

A regular meeting of Council was held on Monday, December 2nd, at 4:00 p.m., at the Bonaventure English Harbour Development Association building.

Members Present: Mayor Jim Miller
Deputy Mayor Joan Kane
Councillor Thomas Toope
Councillor Dawne Marlow
Councillor Karen Huys
Town Clerk/Manager Linda Sweet
Water & Sewer Operator Glen Vokey

Delegate: Chris O'Dea

Visitors: Wayne White, Helene Gareau

Motion 2019-12-102: was made by Councillor Marlow to adopt the minutes of November 12th, it was seconded by Deputy Mayor Kane. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion 2019-12-103: was made by Huys to adopt the posted agenda, it was seconded by Councillor Marlow. Five in favor, motion carried.

Business Arising from Minutes

Mayor Miller informed Council that the tender documents for the renovation work on the Parish Hall have been prepared. A discussion took place and **Resolution 2019-12-104:** was made by Councillor Huys to call the tenders for the Parish Hall, it was seconded by Councillor Toope. Five in favor, resolution carried.

Mayor Miller informed Council that our GIC matures on December 6th, so we can proceed with the purchase of the Parish Hall. A discussion took place and **Resolution 2019-12-105:** was made by Councillor Huys to transfer \$110,000.00 plus HST from the GIC to our lawyer to proceed with the purchase of the Parish Hall, it was seconded by Deputy Mayor Kane. Five in favor, resolution carried.

Mayor Miller informed Council that we held our budget meeting on November 21st, to discuss our 2020 budget and have decided that we would remove the improvement tax and add a water or water and sewer tax to vacant land this is as required by the Department of Municipal Affairs and Environment, charge a \$75.00 fee to turn water on or off and charge a \$250.00 permit fee for yard sales (more than 6 per year). The remainder of the taxes would remain as in the 2019 budget. A discussion took place and **Resolution 2019-12-106:** was made by Deputy Mayor Kane to remove the improvement tax and add a water/water and sewer tax to vacant land, charge a \$75.00 fee to turn water on or off and charge a \$250.00 permit fee for yard sales (more that 6 per year) and the remaining tax rate stay the same as 2019 with the total budget being \$432,936.74, it was seconded by Councillor Huys. Five in favor, resolution carried.

Council held a discussion regarding Light up Christmas and all agreed that this year we would not do the regular routine but rather donate to a local organization. As well this year we decided not to take part in the Packet ads for Christmas and New Years but instead put out an ad in the Trinity Bight Enterprise which cost \$30.00. **Motion 2019-12-107:** Was made by Deputy Mayor Kane to donate \$400.00 to the local food bank in Port Union which also services Trinity Bight, it was seconded by Councillor Marlow. Five in agreement, motion carried.

Water & Sewer

Water & Sewer Operator informed Council that the lift stations have been serviced for this winter.

Fire Department

Mayor Miller informed Council that the fire department will be taking part in the annual Christmas Parade.

Heritage Committee

Mayor Miller informed Council that 2 Dandy Lane submitted a request to install an egress window. A discussion took place and **Motion 2019-12-108:** was made by Deputy Mayor Kane to approve the egress window in the current structure, it was seconded by Councillor Toope. Five in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Miller informed Council that the heritage committee met and were recommending the new building plans for 2 Dandy Lane. After much discussion in regards to window to wall ratio **Motion 2019-12-109:** was made by Councillor Huys to approve the building plans as presented, it was seconded by Councillor Toope. Four in favor, Deputy Mayor Kane against, motion carried.

Mayor Miller informed Council that the heritage committee were recommending the extension plan for 7 Dock Lane. A discussion took place and **Motion 2019-12-110:** was made by Councillor Huys to approve the extension plan for 7 Dock Lane, it was seconded by Councillor Marlow. Five in agreement, motion carried.

Incoming Correspondence

a) Municipal Assessment Agency Re: 2020 Assessment Service Fee. Nov 14, 2019 - File
b) Service NL Re: Proposed Renovation for 2 Dock Lane. Nov 27, 2019 - File
c) Deann Spurrell, Manager of Gas Tax Re: Overspent on 2 projects. Nov 28, 2019 – A discussion took place and **Resolution 2019-12-111:** was made by Deputy Mayor Kane to submit a revised CIP for project #264-2016-6006 Wastewater Flow Meters for the overspent amount of \$182.00, it was seconded by Councillor Toope. Five in favor, resolution carried.

A discussion took place and **Resolution 2019-12-112:** was made by Councillor Marlow to submit a revised CIP for project #264-2016-5825 Road Upgrades Path End for the

overspent amount of \$166.00, it was seconded by Councillor Huys. Five in favor, resolution carried.

d) Fort Point Lions Club Re: Donation for the Christmas Parade. A discussion took place and **Motion 2019-12-113:** was made by Councillor Huys to donate \$50.00, it was seconded by Councillor Marlow. Five in favor, motion carried.

Invoices for Operating Account from November 7th, to 28th, 2019, \$ 24,038.63. A discussion took place and **Motion 2019-12-114:** was made by Deputy Mayor Kane to pay the invoices in the operating account, it was seconded by Councillor Toope. Five in favor, motion carried.

Income for Operating Account November 7th to 28th, 2019, \$ 4,870.63

Finances:

Operating Account	\$102,642.98
Recreation Account	\$7,681.30
Playground Account	\$2,024.85
Trinity Festival Account 2019	\$1,875.60

A discussion took place and **Motion 2019-12-115:** was made by Deputy Mayor Kane to accept the finances as presented, it was seconded by Councillor Marlow. Five in favor, motion carried.

New Business

A discussion took place regarding sponsoring ads in the local newspaper “The Packet”. It was decided to look at each ad request as its received and determine which ones we would sponsor as they were not all necessary and it might be more beneficial to make a donation to the actual cause/organization then pay for the ad.

Town Clerk/Manager presented Mayor Miller and Deputy Mayor Kane with a certificate from the Department of Municipal Affairs and Environment for 12 years of service on Council.

Council Huys noted that the roads were graded but the Beach Road got missed and is in need of grading. Town Clerk/Manager to check with the operator and have him grade that road.

Motion 2019-12-116: was made by Councillor Huys to adjourn the meeting at 5:00 p.m., it was seconded by Councillor Marlow. Five in agreement, motion carried.

The next regular meeting of Council will be at 4:00 p.m., on Monday, February 3rd, 2020 at the Bonaventure English Harbour Development Association.

Mayor

Town Clerk/Manager