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MINUTES OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING - JUNE 25, 1997

Present:

Chairman

Mayor John W. Rainforth

Deputy Mayor Michael J. Munday Councillor Bruce H. Morse Councillor John P. Prall

Councillor Gary W. Whittier Councillor Ronald G. Reeves Robert Stewart, Town solicitor Judith Mitchell, Town Clerk

Absent:

councillor Michael E. Trinacty

1.

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 6: 02 p. m .

2.

NEW BUSINESS

(a)

Approval of 1996/97 Financial Statement

Councillor Reeves reviewed the Financial Statements for the Town and the Electric to March 31, 1997 for the benefit of Council. Councillor Reeves noted that personally, he was quite happy with the statements. All Depts. did an excellent job: came out much better than originally anticipated. Mayor Rainforth added that it was significant that every Dept. under spent to help save the Town money, in light of a Social Assistance deficit of over \$32500 . The bottom line for the year ended March 31, 1997 was as follows:

Town Electric

surplus \$1451 deficit \$ (10212)

It was moved by Councillor Reeves and seconded by Deputy Mayor Munday to accept the 1996/97 Financial Statements as presented.

Motion carried.

(b)

Tax Write-offs: 1996/97

As a matter of business, to finish off any items outstanding from year-end, it was moved by councillor Reeves and seconded by Councillor Morse that the following Business Occupancy taxes be written off as uncollectible:

(1) Irma Parker (Hair Shop)

(2) Steve Legge (50% of Fitness Advantage) (3) Fred Goucher (Power Play Cards)

\$200.42 \$721.17 \$377.60

Total: \$1299.19

Motion carried.

(e)

BDVFD: SCBA Gear

Due to the Budget process still getting underway, and the need for up-to-date air breathing equipment, the following motion was put forth on behalf of the Fire Dept.

It was moved by Councillor Whittier and seconded by Deputy Mayor Munday to approve the expenditure of \$2125 in Capital Funds for SCBA Air Bottles from Micmac Fire & Safety.

Motion carried.

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After a brief recess, the council adjourned at 6: 32 p. m. to Committee-of-the-Whole to discuss matters of a confidential nature. Regular council resumed at 6:58p.m.

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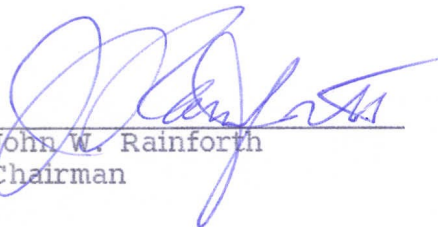
(a)

Signage: request by Suzanne Atkinson

councillor whittier distributed a copy of a fax just received earlier today from Ms. Suzanne Atkinson, regarding tourist business signs being situated at the entrance to Town. Councillor Whittier asked if everyone would take the time to read the request thoroughly and be prepared to discuss it at the next regular meeting of council on July 8th, 1997, (copy attached to Minutes).

5.

There being no other business, the chairman adjourned the meeting at 7: 00 p. m .



John W. Rainforth
Chairman