

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON JUNE 29, 2022**

Present were: Mayor Brian Keating
Deputy Mayor Andrew Walsh
Councillor Andy Edwards
Councillor Bridget Hodder
Councillor Keith Keating
Councillor Ray Nolan

Also present: Randy Brockerville, Director of Operations & Public Works
Melanie Kilfoy, Director of Finance & Administration
Kayla Power, Director of Recreation & Community Services
Petrina Power, Town Clerk

1. Call to Order

Mayor Keating called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Motion

MMC 2022 06 29/001R

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Hodder

“BE IT RESOLVED the agenda be adopted.”

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Adoption of Minutes

Regular Council Meeting

Motion

MMC 2022 06 29/002R

Moved by Councillor Nolan, seconded by Councillor Hodder

“BE IT RESOLVED the minutes of the regular Council meeting held on June 7, 2022, be adopted.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Special Council Meetings

Motion

MMC 2022 06 29/003R

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Edwards

“BE IT RESOLVED the minutes of the special Council meeting held on June 7, 2022, be adopted.”

Motion carried unanimously.

At this point, Councillor Keating left the Council Chambers.

Motion

MMC 2022 06 29/004R

Moved by Councillor Nolan, seconded by Councillor Edwards

“BE IT RESOLVED the minutes of the special Council meeting held on June 23, 2022, be adopted.”

Motion carried unanimously.

4. Business Arising from Regular and Special Council Meetings

There was no business to bring forward from the regular and special Council meetings.

5. Delegations

There were no scheduled delegations.

6. Committee Reports

Planning & Development Committee

Councillor Nolan reviewed the minutes of the Planning & Development meeting held on June 23, 2022.

Motion

MMC 2022 06 29/005R

Moved by Councillor Nolan, seconded by Councillor Hodder

“BE IT RESOLVED that an application received Ericka Kirby to operate Misty Wave Essentials as a home-based business at 66 Markland Road be approved.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion

MMC 2022 06 29/006R

Moved by Councillor Nolan, seconded by Deputy Mayor Walsh

“BE IT RESOLVED that an application received from James Stacey to operate Stacey’s Cleaning & Services as a home-based business at 9A King’s Road be approved.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Councillor Keating returned to the Council Chambers.

Motion

MMC 2022 06 29/007R

Moved by Councillor Nolan, seconded by Councillor Edwards

“BE IT RESOLVED that an application received from Ultramar (Parkland Fuel) to replace/upgrade signage at Ultramar at 179-185 Ville Marie Drive be approved.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion

MMC 2022 06 29/008R

Moved by Councillor Nolan, seconded by Deputy Mayor Walsh

“BE IT RESOLVED that an application received from Boyd Roul/Grand Bank Dental to erect signage on the Subway fence at 6 Columbia Drive be approved.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion

MMC 2022 06 29/009R

Moved by Councillor Nolan, seconded by Councillor Edwards

“BE IT RESOLVED that an application received from a resident to construct a seasonal residence measuring 16’ x 16’ at North West Pond be approved, subject to the submission of Crown Land documentation and site inspection.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion

MMC 2022 06 29/010R

Moved by Councillor Nolan, seconded by Councillor Keating

“BE IT RESOLVED that an application received from LAT49 Architecture Inc. to construct a new 10-unit women’s shelter measuring 975m² at Mount Vincent Crescent for Grace Sparkes House be approved, subject to Government Services Centre, Fire & Life Safety and site inspection and with the understanding that the access road and water & sewer services must be developed to municipal standards and a storm sewer must be installed for the collection of disbursement.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion

MMC 2022 06 29/011R

Moved by Councillor Nolan, seconded by Councillor Edwards

“BE IT RESOLVED that an application received from a resident to construct a residence measuring 64’ x 49’ at Lot No. 6 Greenwood Street West be approved, subject to transfer of land, land survey and site inspection.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion

MMC 2022 06 29/012R

Moved by Councillor Nolan, seconded by Councillor Hodder

“BE IT RESOLVED that an application received from a resident to remove an existing addition to a residence at 585 Ville Marie Drive and replace it with a new addition be approved, subject to site inspection.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion

MMC 2022 06 29/013R

Moved by Councillor Nolan, seconded by Councillor Hodder

“BE IT RESOLVED that in response to a request to purchase property adjacent to 60 Wilson Street, approval be given to start the process.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Finance Committee

Councillor Edwards reviewed the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on June 22, 2022.

