

A regular meeting of Council was held on Tuesday, April 4th, at the Town Hall at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Mayor Jim Miller
Deputy Mayor Scott Goldsworthy
Councillor Tom Toope
Councillor Christian Hayter
Town Clerk/Manager Linda Sweet

Regrets:

Councillor Ron Warren - Working
Water & Sewer Operator Glen Vokey

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

The minutes for March 6th, was circulated and Mayor Miller asked if there were any errors or omissions. No errors or omissions were noted **Motion 2023-04-13:** was made by Deputy Mayor Goldsworthy, it was seconded by Councillor Hayter. Four in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Miller noted three additions to the agenda. **Motion 2023-04-14:** was made by Deputy Mayor Goldsworthy to adopt the agenda that was posted online with the three new additions, it was seconded by Councillor Toope. Four in favor, motion carried. The three additions were 10 Water Street building application, 59 High Street deck extension and, 14 Hannah Hiscock's Hill request to build a shed.

Business Arising:

Mayor Miller noted that we received the names of four people that would like to take part in the Ambassadors program. A discussion took place and Council agreed to proceed with the program providing Elizabeth Burry was going to organize it. Town Clerk/Manager to contact Ms. Burry.

Councillor Hayter noted that maybe we write the businesses and encourage them to inform bus drivers to park on Church Road as this would help with the congested traffic on Dock Lane as well ask that staff use the parking lot area and not Dock Lane.

Fire Department

Mayor Miller informed Council that The Once were sold out for April 15th and they were putting on a second show on April 14th.

Mayor Miller informed Council that the new tanker was applied for, and he did a follow-up letter with the Minister of Justice and Public Safety and the Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs.

Heritage Committee

Mayor Miller informed Council that 3 West Street's application to extension and addition of a new half storey above complete with dormers has been posted for 30 days with no objections/concerns and the Heritage Committee recommended the application. **Motion 2023-04-15:** was made by Deputy Mayor Goldsworthy to approve 3 West Street's application as presented, it was seconded by Councillor Toope. Four in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Miller informed Council that 35 Fort Point Road's request to build a stage on the approved wharf, garden shed, and sauna has been posted for 30 days with no objections/concerns and the Heritage Committee recommended the application. **Motion 2023-04-16:** was made by Councillor Toope to approve 35 Fort Point Road's application as presented, it was seconded by Councillor Hayter. Four in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Miller informed Council 8 West Street has requested to operate an ebike and camping kit rental business in the basement level of the building with the entrance facing Fisher Cove and install a 5' x 6' garage door in the proposed ebike rental shop with the location facing Fisher Cove. A discussion took place and **Motion 2023-04-17:** was made by Councillor Hayter to approve the proposed ebike and camping kit rental business, and add an historic looking garage door, it was seconded by Councillor Toope. Four in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Miller informed Council that 25 Water Street has requested to install a garden patio door 74" x 82" on the second level and construct a walkout deck over the front entrance overhang roof. A discussion took place and Council agreed that patio doors were not permitted in the heritage area, but French doors were allowable. Deputy Mayor Goldsworthy noted that several homes within the heritage area have patio doors. Mayor Miller noted that this took place prior to the area being taken in as heritage. **Motion 2023-04-18:** was made by Deputy Mayor Goldsworthy to approve French doors and explain that the existing patio doors were put in prior to the area being heritage and approve the walkout deck, it was seconded by Councillor Hayter. Four in favor, motion carried.

Town Clerk/Manager informed Council that we received an application from 10 Water Street to construct a new home. She went on to say that the application went to the heritage committee and they had questions/concerns and requested an onsite meeting with the owner. A discussion took place and Council agreed to have the application posted and set up an onsite meeting with the owner to address any concerns.

Mayor Miller informed Council that we received a request from 59 High Street to extend the deck by 1 meter on the south side of the property. A discussion took place and **Motion 2023-04-19:** was made by Deputy Mayor Goldsworthy to approve 1 meter extension of the deck on the south side of the property, it was seconded by Councillor Toope. Four in favor, motion carried.

Incoming Correspondence

- a) Town of New-Wes-Valley Re: Support to petition MNL to advocate that volunteer fire departments who are performing the non-traditional duties, get compensated for their time and efforts. – Letter signed and sent back.
- b) 81 Fort Point Road Re: Request to build a house and detached garage. A discussion took place and Council agreed that nothing changed from the previous application other than it had expired. **Motion 2023-04-20:** was made by Deputy Mayor Goldsworthy to approve the house plans as presented but not the garage until plans and plot plan is presented, it was seconded by Councillor Hayter. Four in agreement, motion carried.
- c) International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia. – A discussion took place and **Resolution 2023-04-21:** was made by Deputy Mayor Goldsworthy to proclaim May 17th, as International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia, it was seconded by Councillor Toope. Four in favor, resolution carried.
- d) Fort Point Lions Club Re: Invitation to attend the 44th Charter Celebration. – Mayor Miller thanked Councillor Hayter for attending Charter night on behalf of Council.
- e) Municipal Assessment Agency RE: Update – File
- f) 14 Hannah Hiscock’s Hill Re: Request to build a woodshed 8’ x 20’. Approved.

Outgoing Correspondence

- Letter to 43 High Street with approval to add three new windows to the front facing the street, replace the old door on the north side with a new one, replace the patio door with a 36” entrance door, and remove the top storey window and replace with a 36” entrance door to be used as a fire escape.
- Letter to Minister Loveless, Department of Transportation and Infrastructure requesting funding to have ditching, and guard rails replaced.

Invoices for Operating Account from March 3rd to 31, 2023, \$26,961.19. A discussion took place and **Motion 2023-04-22:** was made by Deputy Mayor Goldsworthy to approve the invoices in the operating account, it was seconded by Councillor Toope. Four in favor, motion carried.

Income for Operating Account from March 3rd to 30th, 2023, \$55,754.98

Operating Account	\$87,798.63
Southside Trail	\$435.00
Fire Dept. funds	\$52,818.82
The Once Ticket Sale	945.00
Fire Dept. Funds	\$53,763.82

A discussion took place and **Motion 2023-04-23:** was made by Councillor Toope to approve the finances as presented, it was seconded by Councillor Hayter. Four in agreement, motion carried.

New Business

- Garbage Contract (Two years up April 28th)
- Town Clerk/Manager informed Council that the garbage contract will end on April 28th. A

discussion took place and Council agreed to post for bids and do a two year contract with the closing date April 20th at noon.

A discussion took place regarding road work, and it was agreed that Council Hayter and the Town Clerk/Manager would get together prior to the next meeting to investigate what road work needed to be upgraded/repared.

Motion 2023-04-24: was made by Deputy Mayor Goldsworthy to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m., it was seconded by Councillor Toope. Four in favor, motion carried.

The next regular meeting of Council will be Monday, May 1, 2023, at 7:00 p.m., at the Town Building.

Mayor

Town Clerk/Manger