

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF
THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CORNER BROOK
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL
MONDAY, 2 MAY, 2016 AT 7:00 PM**

PRESENT:

Mayor	C. Pender	M. Wiklund, City Manager
Deputy Mayor	B. Staeben	D. Burden, Manager of Community, Development and Planning
Councillors:	T. Buckle	D. Park, Director of Finance and Administration
	J. Carey	S. May, Director of Infrastructure and Public Works
	K. Cormier	T. Brisson, Assistant City Clerk
		B. Tibbo, Sergeant-at-Arms

Absent with regrets: Councillor L. Chaisson, Councillor M. Murphy, P. Barnable, Director of Community, Development and Planning

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

APPROVALS

16-102 Approval of Agenda

On motion by Councillor K. Cormier, seconded by Councillor T. Buckle, it is It is RESOLVED to approve the agenda as circulated. **MOTION CARRIED.**

16-103 Approval of Minutes

On motion by Councillor T. Buckle, seconded by Councillor K. Cormier, it is RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of April 18, 2016. **MOTION CARRIED.**

16-104 Confirmation of Minutes

On motion by Councillor K. Cormier, seconded by Councillor T. Buckle, it is RESOLVED to ratify minute CC14-114, Assistant City Clerk. **MOTION CARRIED.**

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

16-105 Business Arising From Minutes

No items were brought forward.

CORRESPONDENCE/PROCLAMATIONS/PETITIONS/

16-106 Proclamations

Mayor Pender proclaimed May 11th, 2016 as Municipal Awareness Day.

16-107 Clean up Corner Brook

Councillor J. Carey reminded residents that 2016 Spring Clean Up began today.

Councillor K. Cormier stated that we need to change the name to Wildcove Waste Disposal Site and he announced it is national compost week.

Councillor T. Buckle advised that the waste disposal site also has extended hours during this clean up period.

16-108 2016 Budget - Impact on City

Mayor Pender outlined some concerns Council has in regard to the impact of the Provincial Budget 2016

As a council we are concerned about the impacts of the provincial budget on the City of Corner Brook

Although we do not have complete details we have estimated the impacts to be significant

The increase in the various fees and taxes will have a direct impact on City operating expenses and these are estimated to be \$200,000 per calendar year.

Our existing capital funding agreement from the Province is maintained until the end of 2016. However, we need commitment for future years to allow for multi-year planning

Discussion and consultation with municipalities needs to continue to ensure services for citizens.

Applications have been submitted for Federal funding of the New Building Canada Fund that requires Provincial support pleased to see that the province did put 72 million in the budget for the new building Canada fund

Any future program and job cuts should not be disproportional to Corner Brook and Western region – previous changes have had a negative impact on the region

This Council has been prudent to limit increases to property tax levels for residents. After this budget we need to review our financial position and any anticipated spending for the upcoming year - the F & A committee will be meeting tomorrow to discuss this further

Further details and analysis is required once more details from the province is provided

16-109 Municipal Awareness Day

Councillor T. Buckle announced that Wednesday, 11 May 2016, is Municipal Awareness Day throughout the province. To help recognize this day the City of Corner Brook will be hosting a community Barbecue from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Residents are encouraged to drop by City Hall to learn more about City operations. There will be displays, city equipment and demonstrations by the Corner Brook Fire Department. There will also be guided tours on Municipal Awareness Day. A tour of the Fire Department will take place at 10:00 am, there will be tours at City Hall beginning at 11am and 12noon and there will be a tour of the Water Treatment Plant at 2pm.

As part of Municipal Awareness Day 2016 the Corner Brook City Council invited the High School Students to partake in a contest by writing an essay explaining their vision is for the City of Corner Brook. We have also invited young children to participate in our coloring contest for an opportunity to win a surprise package. The coloring sheet can be picked up at City Hall and needs to be submitted by noon on May 11th to be eligible for the contest.

