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THE TOWN OF ROSE BLANCHE-HARBOUR LE COU REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING OF COUNCIL ON TUESDAY, JUNE 27, 2023 @ 6:30 p.m.

Members Present

Mayor ----- Gordon Edwards
Councillors ----- Fred Billard
Jennifer Keeping
Craig Savoury
Frank Touchings

Also Present

Town Clerk ----- Tammy Farrell

Deputy Mayor Gary Bateman and Councillor Henry Lawrence will be late arriving. Maintenance Barry Spicer was unable to attend.

Adoption of Minutes

Mayor Edwards called the meeting to order and asked if there were any errors or omissions to the minutes. Spelling errors were identified and corrected by the town clerk.

MOTION 46-2023 F.BILLARD/J.KEEPING

Resolved the minutes be adopted with spelling errors corrected.

IN FAVOUR 5; OPP 0; ABST 0; CARRIED

Adoption of Agenda

MOTION 47-2023 F.BILLARD/F.TOUCHINGS

Resolved the agenda be adopted as prepared.

IN FAVOUR 5; OPP 0; ABST 0; CARRIED

Maintenance

Surge Protector – Clerk advised sent email request to Pennecon as well as a voice message regarding the transmitter surge protector, with no reply to date. Clerk will continue to follow up and advise council.

Generator Installation Update – Still no start time. Mayor Edwards and Councillor Billard will reach out to contractor again. If do not start as soon as possible, will hire another contractor.

Loader Windshield Update – Clerk contact Grant Motors to determine if the loader will have to be taken to the garage or if the windshield can be installed at site. Councillor Savoury advised installation would be better completed at the garage in the event extra supplies and tools are needed during the installation.

Council decided this would be the best option to take and clerk to contact Manuel's Construction for float charge.

Deputy Mayor Bateman arrived at 6:50 p.m.

Councillor Henry Lawrence arrived at 7:00 p.m.

Business Arising from Minutes

Dilapidated Property – Clerk presented quote from contractor to remove both properties, however town will have to pay the waste management fees with is \$164/tonne. Clerk advised another email was sent to the property owner but did not receive a reply prior to tonight's meeting. Council suggested to get at least 3 more quotes to compare. Will discuss at next meeting or earlier if need be.

Tender House Demolition & Other Work – Current tender was awarded to Boyd and Bungay however the company could not supply insurance certificate due to issues with insurance company. The next lowest tender bid was from Manuel's Construction. A new contract has to be completed and signed, as well as pre-construction meeting prior to work commencing.

Welcome Area Update – Mayor Edwards, Councillors Keeping and Lawrence met to discuss suggestions for the welcome area that were submitted by the public. It was agreed a Welcome Sign should be put back in the area. Suggested to use a picture looking in from the water towards the town.

Agreed to get quotes to fill in the walking area from the parking lot to the little Lighthouse. However, not to have it filled level to the road.

Will need permission from Transportation and Works to erect a new sign. Clerk to work on this request.

Breakwater Repairs - Armour Stone – Clerk presented email from Vanessa Newman at Small Crafts and Harbours advising the town if any damages are done to infrastructure due to the transport of amour stone, the contractor will be responsible for the repairs. Last reports, work should begin late July or the first part of August.

New Business

Trail Around the Pond – Councillor Lawrence was wondering if the trail around the pond will be finished as it was started through Community Employment Enhancement Program. Currently the trail needs to be marked out and just cut out in places as this is a natural walking path. There was some discussion around this issue, and it was decided to finish the welcome area first before finishing this trail.

RV/Tourism Parking – Was a question brought forth to clerk and Councillor Lawrence, if the ballfield can be upgraded and used for RV parking. Clerk advised the Recreation Committee looked into taking ownership of this in the past but was declined as the Rose Blanche Athletic Association. Even though this association no longer exist, the ballfield ownership went through court process and any further action will need to follow the same route. Council agreed to look into this in the future.

Asset Management Council Presentation – Clerk advised next step into the Asst Management will be council presentation before the end of August. Representative for Asset Management Project scheduled a date of August 22nd. Clerk to verify the time and if it will be a face to face presentation or virtual presentation.

Other Concerns – The following items were brought forth;

– Mayor Edwards reached out to Codroy Seafoods for fisher persons to store lobster traps in the Bait Depot. There was no issue with the owner to do this if need be. Mayor Edwards reached out to some fisher persons to advised the same.

– Bait Box Program Representative would like to do a presentation on Marine Life, etc. Clerk suggested July 23rd at the town hall as this is family day fun for 150 Lighthouse Anniversary. Representative can set up presentation in the boardroom, visitors can stop by.

– Barry is on vacation from July 1st to July 14th. Alvin will be in to work.

– Clerk taking vacation day July 7th, Patsy to work that day.

– Complaints being said about the debris at a residents at Tunnel Road. Clerk to send letter.

– Some poles remaining at brook entrance. Clerk to contact NL Power.

– Concerns regarding the impact zone in Port aux Basques and why coastal communities are not following suit. There are a lot of concerns from community members and surrounding areas. Clerk will reach out to representative from Fiona Response and will also get the Fiona number for residents who have questions to call.

Correspondence

FROM: Government of NL **REGARDING:** Municipal Operating Grant increase **ACTION:** Acknowledged

FROM: Forestry & Wildlife **REGARDING:** Cutting area within Municipality **ACTION:** Acknowledged

Finances

Councillor Touchings gave budget update.

MOTION 48-2023 F.TOUCHINGS/G.BATEMAN
Resolved the list of accounts payable on the agenda be approved for payment.

IN FAVOUR 7; OPP 0; ABST 0; CARRIED

Adjournment

MOTION 49-2023 F.TOUCHINGS/J.KEEPING

Resolved the meeting be adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

IN FAVOUR 7; OPP 0; ABST 0; CARRIED

Mayor

Town Clerk