

**SPECIAL PUBLIC COUNCIL MEETING
December 5, 2023**

A public council meeting held at the Town of Stephenville Town office on December 5, 2023. The meeting was also streamed.

Present	Tom Rose	Mayor, Chair
	Susan Fowlow	Deputy Mayor
	Laura Aylward	Councillor - online
	Tracy Boland	Councillor
	Tristan Hulan	Councillor
	Lenny Tiller	Councillor
	Myra White	Councillor

Staff: Jonathan Galgay, Chief Administrative Officer
Jennifer Brake, Town Clerk

Mayor Rose called the meeting to order at 6:06pm

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

23-371

Boland/Fowlow

Be it resolved that the agenda be approved as presented.

In Favor: 7

Alyward, Boland, Hulan, Fowlow, Rose, Tiller, White

Opposed: 0

Motion Carried

Sale of Property – Minnesota Drive

23-372 Tiller/Boland

Be it resolved that the Town of Stephenville intends to sell 9.42 acres of vacant land at fair market value located on Minnesota Drive to GDR Enterprises LTD to accommodate Clinic and office space Family Care Team as in compliance with Municipalities Act, 1999 201.2

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

Opposed: 0 Motion Carried

Mayor Rose stated the provincial government allocated funding to build new collaborative care clinic. This shows a commitment by our provincial government to help alleviate the challenging healthcare system in our province.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Rose

Mayor Rose praised employees for their great job on the town's float in the Christmas parade. He suggested to have a discussion with the Kinsman to explore having a daytime Christmas parade for safety reasons and families don't have to worry about

toddler's bedtimes if the event was earlier. Discussions continued and it was suggested to have a meeting with Kinsman, search and rescue and RCMP to talk about the event.

He noted there was one proposal received for RFP on the Industrial Building, this will be reviewed at the next finance committee meeting and if accepted will be moved forward to the Public Meeting on December 14, 2023

World Energy GH2 – He stated a newspaper article misrepresented some of off takers that's going to be purchasing ammonia from different players in NL and NS. He clarified there are no delays with the project in Stephenville with World Energy.

The rally for World Energy was a success, with approximately 1500 people showing their support. This sent a strong message to World Energy and the government that the majority supports this project.

He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and include the spirit of Christmas by helping out a stranger or playing it forward.

Councillor Tiller

Stephenville Fire Department is accepting donations for Christmas Toy Drive. Items can be dropped off at the Fire Department.

Deputy Mayor Fowlow

She expressed people are nervous that building of a new clinic will take away or replace services at the hospital, but she understands the clinic will support the hospital. It will take pressure off the emergency room visits and expanding services to the hospital will be vital as Stephenville grows. Councillor Aylward stated the hospital services will not be reduced, it has mammogram, dialysis, ultrasound technology, pain management, surgeons, and anesthesiologists. The clinic will offer different services, it will house physicians, nurse practitioners, diabetic nurses, and social workers. Mayor Rose responded, this clinic will replace the old aging buildings, Bay St. George Medical Clinic.

Councillor Alward

Tree of Love will be held on December 11, 2023 @ 7:00pm in the hospital courtyard.

ADJOURNMENT

23-372

Tiller/Fowlow

Resolved that since there is no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:07pm

In Favor: 5 Alyward, Fowlow, Rose, Tiller, White

Opposed: 0 Motion Carried