

The 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Happy Valley-Goose Bay was held on May 22 2007 at 7:00 p.m. and called to order by Mayor Leo Abbass.

Present:

Mayor Leo Abbass  
Deputy Mayor Stan Oliver  
Councillor Paul Tsibidis  
Councillor Bill MacKey  
Councillor Madelyn Kelly  
Councillor Dean Clarke  
Councillor James H. Saunders  
Town Manager Al Durno  
Director of Tourism, Parks and Recreation Ken Anthony  
Recording Secretary Donna Jones

Absent: Town Clerk V. Sheppard - Sick leave

1 **SIGNING OF COLLECTIVE AGREEMENT**

Mayor Leo Abbass, Don Webber, President of CUPE Local 2019 and Carmel Mitchell, Secretary of CUPE Local 2019 signed the Collective Agreement between the Town of Happy Valley-Goose Bay and CUPE Local 2019. This agreement is in effect from July 1, 2006 to December 31, 2009.

2a) **DELEGATION, Kevin Rideout**

Kevin Rideout addressed the Council on behalf of his wife who is hoping to start a home based family care provider service. He stated the only obstacle in the way of this business is from the town. He asked where it states in the Town Regulations that this business cannot go ahead; he has read the Regulations and cannot find anything where this stipulation is stated. The Mayor asked Mr. Rideout to meet with the Town Manager and the Municipal Technologist with his concerns. Mr. Rideout was also asked to provide information that this type of child care is operating in trailer parks in other parts of the Province.

b) **DELEGATION, John Wall**

Mr. Wall addressed the Council on behalf of the Legion Executive. Mr. Wall had conversations with some members of Council in their suggestions for a respectful ceremony for the lowering and storage of the Allied flags flying at the Town Hall. Mr. Wall reported that the Legion Executive is suggesting that this could be carried out on the 1<sup>st</sup> July, Memorial Day services. The parade would form up at the Town Hall, the flags of Italy, Netherlands, and Germany would be lowered individually with the respective country's anthem being played, along with an honour guard consisting of either RCMP or Legionnaires. Mr. Wall advised he would like a response to this suggestion by June 10 because if this

Allied flag lowering ceremony is not agreeable to Council he will have to make other plans for the Memorial Day ceremony.

It was moved by Councillor J. Saunders seconded by Councillor P. Tsibidis that the Germany, Dutch and Italian flags be respectfully lowered with an honour guard from the Legion and Royal Canadian Mounted Police on Memorial Day, July 1, 2007.

An amendment to the motion by Deputy Mayor S. Oliver seconded by Councillor B. MacKey to exclude the lowering of the German flag as they have not left the area entirely.

Amendment defeated.

Deputy Mayor, Councillor MacKey, Councillor Clarke in favour  
Opposed: Mayor, Councillors Kelly, Tsibidis, Saunders

Motion defeated.

Councillors Saunders, Tsibidis in favour  
Opposed: Mayor, Councillors Kelly, Clarke, MacKey, Deputy Mayor

c) **DELEGATION, Gerald Dyson**

Mr. Dyson addressed the Council concerning the Churchill River, chip seal on the Trans Labrador Highway, the forestry industry in Labrador, the hydro met plant in Argentina and their energy supply.

d) **DELEGATION, Fred Loxton**

Mr. Loxton reiterated comments made by Mr. Dyson. Mr. Loxton commented on the sewage going into the Churchill River and how this is in contravention of Fisheries and Oceans regulations. He suggested that Council should be issuing directives as to how they are proceeding to remedy the situation.

**3 ADOPTION OF AGENDA OF THE 23<sup>rd</sup> MEETING**

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Stan Oliver seconded by Councillor M. Kelly to adopt the agenda of the 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Happy Valley-Goose Bay as presented. Motion Carried unanimously.

**4 ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF 22<sup>nd</sup> MEETING**

It was moved by Councillor B. MacKey seconded by Councillor J. Saunders to approve the adoption of the minutes of the 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Happy Valley-Goose Bay. Motion Carried unanimously.

