



THE TOWN OF ROSE BLANCHE - HARBOUR LE COU

P.O. Box 159, Rose Blanche
Newfoundland and Labrador A0M 1P0
Tel: (709) 956-2540 Fax: (709) 956-2541
Email: townofroseblanche@nf.aibn.com

THE TOWN OF ROSE BLANCHE-HARBOUR LE COU REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 22ND, 2021 @ 9:30 a.m.

Members Present

Mayor -----	Jennifer Keeping
Deputy Mayor -----	Gordon Edwards
Councillors -----	Gary Bateman (via video)
	Fred Billard
	Henry Lawrence
	Frank Touchings

Also Present

Town Clerk -----	Tammy Farrell
Maintenance -----	Barry Spicer

Councillor Craig Savoury was unable to attend.

Adoption of Minutes

Mayor Keeping called the meeting to order and asked if there were any errors or omissions to the minutes.

MOTION 92-2021 H.LAWRENCE/G.EDWARDS
Resolved that both sets of minutes, dated October 25th and November 4th, be adopted as circulated.

IN FAVOR 6; OPP 0; ABST 0; CARRIED

Adoption of Agenda

MOTION 93-2021 F.BILLARD/F.TOUCHINGS
Resolved the agenda be adopted as prepared.

IN FAVOR 6; OPP 0; ABST 0; CARRIED

Maintenance

BWA Program – Clerk presented quote from Wood Solutions as per conference call held on Nov. 10th, 2021. The consultants feel they do not have enough information to give a proper solution for the BWA. They are recommending a feasibility study to further investigate the BWA as the town is really close to reaching the chlorine levels. The cost of the study as per estimate cost is \$64,779.50. There was some discussion on this study and council decided not to proceed with this suggestion due to the cost of the study. Town will not be applying for Capital works as well.

Correspondence was reviewed from Scott Plant of Greatario regarding the installation of a GridBee GS-9 tank mixer as other communities have used. Council feels more investigation is needed to be done before purchasing and installing the GridBee. Suggested to contact other communities that have used this method.

Deputy Mayor Edwards has also been in contact with a company regarding lower the levels of the tank in the spring. Waiting for quote on this.

Main issue with the chlorine right now is the water is sitting in the tank too long and the chlorine is evaporating.

Back Up Generator – Clerk advised back up generator cannot be installed until spring, as a liner needs to be installed in the cement pad. This liner will take 6-8 weeks to arrive. Generator is paid for and still in Deer Lake until we can have it installed. A contingency plan also has to be completed as per the permit issues by Water Resources Management Division. Clerk has received a template to assist the town with this.

Loader Repairs/Invoice – All repairs have been completed on the loader and the loader is back and working good. The total of both invoices for tech to do a site visit and to take the loader into the dealer is \$10,434.26. Manuel's Construction invoice to take the loader in and bring it back is \$2,990.00.

It was a high invoice for loader repairs however due to COVID, this is the first inspection in 3 years.

MOTION 94-2021 H.LAWRENCE/F.BILLARD

Resolved to pay the invoice for Harvey and Company for the amount of \$10,434.26 as stated above.

IN FAVOR 6; OPP 0; ABST 0; CARRIED

Business Arising from Minutes

Asset Management Project – As per special meeting of council minutes, clerk advised motion of council was sent to AIMS and application was submitted for Asset Management Project. Just waiting now to see if the town receives funding from Federation of Canadian Municipalities before any work is to begin.

Committee Structure – Clerk advised from her training in Deer Lake, any committees should not have enough members that would make a quorum at a regular council meeting. If you have 7 member council, your committees should only have 3 voting members. Currently some of our committees have too many members and Councillor Savoury is not on either one. Deputy Mayor Edwards advised committees should have a term of reference as well. Clerk to contact Western Director of PMA for assistance on this. Will re-evaluate these committees at the next meeting.

Bait Depot – Clerk advised still waiting on reply from DFO regarding the sell of the blast freezer. If unable to sell this, contact DFO regarding a percentage of sale, etc. Clerk to advised when finds out anything different.

Western Health – Clerk gave update on questions that was asked regarding a representative sitting on the Community Advisory Council for Western Health. A member would give feedback on how communities can work better. Attend at least 7 meetings per year. Discussion on this and was suggested council members to take turns so this would not fall directly on one member. Clerk advised first meeting is Tuesday, November 23th at 11:00 p.m. Councilor Billard said he was attend this one. Clerk to advise Western Health.

Budget Meetings – Dec. 6th will be expense meeting at 6:30 p.m.
Dec. 13th will be revenue meeting at 6:30 p.m.
Dec. 20th will be town’s regular meeting at 9:30 a.m. If councilor Savoury cannot attend until 6:30 p.m., the meeting time will be changed to then.

