MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CORNER BROOK **COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL MONDAY, 16 OCTOBER, 2023 AT 7:00 PM**

PRESENT:

J. Parsons D. Charters, Director of Community Engineering Mayor Development and Planning Deputy L. Chaisson T. Flynn, Director of Protective Services Mayor S. Maistry, Director of Finance and Administration Councillors: P. Gill J. Smith, City Clerk V. Granter Director of Recreation Services - vacant B. Griffin

Jamie Alexander, Sergeant-At-Arms P. Keeping

C. Pender

Absent with regrets: R. Cumby and D. Burden, Director of Public Works Water and Wastewater

23-131 Land Acknowledgement

The Deputy Mayor L. Chaisson read the land acknowledgement.

23-132 Approval of Agenda

On motion by Deputy Mayor L. Chaisson, seconded by Councillor V. Granter, it is **RESOLVED** to approve the agenda as circulated with the following additions:

3.1 Cat Hoarding

3.2 Humber Park Parking

MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Minutes- Committee of the Whole September 25, 2023 23-133

On motion by Councillor C. Pender, seconded by Councillor P. Gill, it is **RESOLVED** to approve the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of September 25, 2023. MOTION CARRIED.

23-134 **Business Arising From Minutes**

The following items were brought forward from the minutes:

- Fall Leaf Collection Deputy Mayor L. Chaisson requested an update on the fall leaf collection for the year. Councillor Pender advised that the Fall Leaf Collection was to occur November 6-10;
- Pavement/Curb Cut Work Deputy Mayor L. Chaisson requested an update as to when this work will be finished up for the season;
- Great Trail Enhancement Councillor Pender advised that people are crossing the barrier of the construction site. Staff advised that this is an active construction zone and it is very unsafe to enter that area. Councillor Pender also inquired as to whether there will be any

recognition related to Crow Gulch and the Train Crash that occurred back in the 1950's. Staff advised that the plan is to recognize Crow Gulch and the train crash.

 Mount Bernard Reconstruction - Councillor Gill inquired as to whether Mount Bernard Avenue will be fully open over the winter once this phase of construction is complete. Staff advised that it will be fully open during the winter seasons, with construction on the next phase set to resume next spring.

23-135 Cat Hoarding

The Mayor made a statement regarding the recent cat hoarding situation. He stated that the cats were safe and that the City was working with the SPCA to assist with another housing facility for the cats.

23-136 Humber Park Parking

Councillor V. Granter stated that he had received complaints from a resident on Humber Park regarding the parking signage that was recently placed on the street being too restrictive. Staff advised that the signs were placed after an assessment following complaints due to safety issues in that area. Councillor Granter requested for staff to re-assess the area to determine if there are other possible solutions to the parking and traffic issues in the area.

23-137 Proclamations and Events

The Mayor stated the following proclamations were made:

- October was declared as Rett Syndrome Awareness Month;
- October 2 was declared Wrongful Conviction Day;
- October 7 was declared as International Trigeminal Neuralgia Awareness Day;
- October 8-14 was declared Fire Prevention Day;
- October 6 was declared as Green Sports Day;
- October 1-7 was declared as National Breast Feeding Week; and
- October 15-21 was declared as Small Business Week.

23-138 Mount Bernard Avenue Reconstruction - Change Order No. 8

On motion by Councillor C. Pender, seconded by Councillor V. Granter, it is **RESOLVED** to approve Change Order No. 8 in the amount of \$156,639.72 (HST included) for Marine Contractors Inc. for the Mount Bernard Avenue Reconstruction. **MOTION CARRIED.**

23-139 Order Confirmation - 2023-04

On motion by Deputy Mayor L. Chaisson, seconded by Councillor P. Gill, it is **RESOLVED** in accordance with section 109(4) of the Urban and Rural Planning Act the following Order is hereby confirmed by Council, Order #2023-04. **MOTION CARRIED.**

23-140 <u>Discretionary Use - Home Based Business - 209 Curling Street</u>

On motion by Councillor B. Griffin, seconded by Councillor C. Pender, it is **RESOLVED** to approve the application to operate a home based business from the dwelling located at 209 Curling Street in accordance with Regulation 11 - Discretionary Powers of Authority. **MOTION CARRIED.**

23-141 Election of Deputy Mayor

An election was conducted for the Deputy Mayor. Linda Chaisson was declared Deputy Mayor by acclamation.

23-142 Affordable Housing

Councillor C. Pender identified that he is employed by Qalipu First Nation Band, who is a named organization in regards to this item.

On motion by Deputy Mayor L. Chaisson, seconded by Councillor V. Granter, it is RESOLVED that Councillor C. Pender is in a Conflict of Interest with regards to item 7.2 Affordable Housing. MOTION CARRIED.

Councillor C. Pender exited his seat and entered into the gallery.

On motion by Councillor P. Gill, seconded by Deputy Mayor L. Chaisson, it is **RESOLVED** that the Corner Brook City Council support and encourage CMHI, the Corner Brook Status of Women Council, Qalipu First Nation Band and the Salvation Army in their joint efforts to address the housing crisis in Corner Brook and to meet with these and any other groups as necessary to help them in their work to establish additional affordable housing in the City. **MOTION CARRIED.**

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

City Clerk	Mayor