

**Meeting # 10
December 4th, 2018**

Present: Mayor Cashin
Deputy Mayor Hann
Councillor Martin
Councillor Johnston
Councillor McCann

Mayor Cashin called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m
Minutes of last meeting held on November 13th, 2018
Mayor Cashin asked if there were any errors or omissions.

Motion 73-2018 Councillor Johnston / Deputy Mayor Hann

Resolved, that, the minutes of meeting held on November 13th, be adopted as presented with one change to reflect that Councillor McCann was not in attendance due to bereavement leave.

**All In Favor
Motion Carried.**

Correspondence:

- Southwest Coast SPCA – Requesting consideration of an annual grant to assist them with operating costs and/or paying one of their bills on a monthly basis. However, any assistance would be greatly appreciated. Council did not approve this request because it is not in the town’s budget.
- Gudie Hutchings, MP – Re: National Housing Co-Investment Fund & New Construction.
- Stephenville High School – Extending an invitation to Mayor Cashin to attend their Annual Scholarship Awards Ceremony on Tuesday, December 18, 2018 – Mayor Cashin will attend.
- Stephenville High School – Extending an invitation to Mayor Cashin to attend the Annual Cap and Gown Graduation ceremony on Wednesday, December 19th, 2018 – Mayor Cashin will not attend due to commitments at Piccadilly Central High School.

Finances: Accounts Payable
Accounts Payable Total ----- \$62,473.79

Motion 74-2018 Councillor Johnston / Councillor Martin

Resolved, that, the list of accounts payable attached, be approved for payment.

**All In Favor
Motion Carried**

Items for Discussion

- Bacteriological Water Analysis Report – Nov. 20th, 2018. Satisfactory
- Budget for year 2019

Motion 75-2018

Councillor Martin / Deputy Mayor Hann

Resolved, that, Budget 2019 as presented by Clerk be adopted.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

- Tax Structure – 2019. Clerk will conduct a telephone poll after gathering information on tax structures for Town's in the immediate area.
- Letter from Brian Buckle, Diocese of Corner Brook & Labrador – Re: Land – Clerk contacted Mr. Brian Buckle and requested information on exactly what land belongs to the Diocese. We have no information on file as the Diocese does not pay property taxes to the town.
- St. Thomas Aquinas School Waste Disposal – deferred until next meeting to gather more information.
- Items for End of Year Newsletter
 - A suggestion would be to include the newsletter with 2019 bills and ask if Homeowners/Landlords would provide the Fire Dept. with a list of all renters of their properties. This would allow the town to charge poll taxes to those that are working and to aid the F. Dept in accounting for all persons in the event of an emergency. Residents depositing snow in ditches. Causing issues with flooding in the spring.
 - Accomplishments in 2018

Clerk will enclose a copy of the Town's Newsletter with statement/invoices for 2019.

Other Info:

- Infrastructure – Vol 23, No 10, Nov. 2018
- Muskrat Falls – September 2018 Highlights

Adjournment

Motion 76-2018

Councillor McCann / Deputy Mayor Hann

Time of Adjournment 7:55 p.m

Mayor

Jim Cashin

Clerk

Florence Baxter

**Telephone Poll
December 10th, 2018**

Clerk conducted a Telephone Poll in regards to proposed increases in the Town of Port au Port East's Tax Structure for 2019. Upon review of taxes of Stephenville, Stephenville Crossing, Kippens and St. George's, the following changes would be implemented and that a fee for Landscaping will be deferred for more discussion.

Motion 77-2018

Councillor McCann / Deputy Mayor Hann

Resolved, that, the following changes be implemented in the 2019 Tax Structure for the Town of Port au Port East:

General Repairs – 10.00 (increase of 5.00)

Fences – 10.00 (increase of 5.00)

Demolition – 10.00 (increase of 5.00)

All other taxes will remain the same as was in 2018.

Mayor Cashin – Yes

Deputy Mayor Hann – Yes

Councillor McCann – Yes but requested that the tax structure not include "Landscaping as a separate. Included in General Repairs"

Councillor Johnston – Yes

Councilor Martin – Yes

Motion Carried