



REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

FEBRUARY 6, 2024, AT 7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT

**MAYOR
DEPUTY MAYOR**

**KEVIN PITTMAN
MIKE STACEY**

COUNCILLORS

**RODNEY DOYLE
ERNIE LUNDRIGAN
COLLEEN MILLER**

ZOOM

ROSALIE DUPRÉ

ABSENT

AMANDA SLANEY

**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.

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

Committee Reports:

1. Recreation Committee – St. Lawrence Day Planning & basketball backboard purchase, Recreation Center
2. Historical Advisory – Meeting Update from February 5th, 2024

Correspondence to be acted on:

11. St. Lawrence Fire Department – Nomination of Executive Members
12. Town Plan & Development Regulations – Request for Proposals
13. Letter of Support – Trades NL – Bay du Nord
14. CFI Update

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ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: LUNDRIGAN/MILLER

24-018 Be it resolved to adopt the Agenda for February 6, 2024, as presented, with the above noted additions.

Motion Carried unanimously.

For Motion: 6 (Mayor Pittman, D. M. Stacey, Councillors Doyle, Duprè, Miller and Lundrigan)

Against: 0

Abstained: 0

CORRECTION/OMISSIONS TO MINUTES OF JANUARY 23, 2024

No corrections or omissions for January 23, 2024, minutes of meeting.

DISCUSSION OF BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF JANUARY 23, 2024

No discussion of business arising from minutes at this time.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 23, 2024

MOTION: DOYLE/DUPRÉ

24-019 Be it resolved to approve the Minutes of January 23, 2024.

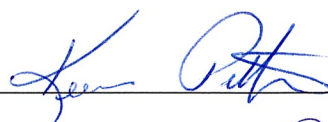
Motion Carried unanimously.

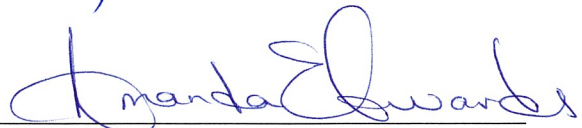
For Motion: 6 (Mayor Pittman, D. M. Stacey, Councillors Doyle, Duprè, Miller and Lundrigan)

Against: 0

Abstained: 0

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Mayor Pittman mentioned that the St. Lawrence Day Committee met to discuss planning for St. Lawrence Day 2024 as the 50th Anniversary. The committee was formed, and Mayor Pittman reported that Ernie Lundrigan and Rachel Winsor are co-chairs for the committee. Committee members are now reaching out to other community organizations to schedule event dates for Laurentian Week 2024. The next committee meeting will be held on March 4, 2024.

There was also discussion at this committee meeting about the purchase of basketball backboards at the community Recreation Center. Backboards have been sourced and the Town of St. Lawrence has been asked to help fund the backboards and installation of the backboards.

MOTION: D. M. STACEY/LUNDRIGAN

24-020 Be it resolved to approve the funding of \$1,000.00 towards the purchase of new glass backboards for the Town of St. Lawrence Recreation Center, if it is determined that the supports will hold the weight of these new backboards.

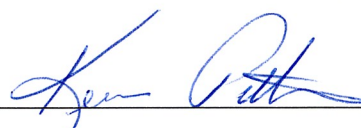
Motion Carried unanimously.

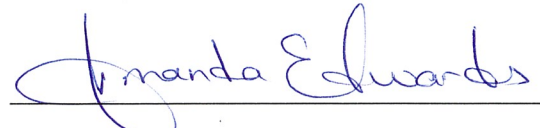
For Motion: 6 (Mayor Pittman, D. M. Stacey, Councillors Doyle, Duprè, Miller and Lundrigan)

Against: 0

Abstained: 0

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ST. LAWRENCE HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Mayor Pittman spoke about the recent St. Lawrence Historical Committee meeting that was held on February 5, 2024. The committee is working on updating their finances. The committee is reviewing menu options at the Lunch Tin Café for this upcoming season. The committee currently has one (1) employee who is working one (1) hour a week.

The Truxtun and Pollux Memorial ceremony will be held on February 18, 2024, at the St. Matthew’s Anglican Church at 3:00 p.m.

DEFERRED CORRESPONDENCE

QUARTERLY COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2024

The Town Manager stated that committee meeting dates are being scheduled and is the process of doing up a monthly schedule to present to Council.

