# Town of Carbonear Regular Council Meeting, April 21, 2020

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Council of the Town of Carbonear Electronic meeting (Zoom webinar), April 21st, 2020 at 5:30pm

Members Present: Mayor

Deputy Mayor Councillors

Frank Butt Chris O'Grady

Danielle Doyle

Ray Noel Vic Jenkins

Amanda Dowden David Kennedy

Also Present:

CAO

Town Clerk

Cynthia Davis

Cathy Somers

**Director of Operations** 

& Public Works Director of Recreation

Brian O'Grady Rob Button

**EDTO** 

Kerri Abbott

1. Calling of Meeting to Order

> Mayor Butt called the meeting to order at 5:42 pm and welcomed everyone to the meeting. Several participants are signed on to the first virtual meeting of Council. Mayor Butt apologized for the delay in getting started and asked that the participants for their patience if we incur any technical difficulties during the meeting.

Mayor Butt passed along condolences to the families of the victims of the mass shooting in NS and the 3 NL residents who died from Covid-19. He then asked for a moment of silence in respect of these people and their families.

2. Adoption of the Agenda for April Regular Meeting

Motion 20-067

C. O'Grady / R. Noel

Resolved to adopt the agenda as presented for the April 21, 2020 Regular Meeting of Council.

Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried

3. Change from Section 1(a) from the Rules of Procedure for Conduct of Meetings

**Motion 20-068** 

C. O'Grady / V. Jenkins

Resolved to hold a Regular Council Meeting on the 3rd Tuesday in April and be it further resolved to hold that meeting by electronic means.

Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried

Adoption of an amendment of the Remote Meeting Attendance Policy 4.

Motion 20-069

C. O'Grady / V. Jenkins

Resolved to amend the Remote Meeting Attendance Policy to allow for attendance

of Councillors, required staff and the public by electronic means, with no restrictions on the number of meetings to be attended, during a Public Health Emergency declared under the Public Health and Protection and Promotion Act, where meeting in person will be in contravention of the orders of the Chief Medical Officer of Health, per the amended policy as distributed to Council.

Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried

## 5 Adoption of the minutes

a) Regular Meeting – March 10, 2020

Motion 20-070 A. Hulan / C. O'Grady

Resolved to adopt the minutes of the March 10, 2020 Regular Meeting of Council.

Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried

b) Privileged Meeting – March 24, 2020

Motion 20-071 V. Jenkins / D. Doyle

Resolved to adopt the minutes of the March 24, 2020 Privileged Meeting of Council.

Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried

Motion PRI 2020-03-24-001 from the March 24 Privileged Meeting of Council is required to be ratified.

**Motion 20-072** 

C. O'Grady / D. Doyle

Resolved that the Town of Carbonear suspend all interest on outstanding accounts up to and including June 30, 2020.

Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried

- 6. Business Arising From Minutes
  No business arising from the minutes.
- 7. Delegations No delegations listed.
- 8. Correspondence, Permits & Development
  - a) Permit Listing # 8882-8889

Councillor Doyle requested Council to review the list of permits for any possible conflict of interest.

Councillor Kennedy declared a conflict of interest on Permit #8886 as it was for his sister.

**Motion 20-073** 

D. Doyle / C. O'Grady

Resolved to approve permits # 8882 – 8889, excluding #8886 as per applications received and conditional up on the work being completed in accordance with the Town of Carbonear Municipal Plan and Development Regulations and other applicable regulations and policies.

Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried

Councillor Kennedy then exited the meeting.

Motion 20-074

D. Doyle / V. Jenkins

Resolved to approve permit # 8886 as per application received and conditional up on the work being completed in accordance with the Town of Carbonear Municipal Plan and Development Regulations and other applicable regulations and policies.

Favour 6; Opposed 0; Carried

Councillor Kennedy was not present to vote on the matter.

Councillor Kennedy then returned to the meeting.

## 8.1 Correspondence, requiring Council's decision

a) Miles for Smiles Foundation

RE: April is Child Abuse Prevention month

Proclamation to be shared through facebook and twitter.

Mayor Butt read the proclamation provided.

