

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF
THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CORNER BROOK
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL
MONDAY, 7 OCTOBER, 2024 AT 7:00 PM**

PRESENT:

Mayor	J. Parsons	D. Charters, City Manager
Deputy Mayor	L. Chaisson	T. Flynn, Director of Protective Services
		S. Maistry, Director of Finance and Administration
Councillors:	B. Griffin	D. Burden, Director of Engineering, Development and Operations
	P. Keeping	
	C. Pender	P. Robinson, Director of Recreation Services
		<i>J. Smith, City Clerk</i>
		<i>Sergeant-At-Arms - Absent</i>

Absent with regrets: Councillor V. Granter, and Councillor P. Gill

24-136 Land Acknowledgement

Deputy Mayor L. Chaisson read the land acknowledgement.

24-137 Approval of Agenda

On motion by Councillor C. Pender, seconded by Councillor B. Griffin, it is **RESOLVED** to approve the agenda as circulated with the following additions:

- 3.2 Community Market Feasibility Study - ACOA Funding

MOTION CARRIED.

24-138 Approval of Minutes- Committee of the Whole September 23, 2024

On motion by Deputy Mayor L. Chaisson, seconded by Councillor C. Pender, it is **RESOLVED** to approve the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting September 23, 2024. **MOTION CARRIED.**

24-139 Business Arising From the Minutes

The following items were brought forward from the minutes:

- Councillor B. Griffin requested an update on McLeod's Lane. The Director of Engineering, Development and Operations advised that the remaining paving work is intended to begin on October 15, 2024 with McLeod's Lane at high priority to be done;
- Deputy Mayor L. Chaisson requested an update on the procedure for residents to follow when they find rats. The Director of Protective Services advised that residents are encouraged to call the 637-1666 number to report rats and the Municipal Enforcement Officers will follow up;

- Deputy Mayor L. Chaisson requested an update regarding the water fountain at Blomidon Golf Course being turned off. The Director of Engineering, Development and Operations advised that the valve was turned off to do maintenance at the water treatment plant, however, it was identified that there is a large volume of water being utilized by the fountain that is being wasted. Staff are looking into this for other sustainable solutions before turning it back on;
- Deputy Mayor L. Chaisson requested an update on the new Recreation Centre. The Mayor advised that the contractor is addressing deficiencies and there are no new dates since the last update at the Committee of the Whole.

24-140 Community Market Feasibility Study - ACOA Funding Approval

On motion by Councillor B. Griffin, seconded by Councillor C. Pender, it is **RESOLVED** that the Council of the City of Corner Brook accept the funding provided by ACOA for the Community Market Feasibility Study in the amount of \$19,500.00 (HST Included). The Corner Brook City Council authorizes the City Manager to sign the Offer of Assistance under the Regional Innovation Ecosystem Fund through ACOA. **MOTION CARRIED.**

24-141 Proclamations and Events

The Mayor declared the following proclamations were made:

- October 1-4, 2024 was declared Cadet Week
- October was declared Foster Families Month
- October 6-12, 2024 was declared Fire Prevention Week

24-142 Confederation Drive Lane Reduction and Improvements - Consultant Fee Request

On motion by Councillor C. Pender, seconded by Deputy Mayor L. Chaisson, it is **RESOLVED** that the Council of the City of Corner Brook accept the proposal submitted by Englobe Corp. for the Confederation Drive Lane Reduction and Intersection Improvements in the amount of \$68,916.41 (HST Included). The Corner Brook City Council authorizes the City Manager to sign the PCA agreement with the Consultant, Englobe Corp. on behalf of the City of Corner Brook. **MOTION CARRIED.**

24-143 Corner Brook Curling Association Lease Agreement

On motion by Councillor P. Keeping, seconded by Councillor C. Pender, it is **RESOLVED** that the City of Corner Brook lease the space at the Corner Brook Curling Club to the Corner Brook Curling Association Inc. for the period of October 2024 - September 2025 for the amount of \$9,000.00, plus HST annually. **MOTION CARRIED.**

24-144 Discretionary Use - 104 Valley Road - Home Based Business Office

On motion by Councillor B. Griffin, seconded by Councillor C. Pender, it is **RESOLVED** that the Council of the City of Corner Brook approve the application to operate a home-based business office from the dwelling located at 104 Valley Road in accordance with Regulation 11 - Discretionary Powers of Authority. **MOTION CARRIED.**

24-145 Wastewater Service Repair Policy

On motion by Deputy Mayor L. Chaisson, seconded by Councillor P. Keeping, it is **RESOLVED** to rescind the "Plugged Laterals" Policy, #06-01-12 and replace it with the Wastewater Service Repair Policy, #06-01-12. **MOTION CARRIED.**

24-146 City of Corner Brook Cellphone Policy

On motion by Deputy Mayor L. Chaisson, seconded by Councillor C. Pender, it is **RESOLVED** that the Council for the City of Corner Brook approve the cellphone policy that includes the option of a City owned cellphone or a cellphone allowance for eligible staff. **MOTION CARRIED.**

24-147 Western Regional Service Board Appointment

Mayor J. Parsons declared a conflict of interest regarding this item, entered the gallery, and did not participate in the debate and discussion.

On motion by Councillor B. Griffin, seconded by Councillor P. Keeping, it is **RESOLVED** to appoint Mayor Jim Parsons as a City of Corner Brook Council representative on the Western Regional Service Board.

TIE VOTE. [Deputy Mayor L. Chaisson and Councillor C. Pender voted against the motion].

MOTION WILL BE BROUGHT FORWARD AT THE NEXT COUNCIL MEETING.

24-148 Election of Deputy Mayor

The Mayor called for nominations for the position of Deputy Mayor. Councillor B. Griffin nominated L. Chaisson for the position of Deputy Mayor. No other nominations were received. L. Chaisson was elected as Deputy Mayor by acclamation.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

[Redacted Signature]

City Clerk

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Mayor