



REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

NOVEMBER 15, 2022 AT 7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT

**MAYOR
DEPUTY MAYOR
COUNCILLORS**

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

**TOWN MANAGER
ASST. TOWN CLERK
FIN. ADMIN. OFFICER**

**AMANDA EDWARDS
DAWN BRIDGER
CYNTHIA HODGE**

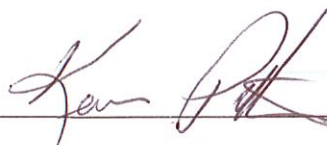
AGENDA

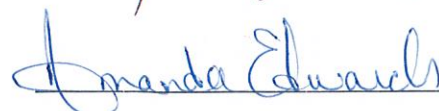
7:00 p.m. Mayor Pittman called the meeting to order and welcomed MHA Paul Pike, Lieutenant Commander Edwards and his wife, Cindy Edwards to the meeting.

Mayor Pittman presented Lieutenant Commander Edwards with a certificate from the Town to acknowledge his 40 years of service to the RCSCC 269 Endeavour Cadet Corp. in St. Lawrence. MHA Paul Pike also presented Lieutenant Commander Edwards with a certificate from his office and one on behalf of the Province of Newfoundland. Following the presentation Lieutenant Commander Edwards and Cindy Edwards exited the meeting.

Mayor Pittman asked for the following item to be added to the agenda:

1. Travel Expense Policy – Agenda item #9





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

22 – 229 Resolved to adopt the Agenda for November 15, 2022, as presented with the above noted addition. All in favour, Motion Carried.

DISCUSSION OF BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**WATER STREET WEST STORM SEWER PROJECT**

Mayor Pittman asked for an update on the ongoing Water Street West Storm Sewer project. The Town Manager noted that there was an issue with water after the recent rain fall. The Town Manager has contacted Edwards & Associates Ltd. to discuss options for repair.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES**MOTION: D. M. STACEY/DUPRÉ**

22 – 230 Resolved to approve the minutes of November 1, 2022 as presented. All in favour, Motion Carried.

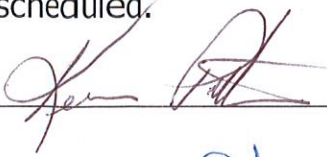
COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Fire Department Liaison Committee meeting was held on November 7, 2022. The upcoming 2023 Budget was discussed. Council has asked the St. Lawrence Volunteer Fire Department executive to present their proposed 2023 budget to Council before November 29, 2022 for review.

A Burin Peninsula Joint Council Committee meeting is to be held on November 26, 2022, Councillor Dupré noted that she would be attending this meeting

Councillor Dupre noted that a recently scheduled Primary Health Care Committee meeting, led by Kelly Maher-Spearns had been rescheduled.

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Amanda Edwards



Mayor Pittman noted that our Emergency Department at the U S Memorial Health Center has a schedule and will be consistently open for five (5) out of seven (7) days a week during November. Tuesday and Thursday will be the day that there will be no Emergency Department available to ensure clinic appointments remain in place.

DEFERRED CORRESPONDENCE

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

The Town Manager stated that she is now working with Durpro (original designers of the PWDU in 2006), out of Quebec to work through our issue. There was a meeting scheduled with them this week; but had to be rescheduled. The Town Manager notified Council that Durpro had been working with the Town of Gaultois due to a similar issue with their system and have successfully placed their system back in working order.

RESIDENT CONCERN – LAURENTIAN AVENUE – WATER ISSUES

There are no new updates on Laurentian Avenue water issues.

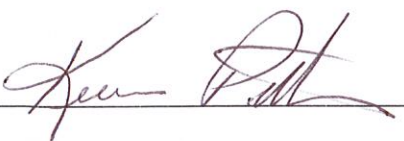
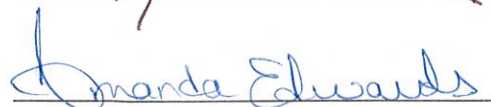
POLICY REVIEW – MERGING OF ADJACENT PROPERTIES

There are no new updates on the Merging of Adjacent Properties Policy; the Town Manager is continuing to work on the development of this policy.

PROPERTIES CLASSIFIED AS OTHER AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES FEES

The Town Manager indicated that other communities on the Burin Peninsula, specifically the Town of Burin and the Town of Fortune charge Municipal fees to these "other properties, ie: fishing stages". The Town will have further discussion on this in the future.

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CORRESPONDENCE TO BE ACTED ON

MHA PAUL PIKE – GENERAL DISCUSSION WITH COUNCIL

MHA Paul Pike notified Council that there has been approval for an Employee Assistant Services office to be setup in St. Lawrence. The cost of this setup is approximately \$250,000 and would serve to job search, help arrange certificate upgrades and to also identify other economic growth for the Town.

MHA Paul Pike asked about the Town's Community Enhancement Employment Program (CEEP). The Town Manager noted that we have all approved hours used and have people on our list that applied and are not placed on this program. The Manager advised MHA Paul Pike of our need for additional funding if available.

MHA Paul Pike also announced that he received the approval letter from Minister Hogan for two (2) full bunker suits for our St. Lawrence Volunteer Fire Department at a cost share of 80%/20% for a total of approximately \$7,000.00.

