facebook page. The deadline is December 1st, 2020, but that is for the last school year so the Grads of 2020 can apply for that. The scholarship applications for the 2021 Grads will be available around May of next year and awarded around graduation time in June. We had some discussion on the outdoors concerts and the pros and cons associated with them and the concert that was held last Friday. My personal view was that I did not think that we should be encouraging, organizing and promoting events where we would invite large groups of people. She realizes it was one hundred (100) people and it was on Shanawdithit Centennial Field which has plenty of space to have social distancing, but she just did not think it was the Town's responsibility to offer that type of event. Since March when COVID-19 arrived, everybody's lives went on hold and

as the restrictions lessened people have wanted to expand their bubbles and do social activities and have come up with their own creative ways of doing that like camping, backyard activities and family staycations. Those are the reasons why she did not support this event and in our Committee meeting we had those discussions amongst ourselves privately and because no decision is ratified until we get to the Council meeting tonight, even though the event was last week the support was there to move ahead with it. It was, however, very disappointing to her to get a phone call from the media on Friday asking her why she did not support having a “Concert in the Park”, of which she had no problem explaining to her why. She explained to then her rationale, we have children going back to school which has a huge strain on parents not knowing what their kids are going to face. We have local businesses here in Town who have been trying to increase capacity and to her it felt like by us adding this event and promoting it was taking away from the momentum that they were trying to build as well. Her point is that our discussions in a Committee meeting are supposed to stay in the Committee meeting and to know that the media was given confidential information before it was discussed or ratified in a public Council meeting is disturbing. I am very upset over this and I do not appreciate it because we have those discussions, so that we can have the opportunity to listen to each other and to share our opinions. When you find out that your information is being shared publically and outside of our Board Room that can cause some people to not want to share their ideas or points of view to have important decisions debated unhealthy. So I continue to not support “Concerts in the Park”, but when we get back to normalcy will be in full support and the first one there, but at this point I do not think we are there and I do not think it is something that we should be promoting.

Councillor Bennett also advised he was not in favour of the “Concerts in the Park”, but for different reasons than Councillor Coady-Davis. He do not like that it is only opened up to one hundred (100) residents of Grand Falls-Windsor when we have over 14,500 residents in this Town. It is not fair that only one hundred (100) people can get in. If it was open to more people he would have no issue going ahead with the Concerts, but he is not in favour when some of our residents will not be able to attend due to the numbers. Even if one person was asked to leave, it is still not right in my opinion.

Mayor Manuel advised he supported Councillor Coady-Davis in regards to confidentially in our Committee meetings. It is very important, information is leaked too many times and it is not right because we do not want people holding back because they do not want information getting out there when their views are for the Committee members ears only. He did, however, support the idea of “Concerts in the Park” and it was a broader discussion on the Town’s activities and what we can do as a community. We have built a great reputation in the last

number of years in terms of having community events, social media contests and culinary events that has all come to a crashing halt due to COVID-19. Nobody knows how this is going to unfold in the future, a lot of people think there could be another wave, how it is going to impact our future lives and how we do things, so my feeling was that you cannot hold off forever. As long as we are meeting the Provincial Guidelines who just expanded gatherings to one hundred (100) and as long as we promote and encourage physical distancing and use of PPE's, then we have a responsibility to help build community moral and help to continue and promote these programs and events so that they run successfully. With that being said, he respects and understands where Councillor Coady-Davis is coming from because everybody understands that this is a very serious situation and not something that can be taken lightly, but we have the ability through our staff to be able to pull these Concerts off and to try things and if we need to adjust anything we will. We have a number of other events that we are planning and are going to go ahead with and they as well will have a certain number restrictions. Unfortunately, we will not be able to include everybody all the time. Last Friday there was not more than one hundred (100) people that showed up, so we did not have to turn anybody away, but it is personal choice whether people choose to participate in these programs or not.

Deputy Mayor Browne noted with respect to the skiing facility, he realized there was a fire in the groomer storage garage and he is wondering if we are on track to have that re-built by the time the new season will start.

The Director of Community Services advised that this is definitely the plan, so there is no interruptions with the upcoming ski season.

Public Works and Development

The following report was presented by Councillor Dwyer.

Gorge Park

The Committee discussed the access to Gorge Park from Scott Avenue. There were some concerns brought forward regarding traffic turning from Scott Avenue without turning lanes present.

The Committee recommends no change at this time as current traffic volumes does not warrant holding\turning lanes. However, the Committee recommends staff look at upgrading the approach signage for Gorge Park to make it easier to locate for motorists, especially those out-of-town.

