

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

#### **MINUTES**

Meeting #68 Tuesday, April 30, 2019, 7:00 p.m. Holiday Inn Express, 5 Navigator Ave, St. John's, NL

In Attendance: Councillor Glenn Clarke

Councillor Wally Collins Councillor Ian Froude

Councillor Sandy Hickman

Councillor Korab

Councillor Kevin McDonald Mayor Harold Mullowney Councillor Peggy Roche Councillor Deanna Stapleton

Councillor Lucy Stoyles
Councillor Gerard Tilley
Deputy Mayor Sam Whalen
Councillor Sterling Willis

Regrets: Councillor Bill Bailey

Mayor Danny Breen

Councillor Maggie Burton Councillor Hope Jamieson Councillor Dave Lane

Deputy Mayor Sheilagh O'Leary

Other Attendees: Mr. Ken Kelly

Ms. Lynn Tucker Mr. Bradley Power Ms. Christie Dean

#### 1. Call to Order

Mr. Mullowney called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

## 2. Adoption of Agenda

MOTION 2019-026 Moved By Mr. McDonald Seconded By Mr. Willis

BE IT RESOLVED that the Agenda be adopted as tabled.

**Carried Unanimously** 

#### 3. Review of Minutes

The Minutes from the previous Board of Directors meeting were presented for review and approval.

There were no errors or omissions noted

MOTION 2019-027 Moved By Mr. Whalen Seconded By Mr. Clarke

BE IT RESOLVED that the Minutes of the March meeting of Wednesday, March 27, 2019 be adopted as tabled.

**Carried Unanimously** 

#### 4. Committee Reports

#### a. Finance & Audit Committee

# 1. Board Expenditures

The Board Expenditures (payroll summary and cheque register) for the Month of March 2019 were tabled for review and approval.

A short discussion took place.

It is recommended by the ERSB Finance & Audit Committee that the following Motion be adopted.

MOTION 2019-028 Moved By Mr. Hickman Seconded By Ms. Roche BE IT RESOLVED that the ERSB adopt the Board Expenditures in the Cheque Register and Payroll Summary for March 2019 as tabled.

**Carried Unanimously** 

#### 2. 2018 Audited Financial Statements

The draft 2018 Audited Financial Statements for the Eastern Regional Service Board were tabled for review and approval.

The financial statements are due to be submitted to the Provincial Government by June 30.

A short discussion too place.

MOTION 2019-029 Moved By Mr. Hickman Seconded By Mr. Whalen

BE IT RESOLVED that ERSB adopt the 2018 Financial Statements form Harris Ryan and Associates as tabled. Carried Unanimously

## 3. Impact of Recent Government Directive

An update as provided regarding the anticipated impact of the recent government directive on waste collection services.

Mr. Mullowney noted that a meeting recently took place with government regarding the directive. ERSB staff are now preparing a submission to outline the logistical and other impacts of the directive.

The deadline to make the submission to government with a plan to cease waste collection services in areas with un-services roads is June 30.

# b. Strategy & Policy Committee

#### 1. Update on Emergency Waste Management Meeting

An update was provided regarding the Emergency Waste Management meeting on April 6 in St. John's, NL.

Approximately 100 people from over 50 communities were in attendance.

The presentation and an audio recording of the meeting are available on the ERSB website. A follow-up letter will be sent to all communities in the Eastern Region regarding the issues presented at the meeting, as well as a call to action.

### 2. Update on Meeting with Minister Letto

An update was provided regarding the meeting with Minister Letto on April 8. Mr. Mullowney said the meeting was very positive and he looks forward to working with the Department of Municipal Affairs and Environment moving forward as the new Chair of the Board.

# 3. Public Engagement - Draft "What We Heard" Document

The "What We Heard' document from ERSB's recently completed client survey was tabled for review and approval.

A short discussion took place.

There were no concerns raised with the document as tabled.

It is recommended by the ERSB Strategy & Policy Committee that the following Motion be adopted.

# MOTION 2019-030 Moved By Mr. Whalen

Seconded By Mr. Hickman

BE IT RESOLVED that ERSB adopt the "What We Heard" document resulting from the recently completed client survey.

