

## SOUTHERN SHORE JOINT COUNCIL MEETING

# MINUTES

Thursday, January 11, 2018  
Ferryland Town Office, NL-10, Ferryland, NL

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### ATTENDEES:

- Mr. Harold Mallowney, Bay Bulls (Chair)
- Ms. Helen Power, Tors Cove
- Ms. Hannah Power, Tors Cove
- Ms. Beverly O'Brien, Cape Broyle
- Mr. Jerome Kenny, Fermuse
- Mr. Adrian Sullivan, Calvert
- Mr. Harry Bryan, Ferryland
- Mr. Gerry Conway, Renews
- Mr. William Winter, Renews
- Mr. Ben Boland, Renews
- Ms. Evelyn Tucker, Bay Bulls
- Ms. Joan Luby, Bay Bulls
- Mr. Bradley Power, ERSB

### DELEGATIONS:

- None

### PROCEEDINGS:

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Mr. Mallowney.

2. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

*MOTION: It was moved by Ms. O'Brien and seconded by Ms. Luby, that the Agenda of the Southern Shore Joint Council meeting of January 11, 2018, be adopted as tabled. All in favour. Motion carried.*

*Ref#: SSJC2018-001*

3. **DELEGATION**

There was no delegation scheduled.

4. **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

*MOTION: It was moved by Ms. Tucker, seconded by Ms. Luby, that the Minutes of the Southern Shore Joint Council meeting of Thursday, December 14, 2017, be adopted with corrections. All in favour. Motion carried.*

**5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:**

- a) **Mistaken Point:** Members were asked whether they've heard of any update regarding Mistaken Point. No update was available. The group agreed that a letter should be sent to the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador after the next meeting if no update is available to express the importance of the UNESCO World Heritage Site and to highlight the impacts it has on the region as a whole. Mr. Power will prepare a letter for the Chair's signature after the next Joint Council meeting.

**6. UPDATE ON ACTION ITEMS AND REVIEW OF RECORD OF DECISIONS:**

- a) **Robert E. Howlett Drive Extension:** Mr. Power requested input from the joint council on how to approach this issue in terms of advocacy. He spoke with MHA Hutching who suggested the group develop a letter and schedule a meeting with the Minister. Mr. Mullowney added that a news release would be helpful, as well as updated traffic counts.

***MOTION: It was moved by Ms. Luby, seconded by Mr. Sullivan, that the joint council write a letter to the Minister of Transportation and Works requesting an updated traffic count be undertaken on the Robert E. Howlett Drive. In addition, a meeting will be requested and a news release regarding the joint council's actions will be developed. All in favour. Motion carried.***

Ref#: SSJC2018-003

- b) **Stoney River Bridge:** Mr. Power requested input from the joint council on how to approach this issue in terms of advocacy. The group suggested that the issue be raised in the meeting with the Minister of Transportation and Works when Robert E. Howlett Drive Extension is discussed. They also suggested a letter be written on the topic.

***MOTION: It was moved Ms. Luby, seconded by Ms. O'Brien, that the joint council write a letter to the Minister of Transportation and Works requesting an update on plans to address safety issues and the current condition of Stoney River Bridge. All in favour. Motion carried.***

Ref#: SSJC2018-004

**7. EASTERN REGIONAL SERVICE BOARD UPDATE:**

Mr. Mullowney provided the ERSB update. He noted that since the joint council AGM in December, there hasn't been a meeting of the Eastern Regional Service Board. However, there are a couple of quick points he went on to highlight:

Invoices for 2018 waste and fire fees have been sent to all clients this month. The deadline to make payment or confirm a payment plan is January 31. If applicable, joint council members should encourage their residents to make contact with the ERSB office as soon as possible to discuss payment arrangements.

In addition, 2018 waste collection calendars and guides are available on the Eastern Waste Management website. These guides are downloadable and have some very important information. Joint council members are also encouraged to ask their council or committee to put a notice up on social media that these guides and collection calendars are now available online. Mr. Power can certainly help in this regard, so don't hesitate to reach out to him.

Finally, the ERSB is more actively utilizing its Twitter account. Any collection delays or weather-related service impacts will be noted on this account. It can be found at [https://twitter.com/Eastern\\_Waste](https://twitter.com/Eastern_Waste).

The next meeting of the Board is Wednesday, January 24, in St. John's. These meetings are open to the public and take place at 7PM at the Fairfield Inn and Suites on Kenmount Road. They typically run for about an hour and a half.

## 8. NEW BUSINESS:

- a) **Regional Governance:** Mr. Power facilitated a discussion on Regional Governance. The group went through the What We Heard document distributed recently by the Provincial Government stemming from their province-wide consultations. Mr. Power will compile the comments by members of the joint council and will send them to the Department of Municipal Affairs and Environment. Mr. Mullooney encouraged joint council members to stay engaged in the regionalization discussion whereas it will have significant impacts on the Southern Shore.
- b) **Review of Advocacy Calendar:** Mr. Mullooney noted the draft advocacy calendar that was included in the meeting package. Mr. Power noted that most other joint councils operate from a similar plan, and he will venture to line up the joint council advocacy on similar issues in any given month. The group agreed that a larger voice is a louder voice. An updated calendar will be discussed in March once the issues presented at this recent meeting are addressed (Robert E. Howlett Drive Extension, Stoney River Bridge, Canada Post, etc.).
- c) **Canada Post:** Ms. Hannah Power gave a presentation on an issue regarding Canada Post in her community. She explained that the hours of operation at the local postal outlet were going to change, which would be detrimental to her community. Less hours are expected and a realignment of those hours mean many residents will now be unable to pick up their mail after work. She expressed her frustration with the issue and felt the joint council should get involved.

