



Regular Meeting of Council
held at Town Office, Hare Bay
Tuesday, April 19th, 2022 at 7:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

<i>Mayor</i>	<i>Todd Collins</i>
<i>Deputy Mayor</i>	<i>Shelly Collins</i>
<i>Councillor(s):</i>	<i>Rodney Glover</i>
	<i>Darlene Collins</i>
	<i>Lester Glover</i>

ALSO PRESENT:

<i>Town Clerk/Manager</i>	<i>June Hillier</i>
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Members Absent:

<i>Councillor</i>	<i>Stephanie Davis (family responsibility)</i>
<i>Councillor</i>	<i>Tanya Collins (resigned)</i>

CALL TO ORDER - Mayor Todd Collins called the meeting to order @ 7:40 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

* Noted to correct error in previous minutes. Councillor D. Collins did not exit the meeting as the issue of land evolved instantly. She did declare conflict and not speak on the matter.

* Deputy Mayor feels that the issue surrounding the selling of baked items by Brittany Glover needs to be revisited as she is clearly posting on facebook and everyone knows she is making money. The Clerk/Manager noted that Council already decided that there was no clear evidence of pricing/selling and this could be done for family/friends. Council recently made a motion and rescinded the invoice based on lack of evidence and the fact that they feel it is nothing more than a hobby. It is at the discretion of Council in the future if they wish to take some time to determine how many small businesses operate in such a manner and how to deal with taxing, should Council decide to impose a tax/fee. Deputy Mayor noted that small home-based businesses like hers are overcharged as well and needs to be reviewed. Clerk/Manager noted that such items would need to be reviewed in conjunction with the annual budget.

Motion #028-022... Darlene Collins / Shelly Collins

Resolved to adopt Minutes of Meeting held March 22nd, 2022.

In Favour (5): Mayor T. Collins

Opposed (0):

Abstaining (0):

Deputy Mayor S. Collins

Councillor(s): R. Glover, D. Collins, L. Glover

Motion Carried.

FINANCIAL

Reviewed Accounts for payment. Bank Balance is \$378,221.97

Motion #029-022... Shelly Collins / Rodney Glover

Resolved to approve Accounts Payable in the amount of \$13,902.80

In Favour (5): Mayor T. Collins

Opposed (0):

Abstaining (0):

Deputy Mayor S. Collins

Councillor(s): R. Glover, D. Collins, L. Glover

Motion Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

(1) Cyril Langer – Request to construct shed

Motion #030-022... Shelly Collins / Lester Glover

Resolved to approve application from Cyril Langer to construct shed pending approval of any required Government Departments.

In Favour (5): Mayor T. Collins

Opposed (0):

Abstaining (0):

Deputy Mayor S. Collins

Councillor(s): R. Glover, D. Collins, L. Glover

Motion Carried.

(2) Lester Glover – Request to construct chicken coop

Councillor L Glover declared conflict and did not vote.

Motion #031-022... Darlene Collins / Shelly Collins

Resolved to approve application from Lester Glover to construct a chicken coop on his property.

In Favour (4): Mayor T. Collins

Opposed (0):

Abstaining (0):

Deputy Mayor S. Collins

Councillor(s): R. Glover, D. Collins

Motion Carried.

(3) Marsha Oram – request for dog park

The Clerk/Manager is to check with the insurance company to determine what, if any, additional insurances etc would be required should this park be considered. The town would also have to consider availability of workers to keep the area clean on a regular basis.

(4) Municipal Symposium & Pre-Symposium

Council members will let the Clerk/Manager know in the coming days if they are available to attend and would like to be registered.

(5) Tourism Planning Engagement Session

Free session to take place at Barbour Site in Newtown on April 26th. Council Members to inform Town Clerk/Manager if they wish to be registered.

(6) Jim Payne – Request to Construct home

Motion #032-022... Darlene Collins / Rodney Glover

Resolved to approve application from Jim Payne to construct home at 104 Parkwood Drive pending approval of any required Government Departments.

In Favour (5): Mayor T. Collins

Opposed (0):

Abstaining (0):

Deputy Mayor S. Collins

Councillor(s): R. Glover, D. Collins, L. Glover

Motion Carried.

(7) 2022 Operator Education Seminars

Consensus of Council that ChargeHand and any other employee available or deemed necessary to attend should complete any available training.

(8) Grace Parsons – ditching

Consensus to have the Chargehand do an assessment pertaining to her request and concerns when he gets settled in the new position.

(9) Dept of Municipal and Provincial Affairs – 2022 Budget

Approved.

(10) Nick Vivian – Request for water/sewer to shed

Motion #033-022... Lester Glover / Rodney Glover

Resolved to approve application from Nick Vivian to install water to shed, pending approval of any required Government Departments.

In Favour (5): Mayor T. Collins

Opposed (0):

Abstaining (0):

Deputy Mayor S. Collins

Councillor(s): R. Glover, D. Collins, L. Glover

Motion Carried

(11) Service NL – Water Analysis Report

Satisfactory. Councillor R. Glover noted that the use of Javex with Aluminium Sulfate in place of Soda Ash should improve water colour. The Clerk/Manager noted that she is doubtful this would be approved for use in a public water supply but will enquire with Service NL.

(12) Town of New-Wes-Valley – Regional Health Centre

The Mayor was unable to attend the meeting in February due to work commitments so he was uncomfortable signing a letter of support under short notice without more information on the issue. Consensus that Council would make an effort to attend any future Mayors meetings regarding the health care situation. The Clerk/Manager did make contact to get any report or minutes that may have been available from the February meeting but did not receive a reply to date.

