

**PUBLIC MEETING OF COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 9, 2021**

A Public Meeting of Council of the Town of Stephenville was held on September 9, 2021@ 1: 16 pm in the Council Chamber and was livestreamed.

Present:	Tom Rose	Mayor, Chairperson
	Laura Aylward	Councillor
	Don Gibbon	Councillor
	Susan Fowlow	Deputy Mayor
	Maurice Hynes	Councillor

Absent:	Mark Felix	Councillor
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Staff:	Jennifer Brake, Town Clerk
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CALL TO ORDER/ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion No. 21- 267 Gibbon/Hynes

That the Agenda of the Public Meeting of Council of September 9, 2021, be adopted as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

MINUTES

Public Meeting of Council, August 19, 2021

Motion No. 21- 268 Fowlow/Aylward

That the Minutes of the Public Meeting of Council for August 19, 2021, be adopted as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

None

PROCLAMATIONS AND DELEGATIONS

Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Week – September 7 – 11, 2021

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Property Tax

Motion No. 21- 269 Hynes/Gibbon

It was the recommendation of the Finance Committee that property tax write-off in the amount of \$7,007.23 be approved.

Carried Unanimously

Remission of Tax

Motion No. 21- 270 Hynes/Aylward

It was the recommendation of the Finance committee that Remission of Tax totaling \$91.15 be approved.

Carried Unanimously

Business Tax

Motion No. 21- 271 Hynes/Gibbon

It was the recommendation of the Finance Committee that Business Tax adjustments of \$9,220.47 be approved.

Carried Unanimously

Expense Cheque Listing for August 2021

Motion No. 21- 272 Hynes/Fowlow

It was the recommendation of the Finance Committee that the Expense cheque listing for August 2021 totaling \$345,019.82 be approved.

Carried Unanimously

Request for Advertising – Citizens Crime Prevention Guide

Motion No. 21- 273 Hynes/Aylward

It was the recommendation of the Finance Committee that the Town of Stephenville purchase a ¼ page full color ad in the amount of \$395.00 (HST included) for Citizen Crime Prevention Association of Newfoundland, and Labrador, Elder Abuse Awareness Guide.

Carried Unanimously

Authorization to Sign Agreement- 17-RNC-22-00016 Minnesota Drive Over Pass Refurbishment

Motion No. 21- 274

Hynes/Gibbon

It was the recommendation of the Finance Committee that the Town of Stephenville accept cost-shared funding project 17-RNC-22-00016 Minnesota Drive Over Pass Refurbishment as outlined in the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure approval letter dated September 2, 2021 for the total costs of \$ 1,215,081.00, the Town of Stephenville agrees to provide 33.33% municipal share totaling \$367,256.00 and authorizes the Mayor and Town Clerk to enter into the funding agreement.

Carried Unanimously

Request for Donation, Sir Thomas Roddick Hospital Foundation

Motion No. 21- 275

Hynes/Gibbon

It was the recommendation of the Finance Committee that the Town of Stephenville contribute \$1,000.00 to the Sir Thomas Roddick Hospital Foundation Annual Radiothon.

Carried Unanimously

PLANNING & TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

65-69 Main Street – Clarified Accounting

Motion No. 21- 276

Fowlow/Aylward

Request for a permit to relocate existing bookkeeping business from 63 St. Clare Avenue to 65-69 Main Street and erect business signage on exterior of building.

It was the recommendation of the Planning and Traffic Committee that this request for a permit be approved, subject to compliance with all Town Regulations and approval of Service NL.

Carried Unanimously

122 Main Street – Party Time Sound

Motion No. 21- 277

Fowlow/Hynes

Request for a permit to re-shingle roof at the business located at 122 Main Street.

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

Carried Unanimously

5 Kennedy Drive – Michael J Snook

Motion No. 21- 278 Fowlow/Hynes

Request for reconsideration to rebuild single family dwelling on land located at 5 Kennedy Drive.

