

MINUTES Council Meeting May 9, 2023

Minutes of the Council meeting held in Blackmore Hall at the Pilley's Island Municipal Complex, on May 9, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Staff Present:

Mayor Nicole Holland Councillor Ben Callahan Councillor Matthew Pittman Bj Osmond – Temporary Town Clerk

Absent:

Councillor Gill Strickland

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion 2023 - 36

Motion by B. Callahan / M.Pittman

BE IT RESOLVED that the agenda be adopted as presented.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF MEETINGS

Motion 2023 - 37

Motion by B. Callahan/ M. Pittman

BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the meetings held on April 11, 2023, be

adopted as presented.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

BUSINESS ARISING

- a) Pump House- Deferred
- b) Firehall Proposal have decided that an alternate option will have to be looked at.

- c) Heritage Centre Deferred
- d) Development & Regulations Deferred
- e) Internet for firehall

Motion 2023 - 38

Motion by B. Callahan/ M. Pittman

BE IT RESOLVED that the internet will be installed at the fire hall, located 97 Main Street, and the phone number will be ported over to eastlink, as it will save a little. This service will be paid by the town.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

f) Spring clean up- Kerry offered to do the clean up and has a couple helping hands to get involved and help out. Town Clean up will take place Tuesday May 23, 2023

FINANCIALS

TRANSACTION JOURNALS – March 7, 2023

Motion 2023 - 39

Motion by B. Callahan / M. Pittman

BE IT RESOLVED that the transaction journal dated May 9, in the amount of \$5333.24 be approved for payment as presented:

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Correspondence

Resignation later from S.Wiseman town clerk. This position does not need to be reposted because of wording on the previous job post when looking to hire a temporary town clerk. It stated that the position could lead into a long-term position.

Motion 2023 - 40

Motion by B. Callahan/ M.Pittman

BE IT RESOLVED accept Bett-Jean Osmond to move from temporary town clerk to Town Clerk position.

Motion Carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Back up staff

Will look into checking for back up staff for a call-in clerk as well as back up for if Town maintenance is away. Will check into see if council member can be a back up plan.

Building Rental Fee

Motion 2023 - 41

Motion by M. Pittman / B. Callahan

BE IT RESOLVED that the \$30.00 fee for kitchen use be removed.

Motion Carried unanimously.

JCP Application

Will be reviewed at a later time.

Photocopying & Faxes

Photocopying for volunteer groups are free,

For residents anything that will fall under medical/ educational purposes will be free of charge.

Black & White copies \$0.10

Colored copies \$0.15

Personal Faxes \$2.00

Motion 2023 - 42

Motion by M. Pittman / B. Callahan

BE IT RESOLVED that photocopying and faxes fees are as stated.

Motion Carried unanimously.

Water Analysis

Report all is good.

Regional Resource Initiative Proposal

Currently the town feels that we can't financially contribute at this time. We could offer the use of the chamber room and Blackmore Hall when needed. Further discussion on this proposal with the person who wrote it with council will be a great next step. It would be an asset for residents of the town and surrounding area.

Flower Boxes/ Town square

Will have to look at the budget for flowers and decorations.

Down at the town square discussing if it might be ideal to put grass / crushed stone around. It was suggested that black dirt and grass seed be a cheaper route. See if there will be some interest with volunteers to care for flower around town, as well as checking with the 50plus group. Will have more information to discuss next meeting.

Boil Order advisory

May the 3rd,2023 there was a boil water advisory issued. Communication lines got cut from the tower to the pump house. Causing the water tank to drain. The communication line was repaired but still under an advisory until notified.

Conference PMA

Taking Place in Gander June 13-15. Bj will be attending and will be sharing a room with Brighton Town Clerk to safe on cost.

Bi election

No Bi election is needed. However, someone can be appointed to council if they will take the seat. Council has decided instead of asking certain resident, they would out a call out of interest. If there is only one interest, then that induvial would be appointed. If there was more then one than a by election will be scheduled.

Remote Meeting

Needs to create and review the policy.

Disclosure Statements

This document needs to be filled out and submitted.

Fire Chief

Councillors B.Callahan and M. Pittman along with Town Clerk meet with Fire Chief B.Kearley, regarding that fire department members didn't fell comfortable under his leadership along with his lack of training and his style of running the department. Mr. Kearley was asked to step down as chief but was welcomed to stay on as a member. He was thanked for his services, and he passed in his keys and wished the department all the best. Joshua White will be acting fire chief until a further meeting takes place for new positions. There will be a meeting with the fire department and council on Monday May 15 to discuss with the fire department.

Funding Applications

There were two funding applications that came:

- Active Living
- Inclusion Program

One is due in June the other not till October. Both applications will be reviewed and discussed.

Website

Motion 2023 - 43

Motion by B. Callahan/ M. Pittman

BE IT RESOLVED that there will be a reimbursement to Rob Seitl for the renewal of the yearly website subscription. He will forward along the invoice.

Motion Carried unanimously.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next scheduled council meeting will be held on June 20th, at 7 p.m. at the Pilley's Island Municipal Complex unless it must be cancelled for some unknown reason.

ADJOURNMENT

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Motion 2023 - 44

Motion by B. Callahan

BE IT RESOLVED that the meeting be adjourned.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

There was no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Bj Osmond –Town Clerk

Nicole Holland - Mayor