



Town of Paradise
Public Council Meeting Minutes

May 14, 2024, 6:00 p.m.
Council Chambers

Council Present: Dan Bobbett, Mayor, Chairperson
Kimberley Street, Deputy Mayor
Glen Carew, Councillor
Patrick Martin, Councillor
Deborah Quilty, Councillor
Larry Vaters, Councillor
Tommy Maher, Councillor

Staff Present: Tina Auchinleck Ryan, Director of Recreation and Community Services
Alton Glenn, Director, Planning & Protective Services
Chris Milley, Director, Infrastructure & Engineering
Terrilynn Smith, Director, Corporate Services
Nelson Whalen, Director of Public Works
Angelina Richards, Administrative Assistant
Diane Keough, Manager, Communications

Staff Absent: Lisa Niblock, CAO

1. Calling of Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Bobbett at 6:00 pm. Mayor Bobbett welcomed Tommy Maher to Council.

2. Safety Moment

Mayor Bobbett brought forward a safety moment to Council and residents.

3. Adoption of Agenda

a. Adoption of Agenda

Resolution No. M24-153

Moved by Councillor Martin
Seconded by Councillor Carew

To adopt the Agenda for the May 14, 2024 Public Meeting.

Motion Carried Unanimously

4. Proclamations

a. National Youth Week

Mayor Bobbett proclaimed May 4-10, 2024 as National Youth Week in the Town of Paradise.

b. Safety and Health Week

Mayor Bobbett proclaimed May 6-11, 2024 as Safety and Health Week in the Town of Paradise.

c. Municipal Awareness Week

Mayor Bobbett proclaimed May 5-11, 2024 as Municipal Awareness Week in the Town of Paradise.

d. National Public Works Week

Mayor Bobbett proclaimed May 19-25, 2024 as National Public Works Week in the Town of Paradise.

5. Adoption of Minutes

a. Adoption of Minutes

Resolution No. M24-154

Moved by Councillor Quilty
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Street

To adopt the Minutes of the April 16, 2024 Public Meeting.

Motion Carried Unanimously

6. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

7. Planning and Protective Services Committee

Deputy Mayor Street, Chair; Councillor Carew & Councillor Quilty

a. Permits

1. 1259 Kenmount Road – Approval in Principle

Resolution No. M24-155

Moved by Deputy Mayor Street

Seconded by Councillor Carew

Be it resolved that the application for an Approval in Principle for the ball hockey rink, at 1259 Kenmount Road, be approved subject to eight (8) conditions.

Motion Carried Unanimously

2. 1266 Kenmount Road – Development Approval

Resolution No. M24-156

Moved by Deputy Mayor Street

Seconded by Councillor Carew

Be it resolved that the application for a tenant fit up for a retail store at 1266 Kenmount Road, be approved subject to no objections and eight (8) conditions.

Motion Carried Unanimously

3. 99B Ortega Drive – Approval in Principle

Resolution No. M24-157

Moved by Deputy Mayor Street

Seconded by Councillor Carew

Be it resolved that Council approve the application to construct a single-family dwelling at 99B Ortega Drive, in accordance with Sections 3.5 and 4.9 of the Town of Paradise Development Regulations, 2016.

Motion Defeated Unanimously

b. Orders

1. 50 Donna Road (Order to be Rescinded)

Resolution No. M24-158

Moved by Deputy Mayor Street

Seconded by Councillor Quilty

Be it resolved that the order regarding a wood stove in an accessory building located at 50 Donna Road requiring it not to be operated at any time unless smoke is deterred from entering the neighbour's property, to prevent a nuisance from occurring, as per motion M23-120, be rescinded by Council, as the order has been complied with.

Motion Carried Unanimously

2. 83 Camrose Drive - Order to be Rescinded - Council

Resolution No. M24-159

Moved by Deputy Mayor Street

Seconded by Councillor Martin

Be it resolved that the Order, confirmed by Council on April 16, 2024, by Motion # M24-134, concerning the operation of a business, at 83 Camrose Drive, without the required development approval and occupancy permit be rescinded.