Motion

MMC 2022 06 29/014R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Hodder

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to pay Interim Invoice No. CINV1776939 received from BDO Canada LLP dated May 31/22 in the amount of \$11,022.75 including HST for the Town of Marystown’s Financial Audit for the year ended December 31, 2021.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Councillor Hodder declared a conflict of interest for the next recommendation as the account in question belongs to a relative.

Motion

MMC 2022 06 29/015R

Moved by Councillor Nolan, seconded by Deputy Mayor Walsh

“BE IT RESOLVED that Councillor Hodder be in a conflict of interest for the next recommendation as the account in question belongs to a relative.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Councillor Hodder removed herself from the Council Chambers.

Motion

MMC 2022 06 29/016R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Nolan

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to adjust 2022 Business Tax for Account No. IJHEN001 in the amount of \$31.25 as the business ceased operations.”

Motion carried without the vote of Councillor Hodder who was in a declared conflict of interest.

Councillor Hodder returned to the Council Chambers.

Motion

MMC 2022 06 29/017R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Hodder

“BE IT RESOLVED Council ratify Poll Tax Ratification Listing No. 5-1 dated June 22, 2022, in the amount of \$8,514.04 as per policy.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion

MMC 2022 06 29/018R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Hodder

“BE IT RESOLVED Council approve Accounts Payable Listing No. 8-1 as of June 22, 2022, in the amount of \$316,434.91 as per policy.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Public Works Committee

Councillor Keating reviewed the minutes of the Public Works Committee meeting held on June 22, 2022.

Councillor Keating advised the Public Works Department has received a number of requests for speed bumps. The Director of Operations & Public Works will follow-up on putting speed bumps back in the same places as last year and will follow up on getting some quotes for new speed

bumps. The Director of Operations & Public Works will also follow up on price quotes for visual warning signs such as the Step2 Kid Alert signs (silhouette of a child).

Roadwork is proceeding on McGettigan Boulevard and Creston Boulevard. The culvert near Murley's Brook on Creston Boulevard has been replaced with a larger culvert. Councillor Keating thanked the residents for their patience, noting it was more cost effective to close that section of road for two days and redirect traffic than reduce it to one lane for four or five days. Milling is now taking place to prepare a section of the road from Murley's Brook to Fizzard's Garage for new pavement.

Plans are underway to construct a new Grace Sparkes House building in area of Reddy Subdivision. Councillor Keating noted measures are being taken to ensure the Town's right-of-way is not blocked off so as to impede future development of backland.

Correspondence has been received regarding an overgrowth of alders on Atlantic Street. Councillor Keating noted there is an issue with alders and bamboo in a few areas where it impede a motorist's line of sight. The Department will be following up when time permits.

The engineering work on several projects has been completed and it's hoped those projects will start later this summer.

New traffic lights for McGettigan Boulevard have been ordered and will be installed once received.

Motion

MMC 2022 06 29/019R

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Edwards

"BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to purchase three hydrants and related materials for Creston Boulevard from Wolseley's Canada Inc. in the amount of \$25,398.47 including HST with funds to come from the sale of lots on Greenwood Street Extension; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED approval be given to purchase two manholes and related water and sewer materials for Greenwood Street Extension from Capital Precast in the amount of \$10,956.05 including HST with funds to come from the sale of lots on Greenwood Street Extension; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED approval be given to purchase water and sewer materials for Greenwood Street Extension from Wolseley's Canada Inc. in the amount of \$14,365.73 including HST with funds to come from the sale of lots on Greenwood Street Extension."

Motion carried unanimously.

The Town's RFP for the sale of lots in the Greenwood Street West area recently closed and several lots have been sold, which will increase the tax base for Marystown. The Town will be installing water, sewer and fire protection infrastructure to service those lots. Councillor Keating advised Council is working on identifying other areas of Town where lots can be developed, noting the proceeds for the sale of the land will cover off the Town's cost to install services.

The outside workers have been busy with landscaping work for the Town grounds. Councillor Keating commended the workers for their great work. The outside workers are currently working on line painting on the roads, screen sand, asphalt repairs and patching and upgrading Garnish Pond Road and they painted three crosswalks. The Department will be working on a sewer hook-up on Memorial Drive.

