

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

APRIL 1, 2025, AT 7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT

MAYOR
DEPUTY MAYOR
COUNCILLORS

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

(7:32 p.m.)

TOWN MANAGER/CLERK ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK

AMANDA EDWARDS DAWN BRIDGER

MEMBERS ABSENT

COUNCILLORS

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AGENDA

7:04 P.M. Mayor Pittman called the meeting to order.

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

Privileged Session:

There was an item added to the Privileged Session.

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ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: DUPRÉ/D. M. STACEY

25-064 Be it resolved to adopt the Agenda for March 18, 2025 with

the above noted additions.

Motion carried unanimously.

For Motion: 5 (Mayor Pittman, Deputy Mayor Stacey, Councillors Doyle,

Lundrigan and Dupré)

Against: 0
Abstained: 0

CORRECTION, OMISSION TO MINUTES OF March 18, 2025

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

DISCUSSION OF BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF MARCH 18, 2025

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

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ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF MARCH 18, 2025

MOTION: LUNDRIGAN/DOYLE

25-065 Be it resolved to approve the Minutes of March 18, 2025 as

presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

For Motion: 5 (Mayor Pittman, Deputy Mayor Stacey, Councillors Doyle,

Lundrigan and Dupré)

Against:

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Abstained:

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND COMMUNITY SERVICES & NL HEALTH SERVICES MEETING

The Town of St. Lawrence Council met with the Department of Health and Community Services & NL Health Services on March 26, 2025 in St. John's to discuss concern regarding US Memorial Hospital and the services for residents and surrounding communities. MHA Paul Pike was also in attendance at this meeting.

Mayor Pittman stated that the Town Manager has circulated notes from the meeting that highlights responses regarding the questions that Council brought forward.

The Town Manager stated that an update from the meeting will be posted to the Town's Facebook page to update residents on US Memorial services.

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DEFERRED CORRESPONDENCE

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.

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

There are no new updates on the Special Assistance Grant (SAG), still waiting on quote updates.

CORRESPONDENCE TO BE ACTED ON

SITE DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATION— 2 SALT COVE BROOK ROAD — NORMM — DEVELOPMENT OF A BERM

Discussion took place on the specifics of the presented application. The Town Manager indicated that she has requested additional information from the applicant to clarify the property boundary.

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MOTION: DUPRE/LUNDRIGAN

25-066 Be it resolved to defer the Site Development Permit

application for 2 Salt Cove Brook Road for NORMM until

further information is obtained.

Motion carried unanimously.

For Motion: 5 (Mayor Pittman, Deputy Mayor Stacey, Councillors Doyle,

Lundrigan and Dupré)

Against: 0
Abstained: 0

ACCOUNTS PAYABLES – FEBRUARY 2025 - \$32,406.18

MOTION: LUNDRIGAN/D. M. STACEY

25-067 Be it resolved to approve the payment of accounts payable

listing for the month of February 2025 in the amount of

\$32,406.18.

Motion carried unanimously.

For Motion: 5 (Mayor Pittman, Deputy Mayor Stacey, Councillors Doyle,

Lundrigan and Dupré)

Against: 0
Abstained: 0

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APPLICATION FOR FUNDING UNDER THE FIRE PROTECTION FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE GRANT

MOTION: DUPRÉ/D. M. STACEY

25-068 Be it resolved to apply to the Department of Justice and

Public Safety for funding under the 2024/2025 Fire Protection Financial Assistance Grant for 24 Radios and a VHF Repeater System to be used by the St. Lawrence Volunteer Fire. The full cost of the items is \$30,940.33. Furthermore, the Town acknowledges that under an 80/20 agreement, it will assume responsibility for \$5,611.55 as the Town's share

of this funding.

Motion carried unanimously.

For Motion: 5 (Mayor Pittman, Deputy Mayor Stacey, Councillors Doyle,

Lundrigan and Dupré)

Against: 0 Abstained: 0

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MUNICIPAL PLAN AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS AMENDMENT NO. 2, 2025 – RURAL ZONE

MOTION: DOYLE/DUPRÉ

25-069

Be it resolved that Municipal Plan Amendment No. 2, 2025 which adds Aerospace Industry as a discretionary use to the Rural policies of the Plan in Section 3.7 Rural, under the subheading Discretionary Uses, be adopted.

