

**MINUTES
PUBLIC COUNCIL MEETING
March 23rd, 2023**

A public council meeting held at the Town of Stephenville Town office on Thursday March 23rd, 2023. The meeting was also streamed.

Present	Tom Rose	Mayor
	Susan Fowlow	Deputy Mayor (online)
	Laura Aylward	Councillor
	Tristan Hulan	Councillor (arrived @ 7:09pm)
	Lenny Tiller	Councillor
	Myra White	Councillor
Absent:	Tracy Boland	Councillor
Staff:	Colin Maddock, CAO	
	Jennifer Brake, Town Clerk	

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Rose called the meeting to order at 7:01pm

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

23-89 White/Tiller
Be it resolved that the agenda be approved as presented.
In Favor: 6 Rose, Fowlow, Aylward, Boland, Tiller, White
Opposed: 0 Motion Carried

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

23-90 Aylward/White
Be it resolved that the minutes of March 9th, 2023, public council meeting be approved as presented.
In Favor: 6 Rose, Fowlow, Aylward, Boland, Tiller, White
Opposed: 0 Motion Carried

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

NONE

PROCLAMATIONS AND DELEGATIONS

Town Clerk left the chambers @ 7:04pm, CAO carried the position.

Mayor Rose declared March 26th, 2023 as Purple Day for Epilepsy.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Councillor White presented the recommendations from the finance committee meeting held on March 21st, 2023.

Accounts Payable

23-91 White/Tiller
Be it resolved that approval be given to pay accounts payable listing for February 2023 totaling \$207,399.65.
In Favor: 6 Rose, Fowlow, Aylward, Boland, Tiller, White
Opposed: 0 Motion Carried

Community Grant Program

23-92 White/Fowlow
Be it resolved to adopt Community Grant Program as presented. The Town of Stephenville will award grants to non-profit groups for initiatives that enhance our community.
In Favor: 6 Rose, Fowlow, Aylward, Boland, Tiller, White
Opposed: 0 Motion Carried

Town Clerk returned to the Chambers @ 7:06pm

Terminate Tax Agreement

23-93 White/Aylward
Be it resolved that approval be given to terminate the Taxation Agreement between The Town of Stephenville, Port Harmon Authority Ltd and 69385 Newfoundland and Labrador Inc that was approved by Motion No. 19-267.
In Favor: 6 Rose, Fowlow, Aylward, Boland, Tiller, White
Opposed: 0 Motion Carried

PERMITS AND MUNICIPAL PLAN

Councillor White presented the recommendations from the Planning and Traffic committee meeting held on March 21st, 2023.

9 & 11 West Street- TNT Ltd.

23-94 Aylward/Fowlow
Be it resolved approval to consolidate two parcels of land, 9 & 11 West Street into one parcel to be known as 9 West Street, and to add extension 24' x 83' to rear of existing building and replace room with 5-12 pitch at a height of 26', on the property located at 9 West Street. Subject to Service NL approval.
In Favor: 6 Rose, Fowlow, Aylward, Boland, Tiller, White
Opposed: 0 Motion Carried

Councillor Tristan Hulan joined the meeting @ 7:09pm in the council chambers.

1 Washington Drive-Almark Enterprises Ltd.

23-95 Aylward/White
Be it resolved approval to change ownership and continue to operate existing Medical Clinic on the property located at 1 Washington Drive.

In Favor: 7 Rose, Fowlow, Aylward, Boland, Hulan Tiller, White
Opposed: 0 Motion Carried

141-147 Main Street-Suzanne Barry Counselling Services

23-96 Aylward/Hulan
Be it resolved approval to operate a counselling business and erect a sign on the building located at 141-147 Main Street. Subject to service NL approval.

In Favor: 7 Rose, Fowlow, Aylward, Boland, Hulan Tiller, White
Opposed: 0 Motion Carried

4 Pennsylvania Drive-Tia Teresa's Childcare

23-97 Aylward/Fowlow
Be it resolved approval to operate a licensed family childcare business from the residence located at 4 Pennsylvania Drive. Subject to service NL approval.

