

PUBLIC MEETING OF COUNCIL MINUTES
July 7, 2022

A Public Meeting of Council of the Town of Stephenville was held on July 7, 2022 at 12:04pm in the council chambers and was livestreamed.

Present	Tom Rose	Mayor
	Laura Aylward	Councillor
	Tracy Boland	Councillor
	Tristan Hulan	Councillor (arrived 12:06)
	Lenny Tiller	Councillor
	Myra White	Councillor

Absent: Deputy Mayor Fowlow

Staff: Colin Maddock, Town Manager
Jennifer Brake, Town Clerk

CALL TO ORDER/ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion No. 22-192 White/Aylward

That the Agenda of the Public Meeting of Council July 7, 2022 be adopted as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

MINUTES

Public Meeting of Council June 16, 2022

Motion No. 22-193 Tiller/Boland

That the Minutes of the Public Meeting of Council for June 16, 2022 be adopted as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

None

PROCLAMATIONS AND DELEGATIONS

The Deputy Mayor signed a proclamation declaring June 22-28, 2022, as BSG Pride Week in the Town of Stephenville.

Mayor Rose noted due to paint manufacturing the color red is not available, and this will impact the inability to paint pride crosswalks this year.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee

Property Tax

Motion No. 22-194 White/Boland

It was the recommendation of the Finance Committee that Property Tax write offs in the amount of \$111,182.12 be approved.

Carried Unanimously

Remission of Tax

Motion No. 22-195 White/Tiller

It was the recommendation of the Finance Committee that Remission of tax in the amount of \$1,565.11 be approved.

Carried Unanimously

Expense Cheque Listing for June 2022

Motion No. 22-196 White/Aylward

It was the recommendation of the Finance Committee that the Expense Cheque Listing for June 2022 totaling \$563,489.64 be approved

Carried Unanimously

Request for Grant – Harmon Seaside Links

Motion No. 22-197 White/Tiller

It was the recommendation of the Finance Committee that the theTown of Stephenville give a grant in the amount of \$20,000 to Harmon Seaside Links to construct inclusive washroom. Expense report must be submitted to the Town.

Carried Unanimously

Approval to Issue RFP Website Design

Motion No. 22-198

White/Aylward

It was the recommendation of the Finance Committee that the Town of Stephenville issue Request for Proposal to modernize and enhance the town's website.

Carried Unanimously

Municipal Asset Management Program

Motion No. 22-199

White/Boland

It was the recommendation of the Finance Committee that the Town of Stephenville participate in the Municipal Asset Management Program in partnership with, Federation of Canadian Municipalities and Tract Consulting with an estimated cost up to \$12,000.

Carried Unanimously

Request for Grant – Sweetgrass Festival

Motion No. 22-200

White/Tiller

It was the recommendation of the Finance Committee that the Town of Stephenville give a grant in the amount of \$3,000 to People of the Dawn, Indigenous Friendship Centre for the Sweetgrass Festival.

Carried Unanimously

Request to Purchase Gate for Kin Square – 104-106 Main Street

Motion No. 22-201

White/Boland

It was the recommendation of the Finance Committee that the Town of Stephenville purchase a gate to be erected on the property located 104-106 Main Street in accordance with public procurement act.

Carried Unanimously

Request to Purchase Fencing – Mayfield Soccer Field

Motion No. 22-202

White/Tiller

It was the recommendation of the Finance Committee that the Town of Stephenville purchase fencing for Mayfield Soccer Field in accordance with public procurement act.

Carried Unanimously

**Approval to Award Tender – Pleasant Avenue Reconstruction Phase 2
No. 17 GI-22-00001**

Motion No. 22-203

White/Hulan

It was the recommendation of the Finance committee that the Town of Stephenville accept the recommendation from Aguathuna Drafting and Consulting Company Ltd to award the Tender for Pleasant Avenue Reconstruction Phase 2 Project No. 17-GI-22-00001 to Marine Contractors Inc. in the amount of \$784,639.25 HST Included.

Carried Unanimously

Business Tax

Motion No. 22-204

White/Boland

It was the recommendation of the Finance Committee that Business Tax write offs in the amount of \$6614.27 be approved

Carried Unanimously

PLANNING & TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

Wheelers Lounge – Noels Pond

Motion No. 22-205

Aylward/Boland

Request for Outline Planning Permission to rezone parcel of land from Flood Zone to Commercial General for the property known as Wheelers Lounge located in Noels Pond.

It was the recommendation of the Planning and Traffic Committee that this request for Outline Planning Permission be approved, subject to compliance with all Town Regulations and approval of Service NL. The applicant will bear all costs associated with rezoning.

Carried Unanimously

1 Green Drive – Terry Alexander

Motion No. 22-206

Aylward/White

Request for permission to consolidate 2 parcels of land, 1 Green Drive & 2 Simon Drive, into one parcel of land to be named 1 Green Drive, as per email attached.

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

Street Closure – Main Street

Motion No. 22-207

Aylward/Boland

Request to have Main Street closed on Sundays from July 10th through October 2, 2022, to host Community Events.

It was the recommendation of the Planning and Traffic Committee that the Town of Stephenville close Main Street to vehicular Traffic from Wren Place to Grove Street on Sundays from July 10th to October 2, 2022 from 9am to 6pm to host community events.

Carried Unanimously

58-60 Main Street – Island Girl Academy/Boutique

Motion No. 22-208

Aylward/White

Request to operate existing beauty services business at second location located at 58-60 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 and approval of Service NL.

Carried Unanimously

141-147 Main Street – Thee Hollow Noggin Vape Shop/R&R Distributors

Motion No. 22-209

Aylward/Hulan

Request to operate a vape shop from space in the building located at 141-147 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 and approval of Service NL.

Carried Unanimously

104-110 Georgia Drive – Michael & Mary Daugherty

Motion No. 22-210

Aylward/Hulan

Request for a permit to paint the exterior fourplex and complete exterior renovations, as necessary, on the building located at 104-110 Georgia Drive.

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

35 O'Brien's Drive – Juanita Muise

Motion No. 22-211

Aylward/White

Request for a permit to operate an Airbnb from the residence located at 35 O'Brien's Drive.

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

Carried Unanimously

BY-LAWS AND REGULATIONS

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Councillor Boland

Councillor Boland acknowledged Kristen Cooze, who was inducted to the International Street and Ball Hockey Federation - ISBHF; and Katarina Roxon, Paralympic Swimmer, who set a new Canadian Record, both are residents from Kippens.

Councillor Aylward

Councillor Aylward stated Canada Day Celebrations was a success. Councillor White added the RCMP sponsored the BBQ, and she acknowledged that the mayor laid a wreath on behalf of the town at the cenotaph on Canada Day.

She sent birthday wishes to Matthew Maddock

On behalf of the Town, she will be presenting certificates to the residents over the age of ninety living at the Acadian village

Western Health Updates

Three doctors have taken advantage of the recruitment benefits from the town.

The West Coast Action Committee met with senior executives of Western Health; Councilor Aylward stated she is concerned that the proposed organizational changes with one board, and advisory committees will be no different than the current structure, it will be same people with title changes.

Mayor Rose

Mayor Rose acknowledged two important announcements; Firstly, the airport deal was completed; he applauded Carl Dymond for his vision and commitment. And the second was the announcement from John Risley, for green energy from wind power. This would be a mayor investment into our region.

NOTICE OF MOTION

None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion No. 22- 212 Tiller/Boland

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:52pm.

Carried Unanimously