

Monthly Council Meeting Minutes

January 15, 2018

Present

Mayor Bill Martin
Deputy Mayor Frank Costa
Councillor Bruce MacDougall
Councillor Gordie Whitlock
Councillor Brent Gallant
Councillor Norma McColeman
Councillor Brian McFeely
Councillor Greg Campbell
Councillor Tyler Desroches
Bob Ashley, Chief Administrative Officer
Rob Philpott, Director of Financial Services
Brian Hawrylak, HR Officer
Lorri Laughlin, Director of Communications
Members of the Media
Members of the Public

Call to Order / Approval of Agenda / Conflict of Interest Declaration

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Martin at 6PM

Motion It was moved and seconded;
That The Agenda be approved as amended.
Motion Carried

Conflict of Interest Declaration – no conflicts were declared with Council members on any agenda items

Approval of the Minutes

Motion It was moved and seconded;
That The minutes of the Monthly Meeting dated December 18, 2017 and the minutes of the Special Council Meeting dated December 18, 2017 be approved as circulated.

Motion Carried

New Business

Accolades

Councillor Campbell congratulated Little Caesars' on their recent opening and the near completion of the convent on Granville Street

Councillor McColeman congratulated 100 Women who Care in the Prince County area who have donated close to \$100,000 after 10 meetings.

Councillor McFeely congratulated MLA Chris Palmer on his recent appointment to the provincial cabinet.

Councillor MacDougall congratulated Heather Moyse on making the Canadian Olympic Team in bobsleigh.

Councillor DesRoches congratulated Gerard Gallant on being named coach at the NHL All Star Game and numerous Summerside Dolphin Swim Club members on their results this past weekend.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Martin met recently with Innovation PEI regarding the PEI Mutual Building. He stated the Christmas season was busy with functions. He met with Senator Dianne Griffin on a number of topics. He met with the new Minister of Finance and Minister of Tourism. The Mayor thanked staff and Council on their efforts on the 2018 budget. He stated that 30 new jobs are expected to come to Summerside as a result of the Rotary road trip in Ontario last fall.

Financial Services

Report:

Deputy Mayor Costa:

"Finance Committee will note that our actual results are \$287,000 over what we were expecting at that point in the year. This is driven primarily by the fact that the City received \$150,000 in unbudgeted government funding for various economic development initiatives earlier this year. In addition, the City was notified that it will receive \$96,000 from the Workers Compensation Board, as its share of the WCB's 2016 surplus distribution. This was not

anticipated at the time the 2017 Budget was prepared. \$75,000 of this amount has been recorded in the General Fund, with the remainder allocated to the utilities.

Based on how the revenue and expense categories are trending, the City is projecting that the General Fund will finish the year with a surplus of \$181,000.

Overall, the City's utilities finished the period ended November 30th in a positive position. This continues the trend from the first three quarters of 2017. For the electric utility, the year-to-date actual is \$569,000 above expectations.

The water and sewer utilities are performing ahead of expectations, although this is due more so to the timing of unmetered/metered sales for both utilities. The sewer utility is also projecting to be slightly over budget on the cost of chemicals used in the treatment plant.

With respect to our capital spending, the City has incurred \$12.5 million in total capital expenditures, against a year-to-date budget of \$10.2 million as of the end of November. The actual expenditures include \$2.7 million of Clean Water fund (CWWF) projects which the City expects to be re-imbursed for 75% of the total cost.

Based on the progress of our ongoing capital projects, we expect to finish the year at \$11 million of capital expenditures, against a budget of \$11.5 million.

On a final note, Council is reviewing departmental budget requests for 2018, and a proposed budget will be presented on Monday, January 29, at 12 noon as per recent legislation changes. The budget will then be voted upon at the Tuesday, February 2018 Monthly Council Meeting."

Presentation by Honeywell

Luis Rodrigues, Vice President of Honeywell, Energy and Environmental Solutions, made a presentation to Council on the proposed energy management project.

