

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON JUNE 3, 2019**

Present were: Mayor Sam Synard
Councillor Mike Brennan
Councillor Keith Keating
Councillor Nora Tremblett

Also present: Melanie Kilfoy, Director of Finance & Administration
Ben Letemplier, Director of Operations & Public Works
Alje Mitchell, Director of Planning & Development Control
Rob Warr, Director of Recreation & Community Services
Petrina Power, Executive Clerk

Also present: Paul Herridge, The Southern Gazette

1. Call to Order

Mayor Synard called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. and welcomed everyone present.

Appointment of Town Clerk

Motion

MMC 2019 06 03/001R

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Tremblett

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to appoint Petrina Power as Town Clerk for the purpose of tonight’s meeting only.”

Motion carried unanimously.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Motion

MMC 2019 06 03/002R

Moved by Councillor Tremblett, seconded by Councillor Keating

“BE IT RESOLVED the agenda be adopted.”

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Adoption of Minutes

Regular Council Meeting, May 21, 2019

Motion

MMC 2019 06 03/003R

Moved by Councillor Brennan, seconded by Councillor Keating

“BE IT RESOLVED the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on May 21, 2019, be adopted.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Regular Council Meeting, May 7, 2019

The Acting Town Clerk advised that there was an error in the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of May 7, 2019.

At that meeting, Councillor Brennan tabled a motion to correct a motion from the Regular Council Meeting held on April 2, 2019, as it relates to a Planning & Development application received from Can-Am Platforms & Construction Limited. The application to construct an extension to a commercial building at 130-140 Ville Marie Drive had originally been approved on April 2, 2019, for an extension not exceeding 2,500 square feet. On May 7, 2019, that motion was amended to indicate that approval was for an extension measuring 32’8” x 48’ for a total of 1,568 square feet. However, the motion recorded in the minutes of May 7, 2019, does not reflect that change and still has the original square footage.

Motion

MMC 2019 06 03/004R

Moved by Councillor Brennan, seconded by Councillor Tremblett

BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to amend Motion MMC 2019 05 07/005R adopted at the Regular Council Meeting held on May 7, 2019, to read as follows:

Motion

MMC 2019 05 07/005R

Moved by Councillor Brennan, seconded by Councillor Keating

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to amend Motion MMC 2019 04 02/008R adopted at the Regular Council Meeting held on April 2, 2019, to read as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED that an application received from CAN-AM Platforms & Construction Limited to construct an extension measuring 32’8” x 48’ for a total of 1,568 square feet to a commercial building at 130-140 Ville Marie Drive be approved subject to Government Services Centre for wheelchair accessibility and accessible parking, Fire and Life Safety approval and site inspection.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion carried unanimously.

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4. Business Arising from Regular Meeting

There was no business arising from the Regular Council Meeting of May 21, 2019.

5. Delegations

There were no Delegations.

6. Committee Reports

Planning & Development Committee

Councillor Brennan reviewed the minutes of the Planning & Development Committee meeting held on May 31, 2019.

Councillor Brennan advised that there have been issues with a contractor painting parking lots without a permit. Councillor Brennan identified the contractor as SDS Contracting and advised residents not to avail of the company's services, which include asphalt sealing and line painting. The company is from out of town and is taking away business from local tax-paying companies that have a permit to work in Marystown. Councillor Keating agreed with Councillor Brennan statement, noting the Town needs to take stronger actions to deal with non-permitted companies. The Director of Planning & Development Control advised that an Order had been issued to the company in the past; an Order will be issued again.

Motion

MMC 2019 06 03/005R

Moved by Councillor Brennan, seconded by Councillor Keating

"BE IT RESOLVED that an application received from a resident to occupy the shoreline at 469 Ville Marie Drive for the purpose of constructing a wharf be approved, subject to Crown Lands."

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion

MMC 2019 06 03/006R

Moved by Councillor Brennan, seconded by Councillor Tremblett

"BE IT RESOLVED the following applications be approved subject to approval of applicable government departments and/or agencies and any conditions stipulated:

- Resident, Kelly's Pond Road – construct residence measuring 38' x 26', subject to site inspection
- Resident, 6 Forest Road – construct accessory building measuring 8' x 12', subject to site inspection
- Resident, 23 Fleming Place - construct accessory building measuring 24' x 24'
- Resident, 10 Crestview Heights – construct extension to residence measuring 20' x 24', subject to site inspection
- Residents, 31 Harris Drive – erect backyard fence
- Residents, 431 Creston Boulevard - construct accessory building measuring 20' x 20'."

