

Town of New-Wes-Valley

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MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL VIA TELECONFERENCE

Tuesday, April 21st, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.

Members Participating:	Mayor: Deputy Mayor:	Kenneth Hoyles Michael Tiller
	Councillors:	Winston Perry Kelvin MacDonald Barry Tucker Dawn Stagg Andy Best Jim Cox
Member Absent:	Councillor:	Lorne Welcher
Also Present:	CAO/Town Clerk: Recording Secretary:	Pam Preston Elizabeth Hall

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hoyles called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and asked for a moment of silence in observance of the Nova Scotia tragedy.

Mayor asked for additions to the agenda,
Deputy Mayor Tiller - Gravel pit camping

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION 20/179 - KELVIN MacDONALD/DAWN STAGG

Resolved to adopt the agenda as presented with addition by Deputy Mayor Tiller, Gravel pit camping.

In Favour 8: Mayor Hoyles Opposed 0: Abstaining 0:
Deputy Mayor Tiller

Councillors: W. Perry, K. MacDonald, B. Tucker, D. Stagg, A. Best, J. Cox

MOTION CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Regular meeting of Council held April 07th, 2020.

MOTION 20/180 - JAMES COX/MICHAEL TILLER

Resolved to adopt minutes of Regular Meeting of Council held April 07th, 2020.

Questions:

Councillor MacDonald asked for an update on the local Food Bank. Mayor Hoyles reported that he spoke with Majors Bob and Cassie Kean who informed him the Food Bank is doing well for now, still have volunteers, supplies and are able to purchase some items; they have one issue regarding location of the Food Bank, it was understood that when the Salvation Army offered their facilities that it was only on a temporary basis, they asked if the Food Bank could be moved to vacant space at the Town's depot. Mayor Hoyles asked Majors Bob and Cassie Kean to make a formal request to Council.

Vote on motion 20/180

In Favour 8: Mayor Hoyles **Opposed 0:** **Abstaining 0:**
 Deputy Mayor Tiller

Councillors: W. Perry, K. MacDonald, B. Tucker, D. Stagg, A. Best, J. Cox

MOTION CARRIED

REPORTS

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT - Councillor Best informed Council the Committee did not meet but did a review of accounts payable and asked for a motion of Council to approve payment.

MOTION 20/181 - ANDY BEST/KELVIN MacDONALD

Resolved to approve payment of accounts payable in the amount of \$64,413.34.

In Favour 8: Mayor Hoyles **Opposed 0:** **Abstaining 0:**
 Deputy Mayor Tiller

Councillors: W. Perry, K. MacDonald, B. Tucker, D. Stagg, A. Best, J. Cox

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Mayor Hoyles noted that presently there is one staff member at the office as the Acting Town Clerk is in isolation, and asked Council to limit contact with the office, only do so if there is an urgent matter.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT - No report

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT - No report

CAO REPORT - CAO presented a report.

1. MNL conference call - Covid-19

CAO informed Council conference call is scheduled for April 23rd, she may not be able to participate and asked for a representative, Mayor Hoyles offered. CAO will register Mayor Hoyles.

CAO Report continued

2. Fire Department - 1983 GMC pumper truck tender closed
No bids received, Fire Chief asked for permission to accept a donation of \$100.00 from W. F., Trinity, B. Bay.

The CAO informed Council insurance cannot be removed until vehicle is removed from the Town's fleet.

MOTION 20/182 - MICHAEL TILLER/KELVIN MacDONALD

Resolved to accept the \$100.00 donation to the Fire Department from W. F., Trinity, B. Bay for the 1983 GMC model pumper truck. Bill of sale condition is pumper sold for scrap.

In Favour 8: Mayor Hoyles Opposed 0: Abstaining 0:
Deputy Mayor Tiller

Councillors: W. Perry, K. MacDonald, B. Tucker, D. Stagg, A. Best, J. Cox

MOTION CARRIED

3. CNWM - New Curbside Collection Program

CAO spoke with Mr. Evans, he is will to do a conference call meeting and requested an agenda. Mayor Hoyles suggested postponing the meeting as the new program is moved to September 01st, consensus of Council to postpone CNWM meeting to late summer but before September 01st.

4. CFDA - Regional Trail

RFP closes, contract awarded to Water Werks to complete branding and marketing for the trail.

5. Bell Aliant - Installation of pole

Request to install a pole near Fire Hall, Newtown to attach a cabinet to house broadband equipment.