Resolution It was moved by Deputy Mayor Costa and seconded by Councillor McColeman;
Whereas the City engaged Honeywell Inc. to explore opportunities for energy consumption improvement at all City facilities,
And whereas Honeywell has identified capital improvements that will cost \$3.6 million to implement, and which will be financed by borrowing from a financial institution, and paid for through \$391,000 in guaranteed annual savings,
Be it resolved that Council authorizes that the City enter into an energy management contract with Honeywell Inc. to effect these improvements.

Discussion:

Rob Philpott provided a brief background on the Honeywell energy management project.

Luis Rodriguez, Vice President of Energy and Environmental Solutions at Honeywell, spoke to Council to discuss the project, opportunities and to answer any questions.

Mr. Rodriguez provided the background of the project since Honeywell was selected as the partner.

Mr. Rodriguez stated that in terms of the scope of the project, it would be up to the City on what parts of the project were completed.

Councillors posed several questions to Mr. Rodriguez on the project.

Councillor McFeely moved an amendment to the original motion by modifying the last line to read
Be it resolved that Council authorizes that the City enter into an energy management contract with Honeywell Inc. to effect these improvements to the LED lighting initially at a cost of #1,476,217 million with annual savings of \$267,980 with a payback of 5.5 years and look at savings of the other components over time.

There was no seconder to the motion so the motion did not proceed.

Resolution Carried 6-2

Economic Development

Report:

Councillor Gallant:

“Mr Mayor, 2018 is now in full swing and we look forward to the year ahead as some very positive signs about Summerside’s local business and new opportunities that are resonating early in this New Year within economic development. Already within the first weeks of the year, the department is working with 3 IT companies in the negotiation stage of investment in Summerside and 4 local business looking at expansion opportunities, a great start to the year and one in which we can help facilitate the investment in Summerside. As well the department is working extremely hard to implement some system and client enhancements to the operation in order to seize on the positive momentum.

Contact Management

We are in the process of installing and synchronizing new software that will allow both members of our EDO team and our partners to streamline communications to better serve our client base.

EDO Tools

In 2017, we recognized that we must be more vigilant with the time we dedicate to our internal work. Thus, we endeavour to make our core tools an utmost priority, including our Community Profile, our Available Sites, and our Business Directory. These things form the foundation of presenting the business case for Summerside

Homeward Bound

This program, formerly known as “The Connection Program”, has recently been relaunched after a lengthy hiatus. Together with our branding company, our EDO has created a new website called “mysummerside.ca”. This campaign targets Students, Ex-pats, and Business Immigrants. We have profiled 3 local individuals and groups to be the faces of the program and plan to add more this year. The general idea is to tout the stories of these people as well as other Summerside triumphs to people that otherwise would not know anything. This launch is being promoted via our website and social media. There will also be a mail insert going out to all City Electric customers in the coming weeks.

Immigration

We have been busy preparing for significant changes that will drastically change how Summerside is perceived by immigrants. Starting later this month, the Office of Immigration will launch a new way PNP candidates can obtain points with their Expression of Interest – this is called “Community Endorsement”. If a participating community, like us, chooses to endorse a candidate, they will receive additional points. We are in the process of preparing for what we hope is the heightened level of inquiries driven by immigration and truly showcasing what we have known all along about Summerside’s positive business climate

Makerspace

The Summerside Makerspace, located at the Venture Centre, continues to make waves in the community. Recent visitors from Nova Scotia, with a Makerspace of their own, were impressed to hear of our progress. Total membership is around 20 with 3D printing, woodworking, and aquaponics being the most popular areas. There are plans to add sections for metalworking, plastic recycling, and digital production as well. There are also plans to increase the use of social media to entice people to tour the facility or partake in some day projects. Summerside Economic Development is proud to have been able to be a founding partner and a contributor to this local groundswell of innovation.”