16-110 Council Acknowledgement - Special Weeks

Mayor Pender announced awareness campaigns during the month of May;

The Canadian Mental Health Association's 65th annual Mental Health Week - May 2-8, 2016, this marks the 65th annual Mental Health Week, championed by the Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA), and supported by the Mental Health Commission of Canada and mental health organizations across the country CMHA has selected seniors — the fastest growing demographic in Canada — as their focus population for this year's Mental Health Week

Seniors have been designated as the group focus for this year -- please wear green to support their initiatives

National Nursing Week is May 9-15, 2016, The Canadian Nurses Association theme, Nurses: With you every step of the way, emphasizes how important nurses are in our lives — at every age, in all health situations, for all Canadians International Nursing Day on May 12th

Emergency Preparedness Week (EP Week) is May 1st -7th, this annual event takes place each year during the first full week of May. This national event is coordinated by Public Safety Canada, in close collaboration with the provinces and territories and partners.

This year, the theme is Plan. Prepare. Be Aware. It is meant to help Canadians take action to protect themselves and their families during emergencies.

During the month of May there is also;

- World Red Cross Day is May 8*
- Canada Health Day May 12
- May is National Physiotherapy Month

16-111 Census 2016

Mayor Pender encouraged residents to participate in the 2016 census, he reminded residents of the importance of completing the questionnaire. The information collected through the Census is used to profile our City and the data gathered has a direct effect on funding opportunities for Corner Brook as well as the planning of services for our City. The Census information is used in making decisions for our neighbourhood, community, province and country. The information acquired and recorded will also determine the number of members of parliament.

All levels of government use the Census information in planning services such as fire protection, police services, roads, public transit, daycare and schools. The estimates in population are also used to plan future health care and housing needs. The Census information collected, directly effects the allocation of transfer payments from the federal government to the province and from the province to our City. Future investment in our municipality is critical to our successful economic growth.

PROTECTIVE SERVICES

16-112 Fire Study/Review

On motion by Councillor K. Cormier, seconded by Deputy Mayor B. Staeben, it is RESOLVED to permit the Protective Services Standing Committee to Check references and negotiate a contract with the selected organization.
MOTION CARRIED.

16-113 Supply & Maintenance of Digital System - 5 year contract

On motion by Deputy Mayor B. Staeben, seconded by Councillor K. Cormier, it is RESOLVED to award Contract No. 2016-08 to Hitech Communication's Ltd. at the monthly tendered price of \$1,124.35 (HST included) for a five year period. **MOTION CARRIED.**

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT

16-114 Civic Centre Standing Committee

On motion by Councillor J. Carey, seconded by Councillor K. Cormier, it is RESOLVED pursuant to the power vested in it in accordance with Section 42 of the City of Corner Brook Act to appoint a Civic Centre Standing Committee.

It is FURTHER RESOLVED to approve the following appointments to the Civic Centre Standing Committee:

- Deputy Mayor Bernd Staeben, Chairperson
- Councillor Tony Buckle, Vice-Chairperson
- Mayor Pender
- City Manager
- Director of Community, Development and Planning

MOTION CARRIED.

TENDERS

16-115 Prime Consultant Agreement - Georgetown Road Flushing Chamber

On motion by Councillor K. Cormier, seconded by Councillor J. Carey, it is RESOLVED to approve the Engineering Agreement with Newfoundland Design Associates Ltd. for design, tendering, inspection, contract administration and testing services for the Georgetown Road Flushing Chamber project at an estimated cost of \$30,484.00 (HST Included). **MOTION CARRIED.**

DONATION

16-116 Paint the Town

On motion by Councillor T. Buckle, seconded by Councillor K. Cormier, it is RESOLVED to approve a \$1,000 donation to Downtown Business Association for the Paint the Town project to encourage upgrades in the downtown core.

MOTION CARRIED.

LAND MANAGEMENT

16-117 RFD -- Maple Valley RFP

On motion by Councillor J. Carey, seconded by Councillor K. Cormier, it is RESOLVED to approve staff to proceed with negotiating an agreement of purchase and sale with Western Hydraulic & Mechanical Ltd. (or assigns) for the sale of land under the Maple Valley Road Request for Proposals.

Staff have been given approval to negotiate with the people

MOTION CARRIED.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

16-118 43 Maple Valley Rd (Personal Fitness Gym)

On motion by Councillor J. Carey, seconded by Councillor T. Buckle, it is RESOLVED to approve the application for the operation of a Personal Fitness Gym within the existing building located at 43 Maple Valley Road, Corner Brook, NL. **MOTION CARRIED.**

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.



City Clerk

Mayor