**5 ACTION REPORT**

- a) Mayor Abbass queried 22<sup>nd</sup> Minutes 10 (r) and the plans in place to remedy noise during the Relay for Life event. Director Anthony advised that he has a meeting arranged to address the issue.
- b) Mayor Abbass remarked on 22<sup>nd</sup> Minutes 10 (v) and the Town sponsoring one of the 14 quilts being made for 444 Squadron servicemen deployed to Afghanistan.
- c) Mayor Abbass commented on 22<sup>nd</sup> Minutes 12 (k) and requested a letter of congratulations be sent to the new airport manager.
- d) Councillor Kelly commented on 22<sup>nd</sup> Minutes 9 (c) and advised that Municipal Awareness Day was quite a success with students visiting the Town Hall, Fire Hall, and Town Depot.

**6 CORRESPONDENCE**

There were 11 Incoming Letters and 13 Outgoing Letters in the Council Package.

- a) Councillor MacKey commented on Incoming Letter #9. It was suggested that staff get in touch with ADM Ron Bowles for a meeting to investigate the needs in the area for a regional training centre.
- b) Councillor Kelly commented on Incoming Letter #3 and advised that Tony Chubbs will be representing DND on the Scientific Review Committee for the Institute of Environmental Monitoring and Research.
- c) Mayor Abbass commented on emails he had received concerning the UAV competition and how the participants were very impressed with the facilities and training space provided for this event.

**7 MUNICIPAL SERVICES COMMITTEE – Councillor James H. Saunders**

It was moved by Councillor J. Saunders seconded by Deputy Mayor S. Oliver to adopt the Municipal Services Report as presented with the exception of item (g) which will be voted on separately. Motion Carried unanimously.

Delegation: Katrina and Don Oxford, Labrador Investment Ltd. spoke on their application before Council during the Municipal Services Committee on May 15, 2007.

a) **Permit Report**

Report as of May 15, 2007 was attached for Council's information.

b) **Land Application – Neil Purchase**

Application received from Neil Purchase for Crown Land 50 x 150 feet located at Burnt Point to be used for a cottage. Committee recommends approval.

c) **Land Application – Paulette Mutrey**

Application received from Paulette Mutrey for Crown Land 100 x 200 feet located at Burnt Point to be used for a cottage. Committee recommends approval.

d) **Land Application – Anson Hunt**

Application received from Anson Hunt for Crown Land 150 x 300 feet located on the Trans Labrador Highway to be used for a cottage. Committee recommends approval.

e) **Request - Street Signs for the Hearing/Impaired**

Request received from Darren Buckle and Betty Parsons to have street signs installed in area of town where there are persons with hearing impairment. Committee recommends purchasing four hearing impaired signs and having them placed on the streets in the area where the parents are requesting them to be placed. Further to this that staff check with our legal persons on liability before signs are installed.

f) **Request – Glenn Noseworthy**

A request received from Glenn Noseworthy to service the four lots at the end of Churchill Street between Michelin Street and Adams Loop on his own. Also to have an agreement in place with the Town stating Mr. Noseworthy would be reimbursed at a pro rated cost by the land owners in the area before they could connect to the sewer. Committee recommends that a meeting be convened with the land owners in the area and the proposed developer to see if a resolution for servicing these lots could be accomplished.

g) **Land Application – Labrador Investment (see item n)**

h) **Clean Up Order – 14 Winters Crescent**

Committee recommends that the owner of the property located at 14 Winters Crescent be issued a Clean Up Order to remove all debris including but not limited to, household refuse and scrap vehicles within 30 days of

this receipt of the Clean Up Order. Failure to comply the Town will remove all debris and bill him for costs incurred.

i) **Emergency Response Vehicle**

Committee recommends that Council proceed to tender as per the presented specifications for a 2007 emergency response vehicle.

j) **Information Item**

Enclosed in Council's package was an insert from the November 6, 2006 edition of the *Labradorian* newspaper.

k) **Security System for Sports Complex**

Committee recommends purchasing an intrusion security system for the sports complex from ADT Commercial Security at a cost of \$990 plus HST and also \$42 per month for monitoring and log in services.

l) **Security Systems Town Properties**

Committee recommends that town staff investigate security systems for town properties and report back to the next committee meeting.