Technical Services

Report:

Councillor MacDougall:

“Now that we are into the new year we are already planning for the next construction season. Some of the larger commercial or industrial projects will carry on throughout the winter.

The residential sector was very busy last year. We had a number of late fall starts so they will also be carrying on over the winter months. We take this time to try to wrap up permits for the year to close out those permits. In regards to our own City projects, we had a few of those projects carry over as well this winter: Renovations at the treatment plant will continue throughout the winter, New well field will have another tender out for the building and associated equipment.

Staff are also now turning their attention and efforts in order to prepare for the next construction season. Staff have reviewed existing infrastructure and brought forward a capital budget for the 2018 construction season. Staff will begin shortly in pulling together the information to draft some tender documents so that tenders will be able to go out late winter, in order to get started in early spring, as soon as the weather will permit.

Staff continues to review and assist the public with development and building permit information. Citizens are encouraged to stop in and speak to staff for assistance with their projects that they may have planned for this upcoming construction season. “

Resolution It was moved by Councillor MacDougall and seconded by Councillor Whitlock;
WHEREAS an application was received from Catherine Strongman for PID #928671 for a zoning amendment from Single Family Residential (R1) zone to Low Density Mixed Residential (R2) zone under the *City of Summerside Zoning Bylaw SS-15 (Revised 2007)*;

AND WHEREAS zoning bylaw amendment SS-15-A143, a bylaw to amend the *City of Summerside Zoning Bylaw* was read and declared as read a first time at the Council meeting held on December 18, 2017;

AND WHEREAS in accordance with section 4.7 of the zoning bylaw, Council shall consider the following general criteria, as applicable:

- Conformity with all requirements of this Bylaw;
- Conformity with the Official Plan;
- Suitability of the site for the proposed development;
- Compatibility of the proposed development with surrounding land uses, including both existing and projected uses;
- Any comments from residents or other interested persons;
- Adequacy of existing water, sewer, road, storm water and electrical services, city parking, and parklands for accommodating the development, and any projected infrastructure requirements;
- Impacts from the development on pedestrian/vehicular access and safety, and on public safety generally;
- Compatibility of the development with environmental, scenic and heritage resources;
- Impacts on City finances and budgets;
- Other matters as specified in this Bylaw;
- Other matters as considered relevant.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT zoning amendment SS-15-A143, a bylaw to amend the *City of Summerside Zoning Bylaw* be hereby declared as read a second time.

This bears the recommendation of the Technical Services Committee [Planning Board] meeting held on January 9, 2018.

ZONING AMENDMENT SS-15-A143
A BYLAW TO AMEND THE CITY OF SUMMERSIDE ZONING BYLAW SS-15 (Revised 2007)

The Council of the City of Summerside under authority vested in it by Section 18 and Section 19 of the *Planning Act R.S.P.E.I. 1988 Cap. P-8* hereby enacts as follows:

The zoning for PID #928671 as shown on Schedule B of the *City of Summerside Zoning Bylaw (Revised 2007)*, is designated as Low Density Mixed Residential (R2) zone, hereby excluding it from its former designation of Single Family Residential (R1) zone.

Resolution Carried

Resolution It was moved by Councillor MacDougall and seconded by Councillor Whitlock;
WHEREAS an application was received from Catherine Strongman for PID #928671 for a zoning amendment from Single Family Residential (R1) zone to Low Density Mixed Residential (R2) zone under the *City of Summerside Zoning Bylaw SS-15 (Revised 2007)*;
AND WHEREAS zoning bylaw amendment SS-15-A143, a bylaw to amend the *City of Summerside Zoning Bylaw (Revised 2007)*, was read and declared as read at two separate meetings of Council held on different days;
BE IT RESOLVED THAT zoning bylaw amendment SS-15-A143, a bylaw to amend the *City of Summerside Zoning Bylaw (Revised 2007)* be hereby formally adopted.

