Town of Carbonear Regular Council Meeting May 14, 2024

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Council of the Town of Carbonear held In Council Chambers, May 14, 2024 at 5:30pm

Members Present: Mayor

Deputy Mayor

Councillor

Frank Butt

Sam Slade Danielle Doyle

Chris O'Grady Ray Noel

Malcolm Seymour

Peter Snow

Also Present:

Town Clerk / Director of

Financial Operations

Director of Operations & Public Works

Director of Recreation

EDTO

Cathy Somers

Ian Farrell Rob Button

Kerri Abbott

Absent:

Chief Administrative Officer

Cynthia Davis

1. Calling of Meeting to Order

Mayor Butt welcomed those present at the meeting and called the meeting to order at 5:30pm. The meeting is being broadcast by Youtube.

2. Approval of the Agenda for May 14, 2024 Regular Meeting

Motion 24-121

C. O'Grady / P. Snow

Resolved to adopt the agenda for the May 14, 2024 Regular Council meeting as distributed to Council.

Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried

- 3. Adoption of the minutes
 - a) Regular Meeting April 24, 2024

Motion 24-122

R. Noel / S. Slade

Resolved to adopt the minutes of the April 24th, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council as presented.

Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried

b) Special Meeting – May 8, 2024

Motion 24-123

S. Slade / M. Seymour

Resolved to adopt the minutes of the May 8th, 2024 Special Meeting of Council as presented.

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Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried

- 4. Business Arising from Minutes No business arising.
- 5. Proclamations / Presentations / Delegations
 Mayor Butt noted there are six proclamations listed on the agenda for today's meeting. They have all been distributed to Council members and will be available for viewing on the Town's social media as well.
 - a) World Ovarian Cancer Day, May 8, 2024, Proclamation to be signed.

 Motion 24-124 S. Slade / C. O'Grady

Whereas Ovarian Cancer has no early detection testing, and Whereas Ovarian Cancer symptoms are often confused with other less severe illnesses, and

Whereas Ovarian Cancer has the lowest survival rate of all female cancers, and

Whereas as many as 23 percent of women with Ovarian Cancer have an inherited genetic mutation, and

Whereas genetic testing is a way to identify people at high risk before they develop Ovarian Cancer.

Now Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Town of Carbonear hereby proclaims Wednesday, May 8, 2024, World Ovarian Cancer Day and encourage all citizens of the Town of Carbonear, and the province, to talk to their health providers about Ovarian Cancer and seek to learn more about the disease.

Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried

b) Moose Hide Campaign Day, May 16, proclamation to be signed *Motion 24-125 D. Doyle / C. O'Grady*

WHEREAS, the Moose Hide Campaign is an Indigenous-led, grassroots movement of men, boys and all Canadians standing up to end violence against women, children and all those along the gender continuum;

WHEREAS, the Moose Hide Campaign was founded along the 'Highway of Tears' in British Columbia in response to the injustices and violence faced by many women and children in Canada, particularly those who are Indigenous;

WHEREAS, Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) is at epidemic proportions across Canada with more than 4 in 10 women having experienced it in their lifetime, and this reality is worse for Indigenous women who are twice as likely to experience violence from their current or former partners;

WHEREAS, the Moose Hide Campaign has distributed over five million moose hide pins that each spark five conversations about issues of violence against women, children and all those along the gender continuum;

WHEREAS, wearing the moose hide pin demonstrates a commitment to honour, respect and protect the women and children in your life, end gender-based violence and take meaningful action towards reconciliation with Indigenous peoples;

WHEREAS, participation in the Moose Hide Campaign is a concrete action for all citizens to address the legacies of colonization, residential schools and the reality of more than 1,200 missing or murdered women in Canada;

WHEREAS, engagement with the Moose Hide Campaign aligns with the United Nations Declaration on the Right of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP), the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action, and the Calls for Justice of the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls (MMIWG2S+); Therefore the Town of Carbonear proclaims May 16, 2024, as Moose

Therefore the Town of Carbonear proclaims May 16, 2024, as Moose Hide Campaign Day

Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried

c) May 17, Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma Awareness Day. Proclamation to be signed. Mayor Butt noted that there will be a gathering open to the public at the Fire Hall, hosted by the Carbonear Volunteer Fire Department. There will be hot dogs for sale as a fund-raiser in memory of Trinity Ellsworth to make improvements to the playground on Soper Avenue. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Motion 24-126

S. Slade / R. Noel

Whereas, Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma (DIPG) is a type of tumor that starts in the brain stem and controls breathing, nerves, and muscles, which can cause problems with everyday functions; and, Whereas, brain tumors are one of the leading causes of cancer-related deaths in children: and.

