

**Tuesday, April 26, 2022
Town Office – 6:00 p.m.**

Attendance: Lloyd Blake Roy Drake Colby Whittle
 Neil Bond Donald Stewart Loretta Abbott
 Fabian Manning

Also Attending: Tanya Rogers Jody Soper

Absent: n/a

Special Guests: King Lion Georgina Ollerhead and Trevor Hodder, Central Representative with the Ambulance Association

Guests attended the meeting to provide council with an update on the Ambulance situation in Town (and the Region) given the current situation with doctor shortage/diversion, etc. The Ambulance Committee has been working tirelessly to ensure ambulance services are not disrupted during these difficult times.

Various obstacles, such as staffing shortages, training/certification requirements, were discussed, as well as possible outcomes of the proposed Health Accord.

Central Health has been very helpful in accommodating Paramedics at a vacant Doctors residence.

The Association has acquired a temporary routine ambulance for Harbour Breton that is approved until August 31, 2022. If this date is going to be extended, a new (second hand) ambulance will be needed since the one they currently have cannot be used after July 31, 2022.

The Association has also been advocating for a second permanent primary ambulance for Harbour Breton as well. If approved, staffing the ambulance may be an issue.

It was stressed that, all communities in the Coast of Bays need to work together in advocating for Health Care in the Region, specifically for increased ambulances and staff as the Doctor shortage continues.

~Guests left the meeting at 6:52~

Mayor Blake called the meeting to order 6:53 p.m. He then asked if there were any additions to the Agenda, as presented and circulated.

Motion #22- 056: D. Stewart/N. Bond

Resolved that the Agenda be adopted as presented, as circulated, with the additional items noted.

In Favour: 7 Abstained:0 Opposed: 0 Motion Carried.

Errors/Omissions: n/a

Motion #22-057: N. Bond/F. Manning

Resolved that the Minutes of April 12, 2022 be adopted as presented, as circulated.

In Favour: 7 Abstained: 0 Opposed: 0 Motion Carried.

Business Arising: Minutes of April 12, 2022:

- a.) Coast Guard: - Mayor Blake spoke with MP Small regarding the issue. MP Small will get back to the Town with the appropriate contact information;
- b.) 86 & 88 Main Road North – Deadline for response is June 1, 2022. Residents of 88 MRN called to inform the Town that plans are underway to have the area cleaned up but they are waiting on the contractor. No response as of yet from resident of 86 MRN;

- c.) Sheds on shoreline below Landslide – Letter sent to one owner. Letter to be sent to resident of 11 Spencer’s Brook Road to determine if this person is the owner of the second shed;
- d.) Councillor Orientation – Due to the low numbers, the Department of Municipal Affairs cannot do the training in person. The training is available virtually on May 28th. Interested councillors are to contact the Office to be registered;
- e.) Resident of 34 Main Road North – Application for a Domestic Sawmill. Deadline for comment, was 12 noon on April 26. No comments/objections were received. Application approved subject to the following conditions;
 - All sawdust is to be disposed of at the compost site;
 - Hours of operation are from 7am-11pm daily;
 - The area is to be kept clean and tidy at all times;
 - The Town has the right to revoke the permit at any time;
 - The Permit is non-transferrable;

Motion #22-058: N. Bond/C. Whittle

Resolved that the application to operate a domestic sawmill at 34 Main Road North be approved subject to the conditions listed above.

In Favour: 6 Abstained: 0 Opposed: 1 (D. Stewart) Motion Carried.

- f.) Rocky Point Cemetery – Councillor Stewart spoke with (Councillor Manning) Dynamic Construction regarding the water issue. Dynamic Construction will resolve the issue in the area;
- g.) ACOA Funding – Reinventing Main Streets. Original plan of constructing a trail/walking path along Canada Drive does not qualify. An event (with minimum infrastructure costs) to draw people to the area is recommended. An application is being submitted for a “Buy Local/Local Lunches” Campaign that includes a sidewalk sale and outdoor eating area.
- h.) Green Crab Project – The EDO feels this would be too much to take on over the summer being her first year, along with come home year. She would have looked at it in the fall but this does not work for DFO. Agreed to proceed with the application to hire a coordinator.
- i.) Fire Chiefs Position – Deadline for applications was 12:00 noon, April 26th; No applications were received. Mayor Blake will speak with the Acting Fire Chief regarding the situation;
- j.) Fighting for our Health Committee – Review of names submitted for Committee. Town Manager to speak with the Town of St. Alban’s for information on the committee they established. First meeting to be scheduled for after the next regular council meeting so this information can be reviewed first;
- k.) Forestry and Wildlife Branch – Close up map provided of Planning Zone 4 (Harbour Breton) in the proposed five year plan. Seeking the Town’s input on boundary locations before May 5, 2022.

Motion #22-059

Resolved that the Town will recommend that there be no cutting at all within the Community Boundary as indicated in yellow on the proposed map, plus an additional 5km buffer beyond the boundary.

In Favour: 7 Abstained: 0 Opposed: 0 Motion Carried.

Public Works/Town Superintendent Report: Public Works report attached;

- Ad to be placed on Facebook informing residents on the following :
 - what items can and cannot be dumped at the Bond Fire site.

- that any crab/lobster pots and other metals brought to the metal recycling site must be free of all nets, plastic and rope;
- All old tires must be brought to one of the local garages, rims must be removed.