There were no issues to report with waste management. Councillor Keating again reminded residents not to put their bulk garbage to the curb before it is due as bulk garbage should only be placed at the curb the day before or the day of collection. If residents continue to put bulk garbage to the curb too early, the Town will collect it and charge those residents back.

All equipment is operating well.

Road salt for the upcoming winter season has been ordered and the Department is stockpiling sand.

There are some issues with waterlines on Levi's Road and Mayo's Road in the Creston South area. Some years ago, Levi's Road was being considered for upgrades but was ultimately removed from the Town's list of priorities. Council will discuss Levi's Road again along with Mayo's Road.

Mallay's Industrial Services Ltd. has installed new laterals on McGettigan Boulevard. There are a few cuts that need to be paved and it's anticipated that will be completed within the next couple of weeks prior to Come Home Year. On that note, Mayor Keating advised Council has been in discussions with government officials regarding the upgrade of McGettigan Boulevard, which is a joint project between the Town and the Provincial Government. The Town has been working on its portion of the project and it will be up to the Provincial Government to do its part. The Town will continue to follow up with government officials on this item. Councillor Keating advised members of Council met with government officials in St. John's and while no promises were made regarding funding, Council will continue to stress the need to finish McGettigan Boulevard.

Recreation Committee

Deputy Mayor Walsh reviewed the minutes of the Recreation Committee meeting held on June 22, 2022.

The Committee met with a delegation regarding pickle ball which is becoming a popular sport. Deputy Mayor Walsh advised that a request has been made to utilize one of the Town's tennis courts as a pickle ball court. It was noted the cost to convert a court is not high and merely involves painting a second set on lines on a court in a different colour, which Council approved earlier in the evening. Mayor Keating reassured residents that the tennis court will not be affected and can be easily used for either tennis or pickle ball.

The Committee met with the Tourism & Special Events Committee as the Recreation is interested in partnering with the Tourism & Special Events Committee on some of the Come Home Year events to ensure they are as successful as possible.

A new overhead door has been ordered for the Kaetlyn Osmond Arena and temporary repairs to the roof have been done with permanent repairs pending.

The YMCA, in conjunction with the Recreation committee, hosted a Participation Canada event which was well-attended.

The Town went to tender for the installation of new LED lights for the Kinsmen Softball Field. Two tenders were received and the contract has been awarded. It's anticipated this project will start soon.

Two proposals were received for the operation of canteen services at the kinsmen Softball Field, Lions Club Softball Field and Track & Field Complex. The contract was awarded to the Men's Softball League for a one-year period; the League has proposed putting their proceeds back into the facilities. Deputy Mayor Walsh wished them the best of luck with the operation.

Officials from the Canadian Tire Jumpstart Program approached the Town about setting up a pump track for BMX bikes however, the cost itself is very high compared to the funding received. The Committee discussed doing repairs to the Long Jump and installing a new shotput and disc throwing ring and netting instead.

After several meetings with the various Playground Committees and discussing their needs, funding was approved earlier this evening to upgrade each playground. Follow-up will be made to advise each Committee of the funding that's been allocated and put together a list of necessary playground equipment. Deputy Mayor Walsh advised he is looking forward to working together with the Committees and getting the kids back into the playgrounds.

Deputy Mayor Walsh thanked the volunteers for their time and input on the Recreation Committee.

Mayor Keating thanked Deputy Mayor Walsh for his discussions with the Playground Committees and advised the public that the Town is not getting rid of the playground and the Track & Field Complex. Mayor Keating advised he is also looking forward to seeing the playgrounds filled with kids again. Councillor Keating further noted the funding for the individual playgrounds will come from the gas tax funding that was approved for the inclusive playground originally planned for the Track & Field Complex and those funds will be spent on several playgrounds instead of just one. Additional funding will still go into upgrading the playground at the Track & Field Complex. While the initial plan for one inclusive playground was a great idea, it was not ideal for families who would not be within walking distance of it.

Tourism & Special Events Committee

Councillor Hodder reviewed the minutes of the Tourism & Special Events Committee meeting held on June 2, 2022.

Plans are still ongoing for Come Home Year 2022. Staff and volunteers are working on certain logistics such as the staging, washroom, etc. In recognition of his volunteer efforts and what The Merge has brought to the community, Pastor Jamie Warren will be the patron for the celebrations. Councillor thanked Pastor Jamie for accepting the invitation to participate and is looking forward to the opening ceremonies.