TOWN CLERK/MANAGER'S REPORT

1. Request for vehicle damage

Sabrina Collins accepted the offer of \$500.00 and agreed to sign document stating no further compensation will be issued in this regard.

2. Municipal Affairs

The Municipalities Act defines a business as anyone providing or selling goods or services. In saying that, it is a decision of Council whether there is clear evidence of such activity and what policies they set in this regard.

3. Special Assistance Grant – Collapsed Manholes

Special Assistance Grant approved in the amount of \$30,000.00

4. Clean-up Week

Check with contractors to get quotes as town dump truck is out of commission. It may not be financially feasible for the town to do a clean-up this year. ChargeHand to work on this when he starts position. Possibly advertise for pick-up of scrap metal as contractors sometimes pick that up for free.

5. Ozzie Brown

He has issues with a gate blocking access to his slipway. It may be a private property issue. He is requesting that the town ask Crown Lands to investigate the matter.

There was a consensus of Council to ask Crown Lands if the town has any obligation to ask to have the gate removed if its within 15 meters of the watermark or if its Crown Lands obligation to do so.

6. Anonymous picture and mail indicating that someone has been tossing garbage at Blueberry Road. Consensus of Council that the policy is not to accept any anonymous submissions and the mail in question could have innocently blown out of someone's vehicle. No action to be taken in this regard.

7. Fire Chief – Lions Club and Janitor

Fire Chief indicated that they have no issue with the Lions request to erect some of their signage/memorabilia on requested wall at fire hall.

Chief would like to request that town janitor also be responsible for some occasional cleaning (once every week or two) at the Fire Hall. There was a consensus of Council that there is only a limited budget for the cleaner and therefore if the Fire Department requires a janitor, they will have to use funds from their allocated department.

8. Dump Truck

Motion #034-022... Rodney Glover / Shelly Collins

Resolved to tender for public sale the 2001 GMC Dumptruck "as is where is".

In Favour (5): Mayor T. Collins

Opposed (0):

Abstaining (0):

Deputy Mayor S. Collins

Councillor(s): R. Glover, D. Collins, L. Glover

Motion Carried

9. Resignation

Clerk/Manager read the letter of resignation from Councillor Tanya Collins, effective immediately.

10. By-Law Meeting

Consensus to schedule the by-law review meeting for April 26th @ 3:00 p.m.

11. Property Sale – Privileged Session

Motion #035-022... Shelly Collins / Lester Glover

Resolved to enter privileged session to discuss property previously up for possible sale for collection of tax arrears.

In Favour (5): Mayor T. Collins

Opposed (0):

Abstaining (0):

Deputy Mayor S. Collins

Councillor(s): R. Glover, D. Collins, L. Glover

Motion Carried

Entered privileged session at 10:05 p.m

May 31 next meeting Town

~~6:00 PM~~

By-Law Tues May 30 May 17

Motion #036-022... Shelly Collins / Darlene Collins

Resolved to exit privileged session.

In Favour (5): Mayor T. Collins

Opposed (0):

Abstaining (0):

Deputy Mayor S. Collins

Councillor(s): R. Glover, D. Collins, L. Glover

Motion Carried

Exited privileged session at 10:12 p.m.

Motion #037-022... Shelly Collins / Rodney Glover

Resolved to write-off \$2,700.00 (taxes beyond six years and water/sewer vacancy) for property located 49 Main Street. Also, forward letter to the beneficiary thanking him for being so diligent with payments to clear this long-standing account.

In Favour (5): Mayor T. Collins

Opposed (0):

Abstaining (0):

Deputy Mayor S. Collins

Councillor(s): R. Glover, D. Collins, L. Glover

Motion Carried

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Todd Collins noted that the Recreation Committee has 5 workers approved under JCP Program. Work to continue over the summer on the memory garden, playground and park.

CHARGEHAND REPORT

Mayor T. Collins declared a conflict and exited the meeting.

Motion #038-022... Shelly Collins / Rodney Glover

Resolved to enter privileged session to discuss the chargehand recommendation report as prepared by LW Consulting.

In Favour (4):

Opposed (0):

Abstaining (0):

Deputy Mayor S. Collins

Councillor(s): R. Glover, D. Collins, L. Glover

Motion Carried

Entered privileged session at 10:20 p.m.

Motion #039-022... Lester Glover / Darlene Collins

Resolved to exit privileged session.

In Favour (4):

Opposed (0):

Abstaining (0):

Deputy Mayor S. Collins

Councillor(s): R. Glover, D. Collins, L. Glover

Motion Carried

Exited privileged session at 10:45 p.m.

Motion #040-022... Darlene Collins / Rodney Glover

Resolved to accept the Chargehand recommendation report as presented from LW Consultants.

In Favour (4):

Opposed (0):

Abstaining (0):

Deputy Mayor S. Collins

Councillor(s): R. Glover, D. Collins, L. Glover

Motion Carried

ADJOURNMENT

Motion #041-022... Lester Glover / Darlene Collins

Resolved to adjourn the meeting.

In Favour (4):

Opposed (0):

Abstaining (0):

Deputy Mayor S. Collins

Councillor(s): R. Glover, D. Collins, T. Collins, L. Glover

Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 10:55 p.m.

Mayor

Town Clerk/Manager