In Favor: 7 Rose, Fowlow, Aylward, Boland, Hulan Tiller, White
Opposed: 0 Motion Carried

Bay St. George Mountain Bike Club- Mountain Bike Trail System

23-98 Aylward/Fowlow
Be it resolved approval to construct 5 mountain bike trails: Trail 0220, Trail Bomb Track, Mardina Reefer, Norad and Reid, to located off Igloo Road as per maps provided.

In Favor: 7 Rose, Fowlow, Aylward, Boland, Hulan Tiller, White
Opposed: 0 Motion Carried

Proposed Amendment to Municipal Plan & Development Regulations

Mayor Rose declared Conflict of interest as a property owner and left the council table.

23-99 Aylward/White
Be it resolved approval to proceed with public consultations for proposed Municipal Plan Amendment No. 10, 2023 and proposed Development Regulations Amendment No. 17, 2023. Proposed changes include to remove the restriction on development that cannot be serviced by municipal water and sewer in the Country Living Residential (CLR) and Comprehensive Development Area-Residential (CDA-R) zones. It also proposes to extend the CLR zone by approximately 15 hectares, and the (CDA-R) zone, single dwellings that are accessory to agriculture will be added as a use that may

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be permitted at council's discretion, The amendments will restrict onsite water sources to shallow wells only and will prohibit deep bedrock wells.

The proposed amendments will be available for viewing on the town's website, and the public may provide written comments before the posted deadline.

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

Mayor Rose returned to the table and resumed as chairperson.

18 Green Drive

23-100

Aylward/Tiller

Be it resolved approval to add an 8' x 20' extension to the existing garage to operate a personal sawmill, on the property located at 18 Green Drive was received.

Requesting approval to deny the permit, Under the Authority of Town of Stephenville Development Regulations, 2014 Part 1, Article 11 - Discretionary Powers of the Town, and Article 110 – Uses not permitted. Consideration to operate a sawmill was given based on the amenity of the surrounding area, location is within a residential subdivision neighborhood, factors of noise, and dust.

In Favor: 7 Rose, Fowlow, Aylward, Boland, Hulan Tiller, White
Opposed: 0 Motion Carried

BY-LAWS AND REGULATIONS

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Councillor Tiller made the comment that the council needs to aware of the timelines to submit 30 days' notice of termination related to Contribution Agreement with the Airport.

NEW BUSINESS

Councillor Aylward

Reminded the community about the Bay St. George Sick Children's Foundation Telethon on Sunday, March 26, 2023

Western Health Update

Effective April 1, 2023 Western Health will transition into New Provincial Health Authority and Senior Executive Team is in place and Western Region is represented. Councillor Aylward read communication from the former Interim CEO Michelle House, she stated Western Health is still actively recruiting by engaging with local medical students, continuing with

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in person and virtual recruitment events, and continuing to offer recruitment incentives. She stated individuals can contact Tara Noseworthy, Client Relations Manager if they have individual health care issues by calling 1 – 833 784 6802.

She stated more awareness is needed need ing a new highway across the province.

Mayor Rose

March 23, 2023 is the closing date for bids for crown lands submission for companies interested in Wind Power and Hydrogen. He noted Wind Energy is a 12-billion-dollar project and he is looking forward to the start of construction.

Provincial Budget –NL was identified as leading the country in economic growth for 2023 because of our natural resources. No tax or fees increases, health care and road construction budgets sufficiently increased.

Long Care Health Facility in Bay St. George – ¼ million dollars allocated for Planning/Engineering. Mayor Rose noted the council has land identified behind the hospital for this purpose.

Court House, construction for accessibility elevator is still ongoing.

Mayor Rose, and Councillor Aylward noted the Bay St. George Medical Clinic is still an ongoing concern for employees and patients, and a follow-up with government is required.

NOTICE OF MOTION

None

ADJOURNMENT

23-101

Tiller/White

Resolved that since there is no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:45pm

In Favor: 7 Rose, Fowlow, Aylward, Boland, Hulan Tiller, White

Opposed: 0 Motion Carried