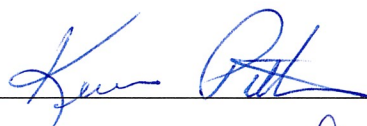
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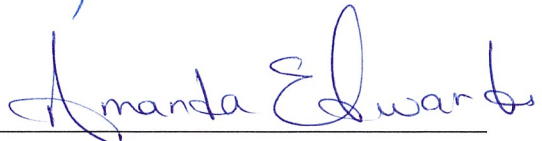
No new updates at this time.

POLICY DEVELOPMENT REVIEW – EQUAL PAYMENT PLAN

Consensus was for this policy to be prepared and presented at the next council meeting for approval.

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CORRESPONDENCE TO BE ACTED ON

BUILDING PERMIT APPLICATION – RENNIE, ROCHE

MOTION: DOYLE/D. M. STACEY

24-021 Be it resolved to approve the building permit application for Roche Rennie to construct a 30' x 40' residence at 28-32 Mayor Place.

Motion Carried unanimously.

For Motion: 6 (Mayor Pittman, D. M. Stacey, Councillors Doyle, Duprè Miller and Lundrigan)

Against: 0

Abstained: 0

**COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM (CEEP)
ADDITIONAL FUNDING**

MOTION: DUPRÉ/MILLER

24-022 Be it resolved to accept the Community Enhancement Employment Program (CEEP) additional funding in the amount of \$3,832.11.

Motion Carried unanimously.

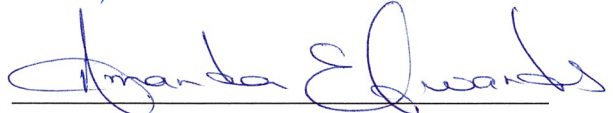
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Against: 0

Abstained: 0

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**PROFESSIONAL MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATORS (PMA)– CORE MODULES
REGISTRATION**

MOTION: LUNDRIGAN/DUPRÉ

24-023 Be it resolved to approve the registration cost of \$199.00 + HST per module for the Town Manager to complete modules one (1), three (3) and five (5) in March.

Motion Carried unanimously.

For Motion: 6 (Mayor Pittman, D. M. Stacey, Councillors Doyle, Duprè Miller and Lundrigan)

Against: 0

Abstained: 0

**PROCLAMATION REQUEST – NATIONAL HERITAGE WEEK – FEBRUARY
19-25, 2024**

MOTION: LUNDRIGAN/DOYLE

24-024 Be it resolved to approve the signing of proclamation proclaiming February 19-24, 2024, as National Heritage Week in the Town of St. Lawrence.

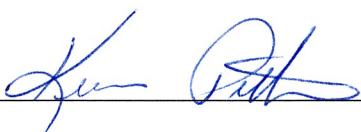
Motion Carried unanimously.

For Motion: 6 (Mayor Pittman, D. M. Stacey, Councillors Doyle, Duprè, Miller and Lundrigan)

Against: 0

Abstained: 0

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PROCLAMATION REQUEST – NATIONAL 211 DAY– FEBRUARY 11, 2024

MOTION: MILLER/DOYLE

24–025 Be it resolved to approve the signing of proclamation proclaiming February 11, 2024, as National 211 Day in the Town of St. Lawrence.

Motion Carried unanimously.

For Motion: 6 (Mayor Pittman, D. M. Stacey, Councillors Doyle, Dupré, Miller and Lundrigan)

Against: 0

Abstained: 0


Residents of Newfoundland and Labrador can dial 2-1-1 for information and referral to:

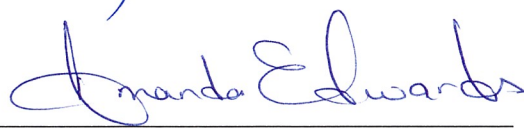
- Health Service & Mental Health Supports
- Income Support & Financial Assistance
- Food Banks, Meal Programs & Grocery Delivery
- Housing Help & Emergency Shelter
- Support Services for Seniors & Persons with Disabilities
- And more

GREEN TEAM PROJECT – CONSERVATION CORPS NL

The Town Manager explained the Green Team Project is lead by Conservation Corps NL. The Project, if approved, could hire two (2) or four (4) youth (ages 15-30) to work at initiative projects throughout the Town. Consensus was to review the options and determine at the next meeting if the Town of St. Lawrence would like to submit an application to the Conservation Corps NL Funding Program.

