

A regular meeting of Council was held on Monday, November 2nd, at BEDA Building at 7:00 p.m.

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

Delegates: Fire Chief Hayter, Tyler Vokey, Walter Matena

Visitors: Michele DuRand, Wayne White, Wilson Vokey, Ed Burry

Mayor Miller called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., and introduced the head table.

Motion 2020-11-65: was made by Councillor Huys to adopt the minutes of October 5th, 2020, it was seconded by Councillor Marlow. Five in favor, motion carried.

Motion 2020-11-66: was made by Councillor Marlow to adopt the agenda we post on line, it was seconded by Councillor Huys. Five in favor, motion carried.

Business Arising from Minutes

Mayor Miller informed Council that the Parish Hall work is on schedule and on budget.

Deputy Mayor Kane asked if Council could get together and do a site visit some time in the very near future. Mayor Miller said he would speak to the site supervisor to see if they could make arrangements for a Friday afternoon before the crew finish for the week.

Mayor Miller reported that at the last meeting a petition was presented to Council with seventy six (76) names mostly from residents of Trinity/Goose Cove. He went on to say that the petition stated “While in full support of retaining the historic nature of the Town, we completely disagree with any motion by the Town Council to prohibit property owners from the storage and/or use of personal vehicles on private property including, but not limited to, Recreational Vehicles (travel trailers, motor homes, motorcycles, snowmobiles, side-by-sides, boats and/or boat trailers, etc), utility trailers, vehicles pertaining to employment and commercial vehicles.” He wanted it stated for the record that Council has never considered making or putting forward any such motion as was stated in the petition. Council asked the property owners of the travel trailers that have been parked for the past two years and being used during the summer where the wastewater was being disposed of and has not been considering any bans.

Water & Sewer Operator

Water & Sewer Operator Glen Vokey informed Council that everything was going well.

Fire Department

Fire Chief Hayter informed Council that the fire department was back to regular weekly meetings and training and everything was going well.

Mayor Miller informed that we will be hosting a Remembrance Day ceremony on November 11th at 11:00 a.m., outside the Fire Hall and encouraged everyone to attend.

Heritage Committee

Mayor Miller informed Council that the application for 19 High Street to build a 31 x 26 one and one half storey house was circulated to the Heritage Committee and they did not have any objections. Councillor Huys indicated that a door with a block and tackle is not usually in houses and didn't think we had one in Trinity other than stages and suggested it be removed and replaced with a window to match the one on the West side. A discussion took place and **Motion 2020-11-67:** was made by Deputy Mayor Kane to approved the application but remove the door, block and tackle and replace with a window to match the West side, it was seconded by Councillor Huys. Five in agreement, motion carried.

Incoming Correspondence

- a) 6 Ash's Lane Re: Taxation and seeking approval to operate as a vacation home. Oct 5/20 – Councillor Huys questioned that when Service NL are issuing Fire and Life Safety do they specify how many occupants each individual vacation home can accommodate. Town Clerk/Manager to check with Service NL and bring back to the next meeting. A discussion took place and **Motion 2020-11-68:** was made by Councillor Marlow to approve 6 Ash's Lane as a vacation home providing all other government agency approvals, it was seconded by Councillor Toope. Five in favor, motion carried.
- b) Municipal Assessment Agency Re: 2021 Assessment Fee. Oct 7/20 - File
- c) Access to Information and Protection Re: Statutory Review 2020. Oct 7/20 - File
- d) Children's Wish Foundation Re: Donation. Oct 13/20 – A discussion took place and **Motion 2020-11-69:** was made by Deputy Mayor Kane to donate \$25.00, it was seconded by Councillor Toope. Five in favor, motion carried.
- e) 60 Main Road requesting permission to operate as a vacation home. Oct 15/20 – A discussion took place and **Motion 2020-11-70:** was made by Councillor Marlow to approve 60 Main Road as a vacation home providing all other government agency approvals, it was seconded by Deputy Mayor Kane. Five in favor, motion carried.
- f) Ronald McDonald House Re: Donation. Oct 15/20 – A discussion took place and **Motion 2020-11-71:** was made by Deputy Mayor Kane to donate \$25.00, it was seconded by Councillor Toope. Five in agreement, motion carried.
- g) Dept. of MA Re: Call for 2021-2022 Municipal Infrastructure Applications deadline is November 13, 2020. Oct 20/20 - File
- h) Dept. of MA Re: Prime Consultant Agreement Process Changes. Oct 20/20 - File

