

**MINUTES
PUBLIC COUNCIL MEETING
October 6, 2022**

A public council meeting held at the Town of Stephenville Town office on Thursday October 6, 2022. The meeting was also streamed.

Present	Susan Fowlow	Deputy Mayor, Chairperson
	Tom Rose	Mayor
	Tracy Boland	Councillor
	Tristan Hulan	Councillor
	Lenny Tiller	Councillor
	Myra White	Councillor

Absent:	Laura Aylward	Councillor
Staff:	Colin Maddock, CAO/Acting Town Clerk	
	Don Gibbon, Acting Fire Chief (left at 7:07)	

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor called the meeting to order called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

22-304 White/Boland
Be it resolved that the agenda be approved as presented.
In Favor: 6
Opposed: 0 Motion Carried Unanimously

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

22-305 Boland/Fowlow
Be it resolved that the minutes of September 22, 2022, public council meeting be approved as presented.
In Favor: 6
Opposed: 0 Motion Carried Unanimously

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

NONE

PROCLAMATIONS AND DELEGATIONS

a. Fire Prevention Week October 9th- 15th

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Councillor White presented the recommendations from the finance committee meeting held on October 4, 2022.

Water & Sewer Tax

22-306 White/Tiller
Be it resolved that approval be given for water & sewer tax adjustments in the amount of \$336.00.
In Favor: 6
Opposed: 0 Motion Carried Unanimously

Business Tax

22-307 White/Boland
Be it resolved that approval be given for Business Tax adjustments in the amount of \$1,529.85.
In Favor: 6
Opposed: 0 Motion Carried Unanimously

Expense Cheque Listing September 2022

22-308 White/Fowlow
Be it resolved that approval be given for Expense Cheque Listing for September 2022 totaling \$610,364.72
In Favor: 6
Opposed: 0 Motion Carried Unanimously

Request for Grant- Harmon Seaside Links

22-309 White/Fowlow
Be it resolved approval to provide a grant in the amount of \$10,000 to Harmon Seaside Links to construct an inclusive washroom. An Expense report must be submitted to the Town on completion of the work.
In Favor: 6
Opposed: 0 Motion Carried Unanimously

Approval to Travel to Halifax, Nova Scotia and Moncton, New Brunswick

22-310 White/Boland
Be it resolved approval that a mission to Halifax and Moncton for the 13th and 14th of October 2022 to look at wood cluster development and wood bridges/buildings, involving Mike Ratter and Councilor Tristan Hulan, at an estimated costs of \$2,200.00.
In Favor: 6
Opposed: 0 Motion Carried Unanimously

Approval to Travel to Lake City, South Carolina

22-311 White/Fowlow

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Be it resolved approval that Mayor Tom Rose and Marissa Abbott travel to Lake City, South Carolina, to complete planning for a PBS television series. The mission will take place from the 17th to 20th October 2022 with the estimated costs of \$7,500.00.

In Favor: 5 Rose, Fowlow, Boland, Hulan, White
Opposed: 1 Tiller Motion Carried

PERMITS AND MUNICIPAL PLAN

Councillor Boland presented the recommendations from the Planning and Traffic committee meeting held on October 3, 2022.

2 Iowa Drive- NAWN

22-312 Hulan/Boland

Be it resolved approval to issue a permit excavate six (6) test pits to collect and examine geo-technical data for site development on the property located at 2 Iowa Drive, subject to compliance with all Town Regulations and approval of Service NL.

In Favor: 6
Opposed: 0 Motion Carried Unanimously

2 Iowa Drive- Agreement Town of Stephenville & NAWN

22-313 Hulan/White

Be it resolved approval to enter into an agreement with the Newfoundland Aboriginal Women's Network for the transfer of land to enable the construction of a transition house and a cultural healing and wellness center.

In Favor: 6
Opposed: 0 Motion Carried Unanimously

Sisters in Spirit Vigil – NAWN

22-314 Hulan/Tiller

Be it resolved approval to host silent march and vigil on Tuesday 4 October 2022 at 6:30pm starting at Blanche Brook Park onto Carolina Avenue, Main Street to Provincial and ending at the Lions Club.

In Favor: 6
Opposed: 0 Motion Carried Unanimously

BY-LAWS AND REGULATIONS

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Councillor Fowlow: Councillor Fowlow and Councillor White attended the Sisters in Spirit vigil on Tuesday 4th October. The number were down a bit from past years, although it was most noticeable that there was a lack of male participants. Councilor Fowlow asked if the men on Council could be more active on similar EVENTS IN THE FUTURE.

Mayor Rose: Mayor Rose spoke to the wind energy conference in Hamburg. He mentioned that Europe is much further ahead than Canada in sustainable energy. The Mayor, Two Councilors and the CAO traveled to Hamburg and worked the Trade Show booth with World Energy. A MOU was signed on the stand on cooperation with Minister Crocker present. Mayor Rose mentioned that there was a strong media presence, which would be normally expensive to get. He stated that there was a global crisis coming and Stephenville is playing an important role in this crisis. Today World Energy announced a community vibrancy fund (\$10 Million shared between 3 areas, Port au port peninsula, Bay St. George South and Stephenville) over a 3-year period. This money will be important for all our communities and shows character and commitment from GH2.

Councillor Tiller: Thanked the Stephenville Fire Department and the CAO for support during the Hurricane. He mentioned that the response was good, and personally experienced the response as his grandparents and neighbor had to be evacuated, which was done well and kept citizens safe.

Councillor Fowlow: Discussed the playground opening, stating that the opening was well attended. Councilor Tracy Boland attended and represented Council. Councilor Fowlow reminded the community that the playground belongs to all the community.

NOTICE OF MOTION

None

ADJOURNMENT

22- 315

Boland/White

Resolved that since there is no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:41pm

Carried Unanimously