Motion Carried Unanimously

c. Memos

1. Development Regulations Amendment No. 22, 2024 – 9 Spracklin Boulevard

Councillor Quilty asked Council if she was in a potential conflict of interest regarding the discussions on Development Regulations Amendment No. 22, 2024 - 9 Spracklin Boulevard due to a business relationship with the developer.

Resolution No. M24-160

Moved by Councillor Vaters

Seconded by Councillor Carew

Be it resolved that Councillor Quilty is in a potential conflict of interest regarding the Development Regulations Amendment No. 22, 2024 - Spracklin Boulevard.

Motion Carried

Note: Councillor Quilty sat in the public gallery for this discussion.

Resolution No. M24-161

Moved by Deputy Mayor Street

Seconded by Councillor Carew

Be it resolved that Paradise Town Council advertise Development Regulations No. 22, 2024 (Spracklin Blvd) as per the requirements of Section 14 of the Urban and Rural Planning Act. Furthermore, the Notice of Discretionary Use shall be incorporated within the rezoning public notice, effectively combining both requirements into a single announcement. Council establishes a new building line for this property at 63 meters if the rezoning and discretionary use are approved.

Motion Carried

Note: Councillor Quilty returned to her seat in Council Chambers.

2. Change Order Pricing for Security Services

Resolution No. M24-162

Moved by Deputy Mayor Street

Seconded by Councillor Vaters

Be it resolved that Council approve an increase in the hourly billing rate to Spectrum Investigation & Security Limited, contract number TOP-21-06, for municipal security services to \$22.77/hr.

Motion Carried Unanimously

3. Adoption of Committee Minutes - Email Poll Ratification

Councillor Carew asked Council if he is in a potential conflict of interest regarding the adoption of the April 25, 2024 committee

minutes as he declared conflict of interest on the discussion regarding Mercers Pond Crown Land Application due to his employer being involved in the development.

Resolution No. M24-163

Moved by Councillor Vaters

Seconded by Councillor Quilty

Be it resolved that Councillor Carew is in a potential conflict of interest regarding the adoption of the April 25, 2024 committee minutes.

Motion Carried

Note: Councillor Carew sat in the public gallery for this discussion.

Resolution No. M24-164

Moved by Deputy Mayor Street

Seconded by Councillor Martin

Be it resolved that the Town of Paradise adopt the minutes of the April 25, 2024 Planning and Protective Services Committee meeting.

Motion Carried

Note: Councillor Carew returned to his seat in Council Chambers.

d. **Committee Report**

Deputy Mayor Street brought forward a report from the Planning and Protective Services committee.

The Planning and Protective Services Committee held their most recent meeting on April 25, 2024. Matters discussed at the meeting included the following:

- A tenant fit-up application for a Kenmount Road property.
- An accessory building application for a property on Topsail Pond Road.
- An application for an apartment building on Paradise Road.

- A request concerning occupancy permits from a subdivision developer.
- An application for construction of a ball hockey rink on Kenmount Road.
- A home-based business application for a screen-printing apparel business for a Ridgewood Drive property.
- The listing of building permits issued between March 5 and April 22.
- A Regional Plan amendment referral.
- An update on an ongoing boundary change initiative.
- Updates to ongoing Plan and Development Regulations amendments.
- Correspondence from two Paradise residents.
- A change order for security services pricing.
- A discussion on ATV use.
- An application for a single-detached dwelling for an Ortega Drive property.
- An application for Crown Land in the Mercers Pond area.

The Next Meeting of the Committee is scheduled for May 16.

Resolution No. M24-165

Moved by Deputy Mayor Street

Seconded by Councillor Quilty

Be it resolved that Council adopt the May 14, 2024 report from the Planning and Protective Services Committee.

