

#### **REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL**

# MARCH 4, 2025, AT 7:00 P.M.

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

MAYOR DEPUTY MAYOR COUNCILLORS

(ZOOM)

KEVIN PITTMAN
MICHAEL STACEY
COLLEEN MILLER
ROSALIE DUPRÉ
RODNEY DOYLE
ERNIE LUNDRIGAN
AMANDA SLANEY

(7:39 p.m.)

TOWN MANAGER/CLERK FIN ADMIN OFFICER ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK AMANDA EDWARDS
CYNTHIA HODGE
DAWN BRIDGER

## **AGENDA**

**7:07 P.M.** Mayor Pittman called the meeting to order.

Mayor Pittman asked to have the following items added to the agenda:

Correspondence to be Acted On:

9. Gas Tax Audit – Engagement Letter

Four Stills
Amanda Elward



## ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: DUPRÉ/MILLER

25–042 Be it resolved to adopt the Agenda for March 4, 2025 with the

above noted addition.

Motion carried unanimously.

For Motion: 6 (Mayor Pittman, Deputy Mayor Stacey, Councillors Dupré,

**Lundrigan, Doyle and Miller)** 

Against: 0
Abstained: 0

# **CORRECTION, OMISSION TO MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 18, 2025**

No corrections, omissions to minutes of February 18, 2025.

# DISCUSSION OF BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 18, 2025

No discussion of business arising from minutes of February 18, 2025 meeting.

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## **ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 18, 2025**

MOTION: LUNDRIGAN/DOYLE

25-043 Be it resolved to approve the Minutes of February 18, 2025

as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

For Motion: 6 (Mayor Pittman, Deputy Mayor Stacey, Councillors Dupré,

**Lundrigan, Doyle and Miller)** 

Against:

Abstained: 0

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

No Committee reports to discuss.

#### **DEFERRED CORRESPONDENCE**

# TENDER RESULTS – TOWN OF ST. LAWRENCE – PIKE'S ROAD WATER AND SEWER UPGRADES – 17-GI-24-00030

No new information from the Municipal Capital Works Program on the approval for increased funding to proceed with the Tender for Pike's Water and Sewer Upgrades Municipal Capital Works Project.

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# BASKETBALL NET INSTALLATION—ST. LAWRENCE RECREATION CENTER

No new updates on the installation of the new basketball net backboards at the St. Lawrence Recreation Center.

## CORRESPONDENCE TO BE ACTED ON

### **EXEMPTION REQUEST – ST. MATTHEW'S ANGLICAN CHURCH**

MOTION: DUPRÉ/MILLER

25-044 Be it resolved to deny the request for property tax exemption

on 74-80 Director Drive and 31B Turpin Street for the vestry

of St. Matthew's Anglican Church.

Motion carried unanimously.

For Motion: 6 (Mayor Pittman, Deputy Mayor Stacey, Councillors Dupré,

**Lundrigan, Doyle and Miller)** 

Against: 0
Abstained: 0

Discussion took place on previous years exemptions for the St. Matthew's Anglican Church.

MOTION: DUPRÉ/MILLER

25-045 Be it resolved to exempt 14 St. Matthew's Street from Water

and Sewer charges for the 2025 year for the vestry of St.

Matthew's Anglican Church.

Motion carried unanimously.

For Motion: 6 (Mayor Pittman, Deputy Mayor Stacey, Councillors Dupré,

**Lundrigan, Doyle and Miller)** 

Against: 0
Abstained: 0



# SPONSORSHIP REQUEST — DOLLYWOOD FOUNDATION CANADA — BURIN PENINSULA BRIGHTER FUTURES

MOTION: LUNDRIGAN/DOYLE

25-046 Be it resolved to approve a \$50.00 sponsorship to the

Dollywood Foundation Canada for the Burin Peninsula

**Brighter Futures, Dolly Parton's Imagination Library.** 

Motion carried unanimously.

For Motion: 6 (Mayor Pittman, Deputy Mayor Stacey, Councillors Dupré,

**Lundrigan, Doyle and Miller)** 

Against:

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Abstained:

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## MANAGER SUMMER VACATION REQUEST

MOTION: DOYLE/DUPRÉ

25-047 Be it resolved to approve the Town Managers Vacation

request as per the dates requested.