Street Name – Gordon Pinsent Drive

The Committee reviewed a request from a resident to rename Pinsent Drive to Gordon Pinsent Drive. The resident noted that the street was originally named on behalf of Gordon Pinsent and would like his full name on the sign to better acknowledge his many accomplishments.

The Committee likes the idea, but would like staff to research the original request to ensure the naming was dedicated to Gordon Pinsent only and does not represent other former residents. This is to be brought back to the Committee for further discussion.

Traffic Lights

The Committee discussed further the traffic lights at the Cromer Avenue\Cohen Place\Duggan Street intersection. There are still some concerns with the left turning traffic from Cromer Avenue to Cohen Place. There is no dedicated left turn only lane and this causes issues during peak times. The Director of Public Works and Development explained to the Committee that a “lagging left” turn signal could be inserted to allow a short duration for this traffic after all other phases have been completed. This is detailed in the attached report from the Traffic Engineer.

The Committee recommends the Director follow up with the proposal and arrange for the upgrades. It is the appropriate solution for the existing arrangement. The Committee also recommends further upgrades at that intersection when Cromer Avenue is upgraded.

School Zones – Crosswalks

The Committee reviewed correspondence from residents concerning crosswalks in school zones. They were concerned all crosswalks were not repainted and inquired on new crosswalks near Exploits Valley High. Since the letter was received, all existing crosswalks in school zones have been repainted. It is important to note that these are normally completed in August so they are fresh for the school year.

The Committee recommends staff ensure that all school crosswalks are repainted every year before Labour Day and to complete a crosswalk evaluation on the area near Exploits Valley High. If it meets the criteria then these crosswalks should be installed prior to the start of school in September.

Signage – Sullivan Street

The Committee reviewed correspondence from a resident on Sullivan Street concerning speeding motorists. The resident has requested additional signage.

The Committee recommends Municipal Enforcement provide additional patrols in the area. Furthermore, the Committee would like to remind the public that speed limits on side streets are 40km\hour unless otherwise posted.

Street Signs

The Committee reviewed three (3) variations of street signage and identified the sign standard that the Town will use moving forward. The sign consists of blue lettering on a white sign with Town colours (orange\blue\green) in the corner. In addition, the Town will continue to use the “Poppy Signs” for streets identified as memorial signs.

The Committee recommends the standard identified be used for all of the Town’s street signs moving forward and a Street Sign Policy be developed to identify all the characteristics of the sign.

Land Request – 62 Hardy Avenue

The Committee reviewed a request from A & A Realty Company Limited to add additional land at the rear of their property at 62 Hardy Avenue. The request is for 0.544 acres.

The Committee recommends this be approved and sold as per Town’s Land Sale Policy.

Discretionary Use – 66 Sutherland Drive

The Committee reviewed a request for a Home Based Business at 66 Sutherland Drive. The proposed business is for a nail salon (Pampered and Polished). This current business is relocating from 140 Lincoln Road. This type of business is identified as a Discretionary Use for this zone in the Town’s Development Regulations. A notice was mailed to adjacent property owners and it was advertised on the Town’s Facebook page. No objections or concerns were received.

The Committee recommends this be approved pending approval from Service NL and other Government Agencies as required.

Richmond Street\Moore Street

The Committee reviewed correspondence from residents asking to create a cul-de-sac at the end of Richard Street and terminate the existing thoroughfare to Moore Street. The residents have indicated higher volumes of traffic and excessive speeding as a motivation for their request.

The Committee recommends this request be denied. These streets were combined to provide safer and better service for snow clearing and garbage collection from the Public Works Department. The Committee also recommends additional patrols by Municipal Enforcement to address the issue.

Violation Notices

The Committee reviewed a request from the Development Department to add the Building Inspector, Junior Engineering\Building Inspector and Fire Inspector as Enforcement Officers. This would allow better enforcement of the Town of Grand Falls-Windsor's Violation Notice Regulations under the Municipalities Act, 1999 and the Urban and Rural Planning act, 2000.

The Committee recommends this be approved.

Town Hall Re-roofing Quote

The Committee reviewed a RFQ Summary for the replacement of the east and west wing roofs at the Town Hall.

The Committee recommends that the RFQ be awarded to Burnt Bay Construction Limited in the amount of \$57,315 plus HST.

Capital Projects Update

The Director of Public Works and Development provided the Committee with an update on the status of all the current Capital Works Projects.

I move the recommendations and report of this Committee.

Motion

Dwyer\Browne

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

Councillor Bennett noted that he wanted to discuss the school crosswalks, and that he saw our staff are out doing the crosswalks for the school zones and with this year being no bussing for students going to the High School it means a lot of traffic will be going back and forth, so residents are wondering if there will be any crosswalks down in that area.