Motion Carried Unanimously

8. Administration and Corporate Services Committee

Councillor Vaters, Chair; Mayor Bobbett & Councillor Martin

a. Memos

1. Commercial Insurance Renewal 2024

Resolution No. M24-166

Moved by Councillor Vaters

Seconded by Councillor Quilty

Be it resolved that the Town renew its commercial insurance program with Aon Reed Stenhouse Inc. for the 2024-2025 year at a cost of \$408,630.63 including applicable taxes.

Motion Carried Unanimously

2. 988 3 Digit Suicide and Crisis Hotline

Resolution No. M24-167

Moved by Councillor Vaters

Seconded by Councillor Martin

Whereas Canada has adopted 988, a National three-digit suicide and crisis hotline; and Whereas the Town of Paradise recognizes that it is a significant important initiative to ensure critical barriers are removed to those in crisis and seeking help. Now therefore be it resolved that the Town of Paradise continues to endorse the 988 crisis line initiative and will display the 988 information poster in all town facilities.

Motion Carried Unanimously

3. Federation of Canadian Municipalities Election to Board of Directors

Councillor Vaters asked Council if he was in a potential conflict of interest regarding the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Election to the Board of Directors as it is his name being nominated.

Resolution No. M24-168

Moved by Deputy Mayor Street

Seconded by Councillor Carew

Be it resolved that Councillor Vaters is in a potential conflict of interest regarding the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Election to the Board of Directors discussion.

Motion Defeated

Resolution No. M24-169

Moved by Councillor Martin

Seconded by Councillor Quilty

WHEREAS the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) represents the interests of member municipalities on policy and program matters that fall within federal jurisdiction;

WHEREAS FCM's Board of Directors is comprised of elected municipal officials from all regions and sizes of communities to form a broad base of support and provide FCM with the united voice required to carry the municipal message to the federal government; and

WHEREAS FCM's Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held in conjunction with the Annual Conference and Trade Show, June 6 to 9, 2024, followed by the election of FCM's Board of Directors;

BE IT RESOLVED that Council of the Town of Paradise endorse Councillor Larry Vaters to stand for election on FCM's Board of Directors for the period starting in June 2024 and ending June 2025; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council assumes all costs associated with Councillor Larry Vaters attending FCM's Board of Directors meetings.

Motion Carried Unanimously

b. Committee Report

Councillor Vaters brought forward a report from the Administration and Corporate Services committee.

The Administration and Corporate Services Committee met on May 7. The following items were on the agenda for discussion:

- A request to support the 3-digit suicide prevention hotline and to display the posters in Town facilities.

- Report to Council from the March 2024 FCM Board of Directors meeting.
- A request to Council to support the nomination of Councillor Vaters to the 2024-2025 FCM Boards of Directors.
- Correspondence from the Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs regarding the Town's 2024 Budget submission. There were no material deficiencies noted.
- An update on the 2024 Financial statement audit. All is in on track to adopt the audited financial statements before June 30.
- A request from a resident on Madison Place concerning the water and sewer fees.
- A request from a resident regarding the accessible transit program.

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for May 21.

Resolution No. M24-170

Moved by Councillor Vaters

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Street

Be it resolved that Council adopt the May 14, 2024 report from the Administration and Corporate Services committee.

Motion Carried Unanimously

9. Infrastructure and Engineering Committee

Councillor Quilty, Chair; Councillor Martin & Councillor Vaters

a. Memos

1. LS10 – Contemplated Change Notice 021 – Forcemain Delay Claim

Resolution No. M24-171

Moved by Councillor Quilty

Seconded by Councillor Carew

Be it resolved that the Town of Paradise accept CCN 021 and issue a Change Order, for delays resulting from the forcemain break to Olympic Construction Ltd, in the amount of \$131,107.61 (HST Included).

Motion Carried Unanimously

2. Lift Station #10 Contemplated Change Notice 022 – Truss Anchors

Resolution No. M24-172

Moved by Councillor Quilty

Seconded by Councillor Martin

Be it resolved that the Town of Paradise ratify the decision made by e-poll of Council on May 2nd, 2024, to accept Contemplated Change Notice 022 and award a Change Order to Olympic Construction in the amount of \$37,978.15 (HST Included).