The June-ior Mayor contest ends this week after which the videos that have been submitted will be judged for a winner. Councillor Hodder encouraged children aged 8-14 to submit their videos for the chance to win a \$200.00 visa gift card and attend the Mayor's breakfast.

As noted earlier, the Committee sent a delegation to the Recreation Committee meeting. While the Tourism & Special Events Committee has great volunteers who assist with many of their

events, more volunteers are needed for Come Home Year. Anyone wanting to volunteer is welcome to contact Councillor Hodder and indicate the event they are interested in. All events have been posted to Facebook. Volunteers will be needed for each night of the Big Bash.

For this year's Canada Day, the Town has planned a barbecue and fireworks, which has been posted to Facebook; the barbecue will start at 8:00 p.m. Councillor Hodder advised she read a number of comments on Facebook from residents wanting more events for Canada Day. Councillor Hodder advised the Committee had a \$2,000.00 budget for Canada Day and the majority of those funds were spent on the fireworks. Councillor Hodder noted the Burin Peninsula is a regional community and as such, all residents should be supporting all events on the Burin Peninsula.

The Committee's second outdoor bingo took place yesterday evening. Councillor Hodder thanked everyone who came out and supported the event and also thanked everyone for being courteous with the volunteers and taking their garbage home with them.

Protection to Persons & Property Committee

Councillor Nolan reviewed the minutes of the Protection to Persons & Property Committee meeting held on June 22, 2022.

Councillor Nolan advised the Committee has been approached by the Burin Peninsula RCMP about a Positive Ticketing Program. They are seeking support from the Town and businesses in issuing a small reward to kids for doing something good.

Security cameras have been placed in strategic areas around town to deter littering and vandalism. A large number of photos are on the cameras which are being reviewed. Due to the increased amount of vandalism at the Dave Brenton Memorial Track & Field Complex, the Keating family has donated security cameras for the area; Councillor Nolan expressed thanks to the Keating family. A post is on the Town's Facebook page to advise the public that these cameras are in place. Councillor Nolan noted the misuse and vandalism of facilities/equipment needs to stop.

A complaint has been received regarding roaming dogs in the Mooring Cove area. That item is being followed up on.

Complaints have been received regarding an increase in ducks in the Crockers Point area, which is also being followed up on.

The Fire Department responded to three emergency calls since the last Committee meeting. As per Fire Chief Bolt, the use of home sprinklers is becoming more popular in residential developments. The installation of a residential sprinkler system has numerous benefits and the Fire Department certainly recommends that new construction designs include a sprinkler system.

The Burin Peninsula Regional Service Board has received a response from the Provincial Government informing them that the government is not interested in installing km markers on the Burin Peninsula highway at this point in time.

Plans for a mock disaster exercise to implement the Town's Emergency Management Plan are still ongoing. Fire Chief Bolt is working in conjunction with the Burin Peninsula RCMP, the Joint

Task Force Atlantic and Emergency Services Division on the preparation of the education session. The date for the educational session is September 20, 2022.

The Marystown Volunteer Fire Department recently launched the Safety Net Program with Burin Peninsula Brighter Futures. This is an international program and the Marystown Volunteer Fire Department is the first to undertake the program in Newfoundland and Labrador.

The Gerard J. Kelly Memorial Firefighters Heritage Museum will be open on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons beginning this fall.

Fire Chief Bolt, on behalf of the Marystown Volunteer Fire Department, would like to send condolences to the family of Firefighter Dave Marlou and the Trinity Volunteer Fire Department following the Line of Duty Death of Firefighter Marlou; this was the first line of duty death in the province in over 17 years.

The Committee met with officials from Crime Stoppers NL who provided an overview of the organization. Crime Stoppers NL is interested in establishing a group on the Burin Peninsula and reached out to the Committee for help in developing a connection between the community and the RCMP. The first step would be establishing a Board of Directors for this region. The Committee discussed the possibility of having representatives on the Board and Committee from various communities on the Burin Peninsula, which is now in progress. The Committee is looking forward to meeting soon to form a Burin Peninsula Crime Stoppers group and encouraged everyone to check out Crime Stoppers NL on Facebook.

7. Correspondence

There was no correspondence to bring forward.