Resolution Carried

Resolution It was moved by Councillor MacDougall and seconded by Councillor Whitlock;
Whereas the City recently advertised an RFP to undertake the SCADA development work which includes connecting all 12 of our lift stations, a treatment plant and our one lagoon into a software package currently in use by the City;

And whereas the following RFP's were received:

Firm	Tendered Amount
Surflin Controls Systems Ltd.	\$83,317.50

Resolution carried

Be it resolved that the City of Summerside awards the SCADA Development work to Surflin Controls Systems Ltd. for the RFP **amount of \$ 83,317.50** total price including HST.

Resolution Carried

Resolution It was moved by Councillor MacDougall and seconded by Councillor Whitlock;
Whereas tenders were called for **WPCC Biosolids Upgrade - 2017**;
And whereas the following tenders were received:

Firm	Tendered Amount	Construction Period
Ron's Plumbing & Heating	\$1,562,850.00	22
Precision Mechanical	\$1,606,105.25	22
Filtrum Inc.	\$1,353,964.99	22

Be it resolved that the City of Summerside awards the WPCC Biosolids Upgrade 2017 Tender to Filtrum Inc. for the **"Tender" amount of \$ 1,353,964.99** total price including HST. Based on the Filtrum Inc's tendered price being accepted as it was the lowest tender received.

Resolution Carried

Resolution It was moved by Councillor MacDougall and seconded by Councillor Whitlock;
Whereas tenders were called for **Summerside Wellfield Development Transmission Main;**
And whereas the following tenders were received:

Firm	Tendered Amount
AJL Ltd.	\$1,273,700.90
Island Coastal Services Ltd.	\$1,491,987.00
Duffy Construction Ltd.	\$1,251,133.30
Curran & Briggs Ltd,	\$1,358,392.65

Be it resolved that the City of Summerside awards the Summerside Wellfield Development Transmission Main Tender to Duffy Construction Ltd. for the **Tender amount of \$ 1,251,133.30** total price including HST. Based on the Contractor's tendered price being accepted as it was the lowest tender received.

Resolution Carried

Resolution It was moved by Councillor MacDougall and seconded by Councillor Whitlock;
Whereas tenders were called for **Water and Sewer Replacement Phase One - 2017**;
And whereas the following tenders were received:

Firm	Tendered Amount	Construction Period
AJL Ltd.	\$1,339,704.16	23
Island Coastal Services Ltd.	\$1,945,759.16	20

Be it resolved that the City of Summerside awards the Water and Sewer Replacement Phase One 2017 Tender to AJL for the **Tender amount of \$ 1,339,704.16** total price including HST. Based on the Contractor’s tendered price being accepted as it was the lowest tender received.

Resolution Carried

Resolution It was moved by Councillor MacDougall and seconded by Councillor Whitlock;
Whereas tenders were called for **Water and Sewer Replacement Phase Three- 2017**;
And whereas the following tenders were received:

Firm	Tendered Amount	Construction Period
Eastern Trenchless Ltd.	\$282,718.51	22

Be it resolved that the City of Summerside awards the Water and Sewer Replacement Phase Three 2017 Tender to Eastern Trenchless Ltd. for the **“Tender” amount of \$ 282,718.51** total price including HST. Based on the Contractor’s tendered price of \$282,718.51 including HST being accepted as it was the lowest tender received.

Resolution Carried

Resolution It was moved by Councillor MacDougall and seconded by Councillor Whitlock;
Whereas tenders were called for the **South Drive & Water Street Storm Structure Project 2017 CWWF-2016-041**.
And whereas the following tenders were received:

Bidders	Net Total amounts	Schedule:
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Island Coastal Services	\$ 1,546,741.75	Completion Nov 30 2017
Noye and Noye Limited	\$ 1,727,582.10	Completion Nov 30 2017

Be it resolved that the tender submitted by Island Coastal Services Limited for **South Drive & Water Street Storm Structure Project 2017 CWWF-2016-041** to a total amount of **\$1,546,741.75 (HST included)** be accepted as it was the lowest tender received.