Motion carried unanimously.

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Finance Committee

In the absence of Councillor Edwards, Chair of the Finance Committee, and Councillor Lewis, Co-Chair, Councillor Tremblett reviewed the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on May 29, 2019.

Motion

MMC 2019 06 03/007R

Moved by Councillor Tremblett, seconded by Councillor Brennan

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to accept the April Monthly Claim received from the YMCA of Newfoundland and Labrador dated April 30, 2019, in the amount of \$19,678.33.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion

MMC 2019 06 03/008R

Moved by Councillor Tremblett, seconded by Councillor Brennan

“BE IT RESOLVED Council approve the increase in the rates of pay for the Recreation Department staff for 2019 as proposed by the Director of Finance & Administration and the Director of Recreation & Community Services, with the understanding that the increase will be retroactive to January 1, 2019.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion

MMC 2019 06 03/009R

Moved by Councillor Tremblett, seconded by Councillor Brennan

“BE IT RESOLVED Council approve Accounts Payable Listing No. 8-1 as of June 3, 2019, in the amount of \$72,743.84 as per policy.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion

MMC 2019 06 03/010R

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Tremblett

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to register Mayor Synard to attend Day Two of the NOIA Conference taking place on Wednesday, June 19th, in St. John’s at a cost of \$723.35 including HST.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Public Works Committee

Councillor Keating reviewed the minutes of the Public Works Committee meeting held on May 28, 2019.

The Committee discussed the landline for the Clam Pond pump house; the CAO is to bring forward information regarding sources of funding.

The Committee met with the owners of Atlantic Asphalt, a small asphalt repair company that focuses on repairs in driveways, parking lots and potholes. The company had requested that the Town allow them to purchase the Town's used asphalt as their current supply is low. Councillor Keating advised that the Town is governed by the Public Tendering Act and any asset with a value over \$500.00 must be disposed of as per the Act. The Town also uses a lot of asphalt for its own repairs. This item requires further discussion by Council as a whole.

Regular operations are going well. The Department is still working on a sewer issue on Atlantic Street.

Capital Works projects are progressing well. Mallay's Industrial Services Ltd. will soon start work on Ville Marie Drive and asphalt will go on the new tennis court once the asphalt plant is up and running.

There are no issues at the Water Treatment Plant.

Motion

MMC 2019 06 03/011R

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Tremblett

"BE IT RESOLVED approval be given for the Town participate in the Department of Transportation & Works' tender for ice control materials for the 2019-2020 winter season and include a quantity of 700 tonnes of salt."

Motion carried unanimously.

The Committee has received requests for dust control on the Town's dirt roads; calcium spraying has started.

Councillor Keating requested a status update regarding a request from a resident for a speed reduction on a portion of Marine Drive to accommodate a driveway to a residence pending construction. Marine Drive is a provincial road and as such, the speed limit is controlled by the Department of Transportation & Works. The Director of Planning & Development Control advised that the Department has completed its traffic study and while no official response has been received yet, it's anticipated the request will be denied. Several years ago, the Department changed its regulations regarding sight lines. When the resident purchased his property in 2011, there would have been no issues with constructing an access but with the change in regulations, the resident cannot get the approval he needs for his access. Mayor Synard advised that this change in regulations will not only affect this resident, but all future development in that area, making that portion of the road unusable in terms of development. This item will require further follow-up with the Department.

The Committee had some discussion regarding the cost of supplying treated water to residents and businesses versus the cost of usage. Water is expensive to treat and the Town is about double the national average for water consumption, with residents consuming approximately 329/L each per day. This item will require further discussion by the Committee and Council.

Councillor Keating has received calls from concerned residents, especially those in hospital, regarding the loss of several doctors and the potential loss of more. Councillor Keating asked that Mayor Synard bring the concerns forward to the next Burin Peninsula Joint Council meeting.

Recreation Committee

In the absence of Councillor Lewis, Chair of the Recreation Committee, and Councillor Edwards, Co-Chair, the Recreation Committee report was tabled for information purposes.

Tourism & Special Events Committee

In the absence of Deputy Mayor Myles, Councillor Keating reviewed the minutes of the Tourism & Special Events Committee meeting held on May 29, 2019.

Targa Newfoundland is planning to host the Targa Rally in Marystown again this year.

The Canada Day Memorial Service will take place in Marystown this year. The Town has received a grant in the amount of \$3,200.00 to assist with Canada Day Celebrations.

The Committee is continuing to participate in the Sacred Heart Academy Breakfast Program and will continue to do so until school closes for the summer.

