

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

**Members Present:**

Mayor Paul Stapleton  
Deputy Mayor Christian Hayter  
Councillor Tom Toope  
Councillor Barbara Warren  
Councillor Kevin Ealey  
Town Clerk/Manager Linda Sweet  
Water & Sewer Operator Glen Vokey  
Fire Chief George Hayter

**Visitors;** Janet Carew, Michele DuRand, Dean Collins

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

**Motion 2024-10-65:** was made by Councillor Ealey to adopt the agenda that was posted online, it was seconded by Deputy Mayor Hayter. Mayor Stapleton, Deputy Mayor Hayter, Councillors Toope, Warren and Ealey in agreement, no objections, motion carried.

**Motion 2024-10-66:** was made by Councillor Warren to adopt the minutes of September 3<sup>rd</sup>, it was seconded by Deputy Mayor Hayter. Mayor Stapleton, Deputy Mayor Hayter, Councillors Toope, Warren and Ealey in agreement, no objections, motion carried.

**Motion 2024-10-67:** was made by Councillor Warren to adopt the minutes of September 24<sup>th</sup>, it was seconded by Councillor Ealey. Mayor Stapleton, Deputy Mayor Hayter, Councillors Toope, Warren and Ealey in agreement, no objections, motion carried.

Mayor Stapleton informed Council that a Public Hearing with an Independent Commissioner was scheduled to consider objections and representations on the Municipal Plan and Development Regulations for September 23<sup>rd</sup>, and the deadline for objections or representations was September 19<sup>th</sup>, but we didn't get any written objections or representations, so the Public Hearing was cancelled. A discussion took place and

**Resolution 2024-10-68:** was made by Councillor Ealey to adopt the Town of Trinity Municipal Plan, 2024 and the Town of Trinity Development Regulations, 2024, it was seconded by Councillor Toope. Mayor Stapleton, Deputy Mayor Hayter, Councillors Toope, Warren and Ealey in agreement, no objections, motion carried.

**Fire Department**

Fire Chief Hayter informed Council that Thomas Coffey Technical Services was at the Fire Hall doing an inspection on the tanker to check gauges and hose fittings.

Fire Chief Hayter also informed Council that the Fire Department were hosting an Open House on Thursday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

## **Water & Sewer**

The Water and Sewer operator informed Council that we were still on a Boil Water Advisory. He went on to explain that the Public Health Officer was down today to take samples and if they came back satisfactory, they would require a second set of samples before the advisory will be lifted.

## **Incoming Correspondence**

- a) Dept. of Fisheries, Forestry & Agriculture GIS and Mapping Division Re: Invitation to submit feature names for the NL Geographical Names Database. - File
- b) Dept. of Municipal and Provincial Affairs Re: Ultimate Recipient Canada Community-Building Fund Administrative Agreement 2024-2034. – Mayor Stapleton informed that this was taken care of at a Special Meeting on September 24<sup>th</sup>.
- c) 11 Railway Road Re: Request to build a shed 12 x 16. – Town Clerk/Manager informed Council that she has requested a drawing and once provided she will forward to them.
- d) Service NL Re: Boil Water Advisory. - File
- e) Joan Kane Re: The brush going up to The Loop. – A discussion took place and Council agreed that this is something that needs to be looked at. Councillor Warren suggested we look at getting some funding. She went on to say that we may be able to tap into some funding under the climate change as this road could be another way out of Trinity in case something happened to Route 230.
- f) Dept. of Justice and Public Safety Re: 2024/25 Fire Protection Financial Assistance Grant. - Mayor Stapleton informed Council that we received a grant under the 80/20 Provincial/Municipal ratio to purchase 6 SCBA's and Cylinders for the Fire Department.
- g) Miles for Smiles Re: Proclamation. – A discussion took place and **Motion 2024-10-69:** was made by Councillor Warren to proclaim the month of October 2024 to be National Child Abuse Prevention Month in Trinity, it was seconded by Councillor Toope. Mayor Stapleton, Deputy Mayor Hayter, Councillors Toope, Warren and Ealey in agreement, no objections, motion carried.
- h) Dept. of Municipal and Provincial Affairs Re: 2025 Municipal Budget Form. – Town Clerk/Manager to arrange for a budget meeting in mid-November.

## **Outgoing Correspondence**

- Letter to 14 Clinch's Lane to approve the deck.

Invoices for Operating Account from September 2<sup>nd</sup>, to October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024, \$18,466.42. A discussion took place and **Motion 2024-10-70:** was made by Councillor Warren to approve the invoices in operating account, it was seconded by Deputy Mayor Hayter. Mayor Stapleton, Deputy Mayor Hayter, Councillors Toope, Warren and Ealey in agreement, no objections, motion carried.

Income for Operating Account from September 2<sup>nd</sup>, to October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024, \$49,485.02

<b>Operating Account</b>	<b>\$110,746.75</b>
<b>Southside Trail</b>	<b>\$283.20</b>
<b>Fort to Forge</b>	<b>\$11,725.09</b>
<b>Trinity Festival</b>	<b>\$4,226.30</b>

A discussion took place and **Motion 2024-10-71:** was made by Councillor Toope to approve the finances as presented, it was seconded by Councillor Ealey. Mayor Stapleton, Deputy Mayor Hayter, Councillors Toope, Warren and Ealey in agreement, no objections, motion carried.

### **New Business**

The Town Clerk/Manager informed Council that we agreed to review the list of roads that we are currently snow clearing and review the requests that have been coming in over the years for the roads that we are not clearing.

Mayor Stapleton asked if Deputy Mayor Hayter and Councillor Toope would review the list of roads and bring back recommendations to Council.

Deputy Mayor Hayter informed Council that the Fort to Forge run/walk was very well attended with 118 participants registered. He went on to say that changing the finish line and having live music made a huge difference.

Mayor Stapleton thanked all the volunteers for their support and well-organized event.

Councillor Warren informed Council that she has been in contact with Gordon Wall, Field Operations Officer with MMSB regarding recycling for Trinity Bight. She went on to explain that they may consider a mobile collection as well as an education and marketing program. Councillor Warren has agreed to follow up with Mr. Wall and bring back any new development to Council.

Deputy Mayor Hayter informed Council that on October 3<sup>rd</sup>, himself, Mayor Stapleton, Mayor Dean Bailey and Deputy Mayor Wanda Rex of Port Rexton, and members of the Trail Association met to discuss opening the trail from Lethbridge to Bonavista. He went on to say that Trinity would need to apply to the Crown for a License to Occupy (LTO) the old railbed from the beginning of the track near the fire hall to Lockston and Port Rexton would do the same on the opposite side.

A discussion took place and Mayor Stapleton informed Council that at the next meeting we would put forth a motion to apply for a LTO from the Crown for that section of the railbed and if approved we would set rules, regulations, insurance and liability to the Trail Association.

Councillor Warren asked what else was needed to have cruise ships be a port stop to Trinity. She explained that she is working on a tentative agenda for 2025 Adventure Canada.

Deputy Mayor Hayter explained that he must complete the Occasional-Use Marine Facility Questionnaire and would start working on it. He went on to say he would contact Transport Canada for some guidance on filling out the questionnaire.

**Motion 2024-10-72:** was made by Councillor Ealey to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m., it was seconded by Councillor Warren. Mayor Stapleton, Deputy Mayor Hayter, Councillors Toope, Warren and Ealey in agreement, no objections, motion carried.

The next regular meeting of Council will be Monday, November 4, at 7:00 p.m., at the Town Building.

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Mayor

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Town Clerk/Manager