*The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m. for a short break reconvening at 9:00 p.m.*

m) **Rescind Motion 6 (c) 16th Minutes October 24, 2006**

It was moved by Deputy Mayor S. Oliver seconded by Councillor P. Tsibidis to rescind motion 6 (c) 16th Minutes October 24, 2006 which reads as follows:

***c) Land Application- Labrador Investments***

*Moved by Councillor D. Clarke seconded by Deputy Mayor S. Oliver - Application for Crown Land 180x120 Meters received from Labrador Investments located on Hamilton River Road for a supermarket and Canadian Tire Store Committee recommends that Council defer the request until the Valley Stretch Development Scheme has been reviewed and the new Municipal Plan has been completed and adopted.*

Motion rescinded.  
Councillors Clarke, MacKey opposed.

n) **Land Application – Labrador Investment**

It was moved by Councillor J. Saunders seconded by Councillor P. Tsibidis to approve a request received from Labrador Investment Limited for Crown Land on Hamilton River Road to be used for a warehouse and a grocery store. Committee recommends approval conditioned upon all plans being submitted and that before any construction begins all plans to be submitted and approved by the Government Service Centre for Fire Life Safety and Accessibility.

Motion Carried. Opposed: Councillors Clarke, MacKey

8 **TOURISM PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE - Councillor B. MacKey**

It was moved by Councillor B. MacKey seconded by Deputy Mayor Oliver to adopt the Tourism Parks and Recreation Report as presented and two additional items. Motion Carried unanimously.

a) **Tourism Parks and Recreation Committee Report**

Tourism Parks and Recreation Committee Report for April 18, 2007 to May 15, 2007 was presented for information.

b) **Upcoming Events**

- i. May 26, 2007 Happy Valley -Goose Bay Volunteer Fire Department Annual Flea Market
- ii. June 16, 2007 Highway Stars Deep Purple Musical entertainment (tentative booking)
- iii. July 7, 2007 April Wine Musical entertainment (tentative booking)
- iv. June 24-27, 2007 Expo Labrador
- v. July 7, 2007 Annual Atlantic Strongman competition
- vi. May 21, 2007 Victoria Family Day Run
- vii. June 15, 2007 Relay for Life

c) **Labrador Soccer Cup**

Committee recommends approving a request from Labrador Soccer Cup to host and sponsor a reception on May 31, 2007 in the social area at the arena conditioned upon liability and insurance issues being in order.

d) **Info – Air Conditioning Unit**

Air Conditioning for conference room at the E.J.Broomfield Memorial Arena.

e) **Annual Atlantic Strongman Competition**

Committee recommends that Council apply for a lottery licence for the annual Atlantic Strongman Competition.

f) **Holdback – Soccer Pitch Project**

It was moved by Councillor B. MacKey seconded by Councillor D. Clarke to hold back \$10,000 plus HST from the contractor who performed the work on the soccer pitch.

Motion Carried unanimously.

g) **Bicycle Helmets**

Deputy Mayor Oliver requested that Constable Sampson research regulations concerning bicycle helmets by (1) finding out what other communities have, (2) what the policies state, and (3) how we will enforce such a regulation. This information is requested for the next committee meeting.

It was also requested that an ad be placed on the roll up requesting traffic slow down on streets as summer is coming and more children are out around playing.

**9 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

Economic Development items were incorporated with the Finance and Administration report.

**10 FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE – Deputy Mayor S. Oliver**

It was moved by Deputy Mayor S. Oliver seconded by Councillor J. Saunders to approve the Finance and Administration Committee Report with the exclusion of item (s) which is for Business Session. Motion Carried unanimously.

a) **Fines Report**

Enclosed in Council package was the traffic fines report for January, February and March 2007.

b) **Request for Donation – Labrador Husky Society**

Request received from Labrador Husky Society for financial support for Scott Hudson to attend Pet Expo being held in St. John's, NL June 2-3, 2007. Committee recommends denying this request as it does not conform to the town's donation policy.

c) **Fuel Pricing**

Enclosed in Council package were the Heating Fuel prices for April 26 and May 10, 2007.

d) **Request – Youth Ventures**

Request received from Youth Ventures to exempt business tax for the period May – August 2007. Committee recommends approval.

e) **Request Lake Melville Tourism Association**

Request received from the Lake Melville Tourism Association for the town to pave the parking lot at the Visitor Information Center. Committee recommends denying this request due to funding restraints.

f) **Request – Goose Bay Curling Club**

Request received from Goose Bay Curling Club for the Town to financially support travel for three senior girls to Saint John, NB for a one week curling school at the White Cap Curling Academy. Committee recommends denying this request as it does not conform to the donation policy.