8. Approvals to Purchase

Motion

MMC 2022 06 29/020R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Nolan

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given for the Fire Department to purchase rope rescue kits to upgrade current equipment from technical Rope and Rescue at a cost of \$2,811.75 including HST.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion

MMC 2022 06 29/021R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Deputy Mayor Walsh

“BE IT RESOLVED that, further to motion MMC 2022 05 03/044 wherein approval was given to the Fire Department to expend funds to cover the cost for three firefighters to attend the annual NL Association of Fire Services Convention in Gander from July 15th to 18th at a cost of \$2,323.69 including HST for travel, meals and accommodations, approval be given to further expend funds in the amount of \$1,842.11 including HST to account for the difference estimated due to increase in per diem rate, mileage rate and lost wages.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion

MMC 2022 06 29/022R

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Hodder

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given for the Public Works Department to purchase street name signate from construction Signs Limited at a cost of \$3,881.25 including HST.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion

MMC 2022 06 29/023R

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Hodder

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given for the Public Works Department to engage the services of Mallay’s industrial Services Ltd. to provide VAC Truck Services for septic pump-out for blivets at Gaze Cove, Bayview Street, Sea Farm and Fox Hill water treatment plant at a cost of \$3,968.97 including HST plus fuel surcharge.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion

MMC 2022 06 29/024R

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Nolan

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given for the Recreation Department to purchase a new overhead door and hardware for the Kaetlyn Osmond Arena from AIMES at a cost of \$4,307.90 including HST.”

Motion carried unanimously.

9. Regulations

There were no regulations to bring forward.

10. Other Business

Councillor Keating advised he will be assisting with the Kidney Walk for the Kidney Foundation. The walk will take place on September 18th and further details will be posted to the Town's website and social media. In previous years, the Town has submitted a team to assist in raising funds for the Foundation and will do so again this year.

Councillor Keating noted there are a number of large potholes on Marine Drive near the intersection with Creston Boulevard that are large enough to cause damage to a vehicle. Councillor Keating asked the Town's Public Works Department to call the Department of Transportation & Infrastructure to advise of the potholes as that road is the responsibility of the Provincial Government. Despite that, Councillor Keating advised he has asked the Town's Public Works Department to possibly add some asphalt to the potholes on Marine Drive if they are in the area. The Town is currently dealing with its own potholes and it was noted residents can advise the Town of any pothole that could potentially cause damage to vehicles.

Councillor Hodder noted Come Home Year is fast approaching and plans are underway to beautify the Town. Councillor Hodder asked all residents and businesses to do the same in their areas and noted if help was needed, they could contact her regarding volunteers. Councillor Hodder commended Mayor Keating and the Public Works Department on the landscaping of the Town grounds. Councillor Edwards noted it was nice to see residents using the new chairs around the cenotaph. Mayor Keating noted the decision to revamp the area was a Council decision and the final result is beautiful and welcoming. Mayor Keating noted that several areas of Town have been designated as 'Adopt-A-Spot' areas. Any resident or business not planning to keep their spot should advise the Town as there are others interested in adopting a spot. Those who want to keep their spots were asked to keep up with the maintenance.

Mayor Keating spoke on the misuse of the splash pad that only opened last year. If the misuse of the facility continues and those responsible are caught, legal action will be taken. Vandalism and graffiti needs to stop and everyone needs to assist in keeping Marystown a clean, beautiful and enjoyable place to live. Councillor Hodder noted it's not certain groups of residents, just random children. Councillor Hodder encouraged residents who see vandalism or graffiti taking place to record it if possible. Councillor Hodder also encouraged parents to speak to their children about having respect for their community.

Mayor Keating advised the residents that the Burin Peninsula Joint Council Health Accord NL Action Committee is still fully engaged with the Provincial Government regarding the blueprint for health care services for the Burin Peninsula. The Committee will be sending a letter to government officials to request a meeting on the Burin Peninsula. Another rally is being scheduled for September 24th to show the Provincial Government that the residents of the Burin Peninsula fully intend to fight for their health care and are not giving up any of their services.

Councillor Keating reminded residents that a by-election will take place on July 12th to fill one vacancy of Councillor. Councillor Keating encouraged all residents to exercise their right to vote.

11. Notices of Motion

There were no notices of motion to bring forward.

12. Adjournment

Motion

MMC 2022 06 29/025R

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Edwards

“BE IT RESOLVED the meeting was adjourned at 8:29 p.m.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Keating
Mayor

Petrina Power
Town Clerk