

Monday, December 9th, 2019

Minutes of the Regular Public Meeting of Council held on Monday, December 9th, 2019 in Council Chambers.

Attendees: Mayor Keith Howell (Chair)
Deputy Mayor Marlene Peddle (arrived late)
Councillor Shawn Budgell
Councillor Dwight Day
Councillor Michael Wheaton
Councillor Gordon Blackwood
Councillor Dale Howell
Clerk/Manager Dianne Goodyear

Call to Order: Chair @ 7:30 p.m.

Agenda: **Motion-4493-19-Councillor M. Wheaton/Councillor D. Day**

Resolve that the Agenda be adopted as circulated.

In favour: Mayor Howell Councillor S. Budgell
Councillor D. Day Councillor M. Wheaton
Councillor G. Blackwood Councillor D. Howell

Opposed: 0

Abstaining; 0

Motion Carried.

Minutes: Mayor Howell asked if there were any errors of omissions to the Minutes of the Regular Public Meeting of Council held on November 18th, 2019 which had been circulated to all members.

Motion-4494-19-Councillor S. Budgell/Councillor M. Wheaton

Resolve that the Minutes of the Regular Public Council Meeting of November 18th, 2019 be adopted as circulated.

In favour: Mayor Howell Councillor S. Budgell
Councillor D. Day Councillor M. Wheaton
Councillor G. Blackwood Councillor D. Howell

Opposed: 0

Abstaining: 0

Motion Carried.

(Deputy Mayor Peddle arrived at the meeting at 7:35 p.m.)

Business

Arising:

Fire Dept. 2020 Budget

The 2020 Fire Department Budget request and explanations for items listed was reviewed by members for the Town's 2020 Budget. The Fire Chief will be notified of the results.

Fire Dept. Fundraising

Members were informed that the Fire Department Fundraiser "Fill the Boot" took place during the weekend of November 30th. They raised \$674.68 during this fundraiser.

Complaint re Property @ 131 Main St.

The building was viewed by members and appears the metal siding may be slightly dented and faded, but there does not appear to be any safety or health issues present. Resident will be notified of Council's response.

NC Water Request

There are issues with our own water and sewer regulations and in providing water to another community that have not yet been resolved so a decision has not been reached at this point. Further research is required.

Fireman's Ball

The Fireman's Ball is scheduled for January 18th, 2020. Members were informed of the progress/plans to date and Clerk/Manager was given approval to proceed as per information presented.

Sander Platform

Pictures of the Sander Platform were presented to members for their input and approval. The platform needs to be braced. Councillor Blackwood will assist workers to determine the type of bracing required.

Business

Arising:

Sewer Overflow MSS

Picture of the repairs to the sewer overflow was presented to members for their information. Members were satisfied with the repairs.

Committees:

Finance:

2020 Budget

Motion-4495-19-Councillor M. Wheaton/Deputy Mayor Peddle

Resolve to adopt the 2020 Budget balanced at \$761,315.50 with the Residential Mil Rate remaining at 5.75, Commercial Mil Rate at 8.25; Water and Sewer Tax at \$400/year; Water Tax at \$300/year and all other taxes as fees remaining the same. A copy of the 2020 Tax and Fee Structure is attached.

In favour: Mayor Howell

Deputy Mayor Peddle

Councillor S. Budgell Councillor D. Day
Councillor M. Wheaton Councillor G. Blackwood
Councillor D. Howell

Opposed: 0

Abstaining: 0

Motion Carried.

3rd Quarter Financial Report

The Financial Statements up to November 30th, 2019 were presented to members and are on par with previous years.

Christmas Bonus

(Clerk/Manager Dianne Goodyear left the meeting at 9:05 p.m.)

Discussion

(Clerk/Manager Dianne Goodyear was invited back to the meeting at 9:10 pm.)

Motion-4496-19-Deputy Mayor Peddle/Councillor G. Blackwood

Resolve that the Christmas Bonuses remain the same as previous years and that new part time employee be included.

In favour: Mayor Howell Deputy Mayor Peddle
 Councillor S. Budgell Councillor D. Day
 Councillor M. Wheaton Councillor G. Blackwood
 Councillor D. Howell

Opposed: 0

Abstaining: 0

Motion Carried.

Public Works:

Screen Cleaning

Report and pictures of the regular screen cleaning on November 12th, 2019 were presented to members. The new safety mechanism installed for safe screen removal is working well.