And furthermore, be it resolved that the corresponding Development Regulations Amendment No, 2, 2025 be adopted as follows:

- 1. Adding the following definition to Schedule A of the Development Regulations:
 - <u>Spaceport</u> means a site for launching (or receiving) spacecraft and may also include runways for take off and landing of aircraft to support spaceport operations. Adding Spaceport as a Discretionary use to the Rural Use Zone Table in Schedule C of the Development Regulations.
- 2. Adding the following as Condition 3 to the Rural Land Use Zone:

<u>Aerospace Uses</u> – Aerospace uses such as Spaceports and their association facilities are subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Approval from Transport Canada under the Canadian Aeronautics Act.
- 2. Conformity with any requirements following registration and review under the Provincial Environmental Assessment Act and Regulations
- 3. Submission of a communications plan that provides details on how the public will be notified of launch activity to ensure public safety as a priority
- 4. Adding Aerospace Industry as a new Industrial use class and listing Spaceport as an example, to the Industrial Use Group of Schedule B Classification of Uses of Land and Buildings.

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Furthermore, be it resolved that in accordance with Section 18 of the Act, Council proceed to set a date for the holding of a public hearing, for the purpose of which is to hear objection to and representations on the proposed plan and regulations amendments.

And furthermore, be it resolved that in accordance with Section 19 of the Act, Council appoint John Baird to act as an Independent Commissioner to hold the public hearing on the amendments and to complete a report to Council on that hearing at a cost of approximately \$800.00 +HST.

Motion carried unanimously.

For Motion: 5 (Mayor Pittman, Deputy Mayor Stacey, Councillors Doyle,

Lundrigan and Dupré)

Against:

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Abstained:

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7:32 P.M. Councillor Slaney entered the meeting.

COMMUNITY SPORTS FUND GRANT, "TRY IT SESSIONS", \$2,000.00

MOTION: D. M. STACEY/LUNDRIGAN

25-070 Be it resolved to accept the Community Sports Fund Grant,

"Try it Sessions", in the amount of \$2,000.00 from the

Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts and Recreation.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

Lundrigan, Slaney and Dupré)

Against:

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NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR MULTICULTURALISM GRANTS PROGRAM

MOTION: DUPRÉ/DOYLE

25-071 Be it resolved to accept the Newfoundland and Labrador

Multiculturalism Grant in the amount of \$1,500.00 from the Department of Immigration Population Growth and Skills.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

Lundrigan, Slaney and Dupré)

Against:

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Abstained:

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DONATION REQUEST – MARYSTOWN MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION – U11 FEMALE

MOTION: LUNDRIGAN/SLANEY

25-072 Be it resolved to approve a \$50.00 donation to the Marystown

Minor Hockey Association U11 Female team for a 1/2 page

advertisement in their upcoming tournament booklet.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

Lundrigan, Slaney and Dupré)

Against:

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Abstained:

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RESIDENT LETTER – TAX INVOICE – 14A POLLUX CRESCENT

Discussion took place on a tax exemption request for 14A Pollux Crescent.

MOTION: SLANEY/D.M. STACEY

25-073 Be it resolved to deny exemption of property taxes on the

property 14A Pollux Crescent as this exemption is not

supported by the Town's policies.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

Lundrigan, Slaney and Dupré)

Against: 0
Abstained: 0

RESIDENT REQUEST – BUSINESS TAX ADJUSTMENT

MOTION: LUNDRIGAN/SLANEY

25-074 Be it resolved to approve the adjustment of Business Tax for

JOANIOO1 in the amount of \$1,062.00 as a letter was

provided stating that the business is no longer operating.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

Lundrigan, Slaney and Dupré)

Against: 0
Abstained: 0

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<u>DONATION REQUEST – BURIN PENINSULA SPCA</u>

MOTION: DOYLE/DUPRÉ

25-075 Be it resolved to approve a donation of \$50.00 to the Burin

Peninsula SPCA.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

Lundrigan, Slaney and Dupré)

Against: 0
Abstained: 0

PROCLAMATION REQUEST – NATIONAL DAY OF MOURNING 2025

MOTION: DOYLE/DUPRÉ

25-076 Be it resolved to sign the Proclamation to proclaim April 28,

2025, as the "National Day of Mourning' in the Town of St.

