

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON SEPTEMBER 20, 2022**

Present were: Mayor Brian Keating
Deputy Mayor Andrew Walsh
Councillor Keith Keating
Councillor Gary Myles
Councillor Ray Nolan

Also present: Alje Mitchell, Chief Administrative Officer
Randy Brockerville, Director of Operations & Public Works
Melanie Kilfoy, Director of Finance & Administration
Robert Warr, Director of Recreation & Community Services
Petrina Power, Town Clerk

1. Call to Order

Mayor Keating called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Motion

MMC 2022 09 20/001R

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Deputy Mayor Walsh

“BE IT RESOLVED the agenda be adopted.”

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Adoption of Minutes

Regular Council Meeting

Motion

MMC 2022 09 20/002R

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Deputy Mayor Walsh

“BE IT RESOLVED the minutes of the regular Council meeting held on September 6, 2022, be adopted with the following corrections:

- Motion MMC 2022 09 06/018R – amend the years 2016-2022 to 2014-2022
- Motion MMC 2022 09 06/020R – remove the words “in the amount of \$545.49”
- Motion MMC 2022 09 06/021R – remove the words “in the amount of \$508.72”
- Motion MMC 2022 09 06/022R – remove the words “in the amount of \$390.14”
- Motion MMC 2022 09 06/026R – add the words “plus interest” to the amount noted in the motion”

Motion carried unanimously.

Special Council Meetings

Motion

MMC 2022 09 20/003R

Moved by Councillor Myles, seconded by Councillor Nolan

“BE IT RESOLVED the minutes of the special Council meeting held on September 12, 2022, be adopted.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion

MMC 2022 09 20/004R

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Nolan

“BE IT RESOLVED the minutes of the special Council meeting held on September 13, 2022, be adopted.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Other Meetings

The minutes from the Council meeting held on August 31, 2022, with MP Churence Rogers were tabled for information purposes.

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 Myles reviewed the minutes of the Planning & Development meeting held on September 15, 2022.

Councillor Myles noted there were no planning and development applications to bring forward.

Motion

MMC 2022 09 20/005R

Moved by Councillor Myles, seconded by Councillor Nolan

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to issue a Stop Work/Removal Order to the owner of property at 207B Marine Drive for the removal of a water and sewer line that was installed at 211 Marine Drive and restoration of the property to its original state.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Councillor Myles tabled the remainder of his report for information purposes.

Finance Committee

In the absence of Councillor Edwards, Councillor Keating reviewed the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on September 15, 2022.

Motion

MMC 2022 09 20/006R

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Nolan

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to pay an invoice received for File No. 2018474 from Appleby Picco Law dated August 29/22 in the amount of \$149.50 including HST for legal fees to draw up two Agreements of Purchase and Sale of lots in the Marine Industrial Park with funds to come from the sale of lots at the Marine Industrial Park.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion

MMC 2022 09 20/007R

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Deputy Mayor Walsh

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to pay the July Monthly Claim received from the YMCA of Newfoundland and Labrador dated July 31/22 in the amount of \$14,386.55.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion

MMC 2022 09 20/008R

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Nolan

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to pay consignment sales at the Marystown Model Ship Gallery to Harold Moulton in the amount of \$1,250.00 including HST.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion

MMC 2022 09 20/009R

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Deputy Mayor Walsh

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to adjust interest on Account No MURPM006 in the amount of \$31.86 as interest was charged in error.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion

MMC 2022 09 20/010R

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Nolan

“BE IT RESOLVED Council approve Accounts Payable Listing No. 8-1 as of September 15, 2022, in the amount of \$178,574.21 as per policy.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Public Works Committee

Councillor Keating reviewed the minutes of the Public Works Committee meeting held on September 15, 2022.

Motion

MMC 2022 09 20/011R

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Nolan

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given for the Town’s Electrician to attend the Water Treatment Class 1 and 2 Training taking place in Grand Fall – Windsor on October 25-28, 2022.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Councillor Keating advised the Committee had a discussion regarding the filters at the Water Treatment Plant as they are nearing the end of their life expectancy. Follow-up is ongoing.

Regular operations within the Public Works Department are progressing well. Since the last Public Works Committee meeting, the following items have been completed:

- Ditching and brush cutting on Kilfoy’s Road
- Pothole and asphalt patching repairs in various locations
- Storm sewer system cleaning on Rennie’s Road
- Road maintenance and grading on Clam Pond Road
- Rock barricade put in place on Clam Pond Road to deter bikes and dogs from entering the secured area
- Leak repairs in Little Bay
 - It was noted this leak has been repaired several times in the past and the Public Works Department will be reviewing the possibility of having the line replaced in the future. Another area with the same issue that was mentioned was Church Road in Creston North. The Director of Operations & Public Works will provide estimated costs to have the lines replaced by Town forces.
- Grading completed on Rebecca’s Road
- Materials provided to the Walk of Hope Trail
- Washout repaired in various locations
- Screening of sand in Black Brook
- Line painting completed with remaining supply of line paint on hand

In preparation for Hurricane Fiona, Councillor Keating advised the Public Works Department will be checking on drains, catch basins, etc., in order to mitigate possible flooding. Councillor Keating encouraged residents to do the same and check around their own properties.

