



## JOINT COUNCIL OF CONCEPTION BAY NORTH

# MINUTES

**South River Town Hall  
Thursday, February 28, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.**

NAME	TOWN/ORGANIZATION
Glenn Clarke, Chair	Victoria
Rod Delaney, Vice Chair	Cupids
Pamela Boutilier, Secretary	Cupids
Bev Wells, Treasurer	South River
Ralph Trickett	Brigus
John Brown	Brigus
Paul Brazil	Spaniard's Bay
Betty Moore	Clarke's Beach
Joan Wilcox	Clarke's Beach
Joanne Morrissey	North River
Marjorie Dawson	South River
Scott Rose	South River
Maria Ralph	South River
Philip Wood	Bay Roberts
Mike Saccary	Harbour Grace
Kevin Williams	Harbour Grace
Bradley Power	Eastern Regional Service Board
Staff Sgt. Greg Hicks	RCMP Harbour Grace
Cpl. Matthew Christie	RCMP Bay Roberts
Steve Crocker	Minister of Transportation and Works
Betty Parsley	Member of the House of Assembly
Bobbi Dunphy	Assistant to MHA Betty Parsley
Stephanie O'Brien	Eat Great and Participate Coordinator

**REGRETS:**

NAME	TOWN/ORGANIZATION
Ken McDonald	Member of Parliament

Frank Butt	Carbonear
Chris O’Grady	Carbonear
Gord Ash	Victoria
Pam Parsons	Member of the House of Assembly

**PROCEEDINGS:**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by The Chair at 7:30 p.m.

**2. WELCOME FROM HOST MUNICIPALITY**

Mayor Scott welcomed everyone to the Town of South River. He also acknowledged the other members of the South River Town Council in attendance.

**3. WELCOME FROM THE CHAIRPERSON**

Chairperson Glenn Clarke welcomed everyone to the meeting. He then provided an overview of the Agenda for the night.

**4. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

***MOTION: Moved by Ms. Boutilier, seconded by Ms. Wells, that the Agenda be adopted as tabled. All in favour. Motion carried.***

***Ref#: JCCBN2019-005***

**5. DELEGATION(S)**

**a. Staff Sgt. Greg Hicks, RCMP Harbour Grace:**

Staff Sgt. Hicks provided an update on the work of the Harbour Grace Detachment of the RCMP.

Since January 1, the RCMP in Harbour Grace have responded to 417 calls. There were 186 in February. He also provided a breakdown of some of the types of calls received:

- Persons Offenses – 36
- Property Crime – 63
- Motor Vehicle Accidents – 9 involving injuries, 23 involving damage to the vehicle, 1 fatality
- Impaired Driving – 3 (2 alcohol, 1 drug)
- ATV-related – 8

Other calls received included basic calls for assistance, social assistance-related

calls, as well as mental health-related issues.

Staff Sgt. Hicks said the detachment remains very busy overall.

**b. Cpl. Matthew Christie, RCMP Bay Roberts:**

Cpl. Christie provided an update on the work of the Bay Roberts Detachment of the RCMP.

Since January 1, the RCMP in Bay Roberts have responded to 462 calls. There were 220 in February. He also provided a breakdown of some of the types of calls received:

- Persons Offenses – 29
- Property Crime – 30
- Motor Vehicle Accidents – 7 involving injuries, 28 involving damage to the vehicle
- Impaired Driving – 2 (alcohol)
- ATV-related – 13

Cpl. Christie noted a recent break and enter in South River which was interrupted by a neighbour. He said the neighbour tried to intervene and was injured. He suggests people should not intervene due to the risk involved. The person performing the break and enter has since been charged with assault causing bodily harm and theft.

Both Staff Sgt. Hicks and Cpl. Christie noted their Commanding Officer, A.Comm Ches W. Parsons, met with the Town of Bay Roberts recently. He informed the town that two additional positions have been created for the Bay Roberts detachment. This is a great addition to policing in the region.

Mayor Wood thanked the RCMP and A/Comm Parsons for their dedication and commitment.

**c. Minister Steve Crocker:**

Minister Crocker thanked everyone for the regular invite to speak with the Joint Council. He commended everyone for the hard work and dedication to their towns. He provided the following updates to the group”

The construction season is fast approaching. The provincial roads plan was released last month outlining the work to be done. He added that three of the four passing lanes on the VMH have the subgrade completed. The tender for the fourth lane will go out very soon. The work is expected to be done by July 1.

Road safety work is ongoing in Carbonear. The posts for new signage is already

in place. The signs should be in place very soon.

He recently met with 3M, a safety equipment supply company. They have agreed to do a free assessment of the VMH and provide recommendations. More details of this partnership will be released soon.

The data collected from the construction zone camera pilot project will be released in the coming days. He said speeding is a major issue in construction zones.

The tender for the new Coley's Point Primary school has been issued. The project is valued at \$16 million. It will certainly generate a lot of economic activity in the region.

Renovations to the fourth floor of the Carbonear Hospital are ongoing. The tender for design work will be released soon. This project is valued at \$5 million.

Mayor Wood noted the poor condition of road paint in the region. The Minister said they are focused on finding a solution to this issue.

Mayor Rose asked about improvements to Route 70. Minister Crocker said there's nothing outlined in the provincial roads plan, but some work will be completed in Spaniard's Bay. He said that the VMH takes precedence and remains his priority. He acknowledged the poor condition of Roaches Line.

