Municipality of Trinity Bay North Regular Council Meeting August 19, 2013

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Trinity Bay North, held in the Town Hall, August 19, 2013 at 4:30p.m.

Members Present Mayor Brendan Peters

Deputy Mayor Pauline Stagg
Councillors Donald Burt

Howard Duffett Albert Johnson Monica Peters Norman Rogers Alfred Street

Also Present Town Clerk Valerie Rogers

Town Manager Darryl Johnson

Agenda Motion #2013-08-19-2648 – Rogers/Street

Resolved that the agenda be adopted as presented.

In favour 8; Opposed 0; Motion Carried

Minutes: Regular Meeting of July 22, 2013

Regular Meeting July 22/13

Mayor Peters asked if there were any errors or omissions to the minutes of the regular meeting of July 22, 2013.

Motion #2013-08-19-2649 - Stagg/Johnson

Resolved that the minutes of the July 22, 2013

regular meeting of council be adopted. In favour 8; Opposed 0; Motion Carried

Delegation Bonnie Stead

The purpose of Mrs. Stead's visit was to discuss the current problem she has encountered as a result of water getting in her basement when the town's waterlines are leaking and the damage that is being caused to her basement. It was suggested that the Public Works Committee meet in the very near future and obtain some information on how to rectify this situation and get a cost estimate. Mayor Peters thanked Mrs. Stead for attending the meeting and advised that we will

get back to her in the very near future with hopefully some sort of resolution to the problem she's experiencing.

4:50p.m. Councillor Samson arrived.

Finance

1) Bills

Bills were presented in the amount of \$35,661.33.

Motion #2013-08-19-2650 - Burt/Stagg

Resolved that the bills be paid in the amount of \$35.661.33.

In favour 9; Opposed 0; Motion Carried

- 2) The Quick Statistics was presented as of August 16, 2013.
- 3) The Cheque Register was presented for the period of July 23 August 16, 2013. (Cheque #11984-12128)
- **4)** A discussion arose regarding the situation with our MOG's.

Motion #2013-08-19-2651 - Johnson/Samson

Resolved that we contact our MHA, Glen Little to schedule a meeting with Minister Kevin O'Brien, Department of Municipal Affairs to deal with the situation of our MOG's.

In favour 9; Opposed 0; Motion Carried

Town Manager's Report

1) Tenders

The Town Manager updated council on the tenders for road work and the lift station work.

2) Hiring Policy

The Town Manager raised the issue of a hiring policy for casual workers due to the fact he was questioned on it by councillors and he wanted some clarification.

Motion #2013-08-19-2652 - Burt/Samson

Resolved that the Town Manager come up with a policy for casual hiring and report back to the next meeting.

In favour 9; Opposed 0; Motion Carried

Public Works

It was decided to schedule a meeting for Monday, August 26, 2013 at 2:00p.m.

Recreation

It was decided to run an ad on the community channel once again seeking volunteers to form a Recreation Commission.

Deputy Mayor Stagg voiced her disappointed with not having a festival this year and the lack of interest in recreation in this town. Councillor Duffett spoke up and stated that he was on the recreation commission before but resigned because there were a "bunch of crooks running it". Councillor Duffett was advised by several in attendance to watch what he was saying. He proceeded to voice his opinion that "the individuals looking after the Saturday night card games were pocketing the money themselves".

The Town Clerk upon request from the Town Manager provided a report of the expenditures and revenues of the recreation including the Saturday night card game profits which as she explained is passed in on a regular basis. She went on to report that the particulars are reported on a form provided by the town that shows the revenue and expenses for each week that cards is held.

Correspondence

1) A travel claim was received from the Town Manager for travel expenses incurred from July 19-August 15, 2013 in the amount of \$375.66.

Motion #2013-08-19-2653 - Johnson/Street

Resolved that we reimburse the Town Manager for travel expenses incurred from July 19-August 15, 2013 in the amount of \$375.66.

In favour 9; Opposed 0; Motion Carried

2) A letter was received from Minister Kevin O'Brien, Department of Municipal Affairs regarding Project No. 11052 (Fire Hall Extension). He advised that the authorized funding has been increased by \$22,508 which is based on a cost sharing arrangement of 90/10 Provincial/Municipal ratio and on the condition that Council is willing and able to meet its share of the costs. The cost sharing for this project is outlined below.

