



## REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

DECEMBER 20, 2022 AT 7:00 P.M.

<b>MEMBERS PRESENT</b>	<b>MAYOR</b>	<b>KEVIN PITTMAN</b>
	<b>COUNCILLORS</b>	<b>AMANDA SLANEY</b>
		<b>COLLEEN MILLER</b>
		<b>ERNIE LUNDRIGAN</b>
		<b>RODNEY DOYLE</b>
	<b>(ZOOM)</b>	<b>ROSALIE DUPRÉ</b>
	<b>(ZOOM) DEPUTY MAYOR</b>	<b>MIKE STACEY</b>
	<b>TOWN MANAGER</b>	<b>AMANDA EDWARDS</b>
	<b>ASST. TOWN CLERK</b>	<b>DAWN BRIDGER</b>
	<b>FIN. ADMIN. OFFICER</b>	<b>CYNTHIA HODGE</b>

### AGENDA

7:08 p.m. Mayor Pittman called the meeting to order.

**MOTION: MILLER/SLANEY**

**22 – 254 Resolved to adopt the Agenda for December 20, 2022, as presented. All in favour, Motion Carried.**

### DISCUSSION OF BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

No discussion at this time.

  
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## **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

### **MOTION: LUNDRIGAN/DOYLE**

**22 – 255 Resolved to approve the minutes of December 6, 2022 as presented. All in favour, Motion Carried.**

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

No Committee Reports at this time.

## **DEFERRED CORRESPONDENCE**

### **POTABLE WATER DISPENSING UNIT (PWDU), WATER FILTRATION BUILDING UPDATE**

The Town Manager stated that K & D Pratt are refunding the money the Town spent to replace the variable frequency drive (VFD) as it did not meet the specification required for operation of the system. K & D Pratt will also refund the cost of having a representative from K & D Pratt come out to inspect the unit. The Town Manager also noted that K & D Pratt can not source the correct VFD required at this time.

Consensus was to order the new replacement set up from Durpro as soon as possible from the quote provided in the amount of \$3,913.45 (HST Included).

The Town Manager stated that she was in contact with Cahill representative Paul Andrews and he is looking into a short-term repair until we can get the new system built by Durpro and installed.

### **RESIDENT CONCERN – LAURENTIAN AVENUE – WATER ISSUES**

There are no new updates on Laurentian Avenue water issues.

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**POLICY REVIEW – MERGING OF ADJACENT PROPERTIES**

The Town Manager noted that she has been in contact with a lawyer from Steward Mckelvey, Justin Hewitt, reviewed concerns regarding the merging of adjacent properties. The lawyer stated that these properties are able to be merged (amalgamated) as outlined in the building regulations and set by the existing Town Plan.

The Town Manager noted that we do not need a new "Merging Property" Policy to allow residents to merge their properties. Once the process is established the Town of St. Lawrence can then retroactively adjust the charges on these properties.

**PROPERTIES CLASSIFIED AS OTHER AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES FEES**

There are no new updates on the properties classified as other and applicable municipal service fees.

**CORRESPONDENCE TO BE ACTED ON**

**BURIN PENINSULA GROUND SEARCH & RESCUE – DONATION REQUEST**

**MOTION: LUNDRIGAN/DUPRÉ**

**22-256 Resolved to approve a \$100.00 donation to the Burin Peninsula Ground Search & Rescue. All in favour, Motion Carried.**

**ST. LAWRENCE ACADEMY – ACADEMIC AWARDS SPONSORSHIP**

**MOTION: SLANEY/DOYLE**

**22-257 Resolved to approve a \$500.00 donation to St. Lawrence Academy Academic Awards for two (2) \$250.00 Awards for one (1) female and one (1) male recipient. All in favour, Motion Carried.**

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It was also noted that the winners of this years Town of St. Lawrence Academic Awards was Brianna Yinusa and Tyson Sutherland. Congratulations to both winners on a job well done in the 2021-2022 Academic Year.

### **TRAVEL AND EXPENSE POLICY**

The Town Manger noted that changes were made to the existing Travel and Expense Policy to include the Fire Department rates set by the current agreement.