Lawrence.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

Lundrigan, Slaney and Dupré)

Against: 0

Abstained: 0

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PROCLAMATION REQUEST — EHLERS — DANLOS SYNDROME & HYPERMOBILITY SPECTRUM DISORDER AWARENESS

MOTION: DUPRÉ/DOYLE

25-077 Be it resolved to sign the Proclamation to proclaim May 1 -

31, 2025, as Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome and Hypermobility Spectrum Disorder Awareness month in the Town of St.

Lawrence.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

Lundrigan, Slaney and Dupré)

Against: 0
Abstained: 0

ACTIVE NL GRANT — RECREATION — SWIMMING POOL LINER INSTALLATION AND REPAIRS

The Town Manager advised that an application has been submitted to the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts and Recreation to cover the cost associated with the installation of the new pool liner and minor repairs to the Town of St. Lawrence Swimming Pool.

ST. LAWRENCE RECREATION CENTER - SLSA LEASE AGREEMENT DISCUSSION

The Town Manager presented Council with previous lease agreements between the St. Lawrence Soccer Association and the Town of St. Lawrence. Discussion took place and it was suggested for Council to review a draft lease and table for discussion at next meeting.

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CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES

MANAGER'S REPORT – MARCH 18, 2025

The Town Manager advised that the Seniors of Distinction Award is now open for nominations. Mayor Pittman stated that suggestions for nominations should be submitted to the Town Office and the deadline for nominations is May 9, 2025.

Mayor Pittman stated that the Chlorination Building Upgrades Project seems to be at a stand still. The Town Manager advised that she has been in contact with the contractor, and they are waiting on weather conditions to continue construction and advised that they are waiting on materials to be delivered to restart as soon as weather conditions allowed.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Deputy Mayor Stacey asked if the RV Park has been cleaned up from Guy Fawks night. The Town Manager advised that she would verify.

D. M Stacey also mentioned the Burin Peninsula Waste Management Bulk Garbage Bins location schedule for the 2025 year. The Town Manager advised that she did reply to the Burin Peninsula Waste Management that we were interested in being included on their schedule.

Mayor Pittman mentioned that he was approached by a resident that owns a fishing boat that stated that there isn't any location in the Town to dock boats for annual cleaning or repairs. The resident was wondering if there was anything that the Town could offer.

Mayor Pittman mentioned the culvert up on Fairview Crescent, he witnessed kids jumping on the culvert and advised that this is a safety, concern.

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8:10 p.m. Councillor Lundrigan exited the meeting.

Councillor Slaney mentioned that a few residents had mentioned that not all their garbage was dumped out of their bins. Mayor Pittman advised that the garbage truck is having issues, and they are picking up garbage by hand so anything outside of the bag in the bins is not getting dumped.

PRIVILEGED MEETING

8:12 P. M.

MOTION: DUPRÉ/SLANEY

25–078 Be it resolved to move the meeting to a privileged session.

Motion carried unanimously.

For Motion: 5 (Mayor Pittman, Deputy Mayor Stacey, Councillors Doyle,

Slaney and Dupré)

Against: 0
Abstained: 0

8:16 P.M.

MOTION: SLANEY/DUPRÉ

25-079 Be it resolved to move the meeting back to a regular

session.

Motion carried unanimously.

For Motion: 5 (Mayor Pittman, Deputy Mayor Stacey, Councillors Doyle,

Slaney and Dupré)

Against: 0
Abstained: 0

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PROPERTY REQUEST – JOIN ADJACENT PROPERTIES – 5 SEAVIEW STREET & 7A SEAVIEW STREET

MOTION: SLANEY/DUPRÉ

25-080 Be it resolved to approve the joining of properties at 5

Seaview Street and 7A Seaview Street as they are adjacent properties, pending approval from Municipal Assessment

Agency.

For Motion: 5 (Mayor Pittman, Deputy Mayor Stacey, Councillors Doyle,

Slaney and Dupré)

Against: 0
Abstained: 0

NOTICE OF ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: COUNCILLOR SLANEY

The meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Amanda Edwards