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REQUEST FOR SUPPORT – TOWN OF HARBOUR GRACE

MOTION: D. M. STACEY/LUNDRIGAN

24-026 Be it resolved that Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador shall lobby the Provincial Government to enact legislation such that when towns are forced to remove dilapidated building, debris, waste etc. from property they would recover the expenses related to such removal by having the right of first lien on the sale of that property

Motion Carried unanimously.

For Motion: 6 (Mayor Pittman, D. M. Stacey, Councillors Doyle, Dupré, Miller and Lundrigan)

Against: 0

Abstained: 0

RESIDENT EMAIL OF CONCERNS - BRINK

Mayor Pittman stated that there was a resident who had reached out to him with a few questions regarding the Windmill Project. Mayor Pittman stated that he answered the questions posted by the resident and directed her towards the Company's webpage to read more.

The resident also mentioned the dangers with parking by the St. Lawrence Miners Museum. Mayor Pittman stated that we are encouraging all visitors to park behind the building, in the rented lot, and walk up the steps. This would alleviate the congestion of vehicles around the highway and Riverside Drive intersection. There will be signage posted prior to the 2024 season.

The resident also asked about the Noise and Nuisance Policy for the Town of St. Lawrence. Mayor Pittman stated that the policy highlights 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. as having restrictions for noise regulations. He advised for resident to contact the RCMP for Noise and Nuisance complaints.

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RESIDENT EMAIL OF CONCERNS – LAKEE

The Town Manager stated the residents concern about the snow clearing on Lake’s hill.

8:20 p.m. Councillor Miller left the meeting.

The Town Manager stated that she spoke to the Town’s Public Works Employees who reassessed the situation. It was communicated that the area requesting to be snow plowed is too dangerous for our workers. Dangers are related to the steep embankment on the other side of the road, and no where for the operators to safety move the snow. This coincides with the Town of St. Lawrence snow clearing regulations.

8:25 p.m. Councillor Miller re-entered the meeting.

CANADA FLUORSPAR INC – MINE RECLAMATION FUND

The Town Manager advised of the response from the Ministers office. The Reclamation Fund remains in place from the previous CFI project. Council has asked for further clarification.

ST. LAWRENCE FIRE DEPARTMENT – EXECUTIVE MEMBERS NOMINATION

MOTION: DUPRÉ/MILLER

24-027 Be it resolved to approve the nomination of Rodney Doyle Sr as Treasurer and Brian Drake Jr. as Assistant Chief for the St. Lawrence Volunteer Fire Department for a two (2) year term (January 2024 – January 2026).

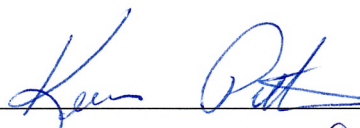
Motion Carried unanimously.

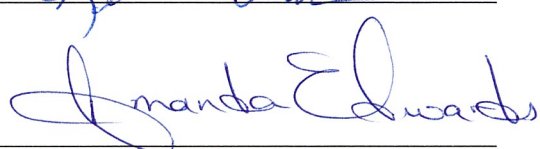
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Against: 0

Abstained: 0

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TOWN PLAN AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP), MARY BISHOP

MOTION: DUPRÉ/LUNDRIGAN

24-028 Be it resolved to approve the spending of \$1,600.0+ HST for Mary Bishop to review and prepare a Request for Proposal to update the Town Plan and Development Regulations.

Motion Carried unanimously.

For Motion: 6 (Mayor Pittman, D. M. Stacey, Councillors Doyle, Dupré, Miller and Lundrigan)

Against: 0

Abstained: 0

LETTER OF SUPPORT – TRADES NL – BAY DU NORD

MOTION: D. M. STACEY/DUPRÉ

24-029 Be it resolved to approve supporting Trades NL in advocating publicly in support of the Bay du Nord Project and ensuring that the project proceeds with maximum benefits to the people of Newfoundland and Labrador.

Motion Carried unanimously.