Nortech Construction Co. Ltd. has been awarded the contract to upgrade several streets under the Town's Paving Program 2022-2023. A meeting with Nortech Construction Co. Ltd. is pending. With the cold weather fast approaching, it's unsure how many roads will be completed.

Follow-up is being made for a generator for the Clam Pond pump house; it was noted there was another power outage there the week before.

The Department is getting equipment ready for the winter season and a supply of salt should be received soon.

Waste management is operating well. The Board is looking into a potential compost pilot project for the waste disposal site.

Councillor Keating advised the public that Canning Bridge will be undergoing an inspection on September 27th and 28th. As well, a water and sewer service will be installed tomorrow on Ville Marie Drive between Stapleton's Road and Lundrigan's Road. Both areas will be down to one lane at times so delays are to be expected. Motorists were asked to obey all flag persons and signage.

It was noted that during Council's meeting with MP Churence Rogers, Council discussed their concerns regarding Canning Bridge and was asked to pass on documentation regarding the bridge. This information will be forwarded to Minister Elvis Loveless, Minister of Transportation & Infrastructure.

Recreation Committee

Deputy Mayor Walsh reviewed the minutes of the Recreation Committee meeting held on September 13, 2022.

A contractor has made some repairs to the roof of the Kaetlyn Osmond Arena. It's hoped that this will resolve any issues there were with the roof but the Town may need to look at further repairs if problems persist.

Keep Kool was at the arena and the ice is now on the rink. An arena users meeting is scheduled for September 22nd at the Summer Games Building and a hockey camp is scheduled to start on September 23rd.

The new fall program for the YMCA is now in place. Registration for swimming lessons has increased. An outreach will begin soon for high school students to take in Lifeguard Training being offered at the YMCA. The YMCA has a new yoga instructor in place as well as two personal trainers.

Deputy Mayor Walsh thanked everyone who participated in the Kidney Walk on Sunday past and thanked Ms. Deidre Ryan for providing the warm-up exercise.

Men's minor softball has finished for the season and the fields are now being utilized by the high school for softball and soccer. New LED lights for the field are pending installation.

The splashpad has been shut down for the season and will be winterized.

The Town of Burin has partnered with the RCMP to provide an ATV Safety brochure. The Committee is interested in partnering with the RCMP to provide a similar brochure for Marystown.

Motion

MMC 2022 09 20/012R

Moved by Deputy Mayor Walsh, seconded by Councillor Nolan

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to participate in the ATV Safety Program in conjunction with the Burin Peninsula RCMP.”

Motion carried unanimously.

The Committee had some discussion regarding ATV-friendly roads and agreed there should be a thoroughfare created to allow ATV users coming to the peninsula access to the trails from the Marystown Hotel.

Motion

MMC 2022 09 20/013R

Moved by Deputy Mayor Walsh, seconded by Councillor Keating

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to designate a throughfare for all-terrain vehicle usage from Garnish Pond to the Marystown Hotel and Convention Centre via Ville Marie Drive to the intersection of McGettigan Boulevard/Ville Marie Drive/Harris Drive across to Harris Drive exiting on St. Mary’s Road to Garnish Pond Road with the understanding proper signage and all ATV Safety Regulations are implemented and followed, subject to follow-up with the Department of Transportation & Infrastructure.”

Discussion

Councillor Keating recommended meeting with the RCMP as well. Councillor Myles noted the intersection near the YMCA is a busy intersection and could be an issue if ATV-users are permitted to cross the road in that area however, Councillor Keating noted those issues could be resolved if traffic lights were installed. Deputy Mayor Walsh noted there will be discussions with the RCMP and the Department of Transportation & Infrastructure and noted as well that because the provincial rules have changed with regards to ATVs on roads, the Committee feels it would be a good idea to accommodate ATV users touring the area.

Motion carried unanimously.

Several workers were hired on over the summer to do work on the Town’s various grounds and to keep them groomed and maintained. Deputy Mayor Walsh took a moment to thank those workers for the great job they did and also thanked the Town staff who worked with and directed those workers.

Mayor Walsh questioned if the Lifeguard Training at the YMCA was just for high school students. Deputy Mayor Walsh confirmed adults can also take in the training if they are interested.