Whereas, DIPG is the most common malignant brain tumor found in children, with over 75 percent of brainstem tumors being DIPG; and, Whereas, most people are unaware that DIPG is the leading cause of brain tumour deaths in children, often not finding out about this disease until they know someone whom it affects; and,

Whereas, DIPG currently remains incurable, despite decades of clinical trials; and,

Whereas, through the work of the DIPG Registry, new data is being used to influence research toward improving treatments and outcomes; and,

Whereas, on this day, we should provide support to those who have DIPG and their families and caregivers, raise awareness of this disease, and promote further research and treatment;

Now, Therefore the Town of Carbonear, do hereby proclaim May 17, 2024, as Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma (DIPG) Awareness Day. Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried

d) International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia, May 17. Proclamation to be signed.

Motion 24-127

S. Slade / P. Snow

WHEREAS the Quebec Charter of Human Rights and Freedoms recognizes that no one can be discriminated against on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity or expression;

WHEREAS Quebec is a society open to everyone, including lesbian, gay, bisexual and trans people (LGBTQ+) and to all other people who identify with sexual diversity and the multiplicity of gender identities and expressions;

WHEREAS, despite recent efforts towards greater inclusion of LGBTQ+ people, homophobia and transphobia are still present in society.

WHEREAS May 17th is the International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia, is celebrated as such in many countries and is the result of a Quebec-based initiative promoted by Fondation Émergence starting in 2003.

WHEREAS there is reason to support the efforts of Fondation Émergence in holding this day:

Be It Resolved to the Town of Carbonear proclaim May 17 INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST HOMOPHOBIA AND TRANSPHOBIA and to recognize this day as such.

Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried

e) National Public Works Week May 19–25, 2024. Proclamation to be signed.

Motion 24-128 S. Slade / C. O'Grady

WHEREAS, public works professionals focus on infrastructure, facilities, and services that are of vital importance to sustainable and resilient communities and to the public health, high quality of life, and well-being of the people of Carbonear; and,

WHEREAS, these infrastructure, facilities, and services could not be provided without the dedicated efforts of public works professionals, who are engineers, managers, and employees at all levels of government and the private sector, who are responsible for rebuilding, improving, and protecting our nation's transportation, water supply, water treatment and solid waste systems, public buildings, and other structures and facilities

essential for our citizens; and,

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest for the citizens, civic leaders, and children in Town of Carbonear to gain knowledge of and maintain an ongoing interest and understanding of the importance of public works and public works programs in their respective communities; and, WHEREAS, the year 2024 marks the 64th annual National Public Works Week sponsored by the American Public Works Association be it now, RESOLVED that the Town of Carbonear do hereby designate the week of May 19–25, 2024, as National Public Works Week. I urge all citizens to join with representatives of the American Public Works Association/Canadian Public Works Association and government agencies in activities, events, and ceremonies designed to pay tribute to our public works professionals, engineers, managers, and employees and to recognize the substantial contributions they make to protecting our national health, safety, and advancing quality of life for all.

Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried

f) The Association of Early Childhood Educators NL - Proclaim Early Childhood Educators Week - May 26th to June 1st, 2024

Motion 24-129

S. Slade / M. Seymour

Whereas the Association of Early Childhood Educators of Newfoundland and Labrador represents those working in child care and related fields throughout the province; and

Whereas early childhood educators provide developmentally appropriate care and education to children from birth to age twelve in a variety of settings; and

Whereas such care and education fosters the social, emotional, cognitive and physical growth and development of these children and supports families in a variety of ways; and

Whereas this support of children and families insures the future health of our society:

Therefore the Town of Carbonear do hereby proclaim the week of May 26th to June 1st, 2024, as Provincial Early Childhood Educators' Week. Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried

- 6. Permits and Correspondence
- 6.1 Permit Listing # 10475 10509 Councillor Doyle asked Council to review the permit listing for any possible conflicts. Deputy Mayor Slade declared conflict of interest on permit 10485 as it is for his

daughter.

Mayor Butt declared a conflict of interest on permit 10492 as it is for his brother.

Motion 24-130

D. Doyle / P. Snow

Resolved to approve permits # 10475-10509 excluding permits 10485 and 10492 as per the applications received and conditional upon 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

Deputy Mayor Slade then moved to the public gallery.