Resolution Carried

Resolution It was moved by Councillor MacDougall and seconded by Councillor Whitlock;
Whereas tenders were called for the King Street Storm Sewer Replacement Project 2017.
And whereas the following tenders were received:

King Street Storm Sewer Replacement Project 2017		
Bidders	Net Total amounts	Schedule:
Curran and Briggs Limited	\$ 327,721.00	14.8 wks.
Island Coastal Services	\$ 350,955.00	20.6 wks.

Be it resolved that the tender submitted by Curran & Briggs Limited for **King Street Storm Sewer Replacement Project 2017** for a total amount of **\$ 327,721.00 (HST included)** be accepted as it was the lowest tender received.

Resolution Carried

Resolution It was moved by Councillor MacDougall and seconded by Councillor Whitlock;
Whereas tenders were called for the **Water Street Box culvert Replacement CWWF-2016-043 Project 2017.**
And whereas the following tenders were received:

Bidders	Net Total amounts	Schedule:
Noye and Noye Limited	\$ 1,141,772.44	Completion Nov 30 2017
Island Coastal Services	\$ 1,642,667.15	Completion Nov 30 2017

Be it resolved that the tender submitted by Noye and Noye Limited for **Water Street Box culvert Replacement CWWF-2016-043 Project 2017** to a total amount of **\$ 1,141,772.44 (HST included)** be accepted as it was the lowest tender received.

Resolution Carried

Police/Fire& Emergency Planning

Report:

Councillor McColeman:

“Our police service continues to work with several organizations in our community. Several members are on different committees/groups which address many issues such as: family, social, educational & security concerns. During December members took part in ‘Cops for Christmas’ & the MADD red shoelace initiative re focusing on Impaired Drivers. Member also took part in the 1st annual ‘Cops Shop with Kids’ where members took 6 kids shopping to buy gifts for their parents & siblings and provided funds to do so. This is something the kids would not normally be able to do. Following the shopping the kids wrapped their own presents at our SPS office, and were then treated to a pizza party. Members and parents were very pleased with this initiative. Very emotional time for all.

All members trained in the annual ‘Use of Force’ as per the Police Act, suicide prevention training.

Other Noteworthy Events

Police review meetings, Two-Aide-de-Camp functions, members attended the RCMP Vet annual Xmas dinner, volunteer with Summerside Pathfinders, attended Wake & funeral for former Chief of Police Mac Macdonald, traffic checkpoints set up during December with other police partners, SPS tour by TOSH law class, as per the police review members attended Halifax Regional Police re tour of their dispatch centre, member spoke at an addiction services staff meeting, several members attended the ‘Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women’ ceremony at a local church, members assisting with the CBC Turkey Drive.

Occurrence Statistics

The following is a list of some of occurrence totals for December followed by the yearly total for 2017;

Traffic Accidents –29 (131 for entire 2017)

Crimes Against Persons (Assaults, Threats, etc.) – 23 (333 for entire 2017)

Crimes Against Property (Thefts, B & E’s, Mischief, etc.) – 43 (896 for entire 2017)

Impaired Driving Offences – 5 (60 for entire 2017 & 59 for entire 2016)

Highway Traffic Act Tickets – 25 (Speeding, stop signs, hand held devices, etc.) (872 for entire 2017)

Parking Tickets Issued – 165 & 56 Warnings (1498 tickets & 327 Warnings for entire 2017)

Provincial Traffic – 49 (Fail to remain, Due Care & Attention, Disqualified Driving, etc.) (1113 for 2017)”

Fire Report

There were 19 paged calls for the month of December; the breakdown is as follows:

- 1** - MFR Call (Medical First Responders)
- 1** - Mutual Aid (Miscouche Fire Dept.)
- 7** - Alarm Panel Calls
- 7** - Miscellaneous Calls
- 1** - Accidental False Alarm
- 2** - Cancelled Calls

