

Public Meeting of Witless Bay Council
Town hall
January 10, 2017

Attending: Mayor Sebastien Despres, Deputy Mayor Dena Wiseman, Councillors Kevin Smart, Maureen Murphy, Fraser Paul, Ralph Carey

Absent: Councillor Vince Swain

Recording: Barb Harrigan

1. Mayor Sebastien Despres called the meeting to order at 7:38 p.m.

2. **2017-001:** Councillor Maureen Murphy/Deputy Mayor Dena Wiseman
Be it resolved that Council adopt the Agenda of January 10, 2017.

2017-002: Amendment: Deputy Mayor Dena Wiseman/Councillor Maureen Murphy
Be it resolved that the following items be added to the agenda:

Under Business Arising: To reconsider Motions # 2016-317 & 2016-318

Under PW & Infrastructure: (h) Power house/Shawmut Fisheries

Amendments carried unanimously.

Motion to adopt the agenda as amended carried unanimously.

3. **2017-003:** Councillor Ralph Carey/Councillor Kevin Smart
Be it resolved that Council adopt the Minutes of December 13, 2016 as presented.
Motion carried unanimously.

4. Business Arising:

2017-004: Deputy Mayor Dena Wiseman/Councillor Ralph Carey

Be it resolved council reconsider and strike Motion# 2016-317 & Motion# 2016-318 and be replaced by the following Motion:

Be it resolved that the Town will work with the Towns Insurance Company to investigate the issue on 124 Southside Track and make a report at which time the council will make a decision on this issue.

Motion carried unanimously.

5. Committee Reports:

Finance & Economic Development

Payables/Income Statement – Information Only.

- b. **2017-005:** Councillor Ralph Carey/Councillor Fraser Paul
Be it resolved that Council pay the snow clearing logs from November 27, 2016
December 31, 2016.
Motion carried unanimously.

Planning & Development

- a. **2017-006:** Deputy Mayor Dena Wiseman: Councillor Kevin smart
Be it resolved that Council proceed with a formal tender for the Town's Strategic
Planning process.

Motion carried unanimously.

- b. Witless Bay Heritage - Proposal for Development for Lower Pond Eco Centre

2017-007: Deputy Mayor Dena Wiseman/Councillor

Be it resolved that Council plan a meeting with the Heritage Committee to discuss
the proposal for development of the Lower Pond Eco Centre.

Motion carried unanimously.

Public Works & Infrastructure

- a. Crown Land – Information Only

- b. Engineers Report on 54 Gallows Cove Road

Councillor Fraser Paul asked that Council determine whether or not he would be in a
conflict of interest as his brother-in-law is the listing agent in the sale of this
property.

Councillor Paul left the chamber at 8:10

2017-008: Deputy Mayor Dena Wiseman/Councillor Kevin Smart

Be it resolved that Councillor Fraser Paul was determined to be in a conflict of
interest under item b.

For the motion: Mayor Sebastien Despres, Deputy Mayor Dena Wiseman, Councillor
Kevin Smart, Councillor Ralph Carey

Against the motion: Councillor Maureen Murphy

Motion carried.

2017-009: Deputy Mayor Dena Wiseman/Councillor Ralph Carey

Be it resolved that Council seek legal advice regarding the issue on 54 Gallows Cove
Road and provide the lawyer with all information.

For the motion: Mayor Sebastien Despres, Deputy Mayor Dena Wiseman, Councillor
Kevin Smart, Councillor Ralph Carey

Against the motion: Councillor Maureen Murphy

Councillor Fraser Paul returned to the chamber at 8:20.

- c. Southside Track Phase 11
 - (i) 124 Southside Track – Residents request to speak – Information Only
 - (ii) 139 Southside Track – Information Only
 - (iii) 8 Green Hill Drive - Deferred

2017-010: Councillor Fraser Paul/Councillor Kevin Smart

Be it resolved that Council contact Municipal Affairs for advice as to the possibility of withholding all monies to Dexter until all issues on Southside Track are resolved and satisfactory to the Town Engineer. If Municipal Affairs give the town permission to withhold payments, no further invoices will be paid to Dexter until all issues are resolved.

Motion carried unanimously.

- d. Correspondence from A49 relating to easement for new Fire Hall: Deferred pending more information
- e. Request for pole light on 203 Dean's Road

2017-011: Councillor Maureen Murphy/Councillor Fraser Paul

Be it resolved that Council approve a pole light on Dean's Road.

Friendly Amendment: Deputy Mayor Dena Wiseman

Be it resolved that Council approve a pole light on Dean's Road based on ratio of one light for every three poles.

Motion carried unanimously.

2017-012: Councillor Maureen Murphy/Councillor Fraser Paul

Be it resolved that Council install slow down signs and speed signs on Dean's road.

Motion carried unanimously.

- f. Application to level land on 550 Southern Shore Highway

2017-013: Councillor Ralph Carey/Councillor Kevin Smart

Be it resolved that Council approve application to remove stumps, bring in enough fill to level land and the grade of the land is to remain the same.

Motion carried unanimously.

- g. Crown Land 177-183A Southern Shore Highway

2017-014: Councillor Fraser Paul/Deputy Mayor Dena Wiseman

Be it resolved that Council approve application for Crown Land subject to the Towns requirement of a 20m right of way.

Motion carried unanimously.

h. Power house/Shawmut Fisheries

2017-015: Councillor Ralph Carey/Councillor Fraser Paul

Be it resolved that Council review the crab plants water usage and communicate with DOE and bring the results back to our next meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

i. Adjournment

2017-016: Deputy Mayor Dena Wiseman/Councillor Fraser Paul

Be it resolved that Council adjourn at 8:45 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.