The Director of Public Works and Development advised that we are currently looking into having a crosswalks installed at the school entrance, one on Ryan Street and another on Griffin Street and they will be done before school starts.

Deputy Mayor Browne advised that with respect to the violation notices, this is something that Council has been working on for a couple of years now and as you will see in the Minutes the Building Inspector, Junior Engineering\Building Inspector and Fire Inspector will have the authority to go around to delinquent properties and businesses who are not up to par in regards to landscaping issues and be able to fine them. There will be a resolution in a few weeks and this is a great idea because Council has been frustrated for many years trying to get certain properties cleaned up. Once in effect violation of ignoring the Clean-Up Notices will result in a fine per day. This is not something we want to do, but in some instances it is necessary. So neighbours that have complained about certain properties in their area will hopefully see results expedited due to this new resolution that will be adopted soon.

Councillor Dwyer noted with respect to the traffic lights, those lights were installed at the Cromer Avenue\Duggan Street intersection in 2018 and at that time a concurrent south bound left turn was considered, but was not feasible and because of that there was no dedicated left turning lane. We have had a lot of public concerns and complaints, especially since the closure of the Union Street overpass\underpass that is causing a lot of traffic in that area, so taking those concerns seriously our Director of Public Works and Development, Municipal Enforcement and the Mayor and I sat at the intersection for a couple of hours watching the traffic and agree that it is an issue. There is a plan that will be developed to help alleviate some of the traffic, but in the meantime our Engineers asked the Traffic Engineers to come up with a recommendation for us and that was to have a “lagging left turn” going onto Cohen Place so that will be erected soon. It will be a few weeks before the hardware arrives and then it has to be installed, so we are looking at a month or so before it gets fixed, but that is the solution for now. In the future hopefully we will have designated turning points at that intersection, but it will need to be widened and that comes at a cost.

Mayor Manuel noted this intersection is not as simple as putting in a left turning lane, but everybody recognizes that there has been some issues there. It is obvious that with the overpass closure traffic has increased significantly,

particularly in the Cromer Avenue area, and that project is supposed to be completed by September 15th. We had actually insisted that the overpass be completed by the end of August because we recognized that schools would be opening early September, but unfortunately there was a problem with one of the suspension joints that was not known until they started the work so it delayed the completion date by two (2) weeks. Back to the traffic lights, we rely on all these situations, Traffic Engineering Reports and on our own Engineering Department to work together to come up with the best possible solution. We recognize that there are concerns and that speeding is also a concern in that area. We cannot have speed bumps on every street, but our Municipal Enforcement Officers and the RCMP will be monitoring the area regularly. We ask for people to use caution when driving in that area and we will continue to look at possible improvements to keep our roads safe.

The Chief Administrative Officer advised with respect to some comments made he thinks it is important to highlight that Council's decision to make changes on the Cromer Avenue\Cohen Place intersection is an improvement it is not necessarily to fix it because he wouldn't want to give the impression that we are fixing something that is broken. The light as it exists can stay like it is and it meets the traffic control standards. Some of the issues are that people are not used to using that particular configuration, but it is accepted standard approved by a Traffic Engineering firm. Some of the issues out there with respect to the light are that people are taking chances when they do not have a clear view which drivers should never proceed unless they have a clear view. So the improvements are not fixing something that is broken, it is improving what is already there in place.

The following Resolution was presented by Councillor Dwyer.

RESOLUTION GF-W 2020-302

2019\2020 INVESTING IN CANADA INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM
FUNDING

WHEREAS: the Minister and the Council have agreed to enter into an Investing In Canada Infrastructure Program Agreement for the financing of the construction of a UV Disinfection Building for the Wastewater Treatment Facility No. 17-GI-21-00061 and have agreed cost not in excess of \$2,543,700 which amounts to \$2,306,716 after the GST\HST rebate calculation;

WHEREAS: the Cost Shared Funding for this Agreement is as follows:-

Provincial	-	\$692,015
Federal	-	\$922,686
Municipal	-	\$692,015

AND WHEREAS: the Minister of Environment, Climate and Municipalities has been authorized to negotiate an Agreement on behalf of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador;

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

Motion

Dwyer\Whiffen

Be it resolved that Resolution GF-W 2020-302 would be adopted as circulated. This motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

NOTICE OF MOTION

None

OTHER BUSINESS

Councillor Dwyer wished to welcome people back to school. I know at the College of the North Atlantic we have got almost four (400) students starting in September, so she would like to welcome those attending the College of the North Atlantic to the Town of Grand Falls-Windsor. And to those students that are returning back to school, I am assuming it is going to be an adjustment period for parents, students and teachers as well. With respect to the Lab relocation of services, petitions are being collected and we have thousands of names collected. She would like to remind residents of where we have gone with that issue. With respect to the Lab services there are some changes that were proposed, so we had a rally, we did up a fact sheet, we met with the Minister of Health and expressed our concerns, we met with physicians' leadership and we developed petitions which were put out within the community and surrounding communities. The petitions are being collected now and will be presented to the proper channels and

we will see where we are going to go with it from there. But this issue is not dim and we will certainly pursue it even further and now with a new Premier we need to ensure that he understands our concern and that we will not settle for allowing this to happen as it just does not make sense.

