REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

MARCH 16, 2021 AT 7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT	**MAYOR**	**PAUL PIKE**
	DEPUTY MAYOR	**JACK WALSH**
	COUNCILLORS	**RODNEY DOYLE**
		ROSALIE DUPRÉ
		MICHAEL STACEY
	ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK	**EILEEN NORMAN**
	ASST TO TOWN MANAGER	**CYNTHIA HODGE**
MEMBERS ABSENT	**COUNCILLORS**	**AMANDA SLANEY**
		ERNIE LUNDRIGAN

AGENDA

7:15 p.m. Mayor Pike called the meeting to order.

Mayor Pike asked to add the following to the Agenda:

1. Canada Post - Delivering Community Power
2. MNL – Notice of By-Law Amendments
3. Hospitality NL – 2021 Tourism Excellence Awards Selection Committee
4. Elemental Energy – Meeting with Council
5. Eastern Health – Burin Peninsula Trails Challenge
6. Prime Ministers Awards – Deadline April 27, 2021
7. Burin Peninsula Chamber of Commerce – Blue Economy Strategy Portal

MOTION: STACEY/DUPRÉ

21 – 028 Resolved to adopt the Agenda for March 16, 2021 with noted additions. All in favour, Motion Carried.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOTION: WALSH/DOYLE

21 – 029 Resolved to approve the minutes of March 2, 2021 as circulated. All in favour, Motion Carried.

DEFERRED CORRESPONDENCE

WATER STREET WEST – SEWER LINE – LAWYER RESPONSE

MOTION: DUPRÉ/STACEY

21 – 030 Resolved to, upon advice of lawyer, address this issue in a privileged session. All in favour, Motion Carried.

CORPORATION PLACE – PROPERTY DAMAGE CLAIM

Deputy Mayor Walsh left the meeting at this time.

The Assistant Town Clerk informed Council that a resident had claimed damages on her property through snow clearing activities. Upon further investigation it was discovered that the land in question belongs to the Town but the resident includes it in the maintenance of her own land. Council directed the Assistant Town Clerk to write the resident in question and express our appreciation of her work to date and to let her know that our outside workers will have a look at the land this spring to assess the damage.

Deputy Mayor Walsh returned to the meeting.

LAURENTIAN ESTATES CONCEPT DESIGNS – EDWARDS & ASSOCIATES LTD

The concept designs provided by Edwards and Associates Ltd for Laurentian Estates were reviewed by Council. Council chose Concept Two and will start with development of Lot 15 and/or 26 depending on contractor interest. The Assistant Town Clerk was directed to request that Edwards & Associates Ltd

Jack Walsh

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provide a rough estimate of how much it would cost to put service to Lot 15. The Assistant Town Clerk was also directed to request that Edwards & Associates Ltd provide a colorized copy of Concept Two that Council can share with residents.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councillor Stacey indicated that he had a teleconference with the Acting Manager at CFI and that most of the recent issues with drivers, vehicles, etc, had been addressed.

CORRESPONDENCE TO BE ACTED ON:

CFI – EXPLORATION APPROVAL APPLICATION REFERRAL – E210064 AGS NORTH PROPERTY

MOTION: STACEY/D.M. WALSH

21 – 031 Resolved to accept CFI's Exploration Approval Application Referral for E210064 AGS North Property. All in favour, Motion Carried.

MERIDIAN ENGINEERING INVOICE 106091 - $883.20 - POLLUX CRESCENT PHASE II - PROJECT NUMBER 17-GI-20-00022

MOTION: D.M. WALSH/DOYLE

21 – 032 Resolved to approve payment of Meridian Engineering invoice 106091 in the amount of $883.20 for engineering performed during Pollux Crescent Phase II Project 17-GI-20-00022. All in favour, Motion Carried.

MAKE A WISH – COMMUNITY FUNDRAISING EVENT

It was decided to file this communication.

