



MINUTES GEORGETOWN TOWN COUNCIL

MONDAY,
December 20, 2010

Mayor Lewis Lavandier
Deputy Mayor Wade Williams
Councillor Allan Gallant
Councillor Michael Gallant
Councillor Ronnie Gallant
Councillor Faye McQuillan
Councillor Craig Murphy
CAO Tonya Cameron



The regular monthly meeting of the Georgetown Town Council was held in the Council Chambers on 12/20/2010, at 7:00 p.m.

Council Attendance: Mayor Lewis Lavandier
Councillor Allan Gallant
Councillor Michael Gallant
Councillor Ronnie Gallant
Councillor Faye McQuillan
Councillor Craig Murphy
Deputy Mayor Wade Williams

1.0 Call to Order

Mayor Lewis Lavandier called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2.0 Approval of Agenda: 12/20/2010

Moved for approval by Councillor M. Gallant.

Seconded by Councillor F. McQuillan. Motion Carried.

2.1 Additions to Agenda

Nil

2.2 Conflict of Interest Provision

Part V1, Section 23 of the *PEI Municipalities Act*, which maintains that no member of Council shall derive any profit or financial advantage from his/her position as a member of Council and, where a member of Council has any pecuniary interest in or is affected by any matter before the Council, shall declare his/her interest therein and abstain from voting and discussion thereon.

2.3 Declaration – None.

3.0 Business/Presentations from the Floor:

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4.0 Minutes

Council Meeting: November 15, 2010 Regular Meeting and business thereof:

4.1 Adoption of November 15, 2010 Regular Meeting

Moved by Councillor M. Gallant.

Seconded by Councillor A. Gallant. Motion Carried.

4.2 Business from Town Council Minutes

None.

5.0 Financial Statements (Unaudited)**5.1 General Operating Account-to November 30, 2010****Moved for approval as presented by M. Gallant****Seconded by Councillor A. Gallant. Motion Carried.****5.2 Sewer Corporation-to November 30, 2010****Moved for approval as presented by M. Gallant,****Seconded by Councillor A. Gallant. Motion Carried.****6.0 Outstanding Expenditures (preliminary & supplementary list)****Moved for approval to pay as presented and as funds become available by Councillor M. Gallant, seconded by Councillor F. McQuillan. Motion Carried.****7.0 List of Correspondence November 16, 2010 to December 20, 2010:****7.1 Environment, Energy and Forestry: Re: Water quality assessment; **No Action Required.******7.2 Students of Georgetown Elementary: Re: Invitation to Annual Christmas Fair; **No Action Required.******7.3 Holland College: Re: Invitation to Christmas Reception; **No Action Required.******7.4 PEI Senior Citizens' Federation: Re: Acceptance letter to the Learning Elders Arts Program; **No Action Required.******7.5 CBCL Limited: Re: Invitation to Annual Reception; **No Action Required.******7.6 Eastern PEI Chamber of Commerce: Re: Facebook for the Chamber and invitation to this year's President Reception. **No Action Required.******7.7 Canadian Union of Public Employees: Re: information concerning the negotiations with the European Union on a Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement; **Tabled until next month's meeting.******7.8 Mark Murphy: request for gravel for Three Rivers Sportsplex parking lot;**

- **Moved by Councillor M. Gallant to provide the gravel for the Three Rivers Sportsplex as per request, seconded by Councillor W. Williams. Motion Carried.**

7.9 PEI Infrastructure Secretariat: Re: Response to our request for amendment to Project #26840-A.A. MacDonald Memorial Gardens; **No Action Required.**

7.10 PEI Senior Citizens' Federation: Re: Correspondence concerning annual meeting, looking for volunteers, office hours, etc. **No Action Required.**

7.11 Norbert Carpenter: Re: Request for support for literacy resources and tutoring. **Deferred to budget committee.**

8.0 Committee Reports

8.1 ***Finance, Government Relations -Mayor Lewis Lavandier, Chair:***

Mayor Lavandier submitted the following written report:

Monthly Report for December 20th, 2010:

FPEIM Meetings: Councillor Allan Gallant, Councillor Michael Gallant and myself attended the FPEIM semi-annual meeting in Tignish. I was able to find out some of the requirements that would be needed if we were to host the 2012 Annual Meeting. We have not received confirmation as of yet as to whether we will be able to hold the meeting in Georgetown, we have made an official request to FPEIM and are awaiting their response.

