



THE TOWN OF ST. GEORGE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

- 1) **CALL MEETING TO ORDER:** The regular monthly meeting of the St. George Town Council held on Monday, February 9, 2015 in Council Chambers at the Magaguadavic Place was called to order by Mayor Tucker at 7:05 pm. m With Councillors: Avery, Harris, Mullin and Hatt in attendance. Absent: Councillor Cook & Hooper. Staff attendance: Penny Henneberry, CAO and Connie Lee, Executive Assistant/Purchasing Clerk. Public Attendance: Barb Rayner (St. Croix Courier), Sgt. Ross Davis -RCMP Representative, Allan Grant Resident, Jason Gaudett – Chair for PSSE and Andrea Anderson-Mason.
- 2) **OPENING PRAYER:** Mayor Tucker.
- 3) **AGENDA:** Moved by Councillor Avery, seconded by Councillor Mullin to approve the Agenda with the following additions to New Business:
 - b) Dr. Natarajan Stipend.
 - c) Purchase sander for the 2 ton truck.

MOTION CARRIED - #15-010
- 4) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**
 - a. Moved by Councillor Mullin seconded by Councillor Avery to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council on January 12, 2015.

MOTION CARRIED - #15-011
 - b. Issues arising from the minutes: None
- 5) **CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS:**

Councillor Avery - MADD
- 6) **RCMP REPORT:** Sgt. Davis read the RCMP report for the month. Sgt. Davis reminded Councillors that they can sign up for ride-a-longs with RCMP staff.

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7) PRESENTATIONS AND DELEGATIONS:

- a. Representatives from the Dept. of Environment and Local Government and AMANB needed 1.5 hrs. for the presentation. Therefore, Council will set up a special meeting for this in the near future.
- b. Jason Gaudett and Andrea Anderson-Mason gave a presentation regarding the reconfiguration that the Superintendent and District are proposing to relocate the grade 6 students to Fundy High School in September 2015. The PSSC wants council support in opposing this reconfiguration. After much discussion on this topic, Council agreed to support the PSSE and will write a letter to the Superintendent and the District to strongly oppose this reconfiguration until proper changes have been studied to make sure it will not impact the students and community. (Presentation attached)

It was moved by Councillor Harris, seconded by Councillor Avery to support the PSSE in their endeavors in recognizing the present system is not working and the new proposal will result in negative growth for both the students and the community. Council will write a letter to the District, the Superintendent, the Minister and cc the MLA expressing concerns regarding the negative impact this will have on the Town of St. George and surrounding communities.

MOTION CARRIED - #15-012

8) GENERAL REPORTS:**a. General Government****• General Government:**

Mayor Tucker mentioned to council expressing our sign for a 'Community Strong' is perfect as in the recent back to back snow storms we had shown how everyone from works crew, staff, contractors and residents pitched in to help. Mayor Tucker thanked all of these people on behalf of council for their time and efforts in getting the streets safe for our residents.

b. By-Laws Enforcement/Building Inspection/EMO Report:

- **By-Law Enforcement Report:** Mayor Tucker read the report as submitted by Sean Morton, By-Law Enforcement Officer for the month of January. (Attached)
- **Building Inspector's Report:** Mayor Tucker read the report as submitted by Sean Morton, Building Inspector for the month of January. (Attached)

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- **EMO Report:** Mayor Tucker read the report as submitted by Sean Morton, EMO Coordinator for the month of January. (Attached)

c. **Protective Services/Building Inspectors Report:**

- **Fire Report:** Councillor Harris read the report as submitted by Fire Chief Morton for the month of January. (Attached)

d. **Transportation Report:**

- **Transportation Report:** Deputy Mayor Hatt read the report as submitted by Foreman, Leonard Lee for the month of January. (Attached) Deputy Mayor Hatt thanked the town crew and staff for a job well done during the recent snow storms.
- It was moved by Deputy Mayor Hatt, seconded by Councillor Mullin to purchase a sander for the 2 ton truck and not to exceed \$7,000.00 excluding HST.