There were 5 training opportunities for the month totaling 15 hours; the breakdown is as follows:

Dec 04/17 - Truck Inventory	1 hr
Dec 05/17 - Bucket Truck Safety Course	8 hrs
Dec 07/17 - Controlled Burn	3 hrs
Dec 11/17 - Hydrant Repair at PCH	1.5 hrs
Dec 18/17 - CUP Pre-Plan Tour	1.5 hrs

- Members of the Summerside Fire Department want to wish all the best to Captain Marcel Arseneault and firefighter Mike Glover on their recent retirement. Captain Marcel is a 38 year veteran and Mike has been with the department for 18 years. You will be missed Gentlemen!
- Chief Peters would also like to acknowledge the promotion of Danny Richard to the position of Captain and Kenny Blanchard to position of Lieutenant. Congratulations!

Community Services

Report:

Councillor DesRoches:

“Swimming Lesson registration began for the Winter Session. To date, revenue has increased by 3.5k over 2017’s winter session. Lessons begin on January 15th, 16th and 20th.

New Year’s Eve at Credit Union Place was a huge success. Families from across the province came to Summerside to kick off their 2018 celebrations. From 12-4pm The Fit Stop was open to the public at no charge. From 4-8pm the rest of CUP was open to the public with additional free activities including magic shows, music, land and aquatic inflatables, balloon twisting, face painting, meet & greets with popular animated characters & fireworks.

Inflatables from Off the Walz Splash Park were set up in the aquatics centre a few times over the month, including on New Year’s Eve. They were a big hit and everyone really enjoyed them while they were in.

Credit Union Place’s 10 year celebration concluded on December 31, 2017. The CUP Share your Memory campaign received approx. 1,000 entries, some of which can be read online at cupevents.ca/CUPmemoriesPEI. Over the 10 month campaign CUP memberships, concert tickets, restaurant gift certificates and bridge passes were awarded to 10 individuals who shared their memories with us.

The Centennial Auto Group has signed an agreement with The City of Summerside to extend its commitment as the official vehicle provider of Credit Union Place. “

Councillor McFeely

HR & Legal Affairs Report:

- “There is currently a job posting for a part time police constable
- The Joint Occupational Health and Safety Committee continue to meet on a regular monthly basis as well as department sub-committees
- Staff have initiated new wellness programs for employees in 2018
- Staff are wrapping up payroll year end reporting for 2017”

Culture Summerside

“Culture Summerside is currently working with Wyatt Heritage Properties Inc. to finish up the Canada 150 Project, My Canada, My Place: Projections in Nation Building. The final two presentations take place on Jan. 10th and 12th at Kinkora High School and John J Sark Memorial School, Lennox Island, PEI.

Culture Summerside completed the 2017 School Christmas Program on Dec. 20th 2017. The program had the highest attendance in 17 years. 913 school children attended over a two week period. Each student visited the Wyatt Historic House Museum, the MacNaught History Centre and Archives and the Lefurgey Cultural Centre where they received educational sessions on the theme of the working class of 1867 and their role in the building of Canada. The feedback is positive.

Program development is currently underway for Heritage Week activities; this includes Flag Day, the Mayor’s Heritage Tea and our municipal Heritage and Culture Awards.

Grant applications for summer students are currently being submitted and the finalizing of 2017 project grants is ongoing.

Working on the development of the 2018 Lobster Carnival”

GPS Committee

“Facility Fees, Waivers, Discounts

Last week GPS presented a set of 14 recommendations to Committee of Council. These recommendations address policy and administrative matters connected with facility fees, waivers and discounts.