Motion Carried Unanimously

3. NL Power Invoice SLS5699

Resolution No. M24-173

Moved by Councillor Quilty

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Street

Be it resolved that the Town of Paradise pay the NL Power invoice SLS5699 for \$28,635.91 (HST Included).

Motion Carried Unanimously

4. WWTP Outfall Repairs – CCN 001

Councillor Vaters asked Council if he was in a potential conflict of interest regarding the discussion on the WWTP Outfall Repairs - Contemplated Change Notice 001 due to conditions from his employer.

Resolution No. M24-174

Moved by Deputy Mayor Street

Seconded by Councillor Quilty

Be it resolved that Councillor Vaters is in a potential conflict of interest regarding the discussion on the WWTP Outfall Repairs - Contemplated Change Notice 001.

Motion Carried

Note: Councillor Vaters sat in the public gallery for this discussion.

Resolution No. M24-175

Moved by Councillor Quilty

Seconded by Councillor Carew

Be it resolved that the Town of Paradise ratify the decision made by e-poll of Council on May 3, 2024, to accept Contemplated Change Notice 001 and award a Change Order to Maloney Diving Inc in the amount of \$103,622.70 (HST Included).

Motion Carried

Note: Councillor Vaters returned to his seat in Council Chambers.

5. Ratification of Decision to Pay Legal Fees for Expropriation of Water & Sewer Easement

Deputy Mayor Street asked Council if she was in a potential conflict of interest regarding the discussion on the ratification of the email poll to pay legal fees for the Expropriation of Water & Sewer Easement on Lot 4 Adams Pond Road as the property is owned by a distant family member.

Resolution No. M24-176

Moved by Councillor Vaters

Seconded by Councillor Carew

Be it resolved that Deputy Mayor Street is in a potential conflict of interest regarding the discussion on the ratification of the email poll to pay legal fees for the Expropriation of Water & Sewer Easement on Lot 4 Adams Pond Road.

Motion Defeated

Resolution No. M24-177

Moved by Councillor Quilty

Seconded by Councillor Vaters

Be it resolved that the Town of Paradise ratify the decision to pay legal fees associated with the water & Sewer Easement on Lot 4 Adams Pond Road in the amount of \$14,375.00 HST included.

Motion Carried Unanimously

b. Committee Report

Councillor Quilty brought forward a report from the Infrastructure and Engineering committee.

The Infrastructure & Engineering Committee met on April 30, 2024.

The committee discussed the Topsail Road Roundabout again and the safety concerns that some people have raised with it. The facts were provided for debate and the committee asked staff to investigate the cost of installing optional equipment.

A breakdown of the areas to receive work under the 2024 road maintenance program using the available budget was provided to committee for information. The tender is expected to be issued by mid-May.

Committee discussed and recommended approval of two contemplated change notices for Lift Station #10. One was for roof anchors and the other was for a delay claim due to the fall 2023 force main break on St. Thomas Line. The committee further recommended sending the roof anchor CCN to e-poll due to construction schedule implications.

A recommendation to pay a NL Power invoice was provided. The cost was previously accounted for.

The committee reviewed the Lift S#10 construction update, the capital projects status report, and radar reports. The pond level reports were provided for information.

The Director provided council with a lunch and learn presentation on the 2024 Traffic calming plans on May 3.

The next Infrastructure and Engineering Committee will be on May 21.

Resolution No. M24-178

Moved by Councillor Quilty

Seconded by Councillor Vaters

Be it resolved that Council adopt the May 14, 2024 report from the Infrastructure and Engineering Committee.

Motion Carried Unanimously

10. Public Works Committee

Councillor Martin, Chair; Mayor Bobbett & Deputy Mayor Street

a. Memos

1. Market Ridge Linear Park

Resolution No. M24-179

Moved by Councillor Martin

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Street

Be it resolved that the Town of Paradise proceed with upgrades at Market Ridge Linear Park.