Mr. Sullivan and Mr. Mullooney noted similar concerns from their respective communities.

The group agreed that a letter should be sent to MP Ken McDonald and representatives at Canada Post in St. John's expressing the joint council's displeasure with the changes and

demanding they return the operation of the postal outlet to the regular hours residents have gotten used to.

Ms. Power handed out a copy of the letter her LSD wrote to Canada Post for everyone's information. Mr. Power will have a draft letter ready for the next meeting for discussion.

***MOTION: It was moved Ms. Power, seconded by Ms. Luby, that the joint council write a letter to the MP Ken McDonald and Canada Post representatives in St. John's regarding its displeasure with changes to operating hours at the postal outlet in Tors Cove and elsewhere on the Southern Shore. All in favour. Motion carried.***

***Ref#: SSJC2018-005***

## **9. COMMUNITY REPORTS/ROUNDTABLE:**

a) **Joint-Joint Council Meeting:** Mr. Power provided a brief update on the plan to bring representatives from each joint council on the Eastern Region together in 2018. Mr. Mallowney said Mr. Power should communicate to the other joint councils that representatives from the Southern Shore would be very interested in attending. Mr. Mallowney asked Mr. Power to provide an update when things begin to come together in this regard.

b) **Renews-Cappahayden Waste Recovery Facility:** Mr. Winter expressed his displeasure with the current condition of the WRF in his community. He feels there is an extreme amount of garbage stockpiled at the facility. He also commented on the garbage blowing around on the site, and the lack of cover the site has whereas it was clear-cut during construction. He expressed the concerns of his fellow council members and asked that an explanation be provided for the state of the facility.

Mr. Mallowney said an update would be provided to the Mr. Winter's town council as soon as possible. He would also speak with staff at the Eastern Regional Service Board about the concerns raised. He was appreciative of the feedback and said he and the ERSB take these issues very seriously.

c) **Members of Parliament:** At the request of the group, Mr. Power confirmed that he has extended invitations to MP McDonald and MP O'Regan to attend a future meeting of the Southern Shore Joint Council.

d) **Meeting with the Minister of Municipal Affairs:** Mr. Mallowney suggested that a request be sent to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Environment to come meet with the joint council later in the spring. The group agreed this would be beneficial for all communities in the region. Additional discussion will take place at a future joint council meeting regarding a proposed agenda.

e) **Internet Radio:** Mr. Bryan highlighted a local internet radio station that is operating in the area. The station is called Southern Shore Sounds. It is accessible at

<http://southernshoresounds.weebly.com/listen-live.html>. There is typically a wide variety of music on the station, from folk and country to rock and roll, as well as local music from the likes of John Curran and others. The station is willing to publicize PSAs and other notices that communities might require. He encouraged everyone to have a look at the webpage and tune in to this new local radio station.

- f) **CYN Cape Broyle**: Ms. O'Brien and Mr. Mallowney suggested that the Community Youth Network coordinator in Cape Broyle should be invited to a future meeting to provide an overview of his work and to determine if the joint council can help in any way. Mr. Power will reach out to Robert Moran and request he come give a presentation to the group in March or April.

**10. NEXT MEETING** - The next meeting of the Joint Council will take place in Ferryland on Thursday, February 8, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

## **11. ADJOURNMENT**

*MOTION: It was moved by Ms. O'Brien, seconded by Mr. Conway that the meeting adjourn. All in favour. Motion carried.*

*Ref#: SSJC2018-006*

*The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:30 p.m.*

**APPENDIX A**

**JANUARY RECORD OF DECISIONS**  
**(MOTIONS LOG)**

MOTION NUMBER (Ref#)	MOTION TYPE	DETAILS
SSJC2018-002	Agenda	MOTION: It was moved by Mr. Walsh, seconded by Ms. Luby, that the Minutes of the Southern Shore Joint Council meeting of Thursday, December 14, 2017, be adopted with corrections. All in favour. Motion carried.
SSJC2018-002	Minutes	MOTION: It was moved by Mr. Walsh, seconded by Ms. Luby, that the Minutes of the Southern Shore Joint Council meeting of Thursday, December 14, 2017, be adopted with corrections. All in favour. Motion carried.
SSJC2018-003	Position	MOTION: It was moved by Ms. Luby, seconded by Mr. Sullivan, that the joint council write a letter to the Minister of Transportation and Works requesting an updated traffic count be undertaken on the Robert E. Howlett Drive. In addition, a meeting will be requested and a news release regarding the joint council's actions will be developed. All in favour. Motion carried.
SSJC2018-004	Position	MOTION: It was moved Ms. Luby, seconded by Ms. O'Brien, that the joint council write a letter to the Minister of Transportation and Works requesting an update on plans to address safety issues and the current condition of Stoney River Bridge. All in favour. Motion carried.
SSJC2018-005	Poosition	MOTION: It was moved Ms. Power, seconded by Ms. Luby, that the joint council write a letter to the MP Ken McDonald and Canada Post representatives in St. John's regarding its displeasure with changes to operating hours at the postal outlet in Tors Cove and elsewhere on the Southern Shore. All in favour. Motion carried.
SSJC2018-006	Adjournment	MOTION: It was moved by Ms. O'Brien, seconded by Mr. Conway that the meeting adjourn. All in favour. Motion carried.