

A regular meeting of Council was held on Tuesday, October 10, at the Town Hall at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present:

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

Regrets:

Water & Sewer Operator Glen Vokey

Visitor:

Michele DuRand, Tom Kennedy, Wayne White, Tony Huys

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

The minutes for September 5th were circulated and Mayor Goldsworthy asked if there were any errors or omissions. No errors or omissions were noted **Motion 2023-10-62:** was made by Councillor Hayter to adopt the minutes of September 5th, it was seconded by Councillor Toope. Mayor Goldsworthy, Councillors Toope and Hayter in agreement, no objections, motion carried.

Mayor Goldsworthy noted additional pieces of correspondence were to be added to the agenda. **Motion 2023-10-63:** was made by Councillor Hayter to adopt the agenda that was posted online with the new additions, it was seconded by Councillor Toope. Mayor Goldsworthy, Councillors Toope and Hayter in favor, no objections, motion carried.

Mayor Goldsworthy noted that Ron Warren resigned from Council effective September 19th, due to workload and school commitments and felt he could not give his appointment the attention it deserves. Mayor Goldsworthy thanked current Councillor Warren for his time served and wished him every success in future endeavors.

Mayor Goldsworthy informed Council that we would need to call a by-election to fill two positions. A discussion took place and **Motion 2023-10-65:** was made by Councillor Hayter to call a by-election on November 21, 2023 and nomination day be held on October 25, 2023, it was seconded by Councillor Tooper. Mayor Goldsworthy, Councillors Toope and Hayter in agreement, no objections, motion carried.

Mayor Goldsworthy informed Council that we received on bid to do the road repair work at 48 High Street at a cost of \$3,400.00 plus tax. A discussion took place and **Motion 2023-10-66:** was made by Councillor Toope to accept the bid of \$3,400.00 plus tax to have the work at High Street completed this year, it was seconded by Councillor Hayter. Mayor Goldsworthy, Councillors Toope and Hayter in agreement, no objections, motion carried.

Fire Department

Mayor Goldsworthy asked the Town Clerk/Manager to contact the department and ask that a member be present at the next meeting of Council to bring a report on behalf of the department.

Water & Sewer Operator

Mayor Goldsworthy informed Council that the calcium has been ordered to brine the sewer line going to Fort Point, as well Xylem has been booked to come out and do regular maintenance on the pumps.

Heritage Committee

Councillor Hayter asked if 10 Water Street's application could be sent back to the heritage committee for a final review before any building permit being issued.

Incoming Correspondence

- a) Ian Morris and Kevin Toope Re: South Side Trail. – Mayor Goldsworthy read the letter that explained the letter dated September 5th, didn't include Ed Burry who also made a major contribution to the creation these trails and has been involved with their maintenance. - File
- b) 36 Water Street, 37 Water Street and 7 Stoneman's Lane RE: Request to have the right of way snow cleared. Wayne White spoke on behalf of the request to have the snow cleared. He expressed his frustration that roads in Trinity where no one is living during the winter are receiving snow clearing and some residents that live here full time must pay for snow clearing as it is not provided to all roads. A discussion took place and Council agreed that this is not a road but a right of way and explained that we have many other right of ways that don't get cleared, as well we have town roads that don't get cleared as they are deemed walking paths and not used as vehicle use. After much discussion Council agreed to have the contractor look at these roads to see what the additional cost would be as this could result in retendering our snow clearing contract.
- c) Derrick R. Drodge Re: Engagement letter for our 2022 audit. -File
- d) Marsh Builders Re: Request a permit for 26 Water Street to change the existing cribbing and replace with 8 x 8 Marine Grade Pressure Treated lumber. – The application has been submitted to Water Resources Management Division for approval before the Town can give approval.
- e) 107 Main Road Re: Request to remove the wheelchair ramp and create a deck with steps. A discussion took place and Council approved the request as presented.
- f) Municipal Assessment Agency Re: 2024 Assessment Service Fee at \$26.00 per parcel. – Town/Clerk Manager to use while preparing the 2024 budget.
- g) Miles For Smiles Foundation – Mayor Goldsworthy read and signed the proclamation and proclaimed October as National Child Abuse Prevention Month.
- h) 9 Galavan's Lane Re: A request to erect a temporary storage structure in the driveway. A

discussion took place and Council agreed that temporary structures were not permitted in the heritage area therefore the request was denied.

i) 6 Water Street Re: Request to have a street light installed near the town's infrastructure on Water Street. A discussion took place and **Motion 2023-10-67:** was made by Councillor Hayter to have a streetlight installed on Water Street, it was seconded by Councillor Toope. Mayor Goldsworthy, Councillors Toope and Hayter in agreement, no objections, motion carried.

j) Ronald McDonald House Re: Donation – Council agreed to give the usual donation of \$50.00.

k) Bishop White School Re: Hosting this years SSNL 2A Varsity Girls Slo-Pitch Provincial Tournament from October 12th to 14th and requesting a donation. A discussion took place and **Motion 2023-10-68:** was made by Councillor Toope to donate \$200.00 to the Bishop White School for the Provincial Tournament, it was seconded by Councillor Hayter. Mayor Goldsworthy, Councilors Toope and Hayter in favor, no objections, motion carried.

Outgoing Correspondence

-Thank you letter to the volunteers of the South Side Trail.

Invoices for Operating Account from September 2nd to 29th, 2023, \$33,110.0. A discussion took place and **Motion 2023-10-69:** was made by Councillor Toope to approve the invoices in the operating account, it was seconded by Councillor Hayter. Mayor Goldsworthy, Councillor Toope and Hayter in favor, no objections, motion carried.

Income for Operating Account from September 1st, to 28th, 2023, \$25,972.57

Operating Account	\$110,956.55
Southside Trail	\$435.00
Trail Markers	82.80
Southside Trail	\$352.20
Fire Dept. Funds	\$57,798.82
Fort to Forge	\$10,017.50
Trinity Festival	\$5,827.45

A discussion took place and **Motion 2023-10-70:** was made by Councillor Toope to approve the finances as presented, it was seconded by Councillor Hayter. Mayor Goldsworthy, Councillor Toope and Hayter in agreement, no objections, motion carried.

New Business

Town Clerk/Manager informed Council that the Trinity Festival made a profit of \$5,827.45 and the committee are requesting to have power installed to the bandstand. She went on to say that the estimated cost to have the work done was \$3,700.00 plus tax and the building would require a proper door and lock. A discussion took place and Council agreed for the committee to use these funds to have the necessary work completed.

Councillor Hayter informed Council that the Fort to Forge was a huge success with 109 runners/walkers participating which was the biggest year ever. He went on to say that this year

the money raised will be split between Fort Point Lions Club and Trinity and Area Volunteer Fire Department and should be approximately \$6,000.00 each after expenses. He also noted that we had a huge turnout of volunteers for the event.

Mayor Goldsworthy noted that the draft of the Municipal Plan and Development Regulations were circulated but Council had some changes that needed to be made so this will be deferred to November meeting.

Mayor Goldsworthy informed Council that we received a request from Newfoundland Power to bring power to 81 Fort Point Road and we needed to approve the structure locations. A discussion took place and Council approved the pole location plan.

A discussion took place and **Motion 2023-10-71:** was made by Councillor Toope to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m., it was seconded by Councillor Hayter. Mayor Goldsworthy, Councillor Toope and Hayter in favor, no objections, motion carried.

The next regular meeting of Council will be Thursday, November 9, 2023, at 7:00 p.m., at the Town Building.

Mayor

Town Clerk/Manger