Motion Carried Unanimously

b. Committee Report

Councillor Martin brought forward a report from the Public Works committee.

The Public Works Committee met on May 1, 2024.

The committee discussed plans to grade and landscape Linear Park in Market Ridge Subdivision. The committee also discussed the following:

- Trans Canada Trail funding application approval
- Home Again Furniture Bank – Green Goal
- Spill on Lawlor’s Road

This week’s Green Goal factual tidbit is:

“Did you know that \$31 billion worth of food is wasted in Canada every year. And approximately 41 per cent of food waste comes from the home.”

The next scheduled Public Works Committee meeting is May 15, 2024, at 5 PM.

Resolution No. M24-180

Moved by Councillor Martin

Seconded by Councillor Quilty

Be it resolved that Council adopt the May 14, 2024, Report from Public Works Committee.

Motion Carried Unanimously

11. Recreation and Community Services Committee

Councillor Carew, Chair; Mayor Bobbett & Councillor Vaters

a. Memos

There were no reports for this meeting.

b. Committee Report

Councillor Carew brought forward a report from the Recreation and Community Services committee.

The Recreation and Community Services Committee met on April 22 and on May 6.

The following items were discussed on April 22, 2024.

- Staff advised committee that they would have an update on Canada Games for May 6.
- Correspondence from Custom Edge regarding a proposal for additional space was discussed.
- The 2024 Rates and Fees that were discussed as part of the 2024 budget deliberations were provided for information purposes.
- Staff provided an update on how the Afterschool Program participated in Earth Day activities.
- Youth Week activities take place May 4–10, 2024. Staff provided an overview of Youth Week Programming.
- Committee reviewed the Recreation Facilities Summer hours for approval.
- Committee reviewed a request from residents for additional playground equipment in the Jonesberry Crescent area.

- Staff advised committee that the installation of the new playground equipment at Peter Barry Duff will take place over the next four weeks.
- Summer Day Camp Registration took place on April 23 & 24, 2024.
- The town has received 9 positions for Canada Summer Jobs. These positions will be used for the Summer Day Camp.
- An update was provided that fencing on Milton Road Ballfield is anticipated to be completed by the end of June.

The following was discussed on May 6, 2024.

- Discussion on the layout of Beach Volleyball Courts and impact to the dog parks in Paradise Park.
- Correspondence in reference to a Curling facility was reviewed.
- Correspondence in reference to expanding Paradise Awards to encompass Arts/Heritage was reviewed.
- An overview of the 2024 Summer Day Camp Registration.
- An update on the YMCA swim lessons was provided.
- Staff provided an overview of the upcoming Sprockids spring program.
- The use of airhorns at the Paradise Double Ice Complex was discussed.
- Correspondence regarding the Woodstock Gardens Basketball Court was discussed.
- Discussion on the construction of the Lanark Basketball court. Construction will commence late summer.
- Discussion on the Rates and Fees with an update to follow.
- Request for Little Library set up in the Paradise Double Ice Complex was reviewed.
- Staff continue to follow up with a request from Volleyball.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 22.

Resolution No. M24-181

Moved by Councillor Carew
Seconded by Councillor Vaters

Be it resolved that Council adopt the May 14, 2024 report from the Recreation and Community Services committee.