It was the recommendation of the Planning and Traffic Committee that this request be denied due to Lot Area size as per Town of Stephenville Development Regulation 2014, Use Zone Table, Residential Medium Density (RMD) Zone Lot Area, and Town of Stephenville Development Regulation 44(2)

Carried Unanimously

Lot 61, Long Gull Pond Road – Michael Philpott

Motion No. 21- 279 Fowlow/Gibbon

Request for completion of Municipal form to replace septic tank on the property located at Lot 61, Long Gull Pond Road, Gull Pond.

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

Carried Unanimously

50 St. Clare Avenue – Mes Petits Amis Day Home

Motion No. 21- 280 Fowlow/Aylward

Request for a permit to operate a day care from the residence located at 50 St. Clare Avenue.

It was the recommendation of the Planning and Traffic Committee that this request for a permit be approved, subject to compliance with all Town Regulations and approval of Service NL.

Carried Unanimously

Cold Brook Road – Geoff Benoit

Motion No. 21- 281 Fowlow/Gibbon

Request for a permit to erect Auxiliary Buildings 14' X 16' on a 6-acre lot located in Cold Brook Access Road.

It was the recommendation of the Planning and Traffic Committee that this request for a permit be approved, subject to compliance with all Town Regulations and approval of Service NL.

Carried Unanimously

45 Hillier Avenue – Joanne Rose

Motion No. 21- 282 Fowlow/Aylward

Mayor has the property owner, due to conflict of interest left the council chambers.

Request for a permit to erect a greenhouse 16' X 8' on the property located at 45 Hillier Avenue.

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

Carried Unanimously

Mayor Rose returned and resided as chair upon conclusion of this item.

BY-LAWS AND REGULATIONS

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

9/11 Commemorative Dinner

Council Hynes stated the event is proceeding and the groups attending the event will be the Fire Department, Sir Thomas Roddick Hospital, council, Red cross, lions club, salvation army, Stephenville Airport staff, C Company, College of North Atlantic, ground Search and Rescue, guests from dymond group, and four past members of council that was involved on that day. Video created by the college and actual video of volunteers just after 9/11 will be shown.

Mayor Rose indicated this is the 20th anniversary of 9/11 and it's the third time that council has held a commemorative event. The first year recognized the fire department, 2nd year, Sir Thomas Roddick Hospital, and this year the Red Cross will be highlighted for their role. He stated this is also the 80th anniversary in 1941 when Stephenville got commissioned as the airbase. The Town had a lot of resources that served us for 9/11. The Military (C-company), the RCMP, coast guard.

Deputy Mayor stated she feels Stephenville should have received more recognition for its part during 9/11 Councillor Hynes indicated the current airport Manager, Lew Short is presenting to 150 nations on handling a 9/11 event and the knowledge gained from the experiences. Mayor Rose indicated the Town has a lot of resources to manage any situation,

Mayor Rose

Stephenville Airport

Mayor Rose stated the airport had a lot of diversity and challenges; however, the past and current council has supported the airport over the years. Today a press conference was held and the Dymond group of companies revealed plans to purchase the airport to complete a massive aerospace contract. The contract is worth 1.4 billion and they will be investing 200 million in the airport's infrastructure and capacity. It's a great announcement for the town and the province. The Dymond group also provided three ten thousand cheques to ground search and rescue, emergency food bank, and St. Georges Legion.

Councillor Gibbon commented that the mayor did a fantastic job at the press conference. Councillor Aylward commented this announcement and growth in our community will also benefit our health care system.

Green Bike Lane symbols

Area 13 has been the first area for green bike lane symbols

Non returning councillors

Mayor Rose thanked Councillor Hynes, Councillor Gibbon and Councillor Felix for serving on council for the last 4 years.

NOTICE OF MOTION

None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion No. 21- 283 Gibbon/Hynes

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:45 pm

Carried Unanimously