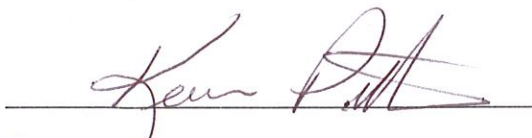

He also advised that he would not be able to attend this years Fireman's Ball as he has prior commitments with the Liberal Party Convention but noted that he will send along his regrets.

BILL #12 – AN ACT TO AMEND THE WORKPLACE HEALTH, SAFETY, AND COMPENSATION ACT FOR PAID AND VOLUNTEER FIRE FIGHTERS

MHA Paul Pike discussed the details of this newly legislated Bill #12 and how it applies to eight (8) new types of cancer diagnoses, along with other additions to benefit the firefighting community. He also stated that this would be retroactive to 2019.

MHA Paul Pike left the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

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SCOTIABANK BUSINESS VISA CARD

MOTION: LUNDRIGAN/MILLER

22-231 Resolved to approve the increase of credit limit of the Town's Scotiabank Business Visa Card from \$5,000.00 to \$10,000.00 for the Town Manager. All in favour, Motion Carried.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE SEPTEMBER 2022

MOTION: SLANEY/D. M. STACEY

22-232 Resolved to approve the Accounts Payables for September 2022 as presented in the amount of \$56,722.94. All in favour, Motion Carried.

BURIN PENINSULA JOINT COUNCIL LETTER – ADDICTIONS AND MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT EFFORTS

The St. Lawrence Town Council wishes to acknowledge the Burin Peninsula Joint Council letter to Honourable Tom Osborne regarding addictions and mental health efforts for the Burin Peninsula region.

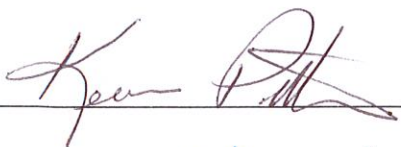

MAKE-A-WISH CANADA – DONATION REQUEST

Council has decided to not contribute to Make-A-Wish Canada, RCMP Wish Tree Campaign at this time. Consensus is to keep donations at a local level.

BURIN PENINSULA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE – CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Discussion took place on the Burin Peninsula Chamber of Commerce call for nominations letter. Nominees are to be a member of the Burin Peninsula Chamber of Commerce.

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BUDGET 2023- EXTENSION OF SUBMISSION – IF REQUIRED

MOTION DOYLE/MILLER

22-233 Resolved to approve the request to the Department of Municipal & Provincial Affairs for an extension of approval of Budget 2023 to January 15, 2023 and submission of 2023 Budget to January 30, 2023. All in favour, Motion Carried.

POLICY REVIEW – MAYOR, COUNCIL, MANAGEMENT AND VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT ALLOWANCES – MEALS, TRAVEL AND OTHER EXPENSES

MOTION LUNDRIGAN/D. M. STACEY

22-234 Resolved to approve the Mayor, Council, Management and St. Lawrence Volunteer Fire Department Allowances – Travel and Expenses Policy as presented. All in favour, Motion Carried

CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES

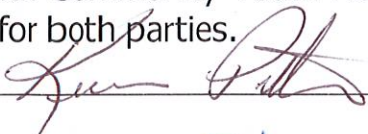
MANAGERS REPORT


The Town Manager stated that the Pollux II – Phase II Water and Sewer Project should be completed tomorrow, November 16, 2022; the contractor will be on site to complete the repair in the morning.

Councillor Lundrigan asked the status of the Hurricane Larry Disaster Financial Assistance Program Tender. The Town Manager stated that Edwards & Associates Ltd. are surveying in the Water Street West area to ensure that all areas of concern are covered for when the tender is released.

The Town Manager discussed options for the Annual Seniors Christmas Social. Council directed the Town Manager to team up with Community Youth Network and have a luncheon and bingo on a date suitable for both parties.

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UPCOMING MANDATORY TRAINING

The Town Manager reminded everyone of the upcoming training that was rescheduled is happening on November 16, 2022. Code of Conduct, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., and ATIPPA (Access to Information and Protection to Privacy), from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Also on December 1, 2022 the Fall Orientation Training was being held from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. in Marystown. If other councillors wish to register, they will contact the Town office.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Councillor Doyle noted that there are a few pole lights not working around the community that need to be reported to Newfoundland Power.

Deputy Mayor Stacey asked where our digital speed signs are. The Town Manager noted that they are being repaired.

Councillor Lundrigan asked if contact was made with Elemental Energy – Right Wind Corporation to schedule a meeting to discuss future wind Energy projects in our community.

Councillor Slaney mentioned that a post was newly placed on the end of Mannix Causeway and Water Street West and questioned if this post would interfere with snow clearing over the winter. The Town Manager noted she would look into this issue.

Mayor Pittman advised that he would be attending the Burin Peninsula Energy Committee meeting on Thursday, November 17, 2022. He asked if any Councillors had any questions or concerns that they would like to bring forward. Consensus was to reimburse Mayor Pittman for expenses related to attending these regional meetings.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: COUNCILLOR DOYLE

The meeting adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

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Two handwritten signatures are present. The top signature is in blue ink and appears to be "Ken Pitt". The bottom signature is in blue ink and appears to be "Amanda Edwards". Both signatures are written over horizontal lines.