Santa Claus Parade and Tree Lighting: I would like to thank Councillor Faye McQuillan and Councillor Ron Gallant as well as the King's Playhouse Board of Directors and all the volunteers that helped to make the Christmas Parade and tree lighting such a success this year. I have received a lot of good feedback from many residents – great work everyone!

Seasons Greetings and Thanks: At this time I would like to thank Members of Council as well as Tonya and Lisa for all the great work you have done in the past year. I feel I am very fortunate to have the team I have, working together to make Georgetown a better place.

On behalf of Clara Anne and myself Merry Christmas and have a Happy New Year.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Lewis Lavandier, Mayor*

- **Moved by Councillor A. Gallant to adopt Mayor Lavandier's report as read, seconded by Councillor F. McQuillan. Motion Carried.**

8.2 Public Works, Property, Main Street Programs, Sewer & Water Utilities-Councillor Williams & Community Heritage and Beautification, Committee Chair:

Councillor Wade Williams advised:

Public Works, Property, Main Street Programs, Sewer & Water: Nothing new to report at this time. I would like to wish Mayor and Council administrative staff and residents a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Community Heritage and Beautification: Nothing new to report.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Wade Williams, Councillor*

- **Moved by Councillor A. Gallant to adopt Councillor W. William's report as read, seconded by Councillor C. Murphy. Motion Carried.**

8.3 Community & Media Relations and Seniors Affairs: Councillor McQuillan, Committee Chair:

Councillor McQuillan submitted the following written report:

Councillor's Report for December 20, 2010

Christmas Tree Lighting/Santa Claus Parade: On Dec. 12, we had our first annual Santa Claus Parade. We had 22 entries, not bad for our first year, with lots of people out watching. We ended at the Playhouse where we held our annual Christmas Tree Lighting and a visit from Santa. I had a lot of good feedback from this event. I'm sure it will be bigger next year with many people saying they want to be part of this great event. I would like to thank my committee for all their hard work. Without people like them we wouldn't have the success we've had.

Seniors: We had our annual Christmas Dinner on Dec. 8th. Lots of great food, entertainment and a visit from Santa. Everyone had a great time.

We will be starting our LEAP program on January 12. Everyone is excited to start this new project. I will send a flyer out after the New Year to see how many seniors are interested.

At this time I would like to wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

*Respectfully submitted,
Faye McQuillan, Councillor*

General discussion of potential Christmas decorations for Water Street next year.

- **Moved by Councillor C. Murphy to adopt Councillor F. McQuillan's report as read, seconded by Councillor W. Williams. Motion Carried.**

8.4 Civic Centre & Georgetown Volunteer Fire Department, Committee Chair Councillor Ronnie Gallant: *Councillor Ronnie Gallant gave the following written reports:*

Fire Department Report November 15 to December 19, 2010

(Report prepared by Fire Chief Mark Gotell, read and submitted by Councillor Ronnie Gallant)

Fire Calls	EMS Calls	MVA Calls	Forestry Calls	Training	Meetings
2	2	0	0	4	1

On behalf of all Fire Department Members I would like to take this opportunity to wish the Mayor and Council along with all staff a Very Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year!

From our House to Yours have a Fire Safe Holiday!

Yours in Fire Safety
Mark G. Gotell, Fire Chief

Fire Department: *Councillor Ronnie Gallant submitted the following written report:*

The Fire Department is still busy with training. The Department helped out with two trucks in our first Santa Claus Parade. I would like to thank Mark Stephens and Aaron Blackett for all the help they offered with the parades. I wish all the people in the Department a Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year.

Civic Centre: The Civic Centre received their new sign. Thanks to Joey for his work removing and installing the new sign. I also want to wish the Mayor, Councillors and their families a Merry Christmas and a Happy New

Year. Also to Tonya and her family, Lisa and her family a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

*Respectfully submitted by
Ronald Gallant, Councillor*

- **Moved by Councillor W. Williams to adopt Councillor R. Gallant's report as read, seconded by Councillor F. McQuillan. Motion Carried.**

8.5 *Planning & Community Development, Friends of Georgetown School Parent Group and King's Playhouse, Councillor Michael Gallant Committee Chair:* Councillor M. Gallant submitted the following written reports:

Planning: one permit issued for an accessory building.

King's Playhouse: a relatively busy month for the facility with Christmas gatherings and a new year's party planned. Also there seems to be some interest of more individuals wishing to join the board. I will be reviewing the agreement between the town and the playhouse to check the maximum allotment of members allowed. Further each member of council was given a copy of the financial statements earlier this month.

The facility had a relatively successful year but because of certain financial details from previous years it makes the bottom line appear to be less rosy than it actually is.