Vax Pass Town Building – Clerk gave handout from PMA and MNL regarding Vax Pass for government buildings, etc. Town is considered essential therefore not allowed to ask for vax pass to enter the building.

MOTION 95-2021 G.EDWARDS/G.BATEMAN

Resolved to rescind MOTION 89-2021 made at the town’s regular meeting held on October 25th, 2021. Resolved that it will be mandatory for people to show vax passports when entering all town buildings.

IN FAVOR 6; OPP 0; ABST 0; CARRIED

Emergency Plan and Training – Clerk sent email to FES regarding training for new year. Ms. Brake replied back stating this would be a better time and will look forward to working with us in the new year.

Clerk’s Training Deer Lake – Clerk gave update on Public Procurement Training in Deer Lake, as well as Roles and Responsibilities, and Budget Training.

Christmas Supper – Clerk gave menus for both St. Christopher’s and Hotel Port aux Basques for upcoming Christmas Supper for council and staff. Was decided to go St. Christopher’s this year. Councilor Lawrence to check his schedule for the best date and clerk to advise council. Will pre-order.

New Business

Come Home Year Funding – Clerk advise there is funding available for Municipal Come Home Year Celebration Grant for up to \$2,000, for beautification, marketing, etc. Deputy Mayor Edwards advised this would be a great opportunity to assist in the entrance coming in the town. Everyone was in agreement with this and clerk to apply for the grant.

Deputy Mayor Edwards also advised Mr. Livingston from the advisory committee would like to prepare a marking plan for the Town of Rose Blanche-Harbour Le Cou. Council was in favor with this. Deputy Mayor Edwards to contact Mr. Livingston and advise

Code of Conduct Training – Clerk advised training will be coming forth for Code of Conduct for all council and senior staff. Once this training becomes available, all members will be taking part.

Western Regional Director Ballot – Form was received for Western Regional Director for Municipal Assessment Agency. Agreed to vote for Marc Durnford of Burgeo.

Western Regional Service Board Nominations – Nomination request received from WRSB for Southwest Coast representative. No one from our council was interested as the representative from this area was out of Port aux Basques and council had no issues in this position remaining the same. Clerk to advise WRSB we will not be submitting a nomination.

Destination Trails – Deputy Mayor Edwards and Clerk attended a session in Port aux Basques November 17th with various other communities and funding groups that was hosted by MHA, Andrew Parsons. The idea of everyone coming together is to have a Destination Trail for this whole area, Rose Blanche to Codroy Valley. One of the groups/communities involved would have to take the lead. Everyone was in favor with Port aux Basques doing this as they have more staff and resources. Mr. Parsons asked to take this back to council and have council decide if they want to participate in this initiative.

There was some discussion on this and everyone was in favor with being a part of the Destination Trails network. Deputy Mayor Edwards and Clerk will remain a part of this group. Clerk to advise Mr. Parsons.

Other Concerns – The following was brought forth:

Deputy Mayor Edwards asked if there was either update on the Universal Broadband Fund prior to the meeting. Clerk advised she reached out to Mr. Parsons and the evaluation process is still ongoing and should hear something within the next 30 days.

Councillor Touchings advised that due to the loader repairs we are currently over on our equipment/maintenance in our budget.

Deputy Mayor Edwards had a concern from a resident in Harbour Le Cou regarding sediments in lines after the water is shut off. Barry advised all the lines are flushed when water is turned off, not sure what would be causing this. Deputy Mayor Edwards advised the resident to also send a letter to the town.

Clerk advised Community Enhancement Employment Program as started. 7 employees are hired, only 1 as of now will not qualify however request gone for extra funding.

Correspondence

FROM: Concern residents of Rose Blanche **REGARDING:** Water line issues, being connected to neighboring property **ACTION:** Clerk left room due to conflict of interest and Deputy Mayor Edwards took the following:

MOTION 96-2021 F.BILLARD/H.LAWRENCE

Resolved to install separate water line to the affected property. Pipe (40ft) will be supplied by town. All other cost will be covered by the homeowner.

IN FAVOR 6; OPP 0; ABST 0; CARRIED

Finances

MOTION 97-2021 F.TOUCHINGS/H.LAWRENCE

Resolved the list of accounts payable be approved for payment.

IN FAVOR 6; OPP 0; ABST 0; CARRIED

Adjournment

MOTION 98-2021 F.BILLARD/G.BATEMAN

Resolved the meeting be adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

IN FAVOR 6; OPP 0; ABST 0; CARRIED

Mayor

Town Clerk