i) Whaly NL Ltd. Re: Business proposal. Oct 20/20. – Mayor Miller informed Council that we have a business proposal from Whaly NL Ltd., to offer boats for rent with-in Trinity Harbour. He went on to say the business would like to operate from the boat launch in Trinity or place a couple of floating wharfs that will be removed after the season closes. As well he is requesting a shed be built in order to operate as a base to provide information and store safety equipment and complete transactions with customers. Councillor Marlow had some concerns and Mr. Matena explained that each boat would be powered by outboard Mercury motors and has all the safety equipment required to operate safely, from life jackets, GPS, a safety horn, safety lines, anchors, GPS and handheld radios. He explained that the boats will be in constant connection with the home base and the safety boat that will be on the water supervising and providing support as needed. A discussion took place and Council agreed that this was a great business idea and asked Mr. Matena to send in a drawing of the building he would like to construct so that we can send it to the Provincial Historic Sites for a review prior to any decision being made. Mr. Matena thanked Council and excused himself from the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Outgoing Correspondence

- Letter to 48 Route 239 denying the request to build a shed 32 x 50. Mayor Miller informed Council that Tyler Vokey had some concerns about his application being denied. Mr. Vokey asked why his shed was denied and others have gone up that are equally as big. Mayor Miller explained that we obviously made mistakes and don't want to make more but would like to work with him on this matter. Mayor Miller as well informed Mr. Vokey that his application is for an accessory building and he has nothing to be accessory to as there is no home or any other structure on the property. A discussion took place and Mayor Miller asked for a survey and plot plan prior to any decisions being made. Tyler Vokey and Wilson Vokey left the meeting at 7:45 p.m.
- Letter to 1 West Street with approval to extend the permit to build. - File
- Letter to 57/59 Route 239 requesting more information regarding what the structure will look like. - File
- Letter to 5 Water Street with approval to put in a French Door in the centre of the house and remove the side door. - File
- Letter to 6 Ash's Lane - File

Invoices for Operating Account from October 5th to 29th, 2020, \$23,462.76

A discussion took place and **Motion 2020-11-72:** was made by Deputy Mayor Kane to approve the invoices, it was seconded by Councillor Marlow. Five in favor, motion carried.

Income for Operating Account from October 5th to 29th, 2020, \$ 6,679.76

Finances:

Operating Account	\$133,933.27
Recreation Account	\$7,584.08
Playground Account	\$11,524.85

Donation	200.00
Playground Account	\$11,724.85
Trinity Festival Account	\$1,129.60

JCP	\$ 445.23
Supplies	1,610.15
JCP	-\$1,164.92

A discussion took place and **Motion 2020-11-73:** was made by Councillor Huys to accept the finances as presented, it was seconded by Councillor Marlow. Five in favor, motion carried.

New Business

Councillor Huys explained to Council that she felt given our situation we probably wouldn't get a playground committee formed and asked Council if we should purchase a piece of equipment and put it in storage to be installed next year. A discussion took place and Council asked to have the information regarding the piece of equipment forwarded so they could review prior to making any decision.

Deputy Mayor Kane informed Council that the Fort Point Lions Club would like permission to reopen the old path that leaves from behind the Lions Club and comes out up by the old train car at the Loop. A discussion took place and Council agreed for the Lions Club members to reopen the old path.

Ed Burry left the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Kane asked if Council would like to partner with the Fort Point Lions Club to have a community Christmas tree lighting in the center of Trinity. A discussion took place and Council agreed.

Town Clerk/Manager informed Council that the last time we had the roads graded John Vivian said we needed some work done on the pump house road. She went on to say that she had Bayview Equipment look at it and it will cost \$1,250.00 plus tax. Council agreed this work needed to be done and to have Bayview Equipment take care of it.

Town Clerk/Manager informed Council that since the gas pump across the street has been removed including the lights it is very dark along that stretch of road. A discussion took place and Council agreed to have a street light installed.

Mayor Miller informed Council that the Town Clerk/Manager tried to contact the Town Manager in Bonavista to find out how they are handling reducing the business tax and he didn't get back to her before the meeting. A discussion took place and Council agreed to defer this until the next meeting.

Michele DuRand left the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Motion 2020-11-74: was made by Councillor Huys to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m., it was seconded by Councillor Marlow. Five in favor, motion carried.

The next regular meeting of Council will be at 4:00 p.m., on December 14, 2020.

Mayor

Town Clerk/Manager