

April 22, 2015

**Whitbourne Town Council
Regular Meeting
Whitbourne Town Hall
April 22, 2015**

In Attendance: Deputy Mayor Roger Morgan

Councillors: Peter Petipas
Brent Cole
Thomas Howe
Terry Gillam

Absent: Mayor Hilda Whelan, Councillor Terry Rose

Present: Crystal Peddle, Town Clerk, Karen Bennett, Administration assistant, Jason Hutchings, Outside Foreman, outside maintenance, Bradley George

Spectators: F. Barrett, M. Petipas, R. Winsor

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

Swearing in ceremony for Mr. Peter Petipas took place.

Oath of Office was taken by: Mr. Peter Petipas – Councilor

All Council congratulated Mr. Peter Petipas and welcomed him on board.

Deputy Mayor Morgan on behalf of Council sent condolences to the families of Ms. Holly Barrett.

Adopt minutes of the regular meeting of March 25th, 2015 with the following corrections on page 1: Add Councillor Thomas Howe to the list of councillors in attendance.

Motion-2015-04-031–T. Gillam/ T. Howe

Let it be resolved that council approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on March 25, 2015 with the above noted corrections on page 1.

In Favor: Deputy Mayor Roger Morgan

Councillors: Peter Petipas
Brent Cole
Thomas Howe
Terry Gillam Carried

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Business Arising
Main Street Phase 2

Still no word from Government on the extra funding for the MCW project. A discussion took place on the size of water lines that will be used in the Phase 2 of Main Street compared to the size that was used in Phase 1. The town clerk will contact the engineer at Hatch Mott MacDonald about this.

A discussion took place about the repairs to the lift station on Main Street and Brigus Road. The town will also hold off on ordering a new pump.

Comments from spectators

Mr. Fred Barrett: Said there is an issue with roaming dogs on Brigus Road. There was an incident of a dog attacking someone out walking their dog. Deputy Mayor Morgan said there is not much the town can do about this issue. Call the town office and see if the town can resolve the issue if not the RCMP will have to be contacted.

Fire Department issues

Fire Chief Budden is looking for approval for 5 Fireman to attend Fire school in May.

Motion-2015-04-032- T. Howe/B. Cole

Let it be resolved that council give approval for 5 men to attend fire school in May 2015 for a estimated cost of \$2800.00.

In Favor: Deputy Mayor Roger Morgan

Councillors: Peter Petipas
Brent Cole
Thomas Howe
Terry Gillam Carried

Two sets of Bunker gear from the town

Fire chief Budden was wondering if he could place an order for two sets of bunker gear that the town budgeted for in 2015. This will take at least 2 months.

Motion-2015-04-033- T. Howe/B. Cole

Let it be resolved that council give approval for 5 men to attend fire school in May 2015 for a estimated cost of \$2800.00.

In Favor: Deputy Mayor Roger Morgan

Councillors: Peter Petipas
Brent Cole
Thomas Howe
Terry Gillam Carried

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Sports and Recreation Issues
2015 Moose License application
Motion-2015-04-034 - T. Howe/B. Cole

Let it be resolved that council give approval for the Sports Commission to apply for a community Moose license for 2015 in area 31.

In Favor: Deputy Mayor Roger Morgan

Councillors: Peter Petipas
Brent Cole
Thomas Howe
Terry Gillam Carried

Grant Application – Cultural Fund Application
Motion-2015-04-035 - B. Cole/T. Gillam

Let it be resolved that council give approval for the Sports Commission to apply the Cultural Fund for an amount of \$2650.00 to provide entertainment during the Regetta.

In Favor: Deputy Mayor Roger Morgan

Councillors: Peter Petipas
Brent Cole
Thomas Howe
Terry Gillam Carried

Items for the outside Foreman
Shed application – 21 Whitbourne Avenue
Motion-2015-04-036 - B. Cole/T. Gillam

Let it be resolved that council approve the shed application for 21 Whitbourne Avenue with the approval from the outside foreman.