Motion 24-131

D. Doyle / P. Snow

Resolved to approve permit # 10485 as per the application received and conditional upon 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

Deputy Mayor Slade returned to his seat at the Council table.

Mayor Butt then moved to the public gallery. Deputy Mayor Slade assumed the position of Chair.

Motion 24-132

D. Doyle / R. Noel

Resolved to approve permit # 10492 as per the application received and conditional upon 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

Mayor Butt returned to his seat at the Council table and assumed the position of Chair.

- 6.2 Correspondence, requiring Council's decision
 - a) Harris & Associates, Re. Water Street Landscaping PCA Amendment Change Order #6 on Project No. 20-105 in the amount of \$7,466.38 for additional civil engineering fees for cellars.

 Deferred for further review by the Director of Operations and Public Works.
 - b) Harris & Associates, Re. Water Street Landscaping PCA Amendment Change Order #7 on Project No. 20-105 in the amount of \$17,250 for 200 additional hours.
 - Deferred for further review by the Director of Operations and Public Works.
- 6.3 Correspondence received and action taken Council reviewed the following correspondence and action taken:

- a) Property owners, Tilley Place requesting street paving. Forwarded to Public Works, Waste Management and Community Services committee
- b) Royal Canadian Legion Branch 23
 - RE Memorial Day Parade and Wreath Laying ceremony, June 30 at 11 am. Copied to Council and staff.

Mayor Butt noted that the sidewalk is completed in front of the War Memorial and asked if we can have the War Memorial are cleaned up prior to June 30. Director of Operations and Public Works to obtain the schedule for completion.

- c) Government NL
 - Department of Transportation and Infrastructure regarding Ice Control Materials 2024/2025. Copied to the Director of Operations and Public Works.
 - Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts and Recreation regarding approval through the Arts Infrastructure and Programming Fund in the amount of \$28,710 for backstage accessibility stair lift. Forwarded to Special Events, Culture and Tourism Committee
- d) 589 Carbonear Royal Canadian Air Cadet Squadron 70th Annual Ceremonial Review: June 9 at 2 pm at Carbonear Collegiate. AND Banquet at 5 pm at the Royal Canadian Legion. Invitation for the Mayor or designate to attend.
- e) Municipal Assessment Agency regarding assessment roll for tax year 2025. Forwarded to the Administration and Finance committee.
- f) NL Public Health Laboratory, Test results of water samples collected on February 26 at North Atlantic, Shell, Esso, TC Square Mall. Results marked satisfactory. Placed on file.
- g) Legendary Coasts Invitation to municipalities and local service districts to attend a follow up tourism opportunity session Baccalieu Coastal Drive. Town of Heart's Content Recreation Centre, June 5 from 9:30 am to 3 pm. Forwarded to the Economic Development and Tourism Officer and the Chief Administrative Officer.

7. Committee Reports

- Administration and Finance
 Councillor O'Grady advised the committee met on May 2, 2024 and advised of the following:
 - The committee is still working on finalizing the Community Grant and Donations Policy.
 - The 2022 audit is being finalized and work is underway on the 2023 audit.
 - The 2024 Municipal Operating Grant for the year has increased by about 12% which is about an additional \$25,000.

- b) Public Works, Waste Management and Community Services
 Deputy Mayor Slade noted the committee met on April 30, 2024 and
 advised that Council could peruse the minutes and aske any questions.
 He noted the following:
 - Committee discussed the 2023 list for asphalt projects that were identified by the Director of Operations and Public Works and will use the remainder of projects on the list for the 2024 asphalt projects. He also asked Council to review the list and determine if there are other items they would like considered in 2024 paving other than those previously included on the list.

Councillor Doyle noted she has some questions.

- Inquiry about the process of reviewing the snow clearing damage claims. She noted that it is fine to leave the sods, fencing, etc. for the spring when snow clearing season has ended. However, she felt that damages incurred throughout the winter for items such as garbage boxes, should be looked at in a prompt manner. Deputy Mayor Slade noted that the committee did review a claim for damage to a garbage container, which was determined to be in the street reservation and was not approved. Deputy Mayor Slade indicated that the matter will be reviewed to determine if a prompt investigation can be completed for items such as this.
- There has been lots of discussion on the HHWD and that it's moved to Whiteway. Contact was made with ERSB, and it was noted that Carbonear is a more central region and the CVFD assists with the event, which provides them with a donation for their service, a response has not yet been received from ERSB.
- Bulk pickup was being done twice a year in May and October. Now individual households will have to make an appointment for a scheduled bulk pick up, however the system for appointments is not yet available and there are numerous properties throughout town with bulk garbage placed for pick up. Town Clerk noted that the new system should be in place by the end of June for scheduled bulk pick up appointments to start by the end of July.