Motion 20-075

V. Jenkins / R. Noel

Whereas: Children are the foundation for a prosperous and innovative society, and the foundation for a child's growth and development is established when the community takes responsibility for creating healthy environments where our children can thrive;

Whereas: All children deserve to have a safe, stable, nurturing home and community to foster their healthy growth and development;

Whereas: Child abuse and neglect is an important societal concern that may affect the long term health and well being of not only children, but also the adults they become;

Whereas: Child abuse and neglect impacts our entire society and our society's future;

Whereas: Child abuse prevention is a shared responsibility and finding solutions requires the involvement and collaboration of citizens, organizations and government entities;

Whereas: this month, we emphasize the importance of understanding the devastating problem of child abuse and neglect, and commit to learn more about the behavioural and physical signs of possible abuse.

Therefore, I, Frank Butt, do hereby proclaim the month of April 2020 as Child Abuse Prevention Month in the Town of Carbonear and I further call upon communities and individual citizens to participate in efforts to strengthen families, protect children and prevent child abuse and neglect.

Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried

b) Community Sector Council

Volunteer Week – April 19-25, 2020

Mayor Butt noted that April 19-25, 2020 is Volunteer Week

The theme this year is Applauding Volunteers.

We have placed a post on the Town's Facebook page.

The Town would like to appreciate and thank all the volunteers who contribute so much to our Town.

c) Canadian Mental Health Association Mental Health Week May 4-10 Proclamation to be signed Mayor Butt read the proclamation provided.

**Motion 20-076** 

A. Dowden / C. O'Grady

WHEREAS, mental health is an essential part of everyone's health and wellbeing;

WHEREAS, Mental Health Week has been hosted by the Canadian Mental Health Association in communities across Canada for 69 years;

WHEREAS, all people in Canada need to promote, protect and nurture their mental health; and

WHEREAS, promoting social connection is an important aspect of human life and an effective way to protect mental health

WHEREAS, in these days of the COVID-19 pandemic, our community members may be experiencing further difficulties maintaining their mental health; and

WHEREAS, in these days of social distancing, we as a community are experiencing great challenges to maintaining our social connections; and WHEREAS, the municipality of Carbonear, has a responsibility to promote mental wellness particularly at a time of increased social distancing and social isolation:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Carbonear hereby proclaims the week of May 4 to 10, 2020, as CMHA MENTAL HEALTH WEEK.

The Carbonear Council encourages all citizens to join in underlining the importance of social connection for mental health.

Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried

d) 2019/2020 Fire Protection Vehicles Infrastructure Program Project no: FES-NL190002.

The province has accepted the tender in the amount of \$375,542.35 as submitted by Camions Carl Thibault Inc and recommends proceeding to purchase.

Resolution required

### **Motion 20-077**

## C. O'Grady / V. Jenkins

Be It Resolved that the Town of Carbonear accept and award the tender bid for the Fire Truck to Camions Carl Thibault Inc. in the amount of \$374,542.35.

Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried

CAO noted that this replaces the 1999 Pumper.

### 8.2 Correspondence received and action taken

Council reviewed the following listing of correspondence and approved the action taken on each item: :

a) Municipalities NL

April 16, MNL COVID-19 conference calls, April 24 @ 1 pm. The Honourable Derrick Bragg, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Environment will be joining this round of regional COVID-19 conference calls. Deadline to submit questions for the Minister is April 20 @12pm.

April 9, list of webinars for the week of April 13-17

April 6, Envirofest 2020 postponed

April 4, webinars for the week of April 6-10

March 31, Conference Call

March 25, Host meetings remotely, circular to municipalities and first responders and the COVID-19

March 20, PMA meeting postponed

March 18, invitation to join MNL conference call March 19 & Telus Business: Information on hosting meetings remotely

March 17 – Update for Municipalities on the COVID-19 virus

March 11, Capacity Grant now open. Deadline March 17

Forwarded to Chief Administrative Officer, Town Clerk & Council Copied to Council, Chief Administrative Officer and the Town Clerk