For Motion: 6 (Mayor Pittman, D. M. Stacey, Councillors Doyle, Dupré, Miller and Lundrigan)

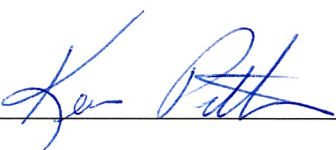
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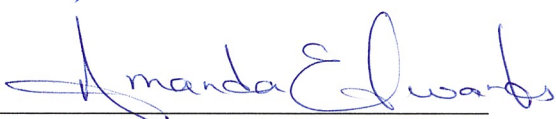
Abstained: 0

CFI UPDATE

Mayor Pittman updated Council on his recent interview with CBC, Terry Roberts, and CFI representative, Mr. Willem Jacobs.

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STEWARDSHIP ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPALITIES (SAM) - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

MOTION: DUPRÉ/MILLER

24-030 Be it resolved to approve the cost of registration, hotel, and travel cost for Councillor Lundrigan to attend the SAM Annual General Meeting in Grand Falls, NL on April 19-21, 2024.

Motion Carried unanimously.

For Motion: 6 (Mayor Pittman, D. M. Stacey, Councillors Doyle, Dupré, Miller and Lundrigan)

Against: 0

Abstained: 0

MUNICIPALITIES NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR (MNL), EASTERN REGIONAL MEETINGS

MOTION: DUPRÉ/D. M. STACEY

24-031 Be it resolved to approve the registering cost, hotel and travel cost for Mayor Pittman and Councillor Lundrigan to attend the MNL Eastern Regional Meetings on March 1 – 2, 2024 in Clarenville, NL.

Motion Carried unanimously.

For Motion: 6 (Mayor Pittman, D. M. Stacey, Councillors Doyle, Dupré, Miller and Lundrigan)

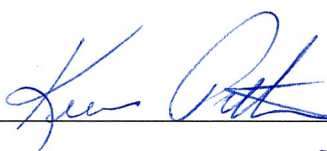
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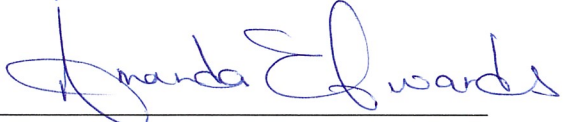
Abstained: 0

MANAGERS UPDATE

No new updates.

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GENERAL DISCUSSION

Councillor Doyle mentioned that there are a lot of holes in the pavement around Mannix Causeway, Water Street East and Water Street West.

D. M. Stacey asked if we had received a response back from our letter sent to Mr. Tom Osbourne regarding the concerns of Health Care within the community. There has been no response back from Ministers Osbourne’s office.

Mayor Pittman stated that the Burin Peninsula Energy Board passed a motion at their last meeting, that there be only one (1) vote per community when making Board decisions. He also mentioned that the purpose of this committee was to seek benefits for the entire Peninsula from the proposed Windmill Project. This committee will continue to meet on the 3rd Thursday of each month.

PRIVILEGED SESSION

MOTION: DOYLE/MILLER

24-032 Be it resolved to move to a privileged session.

Motion Carried unanimously.

For Motion: 6 (Mayor Pittman, D. M. Stacey, Councillors Doyle, Dupré, Miller and Lundrigan)

Against: 0

Abstained: 0

MOTION: D. M. STACEY/DOYLE

24-033 Be it resolved to move back to regular session.

Motion Carried unanimously.

For Motion: 6 (Mayor Pittman, D. M. Stacey, Councillors Doyle, Dupré, Miller and Lundrigan)

Against: 0

Abstained: 0







CFI – STATEMENT OF CLAIM

MOTION: MILLER/D. M. STACEY

24-034 Be it resolved to appeal the decision of the monitor, Grant Thorton and hire Benson Buffett law firm for legal services.

Motion Carried unanimously.

For Motion: 6 (Mayor Pittman, D. M. Stacey, Councillors Doyle, Dupré, Miller and Lundrigan)

Against: 0

Abstained: 0

WAGE LOSS SUBSIDY REQUEST, BRIAN DRAKE – ST. LAWRENCE FIRE DEPARTMENT

MOTION: D. M. STACEY/LUNDRIGAN

24-035 Be it resolved to approve the reimbursement to Brian Drake Jr. of \$234.92 for wages lost while attending the Critical Incident Stress Management training for the St. Lawrence Volunteer Fire Department.

Motion Carried unanimously.

For Motion: 6 (Mayor Pittman, D. M. Stacey, Councillors Doyle, Dupré, Miller and Lundrigan)

Against: 0

Abstained: 0

NOTICE OF ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: DOYLE/D. M. STACEY

The meeting adjourned at 9:26 p.m.

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