MOTION CARRIED: #15-013

e. **Tourism/Community Pride/Assistant Development Officer Reports:**

- **Tourism Report:** Councillor Mullin read her report for the month of January. (Attached).
- **Assistant Development Officer:** Councillor Mullin read the report as submitted by Sean Morton, Assistant Development Officer, for the month of January. (Attached)

f. **Recreation Report:**

- **Recreation Report:** Councillor Avery read her report for the month of January. (Attached).

g. **Water & Sewer/Economic Development Report:**

- **Water & Sewerage Report:** Deputy Mayor Hatt read the report submitted by the Foreman, Leonard Lee for the month of January. (Attached)

9) **BILLS PAID AND PAYABLE:**

- a. Moved by Councillor Harris and seconded by Councillor Mullin to approve in principal the bills paid and payable for the month of January 2015 in the amount of \$250,532.46.

MOTION CARRIED: #15-014

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10) NEW BUSINESS: (Motions and Resolutions)

a. Resolutions – None

b. Moved by Councillor Harris, seconded by Councillor Avery to rescind the motion of January 12, 2015 under New Business (a) which reads: Moved by Deputy Mayor Hatt, seconded by Councillor Avery to convert Dr. Natarajan's stipend to cover residential rent from January to August 2015. And to reinstate her stipend less the one month of rent already paid.

MOTION CARRIED: #15 -015

c. Sander for 2 Ton - Was dealt with under Transportation Report

11) OLD BUSINESS

a. Moved by Deputy Mayor Hatt, seconded by Councillor Avery to accept the BIA Budget for the year 2105.

MOTION CARRIED: #15-016

b. Moved by Councillor Harris, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hatt to donate \$1000.00 to the CCRTA.

MOTION CARRIED: #15-017

12) CORRESPONDENCE:

a. Council Proclaimed February 9 – 16 as Heritage week for St. George.

b. Moved by Deputy Mayor Hatt, seconded by Councillor Avery to place a ¼ page, full-color Ad in the Military Service Recognition Book through The Royal Canadian Legion.

MOTION CARRIED: #15-018

c. Councillor Avery left the meeting at 8:20. Request from MADD to use the Community Center on July 5, 2015 was referred to the CAO for consideration. Councillor Avery returned to the meeting.

d. Request from Bullying Canada for a donation was denied, however Council wanted the item to be placed on future budget deliberations.

e. Move by Councillor Mullin, Seconded by Councillor Avery to donate \$100.00 to the Heart and Stroke foundation. Council Proclaimed February as Heart and Stroke Month for St. George.

MOTION CARRIED: #15-019

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- f. Moved by Deputy Mayor Hatt, seconded by Councillor Mullin to donate \$275.00 to the 2015 Charlotte County Music Festival.

MOTION CARRIED: #15-020

- g. Mayor Tucker read a Thank You for your Sympathy note from the Henneberry Family.
- h. Mayor Tucker read a Thank You note from Scott Ring for the donation to him for the Canada Winter Games.

13) STATEMENT BY MEMBERS OF COUNCIL:

- a. Councillor Avery mentioned the great job done by the Works Department on the snow clean-up and how many hours the men have put in.
- b. Councillor Harris stated that some trees may have been broken, but people need to realize that this is more snow than we have had, maybe ever, and there is no place to put it. Also, the Contractors who were hired to help with snow removal would have minimal knowledge of where things are located that are in the Town's right of way.

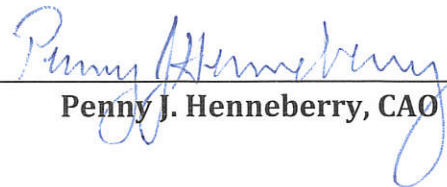
14) PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS: None

- 15)** The date of the next Regular Meeting of Council will be held on Monday, March 9, 2015 at 7:00 pm.

- 16)** Moved by Councillor Harris to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm.



Sharon Tucker, Mayor



Penny J. Henneberry, CAO