	Total	Cost Less	Max.	
	Project	GST	Provincial	Municipal
	Cost	Rebate	Contribution	Contribution
Original				
Funding	\$90,000	\$86,018	\$77,416	\$8,602
Additional				
Funding 1	\$51,333	\$49,062	\$44,156	\$4,906
Additional				
Funding 2	\$22,508	\$21,512	\$19,361	\$2,151
TOTAL	\$163,841	\$156,592	\$140,933	\$15,659

Motion #2013-08-19-2654 - Samson/Rogers

Resolved that we accept the conditions as outlined in the letter from Kevin O'Brien, Department of Municipal Affairs regarding Project No. 11052 (Fire Hall Extension)

In favour 9; Opposed 0; Motion Carried

3) A letter was received from Minister Kevin O'Brien, Department of Municipal Affairs regarding Project No. 10039 (Sewage Lift Station Upgrades). He advised that the authorized funding has been increased by \$13,960 which is based on a cost sharing arrangement of 90/10 Provincial/Municipal ratio and on the condition that Council is willing and able to meet its share of the costs. The cost sharing for this project is outlined below.

	Total	Cost Less	Max.	
	Project	GST	Provincial	Municipal
	Cost	Rebate	Contribution	Contribution
Original				
Funding	\$216,000	\$206,442	\$185,798	\$20,644
Additional				
Funding 1	\$69,007	\$65,954	\$59,359	\$6,595
Additional				
Funding 2	\$13,960	\$13,342	\$12,008	\$1,334
TOTAL	\$298,967	\$285,738	\$257,165	\$28,573

Motion #2013-08-19-2655 – Stagg/Duffett

Resolved that we accept the conditions as outlined in the letter from Kevin O'Brien, Department of

Municipal Affairs regarding Project No. 10039 (Sewage Lift Station Upgrades).

In favour 9; Opposed 0; Motion Carried

- 4) A letter was received from Joan Sweetland requesting council clean out the brook that flows from Thompson's Pond to the ocean. She stated that it runs underneath the road from Craig Duffett's and between Rick Pardy's property and their property which hasn't been cleaned out in a number of years. It was decided to pass the letter over to the Public Works Committee to report back at the next meeting.
- 5) A letter was received from the Mockbeggar Mudslashers - 17 Ball Hockey Champs (NL) seeking a donation to help offset their cost of participating in the 2013 Play-On National Ball Hockey Tournament in Yarmouth, NS from September 26-28, 2013.

Motion #2013-08-19-2656 – Stagg/Samson Resolved that the letter be placed on file. In favour 9; Opposed 0; Motion Carried

6) An invitation was received from the Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador to attend the 2013 Annual Convention scheduled for November 7-9, 2013 in St. John's.

Motion #2013-08-19-2657 - Street/Duffett

Resolved that we book seven rooms and let the newly elected council decide who will attend the 2013 Annual Convention from November 7-9, 2013 in St. John's.

In favour 9; Opposed 0; Motion Carried

7) An invitation was received from the CPWA to attend their Fall Conference scheduled for October 9-11 at Grand-Falls – Windsor.

Motion #2013-08-19-2658 - Peters/Street

Resolved that we send two (2) employees to the CPWA Fall Conference from October 9-11 at Grand Falls – Windsor.

In favour 9; Opposed 0; Motion Carried

8) A second amending agreement to the Local Government Gas Tax Funding Agreement was received from Minister Kevin O'Brien, Department of Municipal Affairs for council's perusal and acceptance.

Motion #2013-08-19-2659 - Stagg/Rogers

Resolved that we accept the amendments as stated to the Second Amending Agreement to the Local Government Tax Funding Agreement.

In favour 9; Opposed 0; Motion Carried

9) A letter was received from Fire and Emergency Services
 NL advising that Mr. Tony Rose, Fire Protection
 Officer 1 is our primary contact with FES-NL in respect to all issues around fire protection services in our area.

New Business

1) Interest on Delinquent Taxes

The Town Clerk suggested that council set an interest rate of 2% per month on delinquent tax accounts as we are currently not charging interest on overdue accounts.

Motion #2013-08-19-2660 - Rogers/Johnson

Resolved that we charge a 2% interest charge per month on overdue accounts.

In favour 9; Opposed 0; Motion Carried

2) Dinner Meeting

The Town Manager suggested that our last regular meeting in September be a dinner meeting as this will probably be the last time this council will be together. Councillors Johnson and Street stated that they will not be in attendance at the next regular meeting. It was decided that we wouldn't have a dinner meeting.

Motion #2013-08-19-2661 – Stagg/Samson

Resolved that the meeting adjourn with the next regular meeting scheduled for September 16, 2013.

In favour 9; Opposed 0; Motion Carried

The meeting adjourned at 7:10p.m.

MAYOR	TOWN CLERK
Date	Date