

Town of Main Brook

Regular Meeting of Council October 10, 2017

Call to order: 7:02pm

Present

Mayor Barbara Genge Deputy Mayor Joseph Brown Councillor Randy Strangemore Councillor Adele England Councillor Ben Wiper

Also present: Town Clerk Sherry Reid

No Additions to the Agenda

Motion 2017 - 071

Deputy Mayor Joseph Brown/Councillor Ben Wiper
Moved to adopt the agenda as written
All in favor
Motion Carried

Motion 2017- 072

Deputy Mayor Joseph Brown/Councillor Adele England
Moved to adopt minutes of **September 11 & 12, 2017**, as written
All in favor
Motion Carried

Business Arising

Gas Tax – Councillor Wiper met with the maintenance man regarding what work needs to be done at the pumphouse. Mr. Wiper presented council with pictures of the pumphouse and a list of repairs that would be needed to bring the pumphouse up to standard. Mayor Genge also informed council members that she was in contact with Mr. Skinner of Municipal Affairs and he requested that the Clerk get in contact with him to get the help we need to apply for funding. Some discussion took place and all agreed that the generator was the first priority then the electrical and repairs to the building. Councillor Wiper would try and get quotes for this project.

Motion 2017 – 073

Deputy Joseph Brown/Councillor Ben Wiper

Moved to apply for funding for the generator and pumphouse repairs

All in favor

Motions Carried

Main Brook Park – Council reviewed and discussed the issue regarding the Main Brook Park. It was agreed that the business owners would be responsible for the business and property tax until a current survey is obtained. Then council will reassess the issue again.

Motion 2017 - 074

Councillor Ben Wiper/Councillor Adele England

Moved to have Main Brook Park be responsible for paying Property and Business Tax to the Town of

Main Brook, until such a time that they can provide the Town with a current survey.

All in Favor Motion Carried

War Memorial – a discussion took place regarding the war memorial. Town Clerk will make a post on facebook asking for ideas from the residents regarding the design. A list of soldiers was presented to Councillor Wiper. Councillor wiper would continue gathering information from the families that are more directly involved with the War.

Maintenance Man – Council members decided that a hiring committee was needed to do interviews for the Maintenance job. As well, it was suggested that the Town apply for a wage subsidy program for this position. Councillor Wiper would help with the application process.

Motion 2017 – 075

Councillor Ben Wiper/Mayor Barbara Genge
Moved have a hiring committee and add Deputy Mayor Joe Brown, & Councillors Adele England and
Randy Strangemore.
All in favor

Motion Carried.

New Business

Wages – This topic is moved to a separate meeting on Friday, October 13, 2017, to discuss wages.

Insurance – Clerk Reid presented the members of Council with the forms for voluntary accident insurance application for municipal benefits. Members filled out the application and returned to the Town Clerk.

By Election – it was decided that the council try and fill the vacant seats on Council through a By-election.

Motion 2017-076

Councillor Adele England/Councillor Randy Strangemore Moved to have a By-election for the Town of Main Brook All in favor Motion Carried

PMA Fall Forum – Councillors Ben Wiper and Adele England attended the fall forum. They both shared information that they gathered together. Councillor Wiper expressed his concerns with Regional Governance and suggested that the Town start preparing to get ready and start setting priorities. Councillor Wiper also suggested sharing the information with the Town through a facebook page. During this discussion it was decided that the Town have its own facebook page. Clerk Reid would get this started and Councillor wiper offered any assistance to the Town Clerk if needed.

Upcoming Events – Clerk Reid gave the Council members a list of upcoming events and dates. More discussion would be needed regarding the dates of the Christmas parade and lighting. It was suggested by Mayor Genge that council and the rec committee come together to go over these events.

Surveyor – Mayor Genge requested that the Town Clerk check into getting a surveyor to come to the Town due to several requests from residents wanting surveys done. Clerk Reid would look into this.

Altius – Mayor Genge talked about the upcoming meeting in Roddickton regarding the minerals being found near our Town. Roddickton would be sending the Town an invitation to this meeting. Mayor Genge requested that the Clerk inform the members when the invitation is received.

Norpen – A discussion took place regarding the upset around the garbage bins and collection of Town garbage. Clerk Reid read a letter from the Town of Roddickton regarding the issue. Mayor Genge suggested that the Town of Main Brook right a letter supporting the Town of Roddickton and addressing our towns issues with garbage pickup as well. Councillor England offered to write the letter on the Town's behalf.

Correspondence

Letter – Clerk Reid read the letter from the MP to the council members, congratulating on their new roles. No Action required.

Public Works

Clerk Reid informed Council that the salt and sand has been ordered for the winter season.

Finance Report

Clerk Reid presented the council members with a financial statement and bills to pay. Council reviewed the statement. As well it was agreed to apply for 75% funding for Matched Training Funding for the PMA Fall Forum

Motion 2017 – 077

Deputy Mayor Joseph Brown/Councillor Randy Strangemore Moved to allow the Town Clerk pay bills as presented All in Favor Motion Carried

Motion 2017 – 078

Deputy Mayor Joseph Brown/Councillor Adele England Moved to apply for MTF for the PMA Fall Forum All in Favor Motion Carried

Call to Close:

Motion 2017 – 079

Councillor Randy Strangemore/Councillor Adele England Moved to close regular meeting of October 10, 2017 All in Favor Motion Carried

Meeting Adjourned 9:50 PM