

A regular meeting of Council was held on Monday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, at the Town Hall at 7:00 p.m.

**Members Present:**

Mayor Jim Miller  
Deputy Mayor Scott Goldsworthy  
Councilor Tom Toope  
Councilor Christian Hayter - Zoom  
Councilor Ron Warren – Arrived at 7:15  
Town Clerk/Manager Linda Sweet

**Regrets:**

Water & Sewer Operator Glen Vokey

**Delegate:**

Elizabeth Burry, Chris Frape, Lily Seah, (Ian Morris- Zoom)

**Zoom:**

Michele DuRand, Ian Morris, Pam Sullivan, Noel Miller, Chris Hiscock

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

The minutes for February 7<sup>th</sup>, was circulated and Mayor Miller asked if there were any errors or omissions. No errors or omissions **Motion 2022-03-07:** was made by Deputy Mayor Goldsworthy to adopt the minutes of February 7<sup>th</sup>, it was seconded by Councillor Toope. Four in favor, motion carried.

**Motion 2022-03-08:** was made by Deputy Mayor Goldsworthy to adopt the agenda we post online; it was seconded by Councillor Hayter. Four in favor, motion carried.

**Business Arising:**

Mayor Miller informed Council that we are working on an RFP for a new Town Plan and Website and are hoping to have it ready within a month.

Mayor Miller informed that Council met with 21 West Street after the last meeting to discuss and seek clarification of using part of the public pathway for access and parking. Council agreed that 21 West Street could use the public pathway for access and parking but this did not give 21 West Street exclusive use or any permanent use of the pathway, also no structure could be placed on the public pathway and pedestrians could continue to use the public pathway.

Mayor Miller informed Council that Frank Lapointe has designed a drawing to cover the door facing the Post Office. He went on to say that this was decided at the last meeting in order to prevent snow and ice from coming down on anyone entering/leaving the building. He went on to say that he has sent it to the Heritage Foundation for approval but still has not had a reply. Council agreed to send it to the Heritage Committee and post it for 30 days.

Mayor Miller informed Council that we received four people interested to sit on the Festival Committee and one person interested in sitting on the Heritage Committee. Town Clerk/Manger to contact them and send any information necessary.

### **Fire Department**

Mayor Miller informed Council that the Fire Department had their election of officers and Doug Ballett was elected as Fire Chief. A discussion took place and **Motion 2022-03-09:** was made by Deputy Mayor Goldsworthy to approve Doug Ballett as Fire Chief, it was seconded by Councillor Toope. Four in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Miller informed Council that he thanked for former Chief George Hayter for his years of service.

Deputy Mayor Goldsworthy asked if we could get the updated list from the Fire Department and have it posted in the next issue of the Trinity Bight Enterprise. Mayor Miller will ensure this gets completed.

### **Heritage Committee**

Mayor Miller informed Council that 35 Fort Point Road application to build a house has been posted for 30 days and gone to the Heritage Committee. He went on to say that we didn't receive any objections or concerns. A discussion took place and **Motion 2022-03-10:** was made by Deputy Mayor Goldsworthy to approve the plans as presented, it was seconded by Councillor Toope. Four in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Miller informed Council that we received some information from 1 Hill Street regarding the proposed shed. A discussion took place and Council agreed that the information provided was not sufficient and requested further information before this could be sent to the Heritage Committee for review.

### **Delegates**

Elizabeth Burry proposed purchasing a portable defibrillator that could be placed outside of the Town Hall or another building from proceeds from the Trinity Anchor. Councillor Warren arrived at the meeting 7:15 p.m. A discussion took place and Council agreed this was a very generous offer and agreed to accept Ms. Burry's offer and thanked her. Some further research will be

completed by Ms. Burry on the defibrillator before purchasing but will be in place for the coming tourism season.

Mayor Miller informed Council that we received a complaint from Chris Frape that his fence along Ash's Lane was damaged on February 9<sup>th</sup>. He went on to say the Town Clerk/Manager contacted the operator and they informed her it was an accident.

Chris Frape explained that when this occurred there was no fog or snow and no ice on the road and more than two meters of his fence along Ash's Lane is damaged.

A discussion took place and Council agreed that given this was an accident they will write the contractor and inform them that from now on any damage done by the contractor they will be expected to let the homeowners know and the Town. As well they will also be informed that they are to follow up with you and it is expected that the fence will be repaired as it was an accident.

### **Incoming Correspondence**

- a) Kids Help Phone RE: Donation. – A discussion took place and **Motion 2022-03-11**: was made by Deputy Mayor Goldsworthy to donate \$50.00, it was seconded by Councillor Warren. Five in favor, motion carried.
- b) Peter Julian, MP, New Westminster, Burnaby RE: Bill C-229. A discussion took place and **Motion 2022-03-12**: was made by Councilor Hayter to deny the endorsement of Bill C-229, it was seconded by Councilor Warren. Councilor Toope in Favor, Mayor Miller and Deputy Mayor Goldsworthy in favor. Motion carried with three in favor to deny the endorsement of Bill C-229, two against.
- c) 4 Dock Lane Re: Request for the Town to install higher stop signs. – A discussion took place and Council agreed to look at the height of the stop signs and replace the posts that needed to be replaced.
- d) Dept. of Municipal and Provincial Affairs RE: Approval of \$2,000.00 for Municipal Come Home Year 2022 Celebration Grant. - File
- e) 6 Dock Lane RE: Changes to parking on Dock Road during the summer tourist season. – Mayor Miller read a letter of concern regarding proposed changes to parking on Dock Road during the summer tourist season. A discussion took place and Council agreed that parking in this area is an issue but one that would have to be brought to the attention of the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure as Dock Road is not a Town road. Town Clerk/Manager to write and ask to have no parking signs placed on the east side of Dock Road.
- f) Dept. of Transportation and Infrastructure Municipal Infrastructure RE: Legislative requirements for Notice of Award of Contract. - File
- g) Dept. of Transportation and Infrastructure Municipal Infrastructure RE: MSIS Updates – Training for External Users. - File
- h) 82 Main Road RE: Requesting to have water and sewer charges removed from the property as it is not possible to connect. – A discussion took place and Mayor Miller asked to have the Water & Sewer Operator look at the drawings to determine if water and sewer is accessible to the property and bring back to the next meeting.