### **MOTION SLANEY/MILLER**

**22-258 Resolved to approve the Travel and Expense Policy (Revision December 9, 2022) as submitted. All in favour, Motion Carried.**

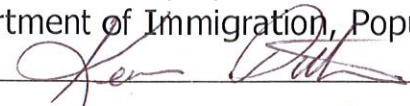

### **HEALTH CARE UPDATE – U. S. MEMORIAL HEALTH CARE CENTER**

Mayor Pittman noted that the Town of St. Lawrence has had two (2) meetings with Eastern Health representatives in the past two (2) weeks. Emergency services at the U. S. Memorial Health Care Center are diverted to the Burin Peninsula Health Care Centre. Eastern Health has initiated a Primary Health Care team to review the current patient demand and have opened several same day appointments for patients requiring an urgent care visit. These appointments are available to clients with or without an existing family doctor.

### **DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION, POPULATION GROWTH AND SKILLS UPDATE**

The Town Manager noted that meetings were held on December 15, 2022 with representatives from the Department of Immigration, Population Growth & Skills. There were a total of eighteen (18) former employees in attendance. The Department of Immigration, Population Growth & Skills made note of the concerns of those in attendance and will assist with employment and training opportunities early in the New Year. The Department of Immigration, Population

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Growth & Skills office will follow up with those individuals who have filled out the Request for Services form.

### **RESIDENT CONCERN – ATV REGULATIONS & SAFETY IN COMMUNITY**

The Town Manager noted that she was contacted by a concerned resident regarding the unsafe use of ATVs on and around our roads. The resident also noted that he has called the RCMP multiple times to report the non-compliant ATV users and the use of these ATVs without proper safety protection (helmets). The Town acknowledges the increased use of ATVs on our roadways and ask that anyone who witnesses the misuse of the ATVs to call the RCMP. Deputy Mayor Stacey advised that we should reach out to the ATV use Association members for a discussion.

### **CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES**

### **MANAGERS REPORT**

The Town Manager noted that we are waiting on a response on the Community Enhancement Employment Program additional hours request. MHA Paul Pike has written a letter to request additional hours on our behalf.

### **GENERAL DISCUSSION**

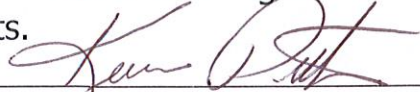

Mayor Pittman noted that our next meeting Regular Meeting of Council will be held on January 10, 2023.

Councillor Lundrigan suggested that we should arrange a meeting with GREIG NL in the New Year to discuss upcoming plans for the St. Lawrence OCI Facility.

Mayor Pittman mentioned that a meeting was held on December 15, 2022 with Bill Dobbs to discuss ongoing interest the purchase and operation of the former CFI Mine.

Discussion took place regarding the sale of the Parish Hall and the rectory regarding snow clearing changes. Both properties are no longer facilities of the R.C. Episcopal Corporation. The Town will schedule a meeting with the new owners in the New Year to discuss arrangements.

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**PRIVILEGED SESSION**

**MOTION: SLANEY/LUNDRIGAN**

**22-259 Resolved to move from Regular Meeting to Privileged Session at 8:05 p.m. All in favour, Motion Carried.**

**MOTION: MILLER/STACEY**

**22-260 Resolved to move from Privileged Session back to Regular Meeting at 9:05 p.m. All in favour, Motion Carried.**

**TAX STRUCTURE 2023**

**MOTION: MILLER/LUNDRIGAN**

**22-261 Resolved to approve the 2023 Tax Structure as presented. All in favour, Motion Carried.**

**QUOTE FOR FLOWMETERS, BIOMAXX**

**MOTION: DOYLE/D.M. STACEY**

**22-262 Resolved to submit a Capital Investment Plan under the Community Investment Pan Fund (Gas Tax Funding) to purchase of three (3) flowmeters from BioMaxx in the amount of \$45,693.00 (plus HST) which includes a discounted two (2) year maintenance package. This purchase will be allocated from the remaining Community Investment Plan fund (formerly known as Gas Tax). All in favour, Motion Carried.**

**NOTICE OF ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION: SLANEY/DOYLE**

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

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