### **REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL**

March 1, 2022 AT 7:00 P.M.

**MEMBERS PRESENT** 

**MAYOR** 

**KEVIN PITTMAN** 

**DEPUTY MAYOR** 

MIKE STACEY

COUNCILLORS

**ERNIE LUNDRIGAN** 

RODNEY DOYLE COLLEEN MILLER

**AMANDA SLANEY** 

(ZOOM)

**ROSALIE DUPRÉ** 

TOWN MANAGER

AMANDA EDWARDS

**ASST TO THE TOWN MNGR CYNTHIA HODGE** 

## **AGENDA**

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

Mayor Pittman welcomed CBC News representatives Terry Roberts and Curtis Hicks to the meeting.

Mayor Pittman asked to add the following items to the Agenda:

- 1. Rezoning Review St. Cecelia Street
- 2. Managers Report

**MOTION: SLANEY/DM STACEY** 

22 – 029 Resolved to adopt the Agenda for March 1, 2022 with noted additions. All in favour, Motion Carried.

# **DISCUSSION FROM MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 15, 2022**

Mayor Pittman requested an update on the CEEP Project. Manager indicated that the dehumidifier that was rented was not sufficient to enable the CEEP workers to complete work at the Curling Club. She noted that the workers are now working at another location in the community.

Assistant to the Town Manager indicated that the February 15, 2022 minutes will have to be changed on page 3 from "send" to "request" as per Councils original instructions.

### **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

MOTION: LUNDRIGAN/MILLER

22 – 030 Resolved to approve the minutes of February 15, 2022 with

noted changes. All in favour, Motion Carried.

## **CORRESPONDENCE TO BE ACTED ON:**

### **CFI COMMUNICATION UPDATE – MAYOR PITTMAN**

Mayor Pittman stated that Council has scheduled a Virtual meeting with Minister Andrew Parsons and MHA Paul Pike on Thursday, March 3, 2022 to discuss the Interim Receivership of CFI. More than 200 employees were terminated last week with approximately 30% of these being St. Lawrence residents. There are currently approximately 50 employees remaining on site. These positions will be maintained throughout the receivership. Council has not had contact with Grant Thornton as of yet but Mayor Pittman has spoken to various CFI executives and MHA Pike has been in constant communication with Council. Council has had no communication with MP Rogers.

Mayor Pittman also indicated that Council has a meeting scheduled with Grant Thornton tomorrow, March 2, 2022 and asked that any Councillors who may be available attend this meeting.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Manager indicated that the Come Home Year Committee met last night, February 28, 2022.

CBC News representatives left the meeting.

The plans being made for Come Home Year are being outlined with current restrictions to allow for any changes that may come into affect under Covid-19 Levels. Councillor Dupré reiterated that by the time Come Home Year takes place, there should be an organized schedule created.

### **DEFERRED CORRESPONDENCE**

MANDATORY VACCINE POLICY REVIEW — TOWN OF ST. LAWRENCE EMPLOYEES & PERSONNEL

**MOTION: SLANEY/LUNDRIGAN** 

22 – 031 Resolved to defer review of Mandatory Vaccine Policy until Manager has all the information together. All in favour, Motion Carried.

Councillor Dupré stated that we should have this policy in place in case of future outbreaks.

## **DOMESTIC SAWMILL PERMIT FEE**

MOTION: STACEY/MILLER

22 – 032 Resolved to defer Sawmill Permit Fee until Manager reviews the Policies that are already in place. All in favour, Motion Carried.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE TO BE ACTED ON**

### CLARA - EXTENSION TO ACCESSORY BUILDING 12' X 20'

MOTION: DOYLE/DUPRE

22 – 033 Resolved to approve CLARA application to build a 12' x 20' extension to current 15' x 20' accessory building. All in favour, Motion Carried.

### **RC PARISH HALL – MEETING UPDATE**

Mayor Pittman, Councillors Miller, Doyle and Lundrigan all attended the RC Parish Hall/Church meeting. Mayor Pittman gave an overview of the discussion at the meeting and Councillors discussed possible options. There is expected to be another meeting in the near future.