- b) Department of Municipal Affairs & Environment
  - Fire Services Division
    - COVID-19 Response Procedure, Training and Social Distancing
    - COVID-19 and Medical Assist Response Procedure
       Forwarded Chief Administrative Officer, Council and the Fire Chief
  - Chlorine Residual Testing and COVID-19 concerns
     Forwarded to the Chief Administrative Officer and the Director of Operations & Public Works
  - Copy of correspondence sent to Eastern Regional Service Board regarding consent for the Eastern Regional Service Board to proceed with the collection of fire and emergency services fees from Line Road, Gunner's Pond and Gadden's Mash for the Town of Carbonear. Forwarded to Public Works, Waste Management & Community Services committee and the Chief Administrative Officer.
  - Water Resources Management Division granted permission for the installation of a utility pole (approximately 284 metres) within the Island Pond/Fling's Pond protected water supply area. Placed on file.
  - Municipal Infrastructure, Town of Carbonear Community Culture & Recreation Swimming Pool Liner Replacement, 17-CCR020-00011, approval to call tender
     Forwarded to the Direction of Recreation and the Chief Administrative Officer
  - Office of the Minister regarding Municipal States of Emergency and COVID-19
    - Copied to Council, Chief Administrative Officer and the Town Clerk
  - Office of the Minister, copy of correspondence sent to the President of Municipalities NL outlining concerns from municipalities.
     Copied to Council, Chief Administrative Officer and the Town Clerk
  - New communication protocols regarding sending and receiving documents.
    - Copied to Chief Administrative Officer and the Town Clerk
  - Municipal Infrastructure in reference to revised version of the previous Supplementary General Condition 19.2 in the updated March 2020

- Municipal Water, Sewer and Roads aster Construction Specifications. Copied to Chief Administrative Officer.
- Public Procurement Agency: Delegation of purchasing authority for Rust Protection
   Copied to Chief Administrative Officer
- Circular to Municipalities and Fire Department requesting all fire department, police and public refrain from holding parades and to help discourage such gatherings within your municipalities.
   Copied to Chief Administrative Officer, Council and the Fire Department
- Circular to Municipalities and Local Service Districts regarding no change to the legislative obligation to hold a minimum number of public council meetings and advising municipalities to make every effort to conduct their public meetings online or by phone.
   Copied to Chief Administrative Officer, Town Clerk and Council
- Fire Services Division regarding public stockpiling of gasoline and using unapproved containers.
   Forwarded to Chief Administrative Officer, Council and the Fire Department
- Office of the Deputy Minister regarding Public hearing, registration & appeals. Registration of plans and amendment will be forwarded electronically but there will be delays is releasing and registering plans. The province will continue to accept appeals, however no appeals will be scheduled for hearings until the current public health emergency is over.

Forwarded to Chief Administrative Officer and Town Clerk

- c) NL Public Health Laboratory, Test results of water samples collected on January 13, 2020 at Carbonear General Hospital, 256 Water Street, TC Square Mall and the Department of Justice. Results marked satisfactory. Placed on file
- d) ACOA, Project approved under the Enabling Accessibility Fund RE: Project# 1591408 in the amount of \$99,450 for Accessible Family Change room
  - Forwarded to Chief Administrative Officer and the Director of Recreation.
- e) Telelink
  - RE: business continuity plan in effect for ongoing support & updated contact list
  - Copied to Chief Administrative Officer and the Town Clerk
- f) Provincial Wastewater Technologies
  RE: New company based in the province which offers advanced wastewater treatment solutions to municipalities throughout the province.
  Forwarded to the Director of Operations & Public Works, the Chief Administrative Officer and the Public Works, Waste Management & Community Services committee.
  - g) Inquiry on conditions for land development and Home Based Business Forwarded to Development committee

h) Saltwire Network

RE: Saltwire/The Compass will no longer be meeting with clients; however they are still open for business.

Copied to the Chief Administrative Officer. Placed on file.

i) Office of MHA Steve Crocker

RE: Government link to information on COVID-19.

Shared with staff and Council. Placed on file.

- i) Newfoundland Power
  - NL Power will be maintaining regular operations for outages and emergencies.
  - The takeCHARGE of Your Town Challenge is postponed until further notice. They will continue to accept proposals and will provide updates as soon as a future deadline is decided.

Forwarded to Chief Administrative Officer & the Fire Department.

- k) Federation of Municipalities
  - FCM's 2020 Board of Directors election period is now open.
     Copied to Council.
  - RE: Update on income support for municipal employees
     Forwarded to Chief Administrative Officer and the Town Clerk
- Community Sector Council NL

RE: Premier announces support for community based organizations Placed on file

m) Landscape NL

RE: Suspension of the Forgotten Corner Project Forwarded to the Director of Recreation, the Chief Administrative Officer and the Recreation, Special Events, Culture & Tourism Committee

n) Classic Pro Advisory Services Inc.

