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THE TOWN OF ROSE BLANCHE-HARBOUR LE COU REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL ON MONDAY, AUGUST 22, 2022 @ 6:30 p.m.

Members Present

Deputy Mayor ----- Gordon Edwards
Councillors ----- Gary Bateman
Fred Billard
Craig Savoury
Frank Touchings

Also Present

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

Mayor Jennifer Keeping and Councillor Henry Lawrence were unable to attend.

Adoption of Minutes

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

MOTION 58-2022 G.BATEMAN/F.BILLARD

Resolved the minutes be adopted as circulated.

IN FAVOUR 5; OPP 0; ABST 0; CARRIED

Adoption of Agenda

MOTION 59-2022 F.TOUCHINGS/G.BATEMAN

Resolved the agenda be adopted as prepared.

IN FAVOUR 5; OPP 0; ABST 0; CARRIED

Maintenance

Valves - Chambers – All valves in chambers are getting old and needs to be replaced. There are 5 2" valves and 8 3" valves that need to be replaced, however due to the structure of the chambers, pipes and valves, this will be a difficult task to complete. Council had some discussion on this issue and was decided the town clerk will contact municipal affairs for guidance on this.

The valve chamber at the bottom of Big Bottom Hill is also in need of repairs. Sand and gravel gathers at the bottom of the hill and is going in the chamber. It was suggested to look at solutions to raise the sides of the chamber to avoid future issues.

Boil Water Advisory – Water samples came back unsatisfactory from August 9th. BWA will remain in place until the next samples are taken in September. The clerk also confirmed with the Health Officer that the water unit is also on the BWA as we do not have, nor qualify for, a food license as previously stated.

Loader Rental Fee – Council was advised of the fees for loader rentals being charged in neighbouring communities. After some discussion on this issue, the following was decided.

MOTION 60-2022 C.SAVOURY/F.BILLARD

Resolved the loader rental fee with operator will be \$80.00 per hour, with a minimum time of one hour. Snowclearing will remain the same at \$20.00 per driveway.

IN FAVOUR 6; OPP 0; ABST 0; CARRIED

Business Arising from Minutes

Road Upgrades – Tender was received with 2 contractors submitting bids. Tender was awarded to the lowest bidder which was West Coast Excavating & Equipment Co. Ltd. for the amount of \$164,168.25. Clerk to contact ADC Engineering to determine the next steps for the project.

Signage Funding - Entrance Sign – Clerk sent out an email to all council with a draft mock up for the entrance sign however it was not satisfactory and supplier was asked to resubmit another draft. Once received, clerk will forward to all council members.

Building at Brook – Clerk still hasn't received any quotes to remove the building, however one contractor did reach out via telephone to meet after hours and the clerk advised him to contact Councillor Billard, however Councillor Billard did not receive either telephone call from contractor. Representative from Water Resources Management Division advised council will need a permit to remove the building however no permit will be required if the building is boarded over. Permit for pumphouse roof repairs is started and will be sent once it is completed.

Generator – The contractor will be in town this week to begin the cement pad. Once this step is completed and the generator is put in place, the electrician will be on site to complete the necessary electrical work.

New Business

Clean Up Week - September – Maintenance suggested September 12-16 as there will be time to complete necessary repairs to truck.

Old Fish Plant Correspondence – A letter from Honourable Steven Guilbeault was presented to council regarding the old fish plant property. The government will not be assisting the town with this property as it was determined there is no violation of the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999. The town is the appropriate jurisdiction to addressing the current issues with this property. The clerk will contact the town’s lawyer and Municipal Affairs for guidance on how to proceed with this issue.

MNL Convention – MNL Convention is scheduled for November 2-5 in Gander. Deputy Mayor Edwards is interested in attending. Registration will be completed by the clerk.

Budget Update – Councillor Touchings gave a budget update from January to July 2022. There are some areas of concern and will have to keep an eye on these areas to ensure there is not a deficit at year end.

Other Concerns – the following were brought forth:

– Town truck needs to be undercoated. Maintenance also advised the frame is begin to get rusty as well.

– Clerk contacted and sent pictures to Department of Transportation and Works regarding road repairs and brush cutting in the area. Supervisor at the depot in Port aux Basques, advised crews are currently working in other areas and brush cutting has not been announced yet. Crews visited the area after the email was sent to do an assessment on these repairs.

Correspondence

No correspondence at this time.

Finances

MOTION 61-2022 G.BATEMAN/F.TOUCHINGS
Resolved the list of accounts payable on the agenda be approved for payment.
IN FAVOUR 5; OPP 0; ABST 0; CARRIED

Adjournment

MOTION 62-2022 F.BILLARD/G.BATEMAN
Resolved the meeting be adjourned at 8:20 p.m.
IN FAVOUR 5; OPP 0; ABST 0; CARRIED

Mayor

Town Clerk