- i) Municipal Assessment Agency RE: Update on the Municipal Assessment Agency - File
- j) 30 Water Street RE: Requesting a permit to replace two of the four cribs to the wharf. – A discussion took place and Council agreed to give a general repair permit to repair the wharf.
- k) Trinity Historical Society RE: Proposal for the Town to create a walking trail on the abandoned rail bed from Glen Cove to the Lockston side of Newell’s Neck. – A discussion took place and Mayor Miller informed Council that Hike Discovery are in the process of getting a license to occupy for the old rail bed and the majority of this proposed walking trail would fall within the boundaries. It was decided to defer this request until we see if Hike Discovery is successful in obtaining a license to occupy which would take in this trail as well.
- l) Dean Lodge, Municipality of Trinity Bay North RE: Recycling Program. – A discussion took place and Council agreed that they would like to explore a Regional Recycling Program for the Discovery Region but would like more information.
- m) Discovery Geopark RE: Potential collaborative relationships. File
- n) Municipalities NL RE: Support to spread the word about the benefits of regionalization. – File
- o) Trinity Historical Society RE: Town Map and app. A discussion took place and Council agreed that a town map was needed and something that we would look at for the coming season. Ms. Burry noted that she has one done that she gives out at her establishment and would share it with Council if they wanted to have a look. Council agreed to look at the map and try and get something done up for this summer and while development of our Town Plan is underway in 2022-2023 we would look at a more comprehensive map and app.

### Outgoing Correspondence

- Letter to 1 Hill Street requesting more information including a drawing, site plan, etc.
- Letter to Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs Re: supporting the petition to improve cell service. Cc Minister Andrew Parsons, Minister Steve Crocker, Minister John Hogan, Deputy Government House Leader Lisa Dempster, MP Churence Rogers and MHA Craig Pardy.

Invoices for Operating Account from Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>, to Mar 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022, \$142,899.04

A discussion took place and **Motion 2022-03-13:** was made by Deputy Mayor Goldsworthy to approve the invoice in the operating account, it was seconded by Councilor Warren. Five in favor, motion carried.

Operating Account	\$146,934.79
Trinity Festival Account	\$435.60
Southside Trail	\$435.00
Wellness	\$426.52
Gas Tax	\$5,927.31

A discussion took place and **Motion 2022-03-14:** was made by Councilor Toope to accept the finances as presented, it was seconded by Councilor Warren. Five in favor, motion carried.

## New Business

Mayor Miller informed Council that 3 Dock Lane has requested to build an extension to the building that has been approved and he is in a conflict of interest and is going to remove himself from the meeting. Mayor Miller left the meeting at 8:20 p.m. Deputy Mayor Goldsworthy took over the meeting and read a letter of concern from Ian White regarding the building at 3 Dock Lane. Mr. White expressed his concern that while the building is esthetically pleasing, he felt it should not go where it is proposed to go. He went on to say that from the many pictures of that area it appears there was never a building there. He went on to say there were many buildings of a warehouse/store type erected over the water of Dock Beach but none of the proposed style, shape or mass. He also noted *Secton 3.2.1* of the Municipal Plan that talks about the importance of protecting, preserving and presenting our streetscapes, scenic vistas, natural landscapes and *Policy G-1* states that it shall be a policy of Council to consider the visual impact of new developments. A discussion took place and Deputy Mayor Goldsworthy informed Mr. White that the building has already been approved and this was just for the addition. Mr. White explained that he didn't see the proposed building application as he thought the Historical Society had removed their application.

Deputy Mayor Goldsworthy asked the Town Clerk/Manager how the Heritage Committee responded. Town Clerk/Manager informed Council that Geoff Dawe declared a conflict of interest as he is on the board of the Historical Society, no response from Aiden Duff, Chris O'Dea approved the addition and Gerald Hiscock has concerns regarding what the building intended use was as he was under the understanding that Council didn't approve buildings unless they knew what the intended use was. It was clarified that the Historical Society would have to inform Council of the intended use of the building prior to any occupancy. Deputy Mayor Goldsworthy asked for a motion to approve or deny the proposed application for 3 Dock Lane. **Motion 2022-03-15:** was made by Councillor Toope to approve the proposed extension to the building at 3 Dock Lane, it was seconded by Councillor Warren. Four in favor, motion carried.

Deputy Mayor Goldsworthy informed Council that himself and Mayor Miller did an online Code of Conduct training that was very beneficial and will be mandatory for all Council and staff to have this training and additional training would be offered in the next few months.

**Motion 2022-03-16:** was made by Councilor Warren to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m., it was seconded by Councilor Toope. Four in favor, motion carried.

The next regular meeting of Council is Monday, April 4, 2022 at 7:00 p.m., at the Town Building.

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Mayor

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Town Clerk/Manager