

January 27, 2016

**Whitbourne Town Council
Regular Meeting
Whitbourne Town Hall
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In Attendance: Deputy Mayor Morgan
Councillors: Peter Petipas
Brent Cole
Terry Gillam

Councillors Absent: Terry Rose, Thomas Howe

Present: Crystal Peddle, Town Clerk, Outside Foreman Jason Hutchings
Spectators: Tim Benoit, Peter Smith, Geoff Thomas, Jason Phillips, Chris Young,
Jennifer Parsons, Dean Parsons.

Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm, Deputy Mayor Roger Morgan welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Motion-2016-01-01–B. Cole/T. Gillam

Let it be resolved that council approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on December 2, 2015 and special meeting minutes of December 21, 2015 without any errors or omissions.

In Favor: Deputy Mayor Morgan
Councillors: Peter Petipas
Brent Cole
Terry Gillam Carried

Business Arising

Pumps for Lift Stations

The pumps have been ordered. Deputy Mayor Morgan will check on these tomorrow.

Comments from spectators:

Jennifer Parsons asked what the status was on Rescue NL on Amber Drive. Deputy Mayor Morgan said this is in the hands of the appeal board and will not comment at this time.

Dean Parsons said that in the future if the town gets any request that the towns advertise in the future to make the residents aware of what is going on.

Fire Department Issues

Emergency Plan

The Emergency plan has been approved by Fire and Emergency services NL and only waiting on final approval from the town.

Motion-2016-01-02–T. Gillam/P. Petipas

Let it be resolved that council approves the final copy of Town’s Emergency plan.

In Favor: Deputy Mayor Morgan
Councillors: Peter Petipas
Brent Cole
Terry Gillam Carried

1996 Pumper

Fire Chief Jamie Budden was unable to make the meeting. He wanted council to know that all vehicles have been inspected and everything is good, except for the 1996, the cabinet doors are rusted and needs to be repaired. Fire Chief Budden has received a price from Rowe’s Collision and it will cost \$1000.00 to repair. The truck will not be out of commission while this work is being done.

Motion-2016-01-03–T. Gillam/P. Petipas

Let it be resolved that council approves to get repairs to the cabinet doors of the 1996 pumper done at Rowe’s Collision for \$1000.00

In Favor: Deputy Mayor Morgan
Councillors: Peter Petipas
Brent Cole
Terry Gillam Carried

Repeater System

Fire Chief Budden is looking for approval to get price quotes for the new repeater system that was budgeted for this year. Once he receives the quotes the town will have to determine if they will have to put this out on tender.

Motion-2016-01-04–B. Cole/T. Gillam

Let it be resolved that council gives approval for the fire chief to obtain price quotes to purchase and install the repeater system.

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In Favor: Deputy Mayor Morgan
Councillors: Peter Petipas
Brent Cole
Terry Gillam Carried

First Aid course

The Firemen will be hosting a two day standard first aid course in March and will be open to the public. The fire chief will let the town clerk know what the dates will be. The fire chief will also be putting off a Fire Fighter One course at no cost to the town. Mr. Dean Parsons and Councilor Petipas expressed their interest in the first aid course. The town clerk will notify them when the course will be held.

Sports and Recreation Issues

Service Canada summer student Grant

The sports commission will be applying for 6 students through the Service Canada Program.

Whitbourne Elementary School

The school is up for review again. Mrs. Patti Kennedy is on the school council and will keep town council informed through the town clerk.

Items for the outside Foreman

Safe and clean drinking water workshop

This workshop will be held in Gander on March 22-24

The outside foreman will check and see which outside worker will attend

Flotech Enterprises Ltd – Price quote

The outside foreman is to check with Mr. Larry Reid for a price on this work that needs to be completed at the pump house.

Comments from the outside Foreman Jason Hutchings

*They purchased a cutting edge for the white dump truck.

*He said that weekly checks are being done on every vehicle.

*There are two trucks that will need inspections done in March and April.

Administration

Property re-zoning request

Mr. Patrick McCormick is requesting council to re-zone his property located on Big Goose pond from rural to residential.

Motion-2016-01-05–B. Cole/T. Gillam

Let it be resolved that council approves Mr. McCormick's request to re-zone but at his expense.

In Favor: Deputy Mayor Morgan
Councillors: Peter Petipas
Brent Cole
Terry Gillam Carried

Reimbursement of damages supplies – Hot Potato

During the construction of the Main Street waterline upgrades the Hot Potato business had some water damages. The business owner is requesting council reimburse her for the damages she incurred that day in the amount of \$275.00.

Motion-2016-01-06–P. Petipas/B. Cole

Let it be resolved that council approves to reimburse the business owner for the water damages of \$275.00

In Favor: Deputy Mayor Morgan
Councillors: Peter Petipas
Brent Cole
Terry Gillam Carried

The Hot potato owner also asked if she was to sell her business would the new owners still have the option of leasing the town property where the Hot Potato is now located. Council said the lease will have to be re negotiated once it is up for renewal.