Committee of Council’s response on the overall principles and directions found in the recommendations was encouraging. At the same time, however, two gaps were pointed out. The first gap concerned treatment of fee waiver requests from any or all organizations which are not specifically mentioned in the recommendations. The

second gap drew attention to the turf field and the fact that the city has plans to invest upwards of \$30,000 for required crumb replacement. Significant investments like this, it was suggested, ought to trigger a discussion with user groups towards collaborating on a sustainable cost-sharing arrangement.

GPS is meeting next week. The committee will work on both of the identified gaps and revise the set of recommendations accordingly.

The revised recommendations can be brought back to Committee of Council in February.

Parking Lot

GPS will soon be ready to receive input and/or direction from Council on any governance, strategy or policy issue it wishes to prioritize. GPS will return to Committee of Council with a list of suggestions early in February.”

Municipal Services

Report:

Councillor Whitlock:

“Plant effluent for the month of December was within regulated requirements for the month. The plant treated 226,015 cubic meters (49,723,300 gallons) of raw sewage while producing 370 tons of Exceptional Quality fertilizer from its waste sludge processing, with 0 ton of waste going to the landfill and processed 57,115 gallons of primary sewage from the surrounding area. With the cold weather throughout the month frozen piping presented a challenge to operations staff but their hard work continued operations without any major upsets in treatment efforts and all piping has been thawed.

The City’s sewer collection efforts focused on service to 16 residents in distress and performed 2 sewer videos. Crews replaced two sewer laterals this month on South Drive and Walker Avenue.

The City’s water utility efforts continued their focus on service to read all water meters, performed 7 shut off and turn-ons, tested and maintain chlorine levels for safe drinking water 12 times throughout the month with all systems operating normally. All water samples for the month (24) were tested clear of all bacteria. Crews repaired one water main breaks this month on Granville Street. Crews repaired 2 water services on North Market Street and Chestnut Street and commissioned a new water line installed at the end of Rebecca Drive for a new small extension to that subdivision. A large amount of frozen piping calls was received in December that crews responded to.

Vacant Properties – Water Services – With this cold weather snap this month the water utility has seen a higher than normal amount of calls for water pipes freezing. Our water utility customers are reminded to make sure they contact the water department for a proper water shut off should they be vacating their homes for a while to vacation away from winter. Mobile home customers should also insulate and heat tape their water lines and inspect them once per year for proper operation to prevent freezing from occurring.

In December, staff were busy with snow removal and salting efforts throughout the City with 3 plowing events, 6 salting events and cleaning the downtown of snow over the holiday season. Early December tree trimming was performed in the worst areas of the city where limbs have been protruding into the right of way hitting transfer trucks on route.

Topic of Interest:

How does salt work? – It takes time, temperature and sunshine to make salt work on the roads to de-ice them and enhance traction for stopping and maneuverability. The public is reminded that it takes time for salt to be applied and to start working depending on weather temperatures and sunshine. Even though the salt is being applied it takes time to work so please drive carefully.”

Electric Services

Report:

Councillor Campbell:

“The Electrical Operations team welcomed Greg Milligan as a new Power Plant Operator. Greg is a red seal mill wright and transferred from the WWTP where he was the mechanic foreman. Electrical Operation staff trained in Confined Spaces, Forklift Operation, Elevated Work Platforms, the CUP Solar system, the CUP BESS System as well as Power Plant Operator training this month.

Wind power production remained high in December with 48% of our power this month coming from renewable wind energy. The peak electricity for the month was the highest ever seen in Summerside with the colder weather and electric heating needs to 27.9 MW’s.

The City’s Electric Utility had 5 new customers and 1 service upgrade this month.

The City sales in its heat for less now program had 3 new units sold in December. The total units contracted for sales increased to 372.

Committee of the Whole

Motion It was moved and seconded;
That That we move into Committee of the Whole after a brief Recess.
Motion Carried

Open Session Resumed

Report:

No report

Adjournment

Motion It was moved and seconded;
That The meeting be adjourned.
Motion Carried

Bill Martin
Mayor

Brian Hawrylak
HR Officer