Mr. Clarke suggest government support a new training program for flag people on construction sites. The Minister said Transportation Safety Canada is modernizing their procedures. Electronic flagging is being considered nationally. Technology is the future.

**d. MHA Betty Parsley:**

MHA Parsley thanked the group for the opportunity to bring greetings. She said she always enjoys visiting the Joint Council.

She commended Minister Crocker for the work he's spearheading in the area, and his responsiveness to issues she's raised on behalf of her constituents.

MHA Parsley also reminded everyone of the upcoming deadline for CEEP and JCP projects. She noted that she or her assistant Bobbie Dunphy are more than happy to help communities with their applications.

MHA Parsley also reminded communities to apply for health and wellness grants. The money can be used to upgrade recreation facilities or implement programming.

MHA Parsley concluded by wishing everyone the best and encouraged everyone to reach out to her if they need her assistance. She also confirmed that she will be seeking re-election.

**e. Stephanie O'Brien – Eat Great and Participate:**

Ms. Stephanie O'Brien from Eat Great and Participate delivered a presentation on her organization and the work they're doing throughout the province.

Ms. O'Brien said adopting healthy behaviors early in life is important for good health. Recreation, sport and community facilities and events provide a place for community members of all ages to come together to enjoy being physically active. It makes sense to also promote healthy eating in these settings.

Since 2009, Eat Great and Participate has been promoting healthy eating to children, youth and working to increase access to healthy food and beverage choices in recreation, sport and community facilities, and at events across Newfoundland and Labrador. Partnerships have been formed with recreation committees, town councils, arena/facility managers, community groups, parents, volunteers, youth, schools, and sport teams from across the province to explore new and creative ways to promote healthy eating.

Ms. O'Brien proposed that all communities in Conception Bay North should adopt a healthy eating policy. She distributed a template policy for community representatives to pursue. She offered her assistance to anyone who needs help.

Ms. O'Brien concluded by reminding everyone that March is Nutrition Month.

***MOTION: Moved by Mr. Delaney, seconded by Mr. Williams, that the Joint Council of Conception Bay North encourage all communities to adopt a new Healthy Eating Policy. All in favour. Motion carried.***  
***Ref#: JCCBN2019-006***

**6. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

***MOTION: Moved by Mr. Wood, seconded by Mr. Brazil, that the Minutes from the previous meeting be adopted as tabled. All in favour. Motion carried.***  
***Ref#: JCCBN2019-007***

**7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

**a. Compensation for Municipal Councillors:**

The Chair noted the recent article in The Compass regarding compensation for municipal councillors. He was disappointed by the comments made by MP Ken McDonald about it not being an issue locally. All members present expressed

their frustration with the changes to federal tax policy in regard to compensation.

Mr. Delaney suggested that MP Ken McDonald be approached to come to a Joint Council meeting to discuss the issue further. The group agreed.

MHA Betty Parsley said she will speak with the Member of Parliament as well on this issue.

Mr. Power noted that other municipalities throughout the province share the CBN Joint Council's concern on this issue.

## 8. TREASURER'S REPORT

Ms. Wells delivered the financial report. Per the handout, the current bank balance remains is \$4,112.64.

Ms. Wells noted that membership fees are coming in very quickly. They have been deposited as they are received.

***MOTION: Moved by Ms. Wells, seconded by Mr. Trickett, that the Financial Report for February 2019 be adopted as tabled. All in favour. Motion carried.***  
***Ref#: JCCBN2019-008***

## 9. NEW BUSINESS

### a. Single Parents Association of Newfoundland and Labrador:

The Chair noted the recent article in The Compass regarding the single parents association and their request for better public transit in CBN. Mr. Power noted that SPANL has also reached out to the Joint Mayors Association of Trinity-Bay de Verde. He will follow-up with SPANL and request that they present to the Joint Council in the future.

### b. Terms of Reference for Provincial Waste Management Strategy Review:

The Chair noted the ongoing review of the Waste Management Strategy. The Terms of Reference for the review were distributed to the group. He encouraged everyone to contribute to the review.

### c. Eastern Regional Service Board – Changes to Service Delivery Policy:

Mr. Power noted that Eastern Regional Service Board has changed its service delivery policy with respect to 14 roads in cabin areas throughout the region. The list of roads was distributed. Property owners affected will receive refunds for 2019 fees. He concluded by saying additional roads may become exempt from waste management. He will provide updates as they become available.

**d. MNL Symposium:**

The Chair noted that the MNL Symposium will be held on May 2-4 in Gander, NL. Everyone is encouraged to attend. Registration is now open.

**e. Annual Social:**

Mayor Wood reminded Joint Council members that the annual social event is fast approaching. He suggested that the event be held at the Royal Canadian Legion in Bay Roberts again this year, with the date/time to be confirmed. Mr. Power will send out invitations as soon as details are available.

**10. NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the joint council will take place on Thursday, March 28, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. in the Town of Clarke's Beach.

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

Seeing no further business, the Chair asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

***MOTION: Moved by Mr. Trickett, seconded by Ms. Ralph, that the meeting adjourn. All in favour. Motion carried.***

***Ref#: JCCBN2019-009***

***The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.***