Property of Bob Noseworthy – Cabot Avenue

Mr. Noseworthy has property located on Cabot Avenue undeveloped. He now has someone expressing interest in his property. He submitted a letter to council concerning the town’s sewer lines that runs across his property causing a concern with developing his property.

Council at this time will make a request to meet with Mr. Bob Noseworthy and discuss the issues with his property.

The town clerk will contact Mr. Noseworthy to set up a time and date.

Karwood Estates Development – Phase 2

Motion-2016-01-07–B. Cole/T. Gillam

Let it be resolved that council approves the Phase 2 of Karwood Development on Brigus Road for the RV park.

In Favor: Deputy Mayor Morgan
Councillors: Peter Petipas
Brent Cole
Terry Gillam Carried

Mercer’s Development Main Street – Phase 1

Motion-2016-01-08–P. Petipas/B. Cole

Let it be resolved that council approves the Phase 1 of Mercer’s Development on Main Street for the 5 lot subdivision with the following listed regulations to abide by during the development.

- Hours of operation on this property will be from Monday to Saturday 7am to 7pm
- Dust control has to be kept to a minimum at all times.
- A monthly site inspection will have to be submitted to council on the developer’s behalf by his consulting engineer on the progress of the development.

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In Favor: Deputy Mayor Morgan
Councillors: Peter Petipas
Brent Cole
Terry Gillam Carried

Mayor's request for leave

Mayor Hilda Whelan is at this time requesting a 3 month leave of absents due to a family illness.

Motion-2016-01-09–P. Petipas/T. Gillam

Let it be resolved that council approves Mayor Whelan's request for a month leave of absents.

In Favor: Deputy Mayor Morgan
Councillors: Peter Petipas
Brent Cole
Terry Gillam Carried

Assessment Commissioner for 2016

Motion-2016-01-010–B. Cole/T. Gillam

Let it be resolved that council approves to obtain assessment commissioner Thomas Strickland for the tax year 2016.

In Favor: Deputy Mayor Morgan
Councillors: Peter Petipas
Brent Cole
Terry Gillam Carried

Municipalities Newfoundland/Professional Administrators

Motion-2016-01-011–T. Gillam/B. Cole

Let it be resolved that council approves to pay the yearly membership fees to Municipalities Newfoundland and Professional administrators for a total of \$1273.36

In Favor: Deputy Mayor Morgan
Councillors: Peter Petipas
Brent Cole
Terry Gillam Carried

Service Canada Summer students

Motion-2016-01-012–P. Petipas/B. Cole

Let it be resolved that council approves to apply for 6 summer students for the summer of 2016 for 6 weeks.

In Favor: Deputy Mayor Morgan
Councillors: Peter Petipas
Brent Cole
Terry Gillam Carried

NF Power Community Take Charge grant

Motion-2016-01-013–P. Petipas/B. Cole

Let it be resolved that council approves to apply through the NF Power take charge grant to upgrade the heating system at the town hall and upgrade the ceiling insulation at the Town hall, Library, Sports Building and Fire hall.

In Favor: Deputy Mayor Morgan
Councillors: Peter Petipas
Brent Cole
Terry Gillam Carried

Targa NL - 2016

Motion-2016-01-014–P. Petipas/T. Gillam

Let it be resolved that council will not be taking part in Targa NL in September.

In Favor: Deputy Mayor Morgan
Councillors: Peter Petipas
Brent Cole
Terry Gillam Carried

Grace's Care (Grace's Ruff cuts)

Mrs. Nancy White is asking of council to help in the catch and release program with the stray cats around the community.

Council would like to know what she has raised to date and get back to council.

Comments from Council

Councillor Petipas asked if council could do anything about the vacant buildings around the community.

The Town clerk will check with the Fire chief about getting the fire inspections completed for safety hazards.

Councillor Petipas asked if the sign at bond's park got taking down. The town clerk said the sign was put there by mistake and is now removed.

Jennifer Parsons asked if there are any new upgrades in the works for the playground. Deputy Mayor Morgan said that the town is placing a splash pad on the grounds of the playground.

She had told council that on one of her visits to the playground there was a piece of equipment damages. Deputy Mayor Morgan told her if she comes across anything damaged again to notify the town office so the town can get it fixed right away.

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Motion to adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm

Motion-2016-01-015–B. Cole/T. Gillam

Let it be resolved that council will adjourn the meeting at 8:40pm

In Favor: Deputy Mayor Morgan
Councillors: Peter Petipas
Brent Cole
Terry Gillam Carried

Roger Morgan
Deputy Mayor

Crystal Peddle
Town Clerk