

Town of North River Minutes Meeting March 3, 2020
Held in Town Council Chambers 43 North River Road, North River, NL

In Attendance: Deputy Mayor Blair Hurley
Councillors' Brian Hurley, Kelly Hall & Elsie Morrissey
Also in Attendance; Sheila Hall Town Clerk/Administrator
Absent: Mayor Joanne Morrissey, Patrick Mackey & Dwight Snow

Deputy Mayor Blair Hurley called the meeting to order at 6:50 P.M.

Agenda and Minutes:

Motion 2020 –1740– Kelly Hall / Brian Hurley
Resolved that the agenda for March 3rd be adopted as circulated.
All in Favor Motion Carried

Motion 2020 –1741– Brian Hurley / Kelly Hall
Resolved minutes of February 4th meeting be adopted as circulated. No errors or omissions.
All in Favor Motion Carried

2. Business Arising: No business arising from the February meeting.

3. New Business:

Urban and Rural planning –Correspondence copied to council-Deferred
Municipal boundary extension with planning area extension. Consider both at the same time.

December 31-2019 Financial Statements and yearly auditor appointment.
Year End Financial Audit & Gas Tax Audit was distributed and reviewed by council.
Councillor Brian Hurley advised members of auditors' key points
The Town is showing an Annual Surplus of \$176k for 2019. This is mainly due to:
Revenues – overall increase in revenues totalling \$134k
Expenses – overall increase in expenses totalling \$32k, mainly due to:
 Transportation services – slight increase of approx. \$13k. General maintenance on roads.
 Recreation services increased compared to 2018 –grant funding received.
 Fiscal services decreased compared to 2018, as bad debts calculated about \$8k lower
Statement of Financial Position – Cash is up compared to 2018. This includes the \$40k GIC
 purchased during the year as well as unspent capital works funding at year end.
 AR has also increased. Although the collection rate remains high, the AR balance did
 increase as compared to 2018.
Deferred revenue – represents unspent gas tax money at the end of the year as well as unspent
 money from the additional grants.

Overall, another good year for the Town of North River. The Town is generating positive cash flow from operations which is utilized to improve the Town's infrastructure.

Motion 2020 –1742– Brian Hurley / Kelly Hall
Resolved that the December 31-2019 Financial Statement & Gas Tax Audit be adopted.
Further resolved Clarified Accounting appointed the Town's Auditor for the 2020 financial year.
All in Favor Motion Carried

Noted-Approval received to award School Road MCW-19-00025 & Frosts Lane Extension.

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Madengail Lane MCW-20-00020 Prime Consultant Agreement signed.

Excess commercial garbage was discussed. Site was visited and contractor confirmed that all items would be deemed as acceptable bulk. Noted resident had paid contractor to remove items. After discussion agreed excess residential bulk to be looked into and referred to clerk for action.

Motion 2020 –1743– Elsie Morrissey / Brian Hurley

Resolved that resident be reimbursed for acceptable bulk removal.

All in Favor Motion Carried

Business tax on rental units in homes' -No 5 unit dwellings are taxed on property and business.

4. Development Applications:

House extension 322 NRR site visit completed and determined correct measurements.

Motion 2020 –1744– Brian Hurley / Kelly Hall

Resolved that approval in principal be given applicant, as per submitted extension application at 322 North River Rd, subject to the following conditions;

Site visit confirmed measurements are maintained.

Town's Municipal Development Regulations and approval from all other regulatory departments.

All in Favor Motion Carried

Single Family Dwelling 183 North River Rd

Motion 2020 –1745– Brian Hurley / Elsie Morrissey

Resolved that approval in principal be given applicant, as per submitted application, to construct a single family dwelling at 183 North River Rd, subject to the following conditions;

Town's Municipal Development Regulations and approval from all other regulatory departments.

All in Favor Motion Carried

5. Correspondence for Information:

ATIPP Council Training- Deferred pending date.

Valentines dance after expenses were paid \$320.00 in aid of summer camp.

St. Patricks Day –discussion around late timing & prep. Deferred

Volunteer appreciation- Date to be determined.

6. Committee Reports

Bay de Grave- Fireman's Ball April 4 Knights of Columbus. Tickets \$20.00 single. Members agreed purchase same as previous year's half page ad \$50.00 and tickets for members & spouses.

Motion 2020 –1746- Brian Hurley/ Kelly Hall

Resolved that the town purchase half page ad and tickets for council members & spouses.

All in Favor Motion Carried

Joint Councils- No report.

Seniors Committee- No report.

Animal Control- Councillor Hurley copied members on new form to be used by animal control.

Recreation Committee- No report

OHS Committee- no incidents reported.

7. Financial Reporting Policy and Procedures

Balance Sheet & Income Statement along with Expense Statement were provided for Council.
Financial Transaction Summary February General Ledger Cash outflow / inflow reports and financial statement reviewed by council.

Total deposited \$48,010.57 includes receipt# 15157-15242.

Total payable \$15,741.21. Cheque # 1377-1387. Balance \$51,950.70.

Accounts Payable Ledger \$30,254.86 to February 28, 2020 was provided for Councils' review.

Motion 2020 –1747–Elsie Morrissey/ Brian Hurley

Resolved that Operating accounts payable in the amount of \$30,254.86 be approved for payment.

All in Favor Motion Carried

Grants Income Statement Expense Statement were provided for Council.

Financial Transaction Summary to February 28 Grants Ledger Cash outflow /inflow reports and financial statement reviewed by council. No deposits and no payables. Balance \$23,446.54.

Tax Adjustments/Write Offs to February 28, 2020

Clerk reported GIS confirmed total adjustments \$829.00

Motion 2020 –1748– Brian Hurley / Elsie Morrissey

Resolved that adjustments be made to tax roll in the amount of \$829.00.

All in Favor Motion Carried

Tax Dollar Arrears to February 28, 2020.

Detailed aged accounts receivables were provided for the information and review of Council.

Total outstanding taxes \$300,946.18 .Collections percentage remains at 85%.

Small Claims Progress- Final Notices sent and Statement of Claim served. No report

Requested next agenda a review on procedures for financial meetings on arrears. Agreed.

Adjournment

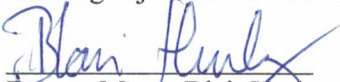
Motion 2020 –1749– Brian Hurley / Elsie Morrissey

Resolved that this meeting of council be adjourned until the next regular meeting

April 7, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. at the Town Council Chambers, 43 North River Road.

All in Favor Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.


Deputy Mayor Blair Hurley


Sheila Hall, Town Clerk/Administrator