Tourism & Special Events Committee

In the absence of Councillor Hodder, Deputy Mayor Walsh reviewed the minutes of the Tourism & Special Events Committee meeting held on September 13, 2022.

Deputy Mayor Walsh advised Councillor Hodder is attending the last outdoor bingo for the year and thanked those who have supported the event.

The outdoor anti-bullying picnic that was scheduled for September 10/22 had to be postponed due to poor weather conditions. Follow-up is being made on a different indoor venue. More information is pending on this item and will be posted once available.

Last year's Nightmare Before Christmas event was a huge success and there is even more interest in hosting another event this year.

Motion

MMC 2022 09 20/014R

Moved by Deputy Mayor Walsh, seconded by Councillor Keating

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to host the Nightmare Before Christmas on Sunday, October, 30, 2022, at the Peninsula Mall Parking Lot at a cost of \$500.00.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion

MMC 2022 09 20/015R

Moved by Deputy Mayor Walsh, seconded by Councillor Keating

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to make a donation to the Burin Peninsula Voice Against Violence in the amount of \$500.00 to cover costs incurred during Come Home Year 2022 festivities.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion

MMC 2022 09 20/016R

Moved by Deputy Mayor Walsh, seconded by Councillor Keating

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to host a Halloween Dance for residents of the Marystown Retirement Centre at a cost of \$200.00.”

Motion carried unanimously.

The Splash N Boots concert will take place this Thursday, September 22nd. Deputy Mayor Walsh noted that it was advertised incorrectly as September 24th on the Splash N Boots website. Shows are scheduled for 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. Deputy Mayor Walsh advised there are still some tickets left.

Mayor Keating noted everyone really enjoyed the Nightmare Before Christmas/Trunk or Treat event last year and hopes it will be bigger this year. Mayor Keating encouraged all residents to come out and enjoy the event.

Protection to Persons & Property Committee

Councillor Nolan reviewed the minutes of the Protection to Persons & Property Committee meeting held on September 15, 2022.

Councillor Nolan advised there is funding available under the Community Waste Diversion Program. The deadline to apply for funding is October 24/22. The Burin Peninsula Regional Service Board has had discussions regarding possibly starting a recycling pilot project for the Town. Mayor Keating will bring this item forward at the next Board meeting and advise of the Town's interest in applying for funding and partnering with the Board for the pilot, with the understanding the Board needs to be open to other ideas before agreeing to partner with the Town.

The NL Crime Stoppers meeting that was scheduled for September 19th was cancelled due to low response. Councillor Nolan has been in discussions with the organization and there are plans to schedule a future meeting.

The Committee had a discussion regarding the Marystown Volunteer Fire Department's responsibility to the Winterland Airport. There is currently signage in place at the entrance to the airport to indicate that the Marystown Volunteer Fire Department is the first point of contact in the event of an emergency. It was noted that there is no formal signed agreement in place between both parties and the Marystown Volunteer Fire Department is not responsible for the Winterland Airport. Fire Chief Bolt is following up on the Town's liability to the Winterland Airport should the Department not respond to an emergency.

There were no animal control or anti-litter issues to report.

The Marystown Volunteer Fire Department received for calls for service since the last Committee meeting. There are two new recruits in the process of becoming members and the Junior Volunteer Firefighters Program restarted again on September 14th with 14 students participating. On behalf of the Department, Councillor Nolan thanked the Town and various sponsors for supporting the program.

The 'Fire Station Ahead' signs have been installed on McGettigan Boulevard by the Department of Transportation & Infrastructure.

Discussions are still ongoing with various organizations with regards to the establishment of a warming centre for Marystown and the surrounding area. It was noted that Branch 29 of the Royal Canadian Legion has submitted an application for a generator to facilitate a warming centre.

On behalf of the Marystown Volunteer Fire Department, Councillor Nolan thanked everyone who supported the Department's annual Boot Drive in support of Muscular Dystrophy this past Saturday. All donations were greatly appreciated.

The Marystown Emergency Management Plan Education session took place earlier today with over 30 people from various agencies in attendance. The session was very well put together. Councillor Nolan thanked Fire Chief Bolt for the work he did leading up to today's session as well as the next session which is in the planning stages for November.

The Town still has a number of compost tumblers for sale. Anyone interested in purchasing one should contact the Town Hall.

Fire Prevention Week is scheduled for October 9-15, 2022. The Fire Department continues to plan for this important annual event.

This is hurricane season. Councillor Nolan advised residents not to take weather warnings lightly and to be prepared, take the time to prepare an emergency kit and monitor weather alerts.