Councillor Noel noted that there are still items to be reviewed for the Water Street, Phase 2 – Landscaping regarding the planters. Deputy Mayor Slade advised this will be reviewed tomorrow in the Public Works Committee meeting.

c) Economic Development, Planning and Land Use Development Councillor Doyle advised the committee met on May 9, 2024. She noted the following from the meeting:

- Committee will be scheduling a meeting with a proposed developer
- ➤ There are a number of Development Applications that were reviewed.
- ➤ MEO provided a report on a number of properties that are under review and at different stages of our process. Council can review the items reported.
- Committee discussed the promotional videos, and the EDTO reviewed the comparison of the Google and Facebook ads and will be continuing with both types of ads.
- Reminder to all residents to check and apply for a permit before commencing work on your property.

The following motions are recommended by the committee:

Motion 24-133

D. Doyle / P. Snow

Resolved to approve the following applications in accordance with applications submitted, the Town of Carbonear Municipal Plan and Development Regulations and other conditions as specified:

- To construct a wheelchair ramp at 4 Dwyer's Lane conditional upon the town not being responsible for damages incurred in the street reservation due to snow clearing efforts or street maintenance; in accordance with General Regulations, S.10 Discretionary Powers of Authority.
- To construct a new dwelling at 3 Canada Place.

Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried

Motion 24-134

d)

D. Doyle / C. O'Grady

Resolved to send a removal order to remove deck and extension to the dwelling constructed at 58 Earle's Lane without a permit from Council and contrary to the requirements of the Development Regulations.

Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried

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Recreation & Community Events
Councillor Seymour noted the committee met on May 9, 2024.
He noted the following:

- Tulip Festival, opening June 7. Activities will include senior's kitchen party and tea party.
- EDTO and the Recreation Director have been working on various items.
- EDTO attended the Travel Trade Show expo which was a success.
- Reviewed information on Age Friendly Grants
- Received approval for Canada Summer Jobs
- Some discussion on the Davis Earle Trail and the ATV trail.
- Motions being recommended by the committee:

Motion 24-135

M. Seymour / P. Snow

Resolved to contract Oliver Controls & Electric Inc. to supply and install new LED lighting upgrade for baseball field at a cost of \$23,940 Plus HST.

Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried

Motion 24-136

M. Seymour / R. Noel

Resolved to contract Urban Forester to prepare the pergola area for the summer season in accordance with the conditions provided by the Town and quote received. Cost includes topsoil, mulch and labour in the amount of \$7,540 plus HST; and

Be it Further Resolved to contract Urban Forester to prepare the planting areas including providing plants and other materials in accordance with the conditions provided by the Town per the quote received in the amount of \$17,320 plus HST.

Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried

Councillor Doyle asked if there can be some clarification provided to the property owners on Water Street as to who is responsible for the flower beds in front of their businesses.

The Director of Recreation advised this was discussed by committee and a list is being prepared and will be relayed to Council and the businesses affected.

- 8. Reports of Chief Administrative Officer and Department Heads
 - a) Director of Recreation

The Director of Recreation presented the following from his report with Council:

Pool & Rec Maintenance

- 1.) New Pool equipment has been ordered. Climbing Wall is on route. Zipline to be ready soon.
- 2.) Continuing spring work. All outdoor equipment has been installed and continuing to work on some maintenance along the way. Overseeding at Football/Soccer Field has been done. Minor repairs to hockey rinks have been completed. Soil and seeding have been added around the rec complex to fill in the areas dug up from the scoreboard installation.
- 3.) Replace lumber on Bleachers at Recreation Complex. Requesting a motion approving to purchase materials, at Carbonear Home Hardware, to have this work completed, for the sum of \$6,955.19 HST included.

A motion of Council is required if Council would like to proceed with the work.

Motion 24-137

M. Seymour / R. Noel

Resolved to purchase lumber and materials required for repairs to the bleachers at the Recreation Complex from Carbonear Home Hardware for the price of \$6,955.19 HST included.

Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried

4.) Need lighting replaced/upgraded at Seniors Building, requesting a motion approving this work to supply and install LED lighting, by Oliver Controls, for the sum of \$2,438.00 HST included.

Motion 24-138

M. Seymour / P. Snow

Resolved to contract Oliver Controls to supply and install LED lighting at the Princess Sheila building for the sum of \$2,438.00 HST included.

Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried

Financial & Program Analysis

	<u>2024</u>	2023
1.) Pool Revenue (less HST)	\$97,503.31	\$87, 164.48
2.) Lesson Registration	872	934
3.) Pool Visitation	8,626	7,021

Some of the increase in revenue is due to a change in having 2 lesson registrations in 2024 for 8 weeks duration and in 2023 there were 2 lesson registrations for 6 weeks duration due to a pool shut down.

Programs & Grants

- 1.) June is Recreation/Participaction Month. Staff are working diligently on our June Schedule for this initiative. Please have a look out for the release of activities and help us become the Most Active community in Canada. The last couple of years we have been knocking on the door, so let's do our best to push through this year. We can win \$100,000 to assist in our recreation goals. We are trying to encourage more participation. App and step counting is gone now and it is based on registering events, tracking events, boosts participation in activities for the month of June.
- 2.) Breakdown of Programming since start of New Year. We have offered:
 - A.) 176 Youth Swimming Classes (Over 3 Sessions)
 - B.) 2 Adult Swimming Sessions (18 participants)
 - C.) 2 Leadership Courses Lifeguarding (4 Participants)
 - D.) 14 Youth/Family Recreational Programs

- a.) 4 Easter Sport Camps (46 Participants)
- b.) 5 Open Gym Sessions (98 Participants)
- c.) 5 Recreational/Arts Programs Easter Egg Hunt, Pot of Gold, Friendship Walk, Winter Outdoor Adventure, 2 Kids in Kitchen (173 Participants)
- E.) 3 Adult Arts Programs (59 Participants).
 Working on expanding the Adult Programming for the Fall.
- 3.) We have Partnered with NL Health Services to pilot an older adult program, working with individuals 55+ focusing on strengthening and balance. Program starts next week and will run until end of June. Registration is at capacity.
- 4.) Boxing Classes are now being offered at the Carbonear Swimming Pool (MP Room) on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. There has been a lot of interest in the boxing classes.
- 5.) Summer Program info is being finalized and should be released by the end of the week. Registration for this program will be announced at that time. We are also working on adding an Outdoor Camping/Hiking Camp in August, so stay tuned for those details in the coming days.

There is a gap for Grades 7-9, age 12-14. We are trying to promote more outdoor activity.

In providing these activities, we are following the recommendations in the Recreation Master Plan.

Councillor Snow asked if the number of children in the Summer Program has increased. The Director advise that is under discussion as the registration has not begun yet.

Councillor Noel commended the Director of Recreation and his staff and noted the place is looking good.

Director of Recreation also noted there was over 120 swimmers at the pool this past weekend attending a swim meet hosted by Poseidon Swim Club.

9. Finances

Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried

b) Capital Invoices:

Adelaide Street Upgrades, Phase II, 17-GI-23-00002

Meridian Engineering Inc., Invoice #, cc107922......\$8,206.52

Paving 2022 Program

Concord Paving Ltd, Claim # 2.....\$58,094.55

Councillor O'Grady declared a conflict of interest on the Adelaide Street project as his brother owns property in the area.

Councillor Seymour declared a conflict of interest on the Adelaide Street project as his mother-in-law owns property in the area.

Councillor Snow declared a conflict of interest on the Adelaide Street project as his sister owns property in the area.

Councillors O'Grady, Seymour and Snow left their seats at the Council table and moved to the public gallery.

Motion 24-140

D. Doyle / R. Noel

Resolved that the Town of Carbonear approve for payment the following Capital Invoice as submitted to Council.

Adelaide Street Upgrades, Phase II, 17-GI-23-00002

Meridian Engineering Inc., Invoice #, cc107922......\$8,206.52

Favour 4; Opposed 0; Carried

Councillors O'Grady, Seymour and Snow returned to their places at the Council table.

Motion 24-141

C. O'Grady / S. Slade

Resolved that the Town of Carbonear approve for payment the following Capital Invoice as submitted to Council.

Paving 2022 Program

Concord Paving Ltd, Claim # 2......\$58,094.55

Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried

10. Regulations for Adoption No regulations listed.

11. Notices of Motion

No notices of motions were filed.

12. New Business

a) Announcements

Mayor Butt reminded everyone of the DIPG event on May 17 at the Carbonear Fire Hall.

13. Adjournment

Motion 24-142

S. Slade / R. Noel

Resolved that the meeting adjourn at 6:23pm and that Council meet again for a Regular Council Meeting on Tuesday, May 28th at 5:30pm.

Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried

Mayor Frank Butt

Cathy Somers, Town Clerk