

March 18th, 2014

The Regular Meeting of the St. John's Municipal Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall at 4:30 p.m. today...

**Resolutions**

**Resolution - Canada Post –Five Point Action Plan**

**SJMC2014-03-18/127R**

**It was moved by Councillor Galgay; seconded by Councillor Davis: That the following BCMC Resolution be adopted, as amended, calling for Canada Post to reverse their decision to halt service:**

**WHEREAS**, Canada Post, this past December, announced significant changes to mail delivery in Canada as part of its *Five Point Action Plan (FPAP)*; and  
**WHEREAS**, under this plan it is proposed that there be a new tiered pricing model for letter mail that will significantly increase the costs of municipal mail-outs; and  
**WHEREAS**, Canada Post is also proposing the introduction of community mailboxes (CMBs) and the elimination of non-commercial door-to-door mail delivery; and  
**WHEREAS**, the CMBs could entail the downloading of responsibilities, costs, and liabilities to local governments, including increased requirements for managing municipal land and rights-of-way, infrastructure such as paving and lighting, and policing related to vandalism, graffiti and mail theft; and  
**WHEREAS**, the loss of door-to-door delivery could also undermine local strategies and processes aimed at fostering and supporting age/disability-friendly communities; and  
**WHEREAS**, municipalities were not consulted on the proposed changes of the FPAP;  
**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Big City Mayors' Caucus call on Canada Post to halt the elimination of door-to-door delivery.  
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Canada Post commit that the proposed changes in the Five Point Action Plan do not download the costs and maintenance of the community mailboxes onto municipalities without proper consultation and compensation.

Dennis O'Keefe, Mayor  
City of St. John's

**The motion being put was unanimously carried.**