**Carried Unanimously** 

# 4. Water Operator Pilot Project

A letter from the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador regarding an extension to the Water Operator Pilot Project was tabled for review and approval.

Mr. Mullowney said the Water Operator Program has been in place for three years, funded in whole by the Provincial Government. The letter from government noted that ERSB should develop a sustainability plan for the program post 2021.

Mr. Mullowney noted that it will be difficult for communities to pick up the cost of this program on their own.

Mr. Collins asked how many communities availed of the service over the last three years. Mr. Kelly said there are 18 communities participating.

Mr. Hickman asked if the program could be expanded to include more communities within the current funding envelope. Mr. Kelly advised that the Provincial Government chooses the communities.

Some additional discussion took place regarding the scope of the project overall.

There were no issues with accepting the funding and continuing the program to 2021.

#### **MOTION 2019-031**

**Moved By** Mr. Hickman **Seconded By** Mr. Willis

BE IT RESOLVED that the ERSB accept the \$160,000 in funding from the Provincial Government for the continuation of the Water and Wastewater System Operator Pilot Project for two years.

**Carried Unanimously** 

## c. Governance Committee

# 1. Trinity Bay South-Isthmus East By-Election

The recommended approach to fill the vacant position for Trinity Bay South-Isthmus East on the ERSB was tabled for review and approval. The Board seat became vacant recently when Mayor Hilda Whelan (Town of Whitbourne) resigned.

It was recommended by the Committee that Eastern Regional Service Board issue a call for nominations to fill the vacant Director position for Sub-Region/Ward 10 – Trinity Bay South and Isthmus East on Friday, May 3, 2019, with a deadline of Friday, June 28, 2019.

It was also recommended by the Committee that the deadline for voting be Friday, September 13, 2019, so to encourage maximum participation by eligible communities. The months of July and August are a difficult period to request community participation in this process

A short discussion took place.

It is recommended by the ERSB Governance Committee that the following Motion be adopted.

## **MOTION 2019-032**

Moved By Mr. Clarke Seconded By Mr. Korab

BE IT RESOLVED that the Eastern Regional Service Board proceed to hold a by-election to fill the vacant Board position that represents Sub-Region/Ward 10 – Trinity Bay South and Isthmus East.

**Carried Unanimously** 

# 5. Correspondence

There was no new correspondence for review.

#### 6. New Business/Roundtable

# a) Outer Ring Road (ORR) Clean-Up:

Mr. Hickman noted an ORR clean-up will take place at the end of May. He and Ms. Stapleton encouraged everyone to come out and volunteer with Clean St. John's for this initiative.

# b) Recycling:

Mr. Tilley asked about recycling and the current market. A short discussion took place. Mr. Kelly provided his personal insight on the recycling industry in Newfoundland and Labrador.

### 7. In Camera Session

An in camera session was held to discuss a human resource issue.

MOTION 2019-033 Moved By Mr. McDonald Seconded By Mr. Clarke

BE IT RESOLVED that the meeting move to a closed session at 7:47 p.m.

**Carried Unanimously** 

**MOTION 2019-034** 

Moved By Mr. McDonald Seconded By Mr. Clarke

BE IT RESOLVED that the closed session conclude at 8:00 p.m.

# **Carried Unanimously**

# 8. Upcoming Meetings

Board members were reminded of the following tentative meeting dates in May 2019:

- Finance and Audit Tuesday. May 14, 2019 at 12:30 p.m.
- Strategy and Policy Thursday, May 16 at 10:30 a.m.
- Governance Wednesday, May 22 at 10:30 a.m.
- Board of Directors Wednesday, May 29 at 7:00 p.m.

# 9. Adjournment

MOTION 2019-035 Moved By Mr. McDonald Seconded By Mr. Clarke

Seeing no further business to be discussed, BE IT RESOLVED that the meeting adjourn at 8:05 p.m.

**Carried Unanimously** 

BRADLEY POWER
BOARD CLERK

HAROLD MULLOWNEY
BOARD CHAIR