

**REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL  
HELD AT ST. LAWRENCE TOWN HALL  
APRIL 5, 2022 AT 7:00 P. M.**

<b>MEMBERS PRESENT</b>	<b>MAYOR</b>	<b>KEVIN PITTMAN</b>
<b>(ZOOM)</b>	<b>DEPUTY MAYOR</b>	<b>MICHAEL STACEY</b>
	<b>COUNCILLORS</b>	<b>RODNEY DOYLE</b>
<b>(ZOOM)</b>		<b>COLLEEN MILLER</b>
<b>(ZOOM)</b>		<b>ERNIE LUNDRIGAN</b>
		<b>ROSALIE DUPRÉ</b>
	<b>CLERK/MAN.</b>	<b>AMANDA EDWARDS</b>
	<b>ASST. T. CLERK</b>	<b>EILEEN NORMAN</b>
<b>MEMBERS ABSENT</b>	<b>COUNCILLOR</b>	<b>AMANDA SLANEY</b>

Mayor Pittman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**AGENDA**

**ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE – MARCH 2022 - \$52,831.63**

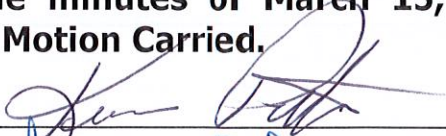
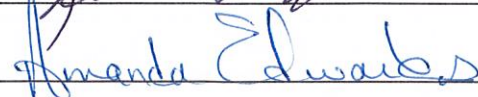
**MOTION: DUPRÉ/MILLER**

**22-053 Resolved to approve the agenda for April 5, 2022 with noted addition. All in favour, Motion Carried.**

**MINUTES – MARCH 15, 2022**

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

**22 - 054 Resolved to approve the minutes of March 15, 2022 as circulated. All in favour, Motion Carried.**

  
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**DISCUSSION OF BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

**HEALTH CARE RALLY**

Mayor Pittman thanked the Town Clerk/Manager for attending the Health Care Rally in his absence.

**TOWN HALL SIGN**

It was asked when the town sign could be installed on the Town Hall

The Clerk/Manager advised that we are unable to reach Live Wire to come and install the sign so she will ask the outside workers to schedule the install of the sign.

**STEWARDSHIP ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPALITIES ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – MAY 5 – 6, 2022, ST. JOHN’S**

Councillor Lundrigan agreed to represent the Town at the SAM AGM May 5 – 6, 2022 in St. John’s.

Councillor Miller had expressed interest to attend but is not available due to work commitments.

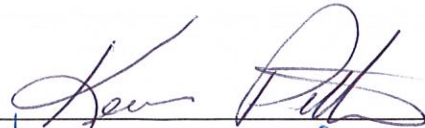

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**BURIN PENINSULA JOINT COUNCIL MEETING UPDATE**

Mayor Kevin Pittman attended a Burin Peninsula Joint Council meeting on March 19, 2022 and provided council with a copy of the minutes of the last meeting.

It was noted that Dr. Erin Fitzpatrick gave an excellent report on the Re-Boot Family Practice Network via Zoom.

It was noted that Mayor Pittman was not listed on the list of attendees but was in attendance. Mayor Pittman said that he contacted Mr. Farewell on this.

**EMAIL RE – REGIONALIZATION**

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Councillor Dupré asked if the town has received an email from the Burin Peninsula Joint Town Council Chair (FAREE) re – regionalization. She noted that the BPJTCC has requested a meeting (in person) to speak about the document.

Mayor Pittman advised that Municipalities Newfoundland is pushing to promote regionalization on social media platforms. The Town will post information once he learns more about the proposed regionalization.

**DEFERRED CORRESPONDENCE**

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**SWIMMING POOL PLANNING – 2022 SEASON**

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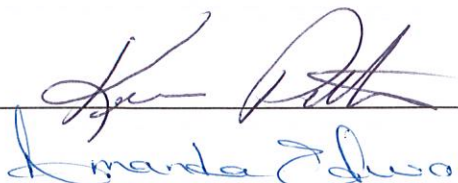
The Clerk/Manager advised that she has submitted a Take Charge grant application for funding in the amount of \$10,000 to purchase a new heat pump for the pool. She noted that the Town has received a quote to complete the electrical for the install in the amount of \$5,750.00 + HST and pump at \$9,026.35 + installation cost.

It was noted that there is \$11,000.00 in the 2022 budget for purchase and installation of the heat pump, cameras and an accessible handrail for the swimming pool

The Clerk/Manager provided council with an update from the lead hand, he has advised on the condition of the current heating system and it will not be able to service the pool this season

Mayor Pittman said the Town will have to make a decision by May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022 whether the pool will open or not.

Deputy Mayor Stacey asked if we are financially able to rehire the pool person or will it be necessary to avail of Job Creation Program (JCP) workers/funding.