MOTION 20/183 - JAMES COX/WINSTON PERRY

Resolved to give Bell Aliant permission to install a pole near Fire Hall, Newtown, purpose is to attach a cabinet to house broadband equipment.

In Favour 8: Mayor Hoyles Opposed 0: Abstaining 0:
Deputy Mayor Tiller

Councillors: W. Perry, K. MacDonald, B. Tucker, D. Stagg, A. Best, J. Cox

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6. CFDA - SAM signs

Thank you to CFDA for providing materials for placement of Town's SAM signs.

7. CFDA - Regional Trail

MOTION 20/184 - MICHAEL TILLER/BARRY TUCKER

Resolved that Greenleaf Resources complete scope of work on regional trail for CFDA .

In Favour 8: Mayor Hoyles Opposed 0: Abstaining 0:
Deputy Mayor Tiller

Councillors: W. Perry, K. MacDonald, B. Tucker, D. Stagg, A. Best, J. Cox

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8. NL Power - Street lights

Call from NL Power informing of two (2) street lights located at Pool's Island and near Badger's Quay Post Office have not been billed to the Town, Town has to decide whether to remove lights; or adjust Town's bill to include the two (2) lights. CAO will ask Charge hand to confirm location and pole #s. Consensus of Council to refer item to Finance Committee for review and recommendation.

9. Water Treatment Plant - Project #17-MCW-21-00075

Approval letter received stating funding is approved for \$100,000.00 (90/10), Town's share is \$9,058.00.

MOTION 20/185 - ANDY BEST/WINSTON PERRY

Resolved to accept cost-share funding as outlined in Municipal Affairs and Environment's project approval letter dated April 14th, 2020 to start project #17-MCW-21-00075 Water Treatment Plant for \$100,000.00. The Town of New-Wes-Valley agrees to provide \$9,068.00 in funding for this project and authorizes Mayor Hoyles and CAO Pam Preston to enter into a funding agreement with the Department of Municipal Affairs and Environment on behalf of the Town of New-Wes-Valley.

In Favour 8: Mayor Hoyles Opposed 0: Abstaining 0:
Deputy Mayor Tiller

Councillors: W. Perry, K. MacDonald, B. Tucker, D. Stagg, A. Best, J. Cox

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10. Volunteer Appreciation Week - cancelled

Information posted on facebook,

11. Rogers Cable - rescind motions

20/156 Best/Welcher

20/163 Best/MacDonald

Sworn statements of gross revenue received, 2018 \$99,000.00; 2019 \$88,000.00 invoices issued and mailed along with 2020 tax structure.

MOTION 20/186 - ANDY BEST/KELVIN MacDONALD

Resolved to rescind motion #20/156 Best/Welcher and motion #20/163 Best/MacDonald to estimate Roger Cable's 2018 and 2019 gross revenues from meeting held April 07th, 2020. Sworn statements received after April 07th meeting.

In Favour 8: Mayor Hoyles Opposed 0: Abstaining 0:
Deputy Mayor Tiller

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12. Closed Businesses - motion 20/164

Town has lock boxes, when properties are sold Town will remove the lock boxes, property owner(s) should not incur cost.

MOTION 20/187 - ANDY BEST/WINSTON PERRY

Resolved to rescind April 07th 2020 motion #20/164 Perry/Best not to charge water/sewer rates for business that are confirmed to be closed and issue lock boxes at owner's expense.

In Favour 8: Mayor Hoyles Opposed 0: Abstaining 0:
Deputy Mayor Tiller

Councillors: W. Perry, K. MacDonald, B. Tucker, D. Stagg, A. Best, J. Cox

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 20/188 - ANDY BEST/WINSTON PERRY

Resolved to not charge water/sewer rates for businesses that are confirmed to be closed effective the date the Town receives notification. Lock box will be issued at no cost to the owner and returned to the Town when property is sold or reopens.

In Favour 8: Mayor Hoyles Opposed 0: Abstaining 0:
Deputy Mayor Tiller

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13. CAPEF013 - Business Property Tax exemption request

MOTION 20/189 - BARRY TUCKER/JAMES COX

Resolved to approve Business Property Tax exemption request from CAPEF013 as per Churches, Social Groups and Non-profit Organizations Policy.