Motion Carried Unanimously

12. New/Unfinished Business

- Deputy Mayor Street welcomed and congratulated Councillor Maher.
- Deputy Mayor Street informed Council and residents that last Sunday she brought greetings on behalf of Council at the Steps for Life Walk. The amount raised this year to support families devastated by workplace tragedies was just over \$50,000.
- Deputy Mayor Street also attended the Lions Club Charter Night with Mayor Bobbett and Councillor Vaters. She thanked the previous board and congratulated the new board members. Also, congratulations to Lion of the Year Robert Hanames and Frank Witherall on receiving the Judge Brian Stevenson Fellowship Award.
- Deputy Mayor Street reminded residents that the registration for the Community Garden opens tomorrow. All registration details are posted on the Town website and social media pages.
- Councillor Vaters attended Municipal Awareness Days this morning and noted that it was a great morning with the Grade 6 students from the Town. He thanked staff for putting the event together as it is a great learning opportunity.
- Councillor Vaters welcomed Councillor Maher to Council.
- Councillor Vaters reminded residents that applications are open for the Provincial Government Age Friendly Program. Information is available on the Provincial Government website and the deadline to apply is May 27.
- Councillor Vaters informed Council and residents that nominations are open for 2024 Seniors of Distinction Award. Additional information is available on the Provincial Government website and the deadline to apply is this Friday.
- Councillor Vaters attended Mayor Bobbett's Outlook with the Mount Pearl Paradise Chamber of Commerce last week. He stated that it was well

attended, well received event with a great speech and accompanying visuals. A special thank you was extended to the Communications Staff for a job well done.

- Councillor Vaters attended the Lion Club Charter Night and extended his congratulations as well to those who received awards.
- Councillor Vaters provided an update on the request Council made to the Provincial Government on naming the new high school after former Councillor Elizabeth Laurie. A response has been received from Education Minister Howell outlining the criteria and process for selecting a school name. One of the areas considered includes naming it after an individual who has significant meaning to the members of the school community and to us, Elizabeth certainly meets that. A life-long Paradise resident, Elizabeth's volunteerism, dedication, hard-work, and community pride are an inspiration to us all, especially high school students. We think it would be a fitting tribute to honour her legacy. Councillor Vaters noted that Council appreciates the government's consideration of Council's request.
- Councillor Martin thanked Councillor Vaters for the update on the naming of the high school and stated that he would be honoured to see her name on the new school.
- Councillor Martin attended the Municipal Awards Ceremony on April 22 with other members of Council.
- Councillor Martin thanked Director Milley for the Lunch and Learn where there was a traffic calming presentation.
- Councillor Martin attended the Mount Pearl Paradise Mayor's Outlook and it was a great event with a great speech by the Mayor.
- Councillor Martin provided an update to Council to let them know that road assessment within the Town is completed daily.
- Councillor Quilty welcomed and congratulated Councillor Maher and let him know that she is always only a phone call away.
- Councillor Quilty stated that Mayor Bobbett done a wonderful job with his speech at the Mayor's Outlook last week.
- Councillor Quilty wished good luck to Councillor Vaters on his nomination for re-election to the FCM Board of Directors.

- Councillor Quilty extended sincere condolences to the family of Peggy Roche. She noted that Peggy was a Councillor with the Town of Torbay for many years and was also a dear friend. Mayor Bobbett also extended his condolences.
- Councillor Carew congratulated Councillor Maher and thanked the others who put their name forward.
- Councillor Carew attended the Municipal Awareness Day Event this afternoon and noted that it was a great event.
- Councillor Carew stated that the Mayor gave a great speech and stated that staff did a great job with the animation in the presentation. He also threw a bouquet to the Woodstock for the exceptional service.
- Councillor Maher thanked Council and Staff for welcoming him. In the last couple of weeks, he has attended a few meetings and events and he feels very welcomed.
- Mayor Bobbett thanked everyone for their support at the Mount Pearl Paradise Mayor's Outlook last week.
- Mayor Bobbett attended the SOAR event at the CBS Salvation Army and brought greetings on behalf of the Town. It was a very touching event as it was in memory of Alex and Riley Mercer who passed away from rare brain tumours. The event provided tremendous support to the food bank.

13. Adjournment

Resolution No. M24-182

Moved by Councillor Vaters

Seconded by Councillor Quilty

To adjourn the meeting at 7:51 pm.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Dan Bobbett, Mayor

Terrilynn Smith, Town Clerk