Motion carried unanimously.

For Motion: 6 (Mayor Pittman, Deputy Mayor Stacey, Councillors Dupré,

**Lundrigan, Doyle and Miller)** 

Against:

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Abstained:

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# SPECIAL ASSISTANCE GRANT (SAG) — TOWN OF ST. LAWRENCE WARMING CENTER

The Town Manager presented the quote received for electrical upgrades to support the Town's warming station.

MOTION: DUPRÉ/MILLER

25-048 Be it resolved to defer the Special Assistance Grant (SAG)

application until further information is collected.

Motion carried unanimously.

For Motion: 6 (Mayor Pittman, Deputy Mayor Stacey, Councillors Dupré,

**Lundrigan, Doyle and Miller)** 

Against: 0
Abstained: 0

### NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK 2025

The Town Manager stated that Volunteer Week is from April 20-26, 2025. Discussion on the upcoming event took place. The Town Manager was advised to source quotes for catering for this event.

MOTION: DOYLE/LUNDRIGAN

25-049 Be it resolved to host a Volunteer Social Event on April 24,

2025 for the Volunteers of the Town of St. Lawrence.

Motion carried unanimously.

For Motion: 6 (Mayor Pittman, Deputy Mayor Stacey, Councillors Dupré,

**Lundrigan, Doyle and Miller)** 

Against: 0
Abstained: 0



### NORDSPACE PROJECT UPDATES

The Town Manager stated that Nordspace are continuing to work on their Crown Land Application. Nordspace are still planning their Information session with residents for March 29, 2025.

#### **LAURENTIAN DAYS PLANNING 2025**

Discussion took place on this years Laurentian Days event. St. Lawrence Day 2025 will take place on August 2, 2025. The Town Manager was advised to post on the Town's Facebook page seeking members to join the committee to help coordinate this year's events July 28 – August 03, 2025.

#### **GAS TAX AUDIT – ENGAGEMENT LETTER**

Council was advised that the letter presented is an engagement letter to initiate the 2024 Gas Tax Audit.

**7:39 p.m.** Councillor Slaney entered the meeting.

# CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES

# MANAGER'S REPORT – MARCH 4, 2025

The Town Manager stated that there was a storm surge event in our Town on January 4, 2025. The Town Manager advised that the Department of Justice and Public Safety opened a Newfoundland and Labrador Disaster Financial Assistance Program (NL-DFAP) to cover the damages from this event. The Town Manager was advised to proceed with an application to apply for financial assistance through the NL-DFAP for an area located shoreline on Water Street East.



The Town Manager also advised that an application to Provincial Community Sports Fund for pickleball equipment has been submitted.

The Town Manager also presented Council members with the names of the winners of the Truxtun and Pollux Colouring Contest. The Town Manager stated that we are waiting to hear from the Principle of St. Lawrence Academy to arrange for Mayor Pittman to visit and present the winners with their certificates. The colouring sheets will be posted to the Town's Facebook page once the winners are announced.

#### **GENERAL DISCUSSION**

Deputy Mayor Stacey asked for an update on the status of the Tax Agreement with Canada Fluorspar Inc. He suggested that we contact the company in an effort to come to an agreement on taxes. Mayor Pittman stated that he would email Willem Jacobs to request a meeting.

Councillor Lundrigan asked if there was an update on the status of the Seniors Housing Expression of Interest. The Town Manager stated that she is working on getting an assessment completed on the land for water and sewer services and waiting on the completion of a survey of the designated area.

Councillor Slaney mentioned Canada Fluorspar Inc (CFI) is hiring outside of the community. Mayor Pittman stated that CFI have multiple job opportunities posted and are hiring based on the resumes that they receive.

Councillor Dupré stated that a Nurse Practitioner is completing orientation to start their job at U. S. Memorial. The next Community Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for March 19, 2025.

Mayor Pittman stated that he attended the NL Health Services meeting held in Clarenville on February 20, 2025. Mayor Pittman stated that each Mayor in



attendance gave an update on what is happening with NL Health Services in their area. Mayor Pittman stated that U. S Memorial was slated to house a Family Health Practice but to date there is nothing set up in St. Lawrence.

8:08 p.m. Councillor Lundrigan left the meeting.

## **NOTICE OF ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION: COUNCILLOR DOYLE

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

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