Building Applications: n/a

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. NAIA Conference – Mayor Blake will find out what Communities are interested in partnering at the next Joint Mayors meeting but due to the date, there may not be time to order a new backdrop. It is also recommended that the EDO would attend the Conference as well;
2. Walk of Hope – The Town will decide on entering a team once a date for the Walk has been determined. If agreed, other Town committees to be asked to join the team if interested;
3. RV Park – Inquiry received regarding seasonal site rentals. Agreed to allocate 2 un-serviced sites at \$1200 per site per season. Also, if last year’s Park Attendant is unable to return, agreed to proceed with advertising for 2 park attendants as in previous years;
4. BioMaxx Environmental– Quote to carry out smoke testing was reviewed.

Motion #22-060: R. Drake/F. Manning

Resolved that the Town will proceed with the Smoke Testing of Sanitary Lines in the amount \$4500 plus HST, with the focus to be placed on the Outfall on Bay d’Leau Drive.

In Favour: 7 Abstained: 0 Opposed:0 Motion Carried.

5. Central Health – Reminder that the first virtual Town Hall meeting will take place on Thursday, April 28th at 5:00pm;
6. Municipal Awareness Week - Requesting the Town sign the Proclamation for Municipal Awareness Week, May 9-12, 2022. Approved;
7. World Oceans Day – Requesting the Town sign the proclamation for World Oceans Day, June 8, 2022. Approved;
8. NAIA – Invitation to attend the Aquaculture Business Opportunity and Partnerships meeting;
9. Emergency Services Division - Emergency Operations Center Management course being offered in Clarendville on June 8-9, 2022. Town Superintendent to attend, and possibly the Mayor or Deputy Mayor;
10. Central Health Meeting – Reminder of Mayors meeting at 4:00 on Wednesday, April 28, 2022;
11. Come Home Year Funding – Funding for trail upgrade received. Obtain quotes for the required repairs needed at the Mile Pond Boardwalk;
12. Resident of 1 Spencer’s Brook Road - Requesting to operate a mobile food trailer from the Arena parking lot. Inform resident that, as per council’s previous decision, permission is granted to operate the Trailer in Town, unfortunately, Town property, including the arena parking lot, cannot be used. Advise resident to contact local business and organizations for permission to operate on their property.
13. Harbour Authority – Requesting a key to the dump, particularly for lobster season, approved.

14. Fondation Émergence – Requesting the Town sign a resolution and raise a flag for International Day Against homophobia & Transphobia, May 17th, 2022.

Motion #22-061: D. Stewart/ L. Abbott

Resolved that the Town will proclaim May 17th, 2022 as International Day Against homophobia & Transphobia and will purchase and raise a flag on said date.

In Favour: 7 Abstained: 0 Opposed:0 Motion Carried.

Economic Development Officer Report:

- Come Home Year-Tradition By The Sea Funding.

Motion #22-062: D. Stewart/R. Drake

Resolved that the Town will cover the additional cost of \$218.00 to purchase an inflatable movie screen and speakers for the Festival.

In Favour: 7 Abstained: 0 Opposed:0 Motion Carried.

Finance Committee Report:

Motion #22-063: N. Bond/F. Manning

Resolved to adopt the Finance Committee report of April 13, 2022 as present.

In Favour: 7 Abstained: 0 Opposed:0 Motion Carried.

- Review of Severance amounts to be paid under various scenarios;
- Review of Union Contract Severance clause;

Liaison Reports:

1. Public Relations:

- The Town is getting low on Harbour Breton writing pens that are given out at events. Prices from various supplies were reviewed. Agreed to purchase from Perfect Pens at \$0.79 each.

Motion #22-064: R. Drake/F. Manning

Resolved that the Town will purchase \$1000.00 in pens from Perfect pens at a cost of \$0.79 per pen.

In Favour: 7 Abstained: 0 Opposed: 0 Motion Carried.

2. Elliott Premises:

- The craft shop steel roofing should be installed this week;
- Other work is needed at the front entrance (eaves/rotten wood/painting). Town Superintendent to ask the Arena Attendant to do this work;
- Once these repairs are complete, will determine how much, if any to be repaid to the Elliott Premises Committee;

3. Sunny Cottage: n/a

4. Recreation/Arena:

- Ice has been taken up at the arena and the workers will be laid off at the end of the week;
- Arena Attendant inquiring about getting a wage increase that coincides with the minimum wage increase (as he says he was told during the interview process). Inform employee that this was not brought to council's attention but to put the request in writing for consideration for the next season;

- When the arena closes, card activations for the Fitness Centre will be done from the Town Office. Cleaning of the Fitness Centre to be done weekly;
5. HBIC:
 - EDO to be invited to the next council meeting for an update on activities;
 - Chairperson of the HBIC to be asked to meet with council as well;
 6. Aquaculture: n/a
 7. Occupational Health & Safety:
 - Town Superintendent and Administrative Assistant completed the OH&S Committee training on Monday and Tuesday;
 8. Beautification Committee:
 9. Fire Dept:

Other:

- Clean up week Scheduled for May 24-27, 2022

Motion for adjournment by Councillor Drake & seconded by Councillor Whittle. Adjournment at 10:00 pm.

Lloyd Blake – Mayor

Tanya Rogers – Town Manager