g) **Mayor's March – Info item**

Enclosed in Council's package was information on the 2007 Mayor's March on Heart Disease and Stroke scheduled for June 11-17, 2007.

h) **Request - NLFM**

Request received from NLFM for the Town to contribute to the cost of paying off the mortgage on the office building for the NLFM. Committee recommends denying this request.

i) **Complaints Report**

Enclosed in Council's package was the complaints report for April 2007.

j) **Request – NL Association of Fire Chiefs and Fire fighters**

Request received from the NL Association of Fire Chiefs and Fire fighters to contribute \$200 towards the hosting of the annual convention being held in Corner Brook June 29 – July 2, 2007. Committee recommends that Council contribute a Labrador Book.

**k) Info Item –Lake Melville Chapter of Chron’s & Colitis**

Enclosed in Council's package was information on the Lake Melville Chapter of Chron’s & Colitis 8<sup>th</sup> annual heel ‘n’ wheel a thon being held June 10, 2007.

**l) Improvements to Hunt Street**

Request received from Elizabeth Battcock to resurface Hunt Street. Committee recommends that the Council advise the residents that Hunt Street is on the list for the next paving project.

**m) Kinsmen/Kinettes Radio Auction Donations**

Committee recommends that Council donate two one hour ice rentals to the Kinsmen Kinettes Radio Auction

**n) Info Item – Labrador Grenfell Health**

Enclosed in Council’s package was information from Heather Hynes, Labrador Grenfell Health regarding the social work re Child Care facilities.

**o) Canadian Union of Public Employees**

Committee recommends that Council adopt the agreement between the Town of Happy Valley-Goose Bay and the Canadian Union of Public Employees Local 2019 for the period July 2006 through December 31, 2009, as negotiated.

**p) Request – Funding Robert Tracey and Yanael Queval**

Request received from Robert Tracey and Yanael Queval for a financial contribution for them to attend a 5 week summer theatre school program at the Scottish Youth Theatre in Glasgow, Scotland. Committee recommends denying this request as it does not conform to the town’s donation policy. However, our facility – Kinsmen Park or the E.J. Broomfield Memorial Arena will be made available to them free of charge for fund raising.

**q) RCMP Charity Ball – info item**

The RCMP Charity Ball will be held on June 9, 2007.

**r) Promotional Items**

Committee recommends that Council authorize the Town Manager and the Town Clerk to make contributions of promotional items to recognize community residents and groups, up to \$150.00.

s) **Business Application – Ernie Rumbolt**

This item passed to Business Session.

t) **Power Point Presentation**

Presented in Council's package was a power point presentation on Council protocol, duties and responsibility.

u) **50/50 Funding Program**

It was moved by Deputy Mayor S. Oliver seconded by Councillor B. MacKey that the 1999-2003 Capital Works 50/50 Arena Board Repair Program be moved into the 2005-2008 Multi Capital Works Program. Motion Carried unanimously.

v) **Management Salary Increases**

It was moved by Deputy Mayor S. Oliver seconded by Councillor B. MacKey to approve a salary increase for management staff as per the increase provided in the current collective agreement for members of CUPE Local 2019. Motion Carried unanimously

11. **APPROVAL OF CHEQUES**

It was moved by Deputy Mayor S. Oliver seconded by Councillor M. Kelly to approve cheques in the amount of \$118,353.60. Motion Carried unanimously.

<b>Cheque Number</b>	<b>Pay to the order of:</b>	<b>Cheque Amount</b>
60016487	Craig Manufacturing Ltd.	\$ 924.11
60016491	Goose Sales & Services	1,252.86
60016498	Hydraulic Systems Limited	1,110.06
60016509	Pioneer Enterprises	1,122.90
60016513	Speedy(Labrador) 8143	913.63
60016514	Stewart McKelvey	865.83
60016515	Switch Electrical Inc.	575.70
60016520	Western Pump Services	1,089.84
60016522	Wilsanco Limited	3,411.45
60016534	Downhomer Publishing Inc.	695.40
60016575	Ignnk Inc.	1,865.23
60016579	Nfld Municipal Financing	42,615.00
60016593	Saunders Equipment Ltd.	1,223.45
60016595	Traction #557	2,781.94
60016597	United Rentals of Canada Inc.	599.69
60016586	Labradorian Printers Ltd.	807.10
60016598	Workplace, Health, Safety	39,704.41

