

**Regular Meeting
February 14, 2023**

Present: Mayor Jim Cashin
Deputy Mayor Eileen Hann
Councillor Gordon Johnston
Councillor Art Barry
Councillor Edith Gaudon
Some members of the public

Mayor Cashin called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m

Guest : A resident asked to speak regarding Mil Rate/Assessment Value/Tax Increases and Snow around Fire Hydrants.

XXX had requested that she be able to ask Council some questions to clarify concerns that she had. Her taxes and that of others had increased this year. Council explained that taxes are billed according to the value placed on properties by the Municipal Assessment Agency. In regards to Fire Hydrants, she was informed that these were being cleared out. Mayor Cashin asked if she was satisfied with the responses and she was. Council then moved on to the meeting.

Minutes of Meeting held on January 10, 2023

Motion 08-2023 **Deputy Mayor Hann/Councillor**
Resolved, that, the minutes of meeting held on January 10, 2023 be adopted as presented.

All In Favor
Motion Carried

Correspondence:

- Request from a resident on Romaines Road for a sign (Autistic Child)

Motion 09-2023 **Councillor Barry/Councillor Johnston**
Resolved, that, a sign will be ordered for installation in the Spring of 2023.

All In Favor
Motion Carried

Finances: Accounts Payable _____ \$ 17,020.28

Motion 10-2023 **Councillor Johnston/Deputy Mayor Hann**

Resolved, that, the Accounts Payable be approved for payment.

Vote: Mayor Cashin yes
Deputy Mayor Hann yes
Councillor Barry yes
Councillor Gaudon no
Councillor Johnston yes

Motion Carried

Items for Discussion

- Bacteriological Water Analysis Report – Jan. 17- Satisfactory
- Budget – Motion to amend as recommended by Municipal Affairs

Motion 11-2023

Councillor Johnston/Councillor Barry

Resolved, that, the 2023 Budget be amended as directed by Municipal Affairs.

All In Favor

Motion Carried

- Call-In Office Clerk – Ad will be posted
- Letter submitted to council by residents outlining some concerns. Mayor Cashin asked if anyone would speak on behalf of the group. A resident came forward to speak. She became upset and left the meeting
- Fire Department :
Motion to have a new Fire Chief – Darren was recommended by Wayne and Wayne would take position as Deputy Chief.

Motion 12-2023

Councillor Gaudon/Councillor Barry

Resolved, that, Darren Benoit will be the new Fire Chief and that Wayne Deaves will be Assistant Chief going forward.

All In Favor

Motion Carried

Motion that the Fire Dept. will only respond to areas that pay a yearly fee for service.

Motion 13-2023

Councillor Johnston/Councillor Barry

Resolved, that the Port au Port will respond to calls within their Area of Responsibility only.

All In Favor

Motion Carried

Motion 14-2023

Councillor Johnston/Councillor Barry

Adjournment

Time of Adjournment : 5:15 p.m

All In Favor

Motion Carried

Mayor

Clerk/Manager

Finances: Accounts Payable

• Containerized Sanitation – Waste Disposal Contract (Jan)	3220.10
• Eastlink – Internet	118.38
• Central Office Equipment – Metre usage	61.34
• Florence Barter – F. Dept (Gasoline Containers)	136.57
• Canada Post Corporation – Postage Stamps	317.14
• Precision Enterprises – Snow Clearing Contract (Jan)	7750.00
• ELC Contracting – Culvert	2673.75
• Municipal Assessment Agency Q1	2743.00

Total **\$ 17,020.28**

Town	16,883.71
F. Dept	136.57