

MINUTES

JULY 8TH, 2014

GRAND FALLS

MEETING

A regular meeting of the Grand Falls Municipal Council was held in the council room at the Grand Falls Town Hall at 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 8th, 2014, following the notices required by law.

PRESENCE

His Honour the Mayor:

Richard Keeley

Councillors:

John Bellefleur
Jean-Paul Proulx
Renaud Ouellette
Michel Ouellette

Harry MacPhail
Arthelin Rossignol
Jacques Lafrance
Rino Long

As well as the CAO-Clerk Peter Michaud and the Deputy Clerk, Lise J. Ouellette.

PRAYER

The meeting begins with the Lord's Prayer.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Jean-Paul Proulx / Arthelin Rossignol,

That the agenda is accepted with the following changes: the addition of the June 9th minutes and the cancellation of the motion for asphalt. Carried

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

Renaud Ouellette / Rino Long,

2014-48 That the minutes from the June 9 and June 17, 2014 meetings, which copies were distributed to Council, are adopted as received. Carried

CLOSED SESSIONS

The Deputy Clerk proceeds with the reading of the closed meeting items from meetings held on June 2, 9, 17 and 23, 2014.

CORRESPONDENCE

Invitations	14
Thanks	2
Offer of services, land or other	0
Misc. information	7
Complaints	0
Request for financial support	2
Request other than financial support	3
Response to a municipal enquiry	0

Harry MacPhail /Arthelin Rossignol,

2014-49 That the correspondence is accepted as presented and distributed as requested. Carried

DRINKING WATER

The potable water analyses for June were received showing « potable water » results.

John Bellefleur /Arthelin Rossignol,

2014-50 That potable water tests be received and filed. Carried

INTERVENTIONS BY THE PUBLIC – motions and new business

Mayor Keeley explains the proposed motions. No questions are received from the public.

MOTIONS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

POLICE

The festival and tractor pull went well.

Of the 26 speeding tickets given last month, 13 were on Madawaska Road.

RECREATION, TOURISM AND CULTURE

Registrations for swimming lessons are open.

A provincial senior baseball tournament will be held in Grand Falls in September.

There were 5,400 visitors at the tourist centres last month.

Residents are invited to visit the newly renovated tourist centres and to participate in a guided tour.

The new boardwalk is finished.

STREETS

Staff has been busy with the festival and tractor pull.

REGIONAL SERVICE COMMISSION

Building permits were given for 30 constructions in June, including four new constructions, for a total value of \$ 362,435.

Residents are reminded that an inspection is necessary for renovation projects also.

ENVIRONMENT

The reforestation project continues. The possibility of a municipal tree nursery is discussed.

WORLD ACADIAN CONGRESS 2014

A pamphlet describing activities in Grand Falls and at the ExpoMONDE during the CMA 2014 will be available shortly. Thanks to Boum Strategi for their contribution to the pamphlet.

A meeting between the twinned municipalities will be held tomorrow at Témiscouata-sur-le-lac.

Mayor Keeley thanks the Deputy Mayor for his efforts concerning the CMA 2014.

GOLF

The course is in good shape.

The annual municipal tournament will take place Friday.

LIBRARY

Seventy-seven kids registered for the summer reading club.
A used book sale was held in June.

FIRE

Firemen responded to 10 calls and attended a safety training session in June.
Firemen helped with security and traffic control during the festival.
The men won first place at a muster in Drummond and the women won 2nd place.
Congratulations to fireman Nanda Yagambroum who became a Canadian citizen last week.
Citizens are reminded that backyard fireplaces are authorised under certain conditions.

FESTIVAL

Congratulations to Miss Grand Falls 2014 – Emma Dufresne.
The breakfast for the IWK raised \$1,888.
All activities went very well.
The float will be in Saint-Quentin this weekend for their parade.
Thanks to municipal employees for their help.
The tractor pull attracted 80 participants and approximately 3,000 visitors.

CENTRAL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT SOCIETY

Grand Falls Idol and the Family Day went well during the festival. The Grand Falls Idol winner is Yasmine Bouchard.
Welcome to the new 4-Seasons restaurant.

WATER

A leak on Madawaska Road was repaired.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The golf tournament has been rescheduled to August 8th.

COMMUNITY HEALTH

Dr. Bosembo has left and another will replace him soon.
The hospital is functioning better since additional beds were temporarily approved.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

The annual financial exercise will be done soon.

Project transfer

Rino Long / Jean-Paul Proulx,

2014-051 That resolution 2014-035 adopted May 13, 2014, is modified to read as follows:

That an amount of \$57,000 within Environmental Services be transferred from the monument project to the interpretation centre project, for a term of 20 years, per resolution #2013-061 dated August 13, 2013, heard by the Municipal Capital Borrowing Board at its September 9th, 2013 meeting. Carried

Twinning Committee

Rino Long /John Bellefleur,

2014-052 That the Municipal Council approves the dissolution of the Grand Falls, Drummond and St. André Twinning Committee; that the remaining funds be transferred to the Town of Grand Falls then donated to the Société culturelle régionale Les Chutes. Carried

FALLS VILLA

There are 23 people on the waiting list.
Eight veterans are in residence.

COUNCIL INTERVENTION

ATV Club

Council is meeting on July 21st to study the information gathered concerning the club's request to use the cycling trail bridge.

Regional airport- sale

Mayor Keeley explains that Grand Falls is implicated in this file to support St. Leonard. The municipality agrees to contribute to the cost of operating the airport if all other municipalities and LSD's contribute also.

CMA sculpture

The base has been constructed where the sculpture will be installed. The sculpture will be unveiled on August 9.

MEDIA INTERVENTION

Details are requested on the amount to be transferred to the cultural society by the Twinning Committee. The amount is \$4,736.

ADJOURNMENT

Arthelin Rossignol / Renaud Ouellette, that the meeting is adjourned at 7:50 p.m. Carried

Richard Keeley
Mayor

Lise J. Ouellette
Deputy Clerk