RE: Information on services offered

Forwarded to Finance and Administration committee

o) Environment and Climate Change Canada

RE: Road Salts Report

Forwarded to the Chief Administrative and the Director of Operations and Public Works

p) Professional Municipal Administrators

RE: PMA annual conference rescheduled to September 16 Forwarded to Chief Administrative Officer and the Town Clerk

q) Carbonear Volunteer Fire Department

RE: Lift assists calls

Forwarded to Finance and Administration committee

r) Reaching Home: Remote and Rural NL Funding Stream

RE: Public Release – funding opportunity call for applications for media sharing

Forwarded to the Recreation, Special Events, Culture & Tourism committee

s) Property owner, Irishtown Road

Complaint of roaming cats in the neighbourhood

Forwarded to the Municipal Enforcement Officer & the Public Works, Waste Management & Community Services committee

t) Property owner, Water Street

RE: request for screen for storm drain

Forwarded to Public Works, Waste Management & Community Services committee

u) Avalon Laboratories Inc

RE: Reaching out to municipalities to offer laboratory water analysis and testing during the pandemic

Copied to the Director of Operations & Public Works and the Chief Administrative Officer

v) Eastern Health

RE: Links to information and resources on COVID-19.

Copied to Chief Administrative Officer and the Town Clerk.

w) Royal Canadian Legion

RE: Request for assistance

Forwarded to Finance and Administration committee

x) Property owner, Columbus Drive

RE: Regarding property and commercial tax

Forwarded to Finance and Administration committee

y) Property owner, Water Street

RE: regarding business tax

Forwarded to Finance and Administration committee

z) Service Canada - New Horizons for Seniors Program
RE: Seniors Strong and together funding application was not approved
Forwarded to Recreation, Special Events, Culture & Tourism committee

aa) Conservation Corps of NL

RE: Green Team 2020

Forwarded to Recreation, Special Events, Culture & Tourism committee

## 9. Committee Reports

a) Development

Councillor Doyle noted the Committee met on March 12<sup>th</sup> and noted the following from the meeting:

- Columbus Drive disposal of land: waiting on further information from Local Governance and Land Use Planning on the matter.
- Committee discussed various issues identified by the MEO on various properties. Committee will follow up with concerns identified.

Residents are reminded that permits are required for development, change in use of property, and Home-Based Business operations, etc.

b) Finance and Administration

Deputy Mayor O'Grady advised the Committee met on April 15<sup>th</sup> and noted the following from the meeting:

- Alert System Some quotes have been received. Committee will review further and should have more to report within a month or two.
- Land for Sale Goff Avenue Committee is still reviewing the matter. More information will be compiled by the CAO on the matter and the committee will review again for the next Council meeting.
- 2019 Audit has been delayed due to the Covid-19 restrictions. Town Clerk will determine if details can be worked out with the auditing firm for the audit to proceed.
- Committee is reviewing correspondence from two businesses regarding request for an adjustment to business tax.
- Scotiabank Visa Business Card agreement. A resolution is required by Scotiabank to proceed with obtaining the Visa for the Town's use. A copy of this resolution has been distributed for Council's review.

# Motion 20-078 C. O'Grady / R. Noel

Resolved that the Mayor or Deputy Mayor and the Town Clerk or Chief Administrative Officer are hereby authorized to borrow on behalf of the Town of Carbonear (the "Corporation" from the Bank of Nova Scotia (the "Bank") from time to time by way of promissory note a sum or sums not exceeding at any one time Fifty Thousand dollars (\$50,000) to meet, \*\*until the taxes are collected, current expenditures of the Corporation for the year 2020.

That the Mayor or Deputy Mayor with Town Clerk or Chief Administrative Officer are hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Corporation and to furnish to the Bank from time to time a promissory note or notes sealed with the corporate seal for the sum or sums so borrowed with interest at such rate as the Bank may from time to time determine.

The Mayor or Deputy Mayor with Town Clerk or Chief Administrative Officer are hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Corporation and to furnish to the Bank an Agreement or Agreements under the seal of the Corporation and to furnish to the Bank an Agreement or Agreements under the seal of the Corporation providing for payment to the Bank of all amounts required to be paid by the Bank pursuant to each promissory note of the Corporation guaranteed by the Bank with interest at such rate as the Bank may from time to time determine and of a guarantee fee in respect of each such promissory note at such rate as the Bank may from time to time determine.