  
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**CORRESPONDENCE TO BE ACTED ON**

**CUSIC – APPLICATION FOR BUILDING PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT A PATIO – 36’ X 14’**

**MOTION: MILLER/DOYLE**

**22 – 055 Resolved to approve the application for CUSIC to construct a patio – 36’ X 14’. All in favour, Motion Carried.**

**SLANC – APPLICATION FOR BUILDING PERMIT AND SITE DEVELOPMENT**

SLANC entered the meeting at 7:20 pm, left at 7:30 pm.

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

**22 – 056 Resolved to approve the application for SLANC to construct a boat house and wharf, subject to approval from all other regulatory bodies. All in favour, Motion Carried.**

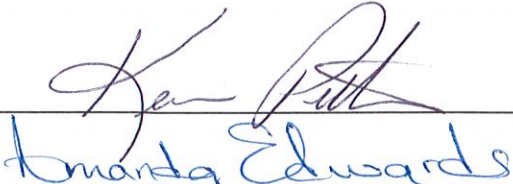
The Clerk/Manager advised the resident to drop by the office to provide payment and pick up permit.

SLANC left the meeting at 7:30 pm.

**CUSIC – REQUEST OF TEMPORARY PERMIT TO OCCUPY**

**MOTION: DOYLE/MILLER**

**22 – 057 Resolved to approve a temporary permit to CUSIC to move shed from Route 220 to St. Cecilia Street for a period of one year until permanent placement of unit is decided. All in favour, Motion Carried.**

  
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**KELL – APPLICATION TO CONSTRUCT EXTENSION – 12’ X 12’ TO REAR OF DWELLING**

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

**22 – 058 Resolved to approve the application for KELL to construct an extension to dwelling 12’ X 12’ to rear of dwelling. All in favour, Motion Carried.**

**CROWN LAND REFERRAL – BONDN**

**MOTION: DOYLE/MILLER**

**22 – 059 Resolved to approve the Crown Land Referral for BONDN. All in favour, Motion Carried.**

**KEARG – RESIDENT PROPERTY CONCERN – DRAINAGE**


The Clerk/Manager gave a timeline on this issue.

Discussion took place on KEARG’s concern regarding drainage in the area. Deputy Mayor Stacey suggested that we advise the resident that this is not the Town’s responsibility, but the Town will check with Newfoundland Power regarding the existing easement for the area.

**PUBLIC CONSULTATION NOTICE – PROPOSED MUNICIPAL PLAN & DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS AMENDMENT**

The Clerk/Manager advised that she spoke with the Town planner who noted that no communication was received on the Public Notice for St. Cecelia Street. The application for rezoning will be sent to Municipal Affairs for review. The Department of Mines and Energy will provide a response within 2-3 business days.

Once all approvals are finalized, it will be brought back to Council to make a motion.

  
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**CANADA FLUORSPAR INCORPORATED/GRANT THORNTON UPDATE**

The Mayor noted that the latest communication from Grant Thornton regarding the CCAA process has been posted on the Town's social media page. Following the first deadline date of April 17, 2022, Grant Thornton will update the Town on the status of the court outlined process.

The consensus was to notify CLARKP of Grant Thornton to update the Town of St. Lawrence's creditor claim amount from \$0 to \$462,000.00 on the Grant Thornton webpage.

**PROCLAMATION REQUEST – OPERATION SMILE – JUNE 19, 2022****MOTION: MILLER/DOYLE**

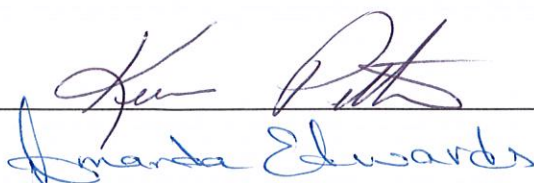
**22 – 060 Resolved to proclaim June 19, 2022 as the Longest Day of Smiles to raise awareness and funds to help children born with a cleft condition smile and change their life with free, safe cleft surgery and comprehensive care. All in favour, Motion Carried.**

**SLSA – REQUEST FOR ADJUSTMENT ON OVERAGE CHARGES FOR SOCCER CLUBHOUSE – (\$690.00)**

The Clerk/Manager advised that the CEEP project workers used the soccer clubhouse during the fall 2021 CEEP project, when finished repairs in that area the heat had not been turned off. This resulted in a \$690.00 Newfoundland Power usage overage to the Soccer Association from November 2021 – March 2022.

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

**22 – 061 Resolved to cover the cost of overage of electricity invoices covering the period of November 01, 2021 – March 31, 2022 at the Soccer Clubhouse in the amount of \$690.00. All in favour, Motion Carried.**



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**2022 MUNICIPAL SYMPOSIUM, MAY 5 – 7, 2022**

The Manager advised that the Town has reserved two seats for the 2022 Municipal Symposium.

Interested councilors to submit names by April 11, 2022

Mayor Pittman confirmed to attend.