In Favour 8: Mayor Hoyles Opposed 0: Abstaining 0:
Deputy Mayor Tiller

Councillors: W. Perry, K. MacDonald, B. Tucker, D. Stagg, A. Best, J. Cox

MOTION CARRIED

14. CAPEF013 - Months of operation exemption request

MOTION 20/190 - DAWN STAGG/ANDY BEST

Resolved to refer request from CAPEF013 for Business Tax months of operation exemption to Finance Committee for review.

In Favour 8: Mayor Hoyles Opposed 0: Abstaining 0:
Deputy Mayor Tiller

Councillors: W. Perry, K. MacDonald, B. Tucker, D. Stagg, A. Best, J. Cox

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CORRESPONDENCE

1. HOSPILITY NL - information
Re: Municipal Relief to aid Business liquidity for Tourism Businesses
2. CNWM - information
Re: Deadline changes to the curbside collection
3. DEPT. OF MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS AND ENVIRONMENT Fire Services Division - information
Re: Code requirements and safety precautions for gasoline storage/containers

4. GOVT. OF NL-Office of the Deputy Minister - information
Re: Public Hearings, Registrations and Appeals
5. CFHT - refer to CAO Report
Re: Exemption requests
6. DEPT. OF MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS AND ENVIRONMENT - information
Re: New communication protocols
7. CHAMBER GENERAL - information
Re: Information on applying for the Canada Emergency Relief Benefit
8. DEPT. OF MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS AND ENVIRONMENT - information
Re: Approval to award tender Project #17-SCF-19-00126 Newtown Bridge
9. DEPT. OF MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS AND ENVIRONMENT - Water Resources - information
Re: Permit to altar a body of water - Newtown Bridge Project
10. DEPT. OF CHILDREN, SENIORS AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT - motion-refer to Ec. Dev. Committee
Re: Grant approval - CHLF

MOTION 20/191 - BARRY TUCKER/DAWN STAGG

Resolved to refer correspondence from Department of Children, Seniors and Social Development regarding CHLF grant approval to the Economic Development Committee.

In Favour 8: Mayor Hoyles Opposed 0: Abstaining 0:
Deputy Mayor Tiller

Councillors: W. Perry, K. MacDonald, B. Tucker, D. Stagg, A. Best, J. Cox

MOTION CARRIED

11. DEPT. OF MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS AND ENVIORNMENT - information
Re: Revision of previous Supplementary General Condition 19.2

NEW BUSINESS

Deputy Mayor Tiller - Gravel pit camping

There have been issues in the past regarding campers set up in a gravel pit off Greenspond Road, it is not permitted, he has concerns that with parks closed due to the coronavirus may result in an increase of campers at this site.

Discussion followed on deadlines, barricades, RCMP involvement.

CAO noted that the Town will have to consult with Municipal Affairs, get legal advice and rely on the RCMP to enforce the law.

Councillor MacDonald - Demolition permits

Councillor MacDonald informed Council there is a demolition going on and asked if the Town issued a demolition permit.

MOTION 20/192 - ANDY BEST/DAWN STAGG

Resolved to go into privileged session.

In Favour 8: Mayor Hoyles **Opposed 0:** **Abstaining 0:**
 Deputy Mayor Tiller

Councillors: W. Perry, K. MacDonald, B. Tucker, D. Stagg, A. Best, J. Cox

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MOTION 20/193 - KELVIN MacDONALD/BARRY TUCKER

Resolved to come out of privileged session.

In Favour 8: Mayor Hoyles **Opposed 0:** **Abstaining 0:**
 Deputy Mayor Tiller

Councillors: W. Perry, K. MacDonald, B. Tucker, D. Stagg, A. Best, J. Cox

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CAO will contact persons involved.

Councillor Stagg - Beothic Arena

Councillor Stagg asked if there was any information/update on the financial situation at Beothic Arena. CAO informed Council that in March there was a request to pay the Town's subsidy, it was paid; weddings for the upcoming summer have been cancelled. She has been in contact with Lumsden's Town Manager but cannot get an answer from the Town in regard to who will be responsible to run the arena.

Councillor Perry - Recyclables

Councillor Perry received a call from a resident regarding what to do with recyclables. CAO reported that any calls received at the office regarding CNWM are told to call CNWM for information.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 20/194 - DAWN STAGG/KELVIN MacDONALD

Resolved to adjourn the meeting.

In Favour 8: Mayor Hoyles **Opposed 0:** **Abstaining 0:**
 Deputy Mayor Tiller

Councillors: W. Perry, K. MacDonald, B. Tucker, D. Stagg, A. Best, J. Cox

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Meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.