Fire Dept:

Contaminated Air

A battery on the pumper leaked acid and the sulphuric (rotten egg) smell has consumed the building and bunker gear. The pumper has been brought to the garage for new batteries. The cause is yet to be determined. The Fire Hall has been and will continue to be aired out and cleaned as needed. Insurance will be contacted as required.

Accounts Payable:

NL Power	\$ 499.71 – Hydro – FH (Paid)
NL Power	\$ 304.77 – Hydro – Office (Paid)
NL Power	\$ 95.62 – Hydro – Chlor. Cham. (Paid)
NL Power	\$ 176.79 – Hydro – Garage (Paid)

NL Power	\$ 177.12 – Hydro – Booster Stn. (Paid)
NL Power	\$ 42.88 – Hydro – Lift Stn. (Paid)
NL Power	\$1,804.32 – Hydro – Street Lighting (Paid)
Bellman’s Industrial Supply	\$ 759.00 – Eyewash Stations (Paid)
NAPE	\$ 120.19 – Union Dues (Paid)
CIBC Mellon	\$ 550.62 – Pension Premiums (Paid)
Receiver General for Canada	\$4,135.65 – Payroll Remittance (Paid)
CNWM	\$2,139.28 – Tipping Fees November
CNWM	\$ 4.00 – Tipping Fees Florescent Lgts
Tulk’s Home Hardware	\$ 650.36 – Sander Platform/Wet Well
Bell Aliant	\$ 297.47 – Phone/Fax/Internet
Bell Aliant	\$ 76.70 – Phone – Fire Dept.
Bell Mobility	\$ 36.45 – Phone – Cell
Carmanville Value Grocer	\$ 5.78 – Kitchen Supplies
Pennell’s Service Station	\$ 47.50 – Fire Dept. Pump Frame
G & M Services	\$ 486.35 – Gas – Town
Collabria Visa	\$2,376.76 – MNL 1705; Off 202: Tree 405

Motion-4497-19-Deputy Mayor Peddle/Councillor G. Blackwood

Resolve that the outstanding accounts be paid in full as presented.

In favour:	Mayor Howell	Deputy Mayor Peddle
	Councillor S. Budgell	Councillor D. Day
	Councillor M. Wheaton	Councillor G. Blackwood
	Councillor D. Howell	

Opposed: 0

Abstaining: 0

Motion Carried.

Correspondence:

From	Regarding	Action
RCMP	Children’s Wish Foundation	Donation (see motion)

Motion-4498-19-Councillor M. Wheaton/Deputy Mayor Peddle

Resolve that the town donate \$50 to the Children’s Wish Foundation.

In favour:	Mayor Howell	Deputy Mayor Peddle
	Councillor S. Budgell	Councillor D. Day
	Councillor M. Wheaton	Councillor G. Blackwood
	Councillor D. Howell	

Opposed: 0
Abstaining: 0
Motion Carried.

New Business: Cable Service
Tabled to future meeting.

New Business: Fence Permits
Further research is required regarding height restrictions for fence permits. Pictures of post in right of way were presented to members and will be forwarded to Transportation and Works.

Shed Permit
The request to build a shed at 24 Main Street South was approved as per policy and adhering to the town's accessory building permit regulations provided.

Members

Business: Sick leave
Members were informed that the Town Worker is on Sick Leave until February 7th, 2020. Part-time workers will cover during this period.

Meeting with Minister Derrick Bragg
A meeting with Minister Derrick Bragg has been scheduled for January 9th, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

Christmas Hours
Motion-4499-19-Councillor D. Howell/Councillor G. Blackwood
Resolve that the town office be closed all day on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve.

In favour:	Mayor Howell	Deputy Mayor Peddle
	Councillor S. Budgell	Councillor D. Day
	Councillor M. Wheaton	Councillor G. Blackwood
	Councillor D. Howell	

Opposed: 0
Abstaining: 0
Motion Carried.

Town Clerk/Manager Vacation
Clerk/Manager will be on vacation from Dec. 23 to January 6th providing Admin. Clerk can cover during this period.

Adjournment: Motion-4500-19-Councillor D. Howell/Deputy Mayor Peddle
Resolve that Council do now adjourn to meet again at a date to be determined.

In favour: Mayor Howell
Councillor S. Budgell
Councillor M. Wheaton
Councillor D. Howell

Deputy Mayor Peddle
Councillor D. Day
Councillor G. Blackwood

Opposed: 0

Abstaining: 0

Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:55 p.m.