**2022 PROFESSIONAL MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATORS CONVENTION – JUNE 8 – 10, 2022**

**MOTION: DOYLE/MILLER**

**22 – 062 Resolved to register the Clerk/Manager and Assistant. To the Town Manager to attend the PMA Convention to be held in Gander, June 8, 9 & 10, 2022. All in favour, Motion Carried.**

**COLLEGE OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC – REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FOR UKRAINE**

Discussion took place and council supports the fundraising efforts of CNA but the consensus was to keep our donations to local groups.


**ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK – REPLACEMENT**

Discussion of the Assistant Town Clerk replacement position was deferred to the Public/Labor Relations Committee for further discussion.

It was noted that replacement training was included in the 2022 budget.

**2022 TIDY TOWN INITIATIVES / COMMUNITY CLEAN UP**

The Clerk/Manager advised that the Come Home Year Committee is interested in carrying out a Community Clean Up and have indicated concern with dilapidated properties. The Town is requesting a dumpster from Burin Peninsula Waste Management to be available for residents to dispose of bulk items.

  
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The Come Home Year Committee are also requesting placement of picnic tables and seating around town during Come Home Year to promote our waterfront view.

Suggestions from the committee are to clean up wood that is piled on roadside areas of town and having the Town residents to host Adopt – A – Spots where neighbors clean up adjacent vacant properties.

The Town recognizes the old fishing boats located on the east side of town are an issue. It was suggested the Clerk/Manager contact the owners of the abandoned boats and initially, request an update on future plans for the boats.

It was suggested that Council members make a list of dilapidated properties and provide property address/location to the office. The Manager will prepare letters to request information from owners regarding clean up plans for the property.

**WATER FILTRATION BUILDING – PWDU – UPDATE – NL POWER**

The Clerk/Manager gave an update on the situation with the Potable Water Dispensing Unit that is currently not operational. It was determined that there was a problem caused by a Newfoundland Power issue (transformer). NL Power has approved a claim for parts and labor to repair unit. Parts total is \$715.00 plus the cost of labour to install. Required parts are expected to have a delivery time of 4-6 weeks.


The Clerk/Manager noted that there is no alarm system at the PWDU to warn of an ozone leak, this will be reviewed.

**ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE – MARCH 2022 - \$52,861.63**

**MOTION: LUNDRIGAN/MILLER**

**22 – 063 Resolved to approve for payment the Accounts Payable for March 2022 in the amount of \$52,861.63. All in favour, Motion Carried.**

  
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**GENERAL DISCUSSION****YMCA FOOD SECURITY PROGRAM - \$700.00 FOOD GIFT CARDS**

The Clerk/Manager advised that the YMCA Food Security Program have provided the town with \$700.00 in gift cards to distribute to those in need.

Discussion took place and it was agreed to ask the Social Worker at US Memorial Health Center to help with the distribution of the gift cards to community members in need.

**BURIN PENINSULA JOINT COUNCIL – COUNCILLOR DUPRÉ**

Councilor Dupré reminded council of discussions with the BPMC chair regarding regionalization and upcoming meetings re: regionalization with MNL.

**BAN ON WIND FARMS**

Councilor Lundrigan advised that the Government of Newfoundland has lifted the ban on wind farms that has been in place since 2007. The province will now allow companies to generate and explore onshore wind energy.


It was suggested that the Clerk/Manager touch base with government officials regarding this and then contact Right Wind Corp. to see if they are interested in installing additional windmills in the St. Lawrence area. It was suggested to arrange a Zoom meeting with Council.

**CLEARING OF LAND – CLARKE'S POND**

It was suggested to contact DRAKB who is clearing the land by Clarke's Pond for clarification on current permit.

**GRAND OPENING – GRIEG NL – APRIL 21, 2022**

Mayor Pittman advised that he may not be available to attend the Grand Opening for Grieg NL on April 21, 2022 and asked if another Council representative can represent the town at this function if he cannot attend.

  
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**PART-TIME – CALL IN LIST**

The Clerk/Manager requested that the Town advertise for a part-time call in for outside work.

The consensus was to put out a notice.

**NOISE COMPLAINT**

A complaint was received from a resident in the area of the Harbour Authority wharf regarding the noise from trucks parked in the area with motors running.

It was suggested to contact the St. Lawrence Harbour Authority Committee to ask that they speak to the two companies who offload at the wharf to see if something can be done to alleviate this problem.

**RED CROSS**

The Clerk/Manager advised that she has submitted an application under the Recreation Committee for rapid antigen tests and a supply of masks to distribute to residents.


**PRIVILEGED SESSION**

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

**22 – 064 Resolved to approve motion to move into the Privileged Session of Council. All in favour, Motion Carried.**

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

**22 – 065 Resolved to approve motion to move from the Privileged Session of council back to the regular meeting session. All in favour, Motion Carried.**

  
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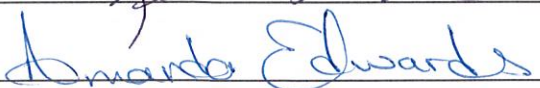
**NOTICE OF ADJOURNMENT**

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**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION: DOYLE**

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

  
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