## **REQUEST TO REVISE MOTION 2022-13 (MILLER/DOYLE)**

MOTION: MILLER/DOYLE

22 – 034 Resolved to AMEND MOTION 2022-13 to read: Resolved to apply to the Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs for approval to finance a loan from the Bank of Nova Scotia for the purchase of a 2022 Ram 5500 Chassis (\$69,535.00) with accessories (including plow) (\$31,705.38) in the total amount of \$101,240.38 with a three (3) year term and five (5) years amortization. All in favour, Motion Carried.

## ST. LAWRENCE SOCCER ASSOCIATION PROJECT FUNDING REQUEST

MOTION: STACEY/SLANEY

22 – 035 Resolved to defer St. Lawrence Soccer Association Project Funding Request pending review of 2022 budget. All in favour, Motion Carried.

# WORLD LYMPHEDEMA DAY PROCLAMATION – MARCH 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**MOTION: SLANEY/DUPRE** 

22 – 036 Resolved to proclaim March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022 as World Lymphedema Day. All in favour, Motion Carried.

Amanda Edward

## **ADDITIONS**

## **REZONING REVIEW - ST. CECELIA STREET**

**MOTION: LUNDRIGAN/SLANEY** 

22 – 037 Resolved that Council undertake the process to prepare amendments to the St. Lawrence Municipal Plan and Development Regulations, to allow residential and mixed development along St. Cecelia Street. All in favour, Motion Carried.

After discussion, it was noted that although the Town Planner recommended a change to Residential on one side of St. Cecelia Street and a partial change to Mixed Development on the other, Council would prefer to have a "cut off" point where the street changes from Residential to Mixed Development on both sides of the street.

Councillor Lundrigan asked if the Water Filtration Building is operational. It is temporarily repaired. Replacement parts have been ordered.

8:20 pm Councillor Lundrigan left the meeting.

## **CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES**

The Gas Tax Fund is now the Canada Community Building Fund.

Take Charge Energy Saver Kits were discussed. Town Manager may be able to print information for disbursement and will contact the 50+ Club to ensure they receive this information. The Town will also publish it on their Facebook Page and Website.

#### GENERAL DISCUSSION

Councillor Miller wondered if the Guard rail going out to Herring Cove will be addressed in our Emergency Response under Hurricane Larry damage. Manager indicated that although this area was identified as an area for the Engineers to assess, it may not have been included in Hurricane Larry Emergency Response Funding Request.

Councillor Slaney indicated that the snow clearing issues on Riverside Drive have been resolved.

Deputy Mayor Stacey notified Council that Ocean Choice International has provided Three (3) L Training and Employment Board with a cheque in the amount of \$24,000 to cover employment of Challenged Needs Individuals this year.

Deputy Mayor Stacey also identified issues with old boats on the East Side. Regional Waste Management provides one free bin a year to the Town for an event. He wondered if it would be possible for the Town to create an event to remove old abandoned boats.

Mayor Pittman noted that he has been invited to a meeting on Thursday, March 3, 2022 regarding the wharf on the East Side. He will check to see if other Councillors can attend.

Mayor Pittman asked for a discussion on the old Fire Rescue Vehicle. Town manager will discuss with outside workers the cost effectiveness of selling the vehicle as is or scrapping the usable parts of the vehicle.

The St. Lawrence Historical Advisory Committee has indicated that they are applying for an Active Living Grant for extension on the trail system. Consensus was to request a meeting with the Historical Advisory Committee Executive to discuss and to remind the Committee that they require Council approval before applying for any capital funding.

There will be a Burin Peninsula Joint Council Annual General Meeting in March. If this event is virtual; Councillor Dupré will attend; otherwise, Mayor Pittman will attend.

Mayor Pittman indicated that he and Deputy Mayor Stacey attended a Virtual Health Accord presentation recently but no new information was forthcoming.

# <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

**MOTION: Councillor Slaney** 

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.