60016606	Arvo Mcmillian	2,216.67
60016609	Engram's Enterprises Ltd.	1,035.30
60016611	Goose Bay Wholesalers Ltd.	2,166.71
60016612	Goose Sales & Services Ltd.	776.46
60016622	Ontrac Equipment Services	6,822.04
60016626	Slipper & Things	2,565.00
60016630	Terry's Tents & Shoe Repair	1,212.82
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$118,353.60</b>

## 12. COUNCILLORS FORUM

- a) Councillor MacKey thanked the Municipal Services Committee for their recommendation to put up signage to assist the hearing impaired.
- b) Councillor Tsididis queried the status of the water well testing that is to be carried out. Councillor Saunders advised that this will be started when spring runoff is over and conditions are right.
- c) Councillor Tsididis queried whether developers could be encouraged to leave some trees on their lots when they start their developments. Mayor Abbass advised this has been mentioned to Avro McMillian who is developing the Town Plan. The Town Manager advised that this is also reinforced to property owners when starting new developments.
- d) Councillor Tsididis commented on the excess sand around streets. The Town Manager responded that crews and equipment have been sweeping sand off street corners.
- e) Deputy Mayor Oliver commented on the number of lights that are not working on Kelland Drive. This will be reported to Hydro so they can replace the burnt out bulbs.
- f) Councillor Kelly had no items.

- g) Councillor Saunders advised that the Nunatsiavut Government will be donating a large stone from 10 Mile Bay which will be engraved and placed at the Cooper Memorial Park. Karen Prentis, Communications Director with the Nunatsiavut Government will be looking after this project. An unveiling ceremony will take place this summer hosted by the Town Council.
- h) Councillor Saunders drew attention to an article in this month's *Forum* magazine on the changing infrastructure and climate change.
- i) Councillor Clarke requested a letter of support from the Mayor be sent to Torngait Services requesting that the company and negotiating team get back to the table to reach an agreement in their 60+ day strike.
- j) Councillor Clarke commented on the Valley Stretch Development noting he is not against development but the proposed Town Plan is not yet finalized.
- k) Councillor MacKey advised that Monday and Tuesday (June 25 and 26) the Expo Labrador Convention is open to the Public.
- l) Mayor Abbass requested the Town Manager get together with Constable Sampson and the Labradorian newspaper to get some ads in place concerning the new signage for hearing impaired. Also with summer approaching and more kids being on the road walking, biking, etc that traffic be encouraged to slow down and drive with caution and care.
- m) Mayor Abbass requested that Councillor Saunders and the Municipal Services Committee obtain more information on dangerous breeds of dogs, i.e. Rotweiller, Pit Bulls. Also to encourage owners of these animals to keep them under control.
- n) Mayor Abbass requested the Town Manager have the Community Constable give some publicity to the seizing and impounding of motorized vehicles. Possibly by having this information incorporated into the RCMP newspaper report.
- o) Mayor Abbass commented on the Nunatsiavut Government recruitment training for firefighters.
- p) Mayor Abbass commented on the Victoria Day Fun Run Walk 6.6K event which was recently held.
- q) Councillor MacKey queried whether any new information was available on our Gas Tax application. The Town Manager responded no new information has been received.

r) **Temporary Signing Officers**

It was moved by Councillor J. Saunders seconded by Councillor P. Tsibidis to appoint B. MacKey and Councillor D. Clarke as temporary signing officers for June 2007.

There being no further business the open meeting adjourned at 9:55 p.m. reconvening for a Business Session at 10:00 p.m.

**13. BUSINESS SESSION**

a) **Business Application -Ernie Rumbolt**

Request received from Ernie Rumbolt for permission to operate a sawmill at 9 Churchill Street. Committee recommends referring this item back to Municipal Services Committee for review and recommendation.

b) **Expo Labrador**

The Town Manage will contact the Chamber of Commerce concerning the town hosting a function for the visit of the Iqualuit delegation who will be attending Expo Labrador.

c) **Atlantic Provinces Transportation Forum**

Mayor Abbass will be attending the Atlantic Provinces Transportation Forum in St. John's on May 30, 2007. Council agreed to a car rental for the Mayor while in St. John's for this meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 10: 15 p.m.

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MAYOR LEO ABBASS

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TOWN CLERK VALERIE SHEPPARD

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