Deputy Mayor Browne mentioned that tomorrow and Thursday at Shanawdithit Centennial Field a not-for-profit organization “Fun Sports” is here in Town. It is an organization that caters to under privileged children and ensures that there are accessible sports for everybody. It is a free event and we encourage all youth ages 8-12 to attend. And another note that Monday is Labour Day, unfortunately there won't be a Parade this year as the Canadian Labour Congress has asked that there be no parades across the country due to COVID-19. There will be an event at the Heritage Centre on Monday morning and that event will stream online. So a different Labour Day this year, but we encourage those to log in to view the live streaming event.

Mayor Manuel just wanted to add a couple of points to the Labour Day event, the Federation of Labour Provincially is involved in this event as well and we have been dealing with them in organizing and the logistics of it. When he spoke to Mary Shortall a couple of weeks ago regarding this event she said that basically they got the direction from the National body that there would be no parades and they wondered what they could do to make sure Labour Day was not lost. They felt that the best place to have this event was Grand Falls-Windsor because of the history and the birthplace of the labour movement in the Province. We are glad and honoured that they chose Grand Falls-Windsor to have the event, there will be a number of politicians there and some special guests to this closed event, but we will post the link on our Facebook page so people can view the event if they wish to.

Councillor Coady-Davis expressed congratulations to the Queen Street Dinner Theatre on a very different Summer Theatre Festival for them. Due to COVID-19 they could not have their Dinner Theatre at the Legion, but came up with a creative way to have an online presence through Facebook Live which was very well received. A lot of residents tuned in to the broadcast, so congratulations to everyone involved. Teachers are back to school this week preparing their classrooms, there will be lots of changes this year so she encouraged parents to get familiar with the information regarding them. She wished all the students a safe and successful school year. She also wanted to thank our residents for being so patient because our lives have been turned upside down since COVID-19 and our residents have done a wonderful job continuing with life as normal and working with us to get through this transition.

Councillor Feener expressed congratulations to his son Chris and his girlfriend Jessica on the birth of his new grandson who was born Friday, August 25th at 8 lbs. 3 oz.

Mayor Manuel congratulated Shawn and his family. He would like to welcome our new Communications Officer who is with us this evening, Robyn Hannaford, who started working with us yesterday. Welcome aboard Robyn. He also had a request to go out to residents to conserve water a few weeks ago, that was because there was work going on at the Water Treatment Plant and we had to hold back some water from the reservoir. We were never in danger of running out of water, it was just a precautionary move just in case something occurred that was unexpected in regards to the work being done. The good news is that our Water Technician informed Council that our usage was down considerably during that time, so it obviously showed the communities co-operation in listening to our request which was very helpful because you never know when it could be a more serious situation. As everybody knows Dominion workers are on strike, it is a difficult time for anybody that has to go through this situation. He wanted everybody to support their right to strike and wishes them well as this continues and we hope there will be a resolution as soon as possible as these workers were certainly heroes during COVID-19. He would like to acknowledge Dave Murphy, he is a well-known citizen here in Grand Falls-Windsor, who operated a barber shop on Main Street for sixty-two (62) years and has decided to retire, so congratulations to him. And congratulations to Gregory Beson who is taking over the business there. Lastly on a more somber note, we lost Mr. Phil Power last week, who was a very well-known resident here in Grand Falls-Windsor, who was ninety-two (92) years old. Mr. Power had a lifetime of community contributions and commitment, he was involved in the Knights of Columbus, Grand Knight, Canadian Red Cross, Exploits Valley 50+ Club, Toastmasters to name a few. He was an enjoyable man to talk to and made a very positive mark on the community, so condolences to his family.

Motion

Coady-Davis\Bennett

Be it resolved that the meeting of the Grand Falls-Windsor Town Council would be adjourned until the next regular scheduled meeting of Tuesday, September 22nd, 2020. This motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 P.M.

Barry Manuel
Mayor

Darren Finn
Chief Administrative Officer