Planning is ongoing for the Shining Seas Summer Festival and various events are being scheduled. The Committee tabled a second draft of the schedule of events and activities.

An invitation has been received from the NL Heart and Stroke Foundation to again participate in the Mayor's March this summer/Fall. This item requires further follow-up by the Committee.

Protection to Persons & Property Committee

Councillor Tremblett reviewed the minutes of the Protection to Persons & Property Committee meeting held on May 31, 2019.

While various residents and organizations have taken it upon themselves to start early spring clean-ups, Clean-up Week officially launched on Saturday, June 1st. The response was great with five large dumpsters, that had been strategically placed around town displaying the 'Fill The Can, Man' banner, being filled by the end of the day resulting in bags of litter and other debris being placed beside the dumpsters.

Councillor Brennan advised that last year, the Town hosted an anti-litter poster contest and from those posters, six winners were chosen to have their posters made into large street signage. The Town has received fifteen sponsors at \$500.00 per sign. As such, Councillor Brennan is working on additional designs for signs with some utilizing scenic Marystown landscapes.

Councillor Brennan commended all sponsors for coming on board with the campaign and while it will take time to spread the message to keep Marystown clean and litter-free, things are on the right track. With assistance from Councillor Tremblett, Councillor Brennan developed an anti-litter slogan – ‘The Only Cure For Litter Is You’. This slogan will be printed on decals to be placed on the Town’s vehicles to help spread the anti-litter message. The decals cost \$20.00 each.

Last year, the Marystown Volunteer Fire Department assisted in educating students on anti-litter through their fire prevention education sessions within the schools.

Several contractors are also coming on board with the campaign and have requested decals to be placed on their trucks. Dozens of decals are on order and it’s anticipated they will help make a difference in changing attitudes about how Marystown should look.

Councillor Brennan and other residents spent hours cleaning up various sections of Marystown on Saturday. In addition to the campaign, Councillor Brennan suggested that the Town begin implementing heavy fines for littering with residents receiving a \$2,500.00 littering (ie., throwing garbage out car windows) and companies receiving a \$5,000.00 for not cleaning up commercial properties. The Town has some cameras installed and should install more cameras, charge offenders and take the cases to court.

Keeping our community clean is important to tourism and by working together, Marystown could be one of the most beautiful towns to drive through.

Councillor Brennan thanked Mr. Joey Pittman and Burin Peninsula Waste Management for the use of five dumpsters for Clean-Up Week. The dumpsters were full by the first day and will be emptied for residents to fill again. Councillor Brennan hopes Burin Peninsula Waste Management participates again next year.

One of the dumpsters was placed on the parking lot at St. Michael Anglican Church in Creston South. The Parrish collects donations to help others in the community who are in need and earlier this evening, Councillor Brennan was invited to one of their suppers for those in need. Councillor Brennan thanked the Parrish for the good food and for their support of the campaign.

On a final note, Councillor Brennan thanked everyone who came out and participated in clean-ups and bringing the pride back to Marystown. Mayor Synard congratulated everyone on the Committee and thanked all residents for their efforts, noting it was great to see so many people get involved.

7. Correspondence

There was no correspondence to bring forward.

8. Approvals to Purchase

There were no Approvals to Purchase to bring forward.

9. Regulations

There were no regulations to bring forward.

10. Other Business

During the summer months of July and August, Council schedules one meeting per month to accommodate summer holidays for Council and staff. The next meetings are scheduled for the first Tuesday of each month, July 2nd and August 6th.

Councillor Keating advised that LW Consulting has been engaged to assist with the recruitment of a new Chief Administrative Officer. Council has received a proposal from the consulting firm, which includes advertising the position, however, it was noted that the proposal does not include advertising in the local paper. Quotes were received from The Southern Gazette.

Motion

MMC 2019 06 03/012R

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Brennan

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to advertise the position of Chief Administrative Officer in The Southern Gazette at a cost of \$324.00 including HST.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Councillor Brennan thanked the Director of Operations & Public Works and the Public Works Department for their help during Clean-Up Week on Saturday. Due to the response from residents, the bins filled quickly to the point where some were overflowing. The outside workers addressed the issue by utilizing equipment to compact the litter to allow more room in the bins.

11. Notices of Motion

There were no Notices of Motion to bring forward.

12. Adjournment

Motion

MMC 2019 06 03/013R

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Tremblett

“BE IT RESOLVED the meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Sam Synard
Mayor

Petrina Power
A/Town Clerk