In Favor: Deputy Mayor Roger Morgan

Councillors: Peter Petipas
Brent Cole
Thomas Howe
Terry Gillam Carried

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Greenhouse application – 551 Main Street
Motion-2015-04-037 – T. Howe/T. Gillam

Let it be resolved that council approve the greenhouse application for 551 Main Street with the approval from the outside foreman.

In Favor: Deputy Mayor Roger Morgan

Councillors: Brent Cole
Thomas Howe
Terry Gillam Carried

Conflict of interest: Peter Petipas

Purchase of a metal detector

The outside foreman would like permission to purchase a new metal detector. The cost is \$1350.00 from Emco Ltd and \$1640.00 from Crane Supply. These are the only two companies that sell the kind the town needs for finding curb stops.

Motion-2015-04-038 – B. Cole/P. Petipas

Let it be resolved that council approve to purchase a metal detector from Emco Ltd for \$1350.00 plus tax.

In Favor: Deputy Mayor Roger Morgan

Councillors: Peter Petipas
Brent Cole
Thomas Howe
Terry Gillam Carried

It was brought to council's attention by some residents that there is a lot of salt/sand on the sidewalks and they would like to see them cleaned off. Deputy Mayor Morgan said should mention to the Fire department to spray them off when they are doing their training or get them swept off with the broom on the pickup truck.

Deputy Mayor asked if the asphalt recycler was fixed. Outside foreman Jason said it still has no power. Councillor Gillam said he will be around tomorrow and he will stop and take a look.

Jason asked if they could purchase a tool box for the back of the pickup truck. Deputy Mayor Morgan said the council gave approval for this last year.

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Administration

Whitbourne Subdivision Development

Mr. Roger Winsor presented to council his plans for the land on 175-179 Brigus road. He is purchasing the land from Mr. Howard Gushue and hoping to get approval in principal from council to develop 12 serviced lots.

It was explained to Mr. Winsor that he would have to get a engineers development drawing and costs and bring back to council be approved. He then would have to sign a development agreement with the town before this project would start. Mr. Winsor is hoping to have the lots developed and ready to sell by September 2015.

Motion-2015-04-039 – T. Howe/P. Petipas

Let it be resolved that council will give approval in principal for the Whitbourne Subdivision project on Brigus Road.

In Favor: Deputy Mayor Roger Morgan

Councillors: Peter Petipas
Brent Cole
Thomas Howe
Terry Gillam Carried

Assessment Review commissioner

Motion-2015-04-040 – B. Cole/P. Petipas

Let it be resolved that council retain Mr. Tom Strickland assessment review commissioner with Business Logistic Services to represent the Town of Whitbourne for the year 2015.

In Favor: Deputy Mayor Roger Morgan

Councillors: Peter Petipas
Brent Cole
Thomas Howe
Terry Gillam Carried

Use of Bond's Park

Motion-2015-04-041 – T. Howe/B. Cole

Let it be resolved that council will approve the use of Bond's Park to the St. John's Cadet corp. for the second and third weekend of May.

In Favor: Deputy Mayor Roger Morgan

Councillors: Peter Petipas
Brent Cole

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Thomas Howe
Terry Gillam Carried

Comments from Council:

Councillor Howe: Mentioned to council that when Bradley George was hired by the town he was hired for his knowledge of vehicle repairs, to save the town some money in repairs. The council said that Bradley is to do what he can before sending the town vehicles to a garage.

Councillor Petipas: Some residents came to him about some road signs and stop signs missing around town. The town clerk will get these signs ordered.

Councillor Cole: Said the shoulder of the road on Cabot Avenue extension is very bad, this is very dangerous.

Motion to adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm

Motion-2015-04-042 – T. Howe/B. Cole

In Favor: Deputy Mayor Roger Morgan

Councillors: Peter Petipas
 Brent Cole
 Thomas Howe
 Terry Gillam Carried

Roger Morgan
Deputy Mayor

Crystal Peddle
Town Clerk