

## **MINUTES**

Town of Port au Port East  
Regular Council Meeting March 28, 2023

Minutes of a regular meeting of the council of the  
Town of Port au Port East  
held in the Town Hall, March 28<sup>th</sup>, at 4:30 P.M.

**Present:** Mayor Jim Cashin  
Deputy Mayor Eileen Hann  
Councilor Gordan Johnston  
Councilor Art Barry  
Councilor Edith Gaudon  
Fire Department Wayne Deaves  
Acting Town Clerk Alex White

19 members of the public

**Mayor Cashin called the meeting to order at 4:31pm**

**Motion 18-2023** Eileen Hann/ Gordon Johnston  
Resolved to appoint Alex White as Town Clerk to take minutes for this meeting (March 28<sup>th</sup>)

**All in Favour  
Approved**

**Guest:** A resident asked to speak regarding snow clearing.

XXX asked about T4 slips being issued for counselors in regards to their private driveways being snow cleared by the town's contracted snow clearer. Mayor Cashin's response was that it was dealt with in full at the time by municipal affairs and there were no T4s issued because counselors paid for their own snow clearing.

**Guest:** Former Chief Wayne Deaves attended as a Fire Department (FD) representative to answer questions brought up at a previous meeting.

Issues addressed were new vehicle purchase and finances. Mayor Cashin reminded attendants that the FD is shared between Port au Port East and Port au Port West so consensus must be reached between both councils for major decisions. A list of potential vehicles was provided by Counselor Barry to Deaves, and the suggestion was made to have a joint meeting between Port au Port East and Port au Port West.

Counselor Gaudon raised an issue with ATIPP response time. Counselor Gaudon asserted that she felt unsafe attending council meetings due to an incident involving

yelling, facial expressions, and body language. Counselor Gaudon further asserted that she felt the need to have witnesses when engaging with the Town Clerk due to the fear of being charged with abuse or harassment, and that the previous two issues had been e-mailed to Municipality Affairs the day before. Mayor Cashin stated that those were slanderous accusations and could not finish his statement before the gallery got disruptive.

Mayor Cashin attempted to establish order but the gallery was uncooperative. After several attempts over a period of five (5) minutes, Mayor Cashin adjourned the meeting and asked all attendants to vacate the building multiple times, but a portion refused to do so.

**Meeting adjourned at 5:02PM**