



MEETING MINUTES

May 21, 2019

I. Call to order

A regular meeting of council was held in the chambers room at the Town of Main Brook's Municipal Building. The meeting convened at 7:00pm.

II. Roll Call

Presiding:

Mayor Barbara Genge
Deputy Mayor Joe Brown

Members of the Council:

Councillor Randy Strangemore
Councillor Ben Wiper
Councillor Adele England
Councillor Ian Brenton

Members of the Council not in attendance:

Councillor Beverly Pilgrim

Staff Members Present:

Sherry Reid Town Clerk/Manager

Additions to agenda – Waterline re: Canada Bay Construction

No Guests in Attendance

III. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion 2019 - #144

Councillor Ben Wiper/Deputy Mayor Joseph Brown

Move to adopt the agenda as amended

All in favor

motion carried

IV. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

Motion 2019- #145

Councillor Adele England/Councillor Randy Strangemore

Move to adopt and sign the meeting minutes of **April 17, 2019**

All in favor

Motion Carried and Signed

V. BUSINESS ARISING

Capital Works – Due to the recent provincial elections, there are no new developments to report. Still waiting on the approval letter even though the Town was contacted by MHA Christopher Mitchelmore stating that the Town was successful in our application for the Reservoir project.

Special Assistance Grant – Mayor Genge explained the funding situation and her discussion with the Municipal Affairs Engineer Chris Power. C. Reid informed council that there were no new updates on whether or not we will receive the grant.

War Monument/Canada Day - \$15,000 grant was awarded to the Town through IGA, as well M. Genge put forward some concerns that were brought to her attention regarding the gazebo placement and suggestions to move it in another area. DM Brown suggested a plan be put into place beforehand so that landscaping can be included with this whole process.

Projects – Councillor Wiper presented a detailed list of the different projects applied for and approved including priorities and responsibilities to carry out these projects. Councillor wiper requested C.Reid find out the process for public tenders. He also suggested that the community gardens project needs to start soon. There is \$4850 approved and another \$500 applied for. A discussion took place on where the garden will be located. Councillor England volunteered to help with this project and to put up sign up sheets. New Horizons account balance is approximately \$1800, discussion took place on the areas left to spend the remaining funds.

Wage Subsidy – A wage subsidy was approved for \$7560 for 28 weeks @ 30hours/week to hire a Come Home Year Committee Assistant. Deadline will be May 23/19. Successful applicant will be working in the office with the town clerk/manager and must be bondable.

Canada Student Jobs – C. Reid informed council of who was interested in the 2 summer jobs to date. She also informed councillors that the deadline was posted for May 23/19.

Land request – C. Reid gave a reminder to the public works committee member regarding measuring of the land on DOT Rd. Councillor Strangemore stated that both him and Pete have not forgotten and they intend to measure up the land when the weather is more suitable.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

Canada Day/Memorial Day Planning – Both Recreation committee and War Memorial Committee will do the planning for this event.

Spring Clean Up – M. Genge suggested residents clean up around their own properties and C. Strangemore would pick up the garbage. Town clean up day will be June 8. C. Reid will post on the town website for volunteers for the roadside cleanup with refreshments to follow.

MNL Regional meeting – Clerk Reid gave council an update on the upcoming regional meeting June 14-15 in Deer Lake. M. Genge, Councillor Wiper, & Councillor Brenton will be attending.

Motion 2019 - #146

Councillor Adele England/Mayor Barbara Genge (Mayor vacates chair)

Move to allow Mayor Genge and Councillors Wiper and Brenton to attend the MNL Regional Meetings in Deer Lake June 14-15, 2019

All in favor

Motion Carried

Land Request – Resident requesting to buy land from the town that is already occupied by a house. Discussion took place and request was granted. However, sale of land will only be sold by the lot size as per what's indicated on the land survey.

Motion 2019 - #147

Councillor Ian Brenton/Deputy Mayor Joseph Brown

Moved to grant request to purchase land occupied by a structure @ \$0.05/sq ft. as per measurements on the land survey.

All in favor

Motion Carried

Business Permit – The local fish plant requested a permit to construct a storage shed and to do some renovations to the plant. Request granted. Also, Councillor Brenton expressed his concerns with the safety aspect of the children playing/hanging around that area. It was suggested that a letter be sent to the MBRD regarding these concerns and to request proper signage be put in place to try and prevent any mishaps from occurring. A No Trespassing sign was suggested.

Motion 2019 - #148

Councillor Adele England/Councillor Ian Brenton

Move to approve permit as requested.

All in favor

Motion Carried

Motion 2019 - #149

Councillor Ben Wiper/Councillor Adele England

Moved to send MBRD a letter requesting proper signage for the fish plant area
All in favor
Motion Carried

Letter to Municipalities – Councillor Wiper spoke about the recycling program and its benefits. A discussion took place and it was decided and Councillor Wiper will get more details on the matter and present it at a future meeting.

Waterline (Canada Bay Construction) – C. Reid explained the situation with an outstanding invoice that was not paid for work done in September to a residential property, and informed council that partial payment was the responsibility of the homeowner but only one invoice was issued. M. Genge requested the Town Clerk reach out to Canada Bay Construction and have them bill the invoices separately.

VII. CORRESPONDENCE

Coates Lumber – Mayor Genge spoke on behalf of Coates Lumber with a request to the council to allow her to write a letter of support to help lower the high royalty fees the company is facing due to the small amount of timber allowed to be cut, as well to support them by allowing the company to harvest the pre commercial lots in the mill area. After some discussion, the members of council agreed to the request and give their full support in going forward.

Motion 2019 - #150

Councillor Ben Wiper/Councillor Adele England

Moved to allow M. Genge to write a letter of support on behalf of the Town of Main Brook for Coates Lumber Co. Ltd.
All in Favor
Motion Carried

Letter from Maintenance – C. Reid read letter to council requesting a \$2.00/hr pay increase. After some discussion council decided that they needed more time to evaluate the financial situation before making any decision to allow for this request. Tabled

VIII. RECREATION COMMITTEE REPORT

C. England, gave a report on the committee's behalf. Balance is still \$39,000 but will request a bank statement be forwarded to the Town. She also informed council that they are in the process of putting money in a trust fund for future planning. Ongoing events are darts and chase the Ace. No other issues or topics were discussed.

IX. FIRE DEPARTMENT/PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

C. Strangemore spoke on behalf of the Fire Department and reported that members did training on burning/crushed cars.

C. Strangemore also informed members that the Gravel Roads are in need of upgrading, but can't move forward till the ground dries up.

FINANCE REPORT

Clerk Reid went over finances and bills with members.

Motion 2019 - #151

Deputy Mayor Joe Brown/Councillor Adele England

Moved that C. Reid pay accounts payables as presented but not including Canada Bay
Construction until issue is cleared up.

All in favor

Motion Carried

Call to close

Motion 2019 - #152

Deputy Mayor Joseph Brown/Councillor Randy Strangemore

Move to close regular meeting of **May 21, 2019**

All in favor

Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned: 10:00 pm

Mayor Barbara Genge

Councillor

Town Clerk/Manager