MINUTES
Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, April 2, 2024

The Minutes of the Regular Council of the Town of Pasadena was duly held on Tuesday, April 2, 2024.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Darren Gardner
Deputy Mayor Terry Randell
Councillor Carla Brake
Councillor Brent Decker
Councillor Brandon Hall
Councillor Gemma Walsh

ABSENT: Councillor Hal Cormier

STAFF PRESENT: Karen Spontaneo, Town Clerk (Acting)
Brian Hudson, Chief Administrative Officer

LAND ACKNOWLEGMENT

"We respectfully acknowledge Pasadena as the ancestral homelands of the Mi'kmaq and Beothuk. Today, these lands are home to a diverse population of indigenous and other peoples. We would also like to acknowledge with respect the diverse histories and cultures of the Innu, Inuit, and Southern Inuit of this Province."

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gardner called the meeting to order at 8:04 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

51-24 Randell / Brake be it resolved that the agenda be approved as presented.
In Favor: 6 Gardner, Randell, Brake, Decker, Hall, and Walsh
Opposed: 0 Resolution CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

52-24 Randell / Decker be it resolved that the minutes of March 18, 2024 be approved as presented.
In Favor: 6 Gardner, Randell, Brake, Decker, Hall, and Walsh
Opposed: 0 Resolution CARRIED.

PETITIONS OR VISITING GROUPS:

Mayor Gardner read out Proclamation declaring that the Town of Pasadena do hereby proclaim April 2024 as "Parkinson's Awareness Month" in the Town of Pasadena.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

NOTICE OF RESOLUTIONS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES

NOTICE OF RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICE OF QUESTIONS NEEDING DETAILED ANSWERS

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ADMINISTRATION, CORPORATE SERVICES & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Deputy Mayor Randell advised that the committee did not meet since the last Council meeting. He presented the following resolutions:

53-24 Randell / Decker be it resolved that approval be given to appoint Karen Spontaneo as acting Town Clerk as per section 59(3) of the Municipalities Act 1999.
In Favor: 6 Gardner, Randell, Brake, Decker, Hall, and Walsh
Opposed: 0 Resolution CARRIED.

INFRASTRUCTURE, ENGINEERING, PLANNING

Councillor Decker advised that the committee did not meet since the last Council meeting however he provided the following updates:

Staff has a meeting scheduled with Corner Brook Pulp and Paper Limited this Thursday, April 4, 2024 to discuss the proposed commercial harvest in the protected watershed area. Tekleen equipment has arrived in St. Johns for the trial of a potential filtration system upgrade for our water treatment services. The expressions of interest for the property on Tipping Drive closes on April 24, 2024. Also the Stewardship Association of Municipalities AGM is being held in Grand Falls - Windsor on April 19 to April 21, 2024, any Council member who wishes to attend would have to register by April 12, 2024.

RECREATION & COMMUNITY SERVICES

Councillor Walsh advised that the committee did not meet since the last Council meeting however she provided the following updates:

Kids camp is scheduled for the week of Easter, attendance has been great and today the attendance reached 28 children. There will be a cornhole tournament this coming Saturday at Pasadena Place. She also advised that the recreation division has received some funding to which will be discussed at the next Recreation & Community Services committee meeting. As well, the staff at Pasadena Place have a plan to organize the kitchen at this facility. Lastly, Councillor Brake provided an update in regards to the closing of the South Brook trail. Due to high rainfall amounts which caused a lot of damage the trail remains closed. Repairs will be underway once we have Public Works staff available. CAO, Brian Hudson suggested we post signage in the area so that residents are aware of this closure.

PUBLIC WORKS & PROTECTIVE SERVICES

Councilor Hall advised that the committee met on March 25, 2024 and gave the following updates:

Protective Services

- Discussed timeline to have fire hall garage door installed. Looking to begin sometime in the spring

Public Works

- Water Breaks
    - 34-35 breaks to date, and just recently have 4 breaks on resident side and 6 on the Town's side. Discussed patching that will commence once weather cooperates (30 or so patching locations need to be completed).
- Public Works Director Updates
    - Been a good winter and equipment has held up. Some repairs recently were made to our salt truck.
    - Sand and salt inventory - still have 150 to 180 tonnes remaining in stock pile.
    - Water filtering system is performing fairly well. Discussed the possibility of initiating an education program to residents for preserving water in the Town.
- Ditching
    - Discussed water issues around ditching on Hodder Drive that need to be addressed.
- Fleet Replacement
    - Quotes have been received and financing in progress.
- Complaints
    - Discussed some residents concerns regarding snow clearing in the Town.

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REPORT

Mr. Hudson noted that the Stewardship of Municipalities (SAM) will be holding their AGM soon and he advised that we are in need of appointing an official municipal designate for this organization. He welcomed any Council member who maybe interested in taking on this role to come forward, if not, a staff member or member of the community could be appointed as well.

BUILDING PERMITS

54-24 Decker / Randell be it resolved that the following building permits be approved as presented:

13 Pike Street	New dwelling	380,000

56 Midland Row	Shingle roof	5,000
48 Main Street	Replace shingles	1,000

Construction value to March 28, 2024 $1,289,000.00 New Dwellings: 3
Construction value to March 28, 2023 $763,000.00 New Dwellings: 2

In Favor: 6 Gardner, Randell, Brake, Decker, Hall, and Walsh
Opposed: 0 Resolution CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

CORRESPONDENCE

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Deputy Mayor Randell advised that both himself and the Chief Administrative Officer met with the chairperson of the Hamper committee to discuss some of the concerns they have which will be addressed at the next committee meeting. He also noted that he attended the Public Library AGM last week to which he was re-elected as chairperson.

Councillor Walsh wished everyone a Happy Easter and noted there are several children travelling this week for sporting events and she wanted to wish them good luck and safe travels. As well, towards the end of the month or early May, the Sparks group will be visiting Council chambers prior to the regular Council meeting to meet all members.

Councillor Brake advised that both herself and Councillor Decker will be attending the 2024 Recreation NL AGM and conference being held in Corner Brook on April 26 and April 27, 2024.

Councillor Decker advised that he attended the Tech NL Artificial Intelligence seminar last week at Pasadena Place. It was a very interesting seminar and was good to see local businesses in attendance. He also advised he will be attending and presenting at the upcoming RecNL AGM and conference. Lastly, he noted the Heritage Society will be continuing with their traditional skills workshop.

Councillor Hall wished everyone a Happy Easter.

Mayor Gardner advised that the Town of Pasadena will be hosting the Urban Municipalities conference of Municipalities NL and Labrador this upcoming weekend. He noted it is great to be given this opportunity to host and indicated registration numbers are good as we currently have twenty seven delegates representing twenty six communities who are registered to attend.

ADJOURNMENT

55-24 Walsh / Brake be it resolved that the meeting be adjourned at 8:22 p.m.
In Favor: 6 Gardner, Randell, Brake, Decker, Hall, and Walsh
Opposed: 0 Resolution CARRIED.

Mayor Town Clerk