



**Village of Blacks Harbour Council**  
**Council Chambers – 65 Wallace Cove Road**

Present: Mayor James, Deputy Mayor Mahar, Councillors Harris, Hatt, Breau, & Chase  
Asst. Clerk/Treasurer, Andrea Hawkins

Absent: CAO, David Gray

Guests: Sgt. Chris Henderson, RCMP

1. Call to order	
2. Recording of guests	
3. <u>Business Arising from Closed Session</u>  MOVED BY: Councillor Harris SECONDED BY: Deputy Mayor Mahar  Be it resolved: That the following items be brought forward from Closed Session: 20.1 – Approve the draft Energy Audit as prepared by CBCL for further action and review.  CARRIED	011718-01
4. <u>Approval Agenda</u>  MOVED BY: Councillor Breau SECONDED BY: Councillor Hatt  Be it resolved: That the agenda for the January 17, 2018, Regular Council Meeting be accepted with the above noted additions.  CARRIED	011718-02
5. <u>RCMP Report</u>  MOVED BY: Deputy Mayor Mahar SECONDED BY: Councillor Hatt  Be it resolved: That the RCMP Report be approved and filed.  CARRIED	011718-03

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<p>6. <u>Fire Department Report</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOVED BY: Councillor Chase SECONDED BY: Councillor Hatt</p> <p>Be it resolved: That the Fire Department Report be approved and filed.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>	<p>011718-04</p>
<p>7. <u>Building Inspector's Report</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOVED BY: Councillor Chase SECONDED BY: Deputy Mayor Mahar</p> <p>Be it resolved: That the Building Inspector's Report be approved and filed.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>	<p>011718-05</p>
<p>8. <u>Opening remarks – nil</u></p>	
<p>9. <u>Disclosure of Conflict of Interest on Agenda Items - nil</u></p>	
<p>10. <u>Approval of Council Minutes</u></p> <p>10.1 <u>Approval of Council Minutes – Regular Meeting December 13, 2017</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOVED BY: Councillor Breau SECONDED BY: Councillor Harris</p> <p>Be it resolved: That the minutes from the Regular Meeting of December 13, 2017 be approved and filed.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>	<p>011718-06</p>
<p>11. <u>Approval: Budget Figures &amp; Accounts Payable</u></p> <p>11.1 <u>Approval of Budget Figures</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOVED BY: Councillor Harris SECONDED BY: Councillor Chase</p> <p>Be it resolved: That Council approve the Budget Figures for the period ending December 31, 2017.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>	<p>011718-07</p>
<p>11.2 <u>Approval of Accounts Payable</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOVED BY: Councillor Harris SECONDED BY: Councillor Chase</p>	

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<p>Be it resolved: Council approve the remainder of Accounts Payable paid and/or payable for the month of December 2017 in the amount of \$160,867.72 and Accounts Payable to date for the month of January 2018 in the amount of \$16,712.32.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>	011718-08
12. <u>Reading of Petitions/Presentations/Proclamations - nil</u>	
<p>13. <u>Community Contacts</u> Councillor Harris noted CCRTA has a new executive: Chairperson, Amanda Smart, and Vice Chair, Natalie Harris.</p>	
<p>14. <u>Correspondence</u> 14.1 <u>Correspondence for Action</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOVED BY: Councillor Harris SECONDED BY: Deputy Mayor Mahar</p> <p>Be it resolved: That the Correspondence for Action report be accepted and the actions taken as noted.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>	011718-09
<p>14.2 <u>Correspondence for Information</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOVED BY: Deputy Mayor Mahar SECONDED BY: Councillor Breau</p> <p>Be it resolved: That the Correspondence for Information report be accepted and filed.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>	011718-10
<p>15. <u>Staff Reports</u> 15.1 <u>Staff Reports - CAO's Report</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOVED BY: Councillor Breau SECONDED BY: Councillor Harris</p> <p>Be it resolved: That the CAO's report as circulated be approved and filed.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>	011718-11
<p>15.2 <u>Approval of the Public Works Report</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOVED BY: Councillor Chase SECONDED BY: Deputy Mayor Mahar</p> <p>Be it resolved: That the Public Works report as circulated be approved with the Personnel issue stricken from the report and filed.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>	011718-12
16. <u>Committee Reports/Approval of Minutes and Recommendations</u>	




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<p>17. <u>Other Committees/Agencies Reports</u> 17.1 <u>Regional Service Commission #10 Report</u> Mayor James reported on the work of the RSC for the month of December – noting the new Executive Director is Hollis Bartlett. Next meeting scheduled for February 22, 2018.</p>	
<p>18. <u>Business Arising from the Minutes</u></p>	
<p>19. <u>Unfinished Business – nil</u></p>	
<p>20. <u>Closed Session</u> 20.1 <u>Approval Energy Audit Draft</u></p>	
<p>MOVED BY: Councillor Chase SECONDED BY: Councillor Hatt</p> <p>Be it Resolved: That Council approve the draft Energy Audit for the Patrick Connors Recreational Complex as prepared by CBCL and that they leverage funding opportunities to achieve maximum energy savings.</p> <p>CARRIED</p>	<p>011718-13</p>
<p>21. New Business 21.1 <u>Proposed rate increases sought by NB Power</u></p>	
<p>MOVED BY: Councillor Chase SECONDED BY: Deputy Mayor Mahar</p> <p>Be it Resolved; That pertaining to proposed rate increases sought by NB Power, this year and potential future years of 2% or greater, on behalf of the citizens of the Village of Blacks Harbour we appeal to you, the Energy and Utility Board, and the Energy Minister to deny said request(s). More rate increases by the utility will cause further financial hardship upon our residents due to already increased HST and various other taxes. We suggest that the utility (NB Power) practice austerity measures and hold the line on rates at this time of great financial strain to rate payers in New Brunswick.</p>	
<p>Councillor Hatt against. CARRIED</p>	<p>011718-14</p>
<p>21.2 <u>2018 Auditing Services</u></p> <p>MOVED BY: Councillor Harris SECONDED BY: Councillor Chase</p> <p>Be it resolved that, Whereas our Auditor, Mark H. Porter has given up the Auditing Services</p>	

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portion of his business and transferred all his clients to Archambault, Neathway & Rideout (ANR), that the Village of Blacks Harbour engage Archambault, Neathway & Rideout (ANR) to conduct our 2017 Audit, pending a signed agreement with ANR.	CARRIED	011718-15
<u>21.3 Professional Accounting Services</u>  MOVED BY: Councillor Harris SECONDED BY: Deputy Mayor Mahar  Be it resolved that, Whereas Mark Porter, will be working on a part-time basis with ANR and can provide a continuity of service, that the Village of Blacks Harbour retain the Professional Accounting Services of Mark H. Porter to prepare our books for the 2017 Audit and other accounting services on an as needed basis.	CARRIED	011718-16
22. <u>Zoning Matters – nil</u>		
23. <u>Consideration of By-laws – nil</u>		
24. <u>Appointment/s – nil</u>		
25. Next Meeting/s: Regular Meeting February 21, 2018 @ 6:30 pm.		
26. <u>Adjournment</u>  MOVED BY: SECONDED BY  Be it resolved: That the meeting be adjourned at 7:51 p.m.	CARRIED	011718-17

  
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Mayor, Terry James

  
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Asst. Clerk/Treasurer, A. Hawkins