CANADAS VOLUNTEER AWARD NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Assistant Town Clerk was asked to provide Councillor Dupré with the link to this information for her consideration.

Joel Walsh

Andrea Kitten

MARINE ATLANTIC COMMERCIAL RATE INCREASE ANNOUNCEMENT

MOTION: D.M. WALSH/DUPRÉ

21 – 033 Resolved to forward a letter to The Honourable Omar Alghabra, Federal Minister of Transport expressing the Town's concern over the rate increase announcement by Marine Atlantic. All in favour, Motion Carried.

COMMUNITIES IN BLOOM NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR EDITION

MOTION: STACEY/DOYLE

21 – 034 Resolved to participate in the Communities in Bloom Newfoundland and Labrador Edition provided there is no registration cost and to apply for a JCP to carry out the projects objectives. All in favour, Motion Carried.

MNL SYMPOSIUM MAY 6-7, 2021 AND 2020 AGM MAY 8, 2021

This item is deferred to the next meeting.

BURIN PENINSULA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE – BOARD NOMINATIONS

No one is available to serve on the Burin Peninsula Chamber of Commerce at this time.

ADDITIONS

CANADA POST - DELIVERING COMMUNITY POWER

MOTION: D.M. WALSH/DUPRÉ

21 – 035 Resolved to send a resolution in support of the Delivering Community Power initiative by Canada Post to The Honorable Anita Anand, Minister of Public Services and Procurement, Jan Simpson, President, Canadian Union of Postal Workers, and The Honorable Churence Rogers, Member of Parliament for Bonavista-Burin-Trinity. All in favour, Motion Carried.

HOSPITALITY NL 2021 TOURISM AWARDS COMMITTEE

It was decided to pass this information on to the Historical Advisory Committee.

ELEMENTAL ENERGY – MEETING

Some discussion took place on the items to add to the agenda for the meeting with Elemental Energy. The Assistant Town Clerk was directed to advise the Elemental Energy representative of the purpose of the meeting.

EASTERN HEALTH – BURIN PENINSULA TRAILS CHALLENGE

The Assistant Town Clerk was directed to pass this information on to the Historical Advisory Committee.

PRIME MINISTER AWARDS

The Assistant Town Clerk was directed to pass this information on to St. Lawrence Academy.

BURIN PENINSULA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE – BLUE ECONOMY STRATEGY PORTAL

Council acknowledged receipt of this correspondence.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

The Assistant Town Clerk advised Council that she had communications with a resident that had his standpipe covered by driveway pavement. This issue is to be addressed by the Public Works Committee.

The Assistant Town Clerk advised Council that a stop sign had been damaged by a contractor's truck and replaced by Council workers. She has advised the contractor and they will pay for the replacement.

Mayor Pike wondered if there is a volunteer group in St. Lawrence that may be able to set up a local food bank. Discussion took place over available building space.

Jack Wall

Jendra Kettle

Councillor Stacey reiterated that Council has identified no additional cable/internet providers available that are willing to set up a new service in St. Lawrence.

The Assistant Town Clerk advised that a resident has been contacting the office regarding a family property that has been sold. Council reiterated that the Town is not involved in this sale and that this is a family matter.

Mayor Pike asked about the zoning on Mount Cecilia Street and Riverside Drive. The Assistant Town Clerk will bring this information to the next Council meeting.

Deputy Mayor Walsh inquired whether the pit on Mount Cecilia Street has stopped its expansion. The Assistant Town Clerk will check into this.

The Assistant Town Clerk was directed to make a follow up with an outstanding account.

The Assistant Town Clerk was directed to review Council's discussion around the two kilometer no-cutting zone around Salmonier Pond and bring back to the next Council meeting.

The Assistant Town Clerk was directed to check if there is still illegal cutting taking place around the old oil tank.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Councillor Dupré

Privileged Session

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Joel Walsh

Jordua Kettle