

#### **Town of Main Brook**

Regular Meeting of Council March 23, 2017

Call to order: 7:05pm

## Present

Mayor Leander Pilgrim Deputy Mayor Erin Russell Councillor Ethel Patey Councillor Joe Brown Councillor Maitland Strangemore Councillor Zoey Whiteway

## <u>Absent</u>

Councillor Terrence Brown

## Motion 2017-012

## Adoption of Agenda

Councillor Zoey Whiteway/Councillor Ethel Patey Move to adopt the agenda as written All in favor Motion Carried

# Motion 2017-013

Adoption of Minutes Councillor Joe Brown/Councillor Ethel Patey All in favor Motion Carried

#### **Business Arising**

**Leave of Absence -** Town Clerk Randell, informed Councillors that her leave of absence would start immediately due to recommendations from the doctor.

**Capital Works Projects** – Town Clerk Randell informed Council of the ratio break down for Projects, as well as the change for road projects from a 90/10 to a 50/50. Gas tax was also discussed. Clerk will need to find out who would be responsible for tendering and to find out the overall cost from the engineer, before submitting an application for the pumphouse/chlorine upgrades.

#### New Business

**Janitorial** – Clerk Randell informed Council that Mrs. Barrett has resigned with the Town for janitorial duties due to personal reasons. The council all agreed that the Town should give her an appreciation gift/card to thank her for her service. After further discussion, it was decided that the Town would look for quotes as soon as possible for janitorial. All agreed.

## Motion 2017-014

Deputy Mayor Erin Russell/Councillor Joe Brown Moved to get a gift card for \$100 and request for quotes for Janitorial All in favor Motion Carried

**Casual Clerk** - Clerk informed Council that Ms. Hurley has a new job and would is requesting a leave of absence for six months from her casual clerk position as it would interfere with her new job hours.

## Motion 2017-015

Councillor Maitland Strangemore/Councillor Zoey Whiteway Move to approve Ms. Hurley's leave of absence for six months to return in September 2017. All in favor Motion Carried

Tables for Wedding - Resident requested tables for September wedding. Council granted request

**Hydraulic Oil** – Council agreed that the oil from old loader will be sold to Tuckamore Lodge. Clerk will send an invoice for \$100 for 3- 5 gallon buckets.

**Northern Peninsula Regional Service Board** – Clerk Randell informed Council that there will be an annual fee for the Town of Main Brook for \$115.50 for garbage collection.

#### Additions made by Mayor Pilgrim

**St. Patrick's Day** – Mayor Pilgrim inquired about why the Town office was closed on St.Patrick's Day. Clerk Randell informed that this holiday was a provincial government holiday of which the town has been following for years with all other towns, as well, Clerk Randell presented a copy of these holidays for review if needed for future reference.

**Business Tax** – Mayor Pilgrim requested a breakdown of the business tax . Clerk Randell explained the Mil rate as well as the utility rate to all members.

**Town Clerks Office** – Mayor Pilgrim questioned Clerk Randell about the reasons for 2 individuals being in the office during office hours. Clerk Randell explained to Mayor Pilgrim that it was for Photocopying for the TIOW program. Mayor Pilgrim also questioned why Clerk Randell has gone to Municipal Affairs

with Town issues without speaking to Council and getting direction from Council beforehand. Clerk Randell explained that things come up in the office daily and sometimes assistance is needed from Municipal Affairs, or when unsure of something Town related, MA directs Clerk Randell with the answers to these questions that may be ongoing or come up in a daily routine. Clerk explained that she is only trying to stay informed and always keeps a record of these emails if needed.

#### **Correspondence**

Anglican Church- Clerk Randell informed Council that the request for land from the Anglican Church was denied.

**Letter from resident** – Mr. Kelloway is looking for an approval letter from Council for his waterline and needs this approval to continue with water/sewage installation on Tickle Lane

## Motion 2017-016

Councillor Joe Brown/Councillor Zoey Whiteway Move to approve Clerk to write a letter of approval for Mr. Kelloway All in favor Motion Carried

Letter from resident – resident questioned why the water tax went from \$120 - \$240, as well as, requested the Town remove water pipes that are in the middle of the residents land and would interfere with them building their house in the future. After discussion Council agreed that resident will have to pay the \$240 like everyone else and as it is stated according to the Municipalities Act 1999 Section 130. In regards to the waterline issue, apparently the resident was aware before being sold and removing this water line would be their own responsibility not the Town's.

No Further Business

Motion 2017-017

Councillor Joe Brown/Councillor Zoey Whiteway Move to close meeting of March 23, 2017 All in favor Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned: 9:29pm

Next Meeting to be announced.