

Meeting # 2
February 8, 2021

Present: Mayor James Cashin
Deputy Mayor Eileen Hann
Councillor Michael McCann
Councillor Gordon Johnston
Councillor Elaine Martin – work commitments

Mayor Cashin called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m

Guests Mr. Tony Wakeham MHA
Mr. Kevin Aylward

Council invited Mr. Wakeham and Mr. Aylward to attend our meeting separately to discuss issues that are of importance to residents of Port au Port East, and the peninsula as a whole. The intent was to gauge support from the candidates for transfer of Romaines Road back to the province. Mayor Cashin drafted a letter to see whether or not each one would be in support of our request. Councillor McCann said that he was not aware of this letter until minutes before this meeting commenced. He would have liked the opportunity to review and provide input. Both candidates signed the letter stating their support. Other issues of concern ie: Romaines Bridge, Education, Tourism & Health Care were mentioned.

MHA Wakeham joined our meeting at 6 p.m - 6:40 p.m and Mr. Aylward arrived at 7:25 – 8:00 p.m. Mayor Cashin thanked each candidate for attending and Council carried on with our regular meeting.

Minutes of last meeting held on January 12, 2021

Motion 12-2021 Councillor McCann / Councillor Johnston

Resolved, that, the minutes of meeting held on January 12th, be approved as presented.

All In Favor
Motion Carried

Correspondence:

- Stephenville Airport – recruiting volunteers to serve on the Board of Directors. We have no one available to serve.
- “Thank You” from the Stephenville, Kippen’s, Port au Port Search and Rescue.
- News Release – Transportation and Infrastructure – Announcement of Funding for Romaines Waterline Replacement.

- Letter from Jan Crane – Chair, St. Thomas Aquinas School. Re: “Hang Out” for Youth. This will not be happening in the near future due to lack of use of the facilities that were there at one time, and that equipment was destroyed. Clerk will write a letter of response to Ms Crane to say that we may revisit in the future.
- Letter of Support for High Speed Internet in Newfoundland and Labrador. Clerk will send letter of support.
- Spring Clean Up – Week starting May 25, 2021
- Government of NL – Acceptance of 2021 Municipal Budget

Finances: Accounts Payable _____ **\$40,641.40**

Motion 13-2021

Councillor Johnston / Deputy Mayor Hann

Resolved, that, the accounts payable in the above amount be approved for payment.

All In Favor

Motion Carried.

Items for Discussion:

- Bacteriological Water Analysis Report : January 12, 2021 – Satisfactory
- Diocese of Corner Brook & Labrador – Brian Buckle – Land

Motion 14-2021

Councillor Johnston / Deputy Mayor Hann

Resolved, that, the Town of Port au Port East will purchase the land that is presently being leased to the town by the Diocese of Corner Brook & Labrador.

Be it further resolved :

- a) The sale price of the land is \$1.00.
- b) The land could not be resold without the consent of the Diocese, who will have the right to first refusal on any resale of the property for \$1.00.
- c) The Town would be responsible for all cost including survey and legal costs.
- d) All Town taxes on all Parish properties are to be waived into perpetuity.
- e) The land is not to be sub-divided or developed for use other than by the Town and the town will not erect buildings for resale or rental.
- f) The Town will continue to allow members of the Twilight 50+ Club to park on the property.
- g) The Town will permit a road to be built on the land next to the Priest House if the Diocese requires access to the land in the future.

All In Favor
Motion Carried

- Invoice from Smith Community Planning for \$8,500.00 – Municipal Plan / Regulations

Motion 15-2021

Councillor McCann / Councillor Johnston

Resolved, that, invoice # 27 from Smith Community Planning (Municipal Plan & Regulations) be approved for payment

All In Favor
Motion Carried

Clerk will contact Mr. Smith regarding the fact that data compiled was based on a small number of survey respondents. Inquire if this survey can be sent out again.

- Booster Pump – our backup leaks under the base. Fine spray coming out around the shaft

Motion 16-2021

Deputy Mayor Hann / Councillor McCann

Resolved, that, the Town will purchase a new booster pump and that efforts will be made to repair the one that is leaking. Maintenance workers will take apart the pumps to try and make a working one from them.

All In Favor
Motion Carried

- New Funding: Canada Healthy Communities Initiative. Place in file.

Other Info:

- Recycling Product News - Nov/Dec 2020
- Infrastructure – Dec. 2020

Adjournment:

Motion 17-2021

Deputy Mayor Hann / Councillor McCann

Time of Adjournment: 8:10 p.m

Mayor

Jim Cashin

Clerk

Florence Baster