As a final note, Mayor Keating advised that the Marystown Volunteer Fire Department will continue to support the Towns of Winterland and Burin however, there is no mutual aid agreement in place with Winterland and as such, the Department is not liable for Winterland.

7. Correspondence

- Email from PMA dated September 7/22 re: National Day for Truth and Reconciliation Survey.

The CAO reminded Council and residents that the office will be closed on Friday, September 30th, in recognition of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

Councillor Keating brought forward couple of additional items.

Motion

MMC 2022 09 20/017R

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Nolan

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to sell the following parcels of land on Greenwood Street West:

- Lot No. 3 – Wayne Wiscombe in the amount of \$15,132.85 including HST
- Lot No. 4 – Wayne Wiscombe in the amount of \$15,122.50 including HST
- Lot No. 6 – Wayne Wiscombe in the amount of \$47,955.00 including HST
- Lot No. 7 – Sharon Fewer in the amount of \$43,010.00 including HST
- Lot No. 8 – Sharon Fewer in the amount of \$43,010.00 including HST”

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion

MMC 2022 09 20/018R

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Myles

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to make a donation in the amount of \$100.00 to the Kidney Foundation of Canada in support of the annual Kidney Walk.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Councillor Keating advised the Kidney Walk took place this past Sunday. The Town of Marystown had a registered team and approximately \$8,500.00 was raised by all participants.

For the information of all residents, Mayor Keating noted the lots on Greenwood Street West sold for various amounts due to the difference in size amongst the lots in question.

8. Approvals to Purchase

Motion

MMC 2022 09 20/019R

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Deputy Mayor Walsh

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to the Administration Department for the following purchases:

- Ricoh – two Photocopiers - \$16,891.68 including HST”

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion

MMC 2022 09 20/020R

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Nolan

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to the Public Works Department for the following purchases:

- Xylem – Flygt submersible pump for lift station, including chains, chain connector and freight delivered to Marystown - \$21,832.55 including HST
- EMCO Distribution Ltd./Waterworks Supplies – twelve HDPE culverts for Greenwood Street Extension - \$2,637.18 including HST”

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion

MMC 2022 09 20/021R

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Deputy Mayor Walsh

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given for the Recreation Department to engage the services of Mario Walsh Mechanical Services Ltd. to rough-in and finish plumbing for the sinks, toilets and showers for the new Soccer Clubhouse at a cost of \$10,181.86 including HST with funds to come from the Utilization of Surplus account.”

Motion carried unanimously.

9. Regulations

There were no regulations to bring forward.

10. Other Business

Deputy Mayor Walsh advised a Zoom meeting took place on September 16th with three Department Heads from the Department of Transportation & Infrastructure regarding the proposed streetlights for Black Brook. Deputy Mayor Walsh was pleased to advised that there has been more engagement on the proposed project and the meeting helped to clarify some points. The Department has agreed to a site visit which the Town would like to see happen as quickly as

possible. Another meeting is scheduled for tomorrow to look at the plan for the streetlights. Deputy Mayor Walsh will bring forward more information as it becomes available. Mayor Keating thanked Deputy Mayor Walsh for his work on the file.

With a storm coming this weekend, Councillor Keating encouraged all residents to be prepared and check around their properties for loose objects and to ensure there are no potential flooding issues. All residents need to be prepared to ensure the recent flooding that occurred in Mount Pearl does not occur in Marystown.

Councillor Myles advised the Friends of Daffodil Place will be doing a fundraiser on November 6th and reminded all residents to support the event. Councillor Myles noted the funds raised will be used to support residents from the peninsula and provide them with the financial assistance they will require to get the treatment they need. Letters from Friends of Daffodil Place will soon be going out to the various businesses asking them to consider making a donation. The event will be a live four-hour event hosted on Facebook and will include entertainment and stories from those touched by cancer.

Deputy Mayor Walsh thanked Mayor Keating for the letter that was sent to the Minister of Official Languages regarding the recent cancellation of the French Immersion Program. The letter was greatly appreciated and it's hoped there will be a positive response in the near future.

Mayor Keating reminded all residents that the second rally for health care will take place at 2:00 p.m. on September 25th at the Peninsula Mall parking lot. The Town will have an FM transmitter that will allow residents to attend the rally and listen to it in their vehicles in the event of poor weather. Over 90% of businesses have indicated they will be supporting the rally which needs to be bigger and better than the first one and send a clear message that the peninsula will accept no cuts to health care.

11. Notices of Motion

There were no notices of motion to bring forward.

12. Adjournment

Motion

MMC 2022 09 20/022R

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Myles

“BE IT RESOLVED the meeting was adjourned at 7:58 p.m.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Keating
Mayor

Petrina Power
Town Clerk