That the Mayor or Deputy Mayor with Town Clerk or Chief Administrative Officer are hereby authorized and directed to furnish to the Bank at the time of each borrowing and at such other times a the Bank may from time to time request, a statement showing the nature and amount of the estimated revenues of the current year not yet collected or where the estimates for the year have not been adopted, a statement showing the nature and amount of the estimated revenues of the Corporation as set forth in the estimates adopted for the next preceding year and also showing the total of any amounts borrowed in the current year and in any preceding year that have not been repaid.

That the Town of Carbonear is/are hereby authorized and directed to apply in payment of all sums borrowed from the Bank, with interest thereon, all of the moneys hereafter collected or received on account or realized in respect of the taxes levied for the current year and for any preceding years and all of the moneys collected or received from any sources.

Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried

- Royal Canadian Legion Branch 23, request to distribute correspondence to veterans in the community. The CAO will inquire to obtain further info on this request.
- Received a request from a business offering services to review records for additional tax rebates that may be available to the municipality. Committee will consider in the future.
- Backyard Pool Regulations Committee discussed the need for these regulations. CAO will prepare and bring forward a draft for review.
- ➤ Lift Assist Calls Volunteer Fire Department Committee discussed the matter. Deferred for further review by the Committee.
  - CAO advised that Lift Assist is not listed as one of the requirements of the Carbonear Volunteer Fire Department. They have been doing it in the past as a courtesy.
- Bulk Collection Eastern Waste Management have currently ceased bulk collection and the Waste Recovery Facilities are closed. We are currently asking residents to hold their items in their house or garage until a bulk pick up is arranged when bulk collection resumes.
- Expropriation of Land at 1 Burnt Head Road
  The town's lawyer has advised that the property is now vested in the Town of Carbonear and has requested that the funds be forwarded to him by April 27, 2020.

Motion 20-079 C. O'Grady / V. Jenkins

Resolved that the Town of Carbonear release funds in the amount of \$20,000 for the acquisition of expropriated land at 1 Burnt Head Road.

Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried

Town Clerk to have funds forwarded to the Town's lawyer for processing.

Pool Staff – Pool lifeguard staff have now been laid off while the pool facility is closed.

- c) Recreation, Special Events, Culture & Tourism
  Councillor Noel advised the committee met on April 15<sup>th</sup> and noted the following from the meeting:
  - Horizons 2020 Magazine Not certain if this will be printed. Deferred.
  - ➤ Landscape NL The "Forgotten Corner" initiative has been suspended.
  - ➤ Selfie Wall, estimated cost \$5,000-\$10,000 which covers design, construction, treatment of wood and labour. Deferred for further discussion after the Covid-19 situation has passed.
  - Multi-faceted trail funding application for trail located in the Crocker's Cove area was submitted to the Green Team. Waiting on response to determine if it the project is approved.
  - Trail signage an inquiry was received from an individual who is part of a group working on an ATV trail in the Valley Road area to determine if Council would assist with some directional signage. This trail is not maintained by the Town and is different from other Town walking trails. Committee will try to set up a meeting with the group to discuss further.
  - > Summer Student grants waiting to see what is approved.
  - Service Canada / New Horizons for Seniors program funding application for "Seniors Strong and Together" was not approved.
  - Department of Children, Seniors and Social development. Funding approvals copied to Council for funding of \$6,850 for cooking classes for St. Vincent de Paul and \$5,000 for facility upgrades for the Knights of Columbus. Council previously endorsed these applications and thank these organizations for the great work they are doing in our town.
  - Princess Sheila Building utilization of the building The committee has requested information on the cost to operate the building and have deferred the matter until this information is presented for review.
  - ➤ Pool Project Tender for Pool Liner Replacement & Deck Resurfacing will be closing soon, the tenders will be reviewed and a recommendation to award will be provided to Council. After that tender is awarded the tender for the accessible change room renovations will be advertised.
  - Clay blocks and materials Quote for these items was reviewed by the committee.

**Motion 20-080** 

R. Noel / D. Doyle

Resolved to purchase clay blocks for batter boxes and pitcher mounds for ball fields in the amount of \$6,016.80 (shipping included) from Halifax Seed.

Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried

- Hanging Baskets are being dropped off to the florist for preparation.
- ➤ Tourism Strategic Plan The EDTO completed a draft plan. The province is promoting residential tourism this year.
- Preparation for National Softball Tournament 2020 Due to the Covid-19 restrictions, this tournament may not go ahead this year.
- ➤ Train The price to supply labour and material for lead abatement on the train car was approximately \$50,000. The committee will contact other Towns to determine information on any contractors who may have completed repairs to the trains in their communities.
- Wi-Fi downtown. EDTO is investigating options.
- Small scale festival during Carbonear Days weekend. It is likely that all social gatherings will be cancelled for this year due to the Covid-19 restrictions.
- Pickleball program for seniors Director of Recreation will further review this matter.
- Pool, parks and playgrounds are currently closed due to the Covid-19 restrictions.
- Directional signage has been placed around the boardwalk and council requests that the public abide by the directional signs and maintain social distancing while using the boardwalk and the walking track.
- d) Public Works, Waste Management & Community Services Councillor Jenkins advised the committee met on April 16<sup>th</sup> and noted the following from the meeting:
  - Take Charge of Your Town Challenge is postponed until further notice.
  - Parking issue with a contractor working at the pool facility has been resolved.
  - Issue with abandoned vehicle on the parking lot of the community garden is being investigated by the RCMP.
    CAO advised this issue has been resolved.
  - Bulk clean up has been discontinued until further notice.
  - Chlorine Residual Testing and Covid-19 concerns Staff are following the guidelines as received and relayed to the them.
  - Reviewed correspondence sent to Eastern Regional Service Board regarding consent for the ERSB to proceed with the collection of fire and emergency service fees for the Line Road, Gunner's Pond and Gadden's Mash for the Town of Carbonear. A contract should be forthcoming from ERSB.

- Provincial Wastewater Technologies, company offering advance wastewater treatment solutions to municipalities. This information has been placed on file.
- Reviewed complaint of roaming cats. Complaint has been forwarded to the MEO for investigation.
- Request to place culvert to join two parcels of land at the corner of Columbus Drive and Fox Farm Road. This would include culverting a stream in a conservation zone, which is not permitted. CAO will respond to the property owner.
- Bunker Hill, concerns with water quality and hydrant flushing. Hydrant flushing was completed which took care of the issue. Hydrant flushing is completed in the area on a regular basis.
- Carbonear Volunteer Fire Department, Request for additional equipment for the new pumper. Deferred to obtain quotes for the items for further discussion with Council.
- Request for screening at the end of a drain pipe that leads to the ocean. Screening is placed at the entrance of drain pipes to avoid a blockage, but not at the end of the drain pipes. The individual will receive a written response to his inquiry.
- Request to move the current crosswalk as the corner of Pike's Lane and the Beach Road. Deferred for investigation by the Director of Operations and Public Works.
- Snow Clearing Damage Claims to be reviewed at the next committee meeting.
- Reports of Chief Administrative Officer and Department Heads None listed.

#### 11. Finance

b) Capital Invoices:

**Motion 20-082** 

C. O'Grady / A. Dowden

Resolved that the Town of Carbonear approve for payment the following capital invoices:

Fougere Menchenton Architecture -CBR Community Centre Extension

12. Regulations
None listed

#### 13. New Business

- Councillor Doyle mentioned that tomorrow is Earth Day and suggested that Council and residents can do our part by cleaning up around our properties.
- > Mayor Butt thanked the residents for adhering to the orders of the Chief Medical Officer and the province.
- Mayor Butt also noted that there have been many acts of kindness within our town with various groups supplying food to front line workers, etc.
- Mayor Butt reminded everyone to continue to practice social distancing, wash your hands frequently and stay home as much as possible.
- Mayor Butt advised the Town Office is closed to the public, however staff are still working and available for calls during normal office hours.
- Mayor Butt advised town residents and groups still ring the bells and make noise on Sundays at 7pm in support of our essential workers and frontline staff
- ➤ Deputy Mayor O'Grady noted that there is a meeting with the Conception Bay North Joint Council representatives and Eastern Health weekly to provide an update to the towns and to discuss any new concerns.
- > There is also a meeting with Minister Crocker and Minister Bragg next week.
- ➤ The Town's Emergency Planning Committee meets each week as well to discuss any new concerns or requirements of the Town's operations due to the Covid-19 pandemic.
- 14. Notices of Motions

No notices of motions were filed.

15. Adjournment

Motion 20-083

R. Noel / C. O'Grady

Resolved that the meeting adjourn at 6:28pm. Next Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm.

Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried

Mayor Frank Butt

Cathy Somers, Town Clerk