School: the school had a successful school fair. The monies raised will greatly assist the home and school committee with their efforts in continuing to make Georgetown elementary school a vibrant and important educational facility. Many kudos to the organizing committee and staff involved with this endeavor.

Personal: I should like to extend to all my colleagues, the staff, and volunteers of the town my sincerest best wishes for a very merry and blessed Christmas season and peace, good health and prosperity in 2011.

MOTIONS FROM REPORT: None

*Respectfully Submitted,
Michael Gallant, Councillor*

- **Moved by Councillor M. Gallant to adopt his own report as read, seconded by Councillor A. Gallant. Motion Carried.**

8.6 Three Rivers Sportsplex and Youth & Recreation: Councillor Craig Murphy, Committee Chair. Councillor Murphy submitted the following written reports:

Youth & Recreation (December 2010): The ice surface is being well utilized this season. Nothing further to report.

Three Rivers Sportsplex (December 2010): I met with Neil Kinsman, the Eastern Region Recreation Coordinator on December 9th at the rink to discuss possible future funding for the rink.

I am expecting a call any day now to arrange the delivery of the ice plant from the former Montague Iceland Arena, which is one step to get inline with the current standards to upgrade our existing plant from Freon to ammonia.

New doors were installed today at the arena as the existing side door was not able to be used since last week.

I wish everyone involved with Town Council and your families a very Merry Christmas.

*Respectfully submitted,
Craig Murphy, Councillor*

- **Moved by Councillor F. McQuillan to adopt Councillor C. Murphy's report as read, seconded by Councillor A. Gallant. Motion Carried.**

Mayor Lavandier commended Councillor Murphy for the work he has done to bring the new ammonia system for the rink about.

8.7 Finance and Georgetown & Area Development Corporation: Councillor Allan Gallant, Committee Chair

Councillor A. Gallant submitted the following written reports:

Finance Committee: General and Sewer accounts enclosed with monthly packages.

GADC: Presently working on several projects.

F.P.E.I.M.: Attended the Semi-Annual Meeting in Tignish with Councillor M. Gallant and Mayor Lavandier. Very informative meeting. New website officially launched. Municipal official's orientation session will be on January 8, 2011 at Studio One in Charlottetown.

From my family to yours a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to Mayor, Councillors and Staff.

MOTIONS FROM REPORT:

- **Moved by Councillor A. Gallant to release funds for yearly bonuses in the same amounts as last year with the addition of \$250 Christmas bonus for new in 2010 accounting book-keeper, seconded by Councillor F. McQuillan. Motion Carried.**

*Respectfully submitted,
Allan Gallant, Councillor*

- **Moved by Councillor A. Gallant to adopt his report as read, seconded by Councillor M. Gallant. Motion Carried.**

8.8 Administrator's Report: Tonya Cameron, Chief Administrative Officer:

Tonya Cameron, CAO gave the following report:

Day-to-day operations: Busy month with accounting in the office. We are well underway and are certain everything is moving in the right direction for audit. We will be happy to keep the finance committee and council with up-to-date GLs as often as you wish over the next few weeks.

Request to release the CAO's \$1,660 RRSP as per budget.

- **Moved by Councillor A. Gallant to release the CAO's RRSP amount as per budget, seconded by Councillor W. Williams. Motion Carried.**

Request to release cleaning personnel's funds for cleaning for the year.

- **Moved by Councillor A. Gallant cleaning personnel's funds be released for the year, seconded by Councillor F. McQuillan. Motion Carried.**

Request for motion to allow Councillor F. McQuillan to apply for Canada Day funding for July 1, 2011.

- **Moved by Councillor A. Gallant to give permission to Councillor F. McQuillan to apply for Canada Day funding for July 1, 2011, seconded by Councillor R. Gallant. Motion Carried.**

Merry Christmas to Mayor, Council and families.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tonya Cameron, C.A.O.

- **Moved by Councillor A. Gallant to adopt CAO's report as read, seconded by Councillor W. Williams. Motion Carried.**

9.0 New Business:

- 9.1** The Time and Tide graciously donated a lawn tractor to our AA Macdonald Memorial Gardens was received today.

10.0 Adjournment

Moved: by Councillor M. Gallant that the meeting be adjourned as there is no further business,

Seconded: by Councillor W. Williams. Motion Carried.

Minutes recorded and submitted by:
Tonya Cameron, C.A.O.

January 17, 2011

Lewis Lavandier, Mayor

Tonya Cameron, C.A.O.