

**PUBLIC MEETING OF COUNCIL  
JANUARY 13, 2022**

A Public Meeting of Council of the Town of Stephenville was held on January 13, 2022 @ 7:03 pm in the Council Chamber and was livestreamed.

Present	Tom Rose	Mayor
	Susan Fowlow	Deputy Mayor
	Laura Aylward	Councillor (virtual)
	Tracy Boland	Councillor (virtual)
	Tristan Hulan	Councillor
	Lenny Tiller	Councillor (virtual)
	Myra White	Councillor (virtual)
Staff:	Mike Campbell, Town Manager	(virtual)
	Jennifer Brake, Town Clerk	(virtual)

**CALL TO ORDER/ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Motion No. 22- 01 Tiller/Boland

That the Agenda of the Public Meeting of Council of January 13, 2022, be adopted as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

**Public Meeting of Council**

Motion No. 22- 02 Fowlow/Aylward

That the Minutes of the Public Meeting of Council for December 9, 2021, be adopted as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

**Privileged Meeting of Council, December 14, 2021**

Motion No. 22-03 White/Hulan

That the Minutes of the Privileged Council for December 14, 2021, be adopted as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

**Privileged Meeting of Council, January 4, 2022**

Motion No. 22-04 Tiller/Fowlow

That the Minutes of the Public Meeting of Council for January 4, 2022, be adopted as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

**Special Meeting of Council, December 14, 2021**

Motion No. 22-05 Fowlow/Boland

Let it Be Resolved that the Town of Stephenville will provide a grant to the Stephenville Airport in the amount to reimburse Wasco Fees for November and December 2021 payment as part of their management contract.

Carried Unanimously

## **MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

**None**

## **PROCLAMATIONS AND DELEGATIONS**

**None**

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Finance Committee**

#### **Accounts Payable Listing for December 2021**

Motion No. 22-06 White/Fowlow

It was the recommendation of the Finance Committee that the Accounts Payable Listing for December 2021 in the amount of \$249,652.10 be approved.  
Carried Unanimously

#### **Expense Cheque Listing for December 2021**

Motion No. 22-07 White/Aylward

It was the recommendation of the Finance Committee that the Expense Cheque Listing for December 2021 in the amount of \$329,262.11 be approved.  
Carried Unanimously

#### **Business Tax Credit – Christmas Adventure Contest Winners**

Motion No. 22-08 White/Tiller

It was the recommendation of the Finance Committee that the Town of Stephenville approve Business Tax credits for Christmas Adventure Decorating Contest Winners

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| 1. Death Valley Ink | \$3,000. |
| 2. Pizza Delight    | \$2,000. |
| 3. Nixon Metals     | \$1,000. |

Carried Unanimously

#### **Request for Grant – 36<sup>TH</sup> Annual RCMP Make-A-Wish Tree Campaign**

Motion No. 22-09 White/Boland

It was the recommendation of the Finance Committee that the Town of Stephenville give a grant in the amount of \$100.00 to the 36<sup>th</sup> Annual RCMP Make-A-Wish Tree Campaign.

Carried Unanimously

**Approval to Hire Consultant – Fire Chief Recruitment**

Motion No. 22-10 White/Fowlow

It was the recommendation of the Finance committee that the Town of Stephenville engage LW Consulting for the Recruitment of Fire Chief.

Carried Unanimously

**Approval for Additional Budget – Christmas Adventure on Main Street**

Motion No. 22-11 White/Aylward

It was the recommendation of the Finance Committee that the Town of Stephenville approve additional funding in the amount of \$ 5,428.29 for the Christmas Adventure on Main Street event.

Carried Unanimously

**Request for Approval – Michael Tobin Memorial Scholarship**

Motion No. 22-12 White/Boland

It was the recommendation of the Finance Committee that the Town of Stephenville approve a yearly Michael Tobin Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$500.00 to Stephenville High School.

Carried Unanimously

**Award of Tender – Sand Truck & Blade**

Motion No. 22-13 White/Tiller

It was the recommendation of the Finance Committee that the Town of Stephenville award the Tender for Sand Truck and Blade to the lowest bidder Royal Freightliner in the amount \$224,498.00 plus applicable taxes.

Carried Unanimously

**Request for Grant – Royal Canadian Legion, Recruitment for Health Care**

Motion No. 22-14 White/Boland

It was the recommendation of the Finance Committee that the Town of Stephenville give a grant in the amount of \$86,000.00 to the Royal Canadian Legion to administer and deliver recruitment incentives including one-time payment of \$50,000 for signing bonus and \$36,000 for living expenses to recruit a surgeon for the Sir Thomas Roddick Hospital.

Carried Unanimously

## **PLANNING & TRAFFIC COMMITTEE**

### **20 Tennessee Drive – Regional Aquatic Centre Association**

Motion No. 22-15 Aylward/Tiller

Request for permission to sign Deed for land transfer located at 20 Tennessee Drive.

It was the recommendation of the Planning and Traffic Committee that the Mayor and Town Clerk be authorized to sign documents to transfer the land located at 20 Tennessee Drive to Regional Aquatic Centre Association.

Carried Unanimously

### **19 Green Drive – Simon's Holdings Limited**

Motion No. 22-16 Aylward/Fowlow

Request for permission to consolidate 2 parcels of land, 19 Green Drive & 20 Simon Drive, into one parcel of land to be named 19 Green Drive, as per letter attached.

It was the recommendation of the Planning and Traffic Committee that this request for approved, subject to compliance with all Town Regulations.

Carried Unanimously

### **Advisory Committee - Accessibility Committee Terms of Reference**

Motion No. 22-17 Aylward/Boland

It was the recommendation of the Planning and Traffic Committee that the Accessibility Committee Terms of Reference be approved.

Carried Unanimously

## **BY-LAWS AND REGULATIONS**

**None**

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **AIRPORT UPDATE**

The Mayor referenced CBC completed a story on the airport; Carl Dymond, Trevor Murphy (chair of the airport Board, and himself was interviewed. The Mayor continued to provide a status update on the sale of airport; stating there is a bidding agreement between Carol Dymond and the airport which has been vetted through lawyers. The purchase sale agreement is being worked on and once completed the airport board will vote on the sale of the airport. He noted due diligence and covid has slowed the process however it should be concluded by the end of January. The airport has

struggled and has not received the provincial and federal support that it should have, the taxpayers have supported the airport. The airport and the port play a critical role in attracting business with future prospects focused on domes, space, satellites and wind energy.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Councillor Tiller

Reminding residents that local businesses are still open during this alert level. And urged everyone to support local business and also be kind, caring and empathic to each other during these times.

Mayor Rose

In closing he acknowledged 2022 is "Come Home Year, and it may be a "new normal" but it will be great year.

## **NOTICE OF MOTION**

None

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion No. 22-18 Hulan/Aylward

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:33 pm

Carried Unanimously

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MAYOR

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TOWN CLERK