

Town of North River Minutes Meeting May 4, 2021
Held in Town Council Chambers 43 North River Road, North River, NL

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

Mayor Morrissey called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Agenda and Minutes:

Motion 2021 –1911– Brian Hurley / Blair Hurley
Resolved that the agenda for May 4th be adopted as circulated.
All in Favor Motion Carried

Motion 2021 –1912– Blair Hurley / Kelly Hall
Resolved minutes of April 6th meeting be adopted as circulated. No errors or omissions.
All in Favor Motion Carried

No Delegation- James Cummings was scheduled however he was unable to attend.

3. Business Arising:

Concord quotes were copied and reviewed.

Motion 2021 –1913–Brian Hurley/Elsie Morrissey
Resolved that council approve the following projects under this year's gas tax.

Project One: Upgrade from Halls Road to Newell's Road with class A, replace any culverts that need replacement and pave with 2" of asphalt. Cost \$8400.00.

Project Two. Upgrade Bursey's Road to Snows Road with class A, clear ditches, replace two culverts and pave with 2" asphalt. Cost \$12, 500.00.

6 in Favor Joanne Morrissey, Blair Hurley, Brian Hurley,
Kelly Hall, Elsie Morrissey & Dwight Snow
Motion Carried

Motion 2021 –1914–Brian Hurley/Elsie Morrissey
Resolved that council approve the following projects under this year's gas tax.

Project Three: Riverside Road, build road bed (10 loads of 3" stone, cost \$3400.00), upgrade road bed with 6" of class bed and two inches of class A (cost \$4200.00) and pave with 2" of asphalt (cost \$6,000.00). Cost \$13, 600.00.

Further resolved road be named Riverside Road
5 in Favor Joanne Morrissey, Blair Hurley
Brian Hurley, Kelly Hall & Elsie Morrissey
1 abstained Dwight Snow conflict of interest as property owner
Motion Carried

Total Project Cost \$34,500.00

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ROW 87A North River Rd-Gas Tax approval. Much discussion on land access & expense to upgrade and provide services. Resident owns property on both sides. Deferred pending more info.

G & J Quotes were copied and reviewed.

Water issue Ballfield \$2415.00 & Garden Well \$2875.00 Noted no change from 2020 quotes.

Church Lane divert water to ditch and fix road washout 1 load class A \$644.00

Culvert—supply & install 100 ft of 24" plastic culvert supply fill and rock \$7546.88

Discussion on culvert cost and alternate solutions. Defer to June

As water issue Ballfield & Garden Well were previously approved and no change in cost.

Motion 2021 –1915—Brian Hurley/Blair Hurley

Resolved that G & J proceed with all jobs listed and include Church Lane ditching.

All in Favor Motion Carried

Hobby Farming-Clerk to get draft regulations for review.

Main Road Clean Up date

Motion 2021 –1916—Brian Hurley/Kelly Hall

Resolved that Clean Up date set for Saturday June 12.

All in Favor Motion Carried

Madengail Lane Gas Tax Approval-Note clerk to get new quote from Concord for proposed work.

4. New Business:

Elections 2021

As recommended in the Department's circular of April 2021, the Town is prepared to undertake the necessary precautionary measures to ensure a COVID-safe and inclusive election this fall & seek Ministerial Permission under Section 54 of the Municipal Elections Act to vote by mail.

Vote by Mail draft regulations were copied and reviewed

Motion 2021 –1917—Dwight Snow/Kelly Hall

Resolved that the Town of North River is prepared to undertake the necessary precautionary measures to ensure a COVID-safe and inclusive election this fall by requesting permission from the Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs to exercise the option under Section 54 of the Municipal Elections Act to authorize residents to vote by mail in the 2021 Municipal Election.

Further Resolved that the Town of North River adopt Vote by Mail Regulations as presented.

All in Favor Motion Carried

Separate Mayors Election-Discussed pros & cons. Noted residents should have option to vote for mayor. After further discussion Brian Hurley put forth the following motion.

Motion 2021 –1918—Brian Hurley/Elsie Morrissey

Resolved that the Town of North River under sect 17 (2) hold separate election for mayor.

3 In Favor: Joanne Morrissey, Brian Hurley, Blair Hurley

3 Against: Dwight Snow, Kelly Hall, and Elsie Morrissey

Motion Defeated

Handwritten signature and initials in blue ink, possibly reading 'JM' and '54'.

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Maintenance start date

Motion 2021 –1919– Brian Hurley / Dwight Snow

Resolved that maintenance start date be set as May 10th

All in Favor Motion Carried

Signs-No Loitering after dark, No Bikes permitted & Caution Hidden Driveway Ahead

Noted main road resident to check with Transportation on Caution Hidden Driveway signage

Use at own risk signage to be looked into. Defer

Motion 2021 –1920– Brian Hurley / Kelly Hall

Resolved that clerk order No Loitering after dark & No Bikes permitted signs.

All in Favor Motion Carried

Ice Control Materials 2021-2022 tonnage order

Motion 2021 –1921– Brian Hurley / Dwight Snow

Resolved that the town order 150 ton sand/salt mixture at \$55.72 same as previous years.

All in Favor Motion Carried

2021-2022 SSSP (Site Specific Safety Plan) Entry TW

Motion 2021 –1922– Brian Hurley / Dwight Snow

Resolved that the Town of North River adopt the Site Specific Safety Plan (SSSP) as presented.

All in Favor Motion Carried

Trail way Signage donation request

Motion 2021 –1923– Brian Hurley / Kelly Hall

Resolved that the town donate \$500.00 towards the signage on the CBNT Railway

All in Favor Motion Carried

Dog Park fill request to fill in bog next to proposed park. Agreed wetland cannot fill.

Ditching 197 North River Road. Agreed town doesn't ditch on private property. Clerk to contact.

91 North River Road pipes Complaint. Noted Government Services previously visited site & determined it was grey water not an issue of concern. Clerk to contact.

Frosts Lane culvert –Agreed when working in area have Concord patch asphalt around culvert.

Council Well-Discussion on pump out or shock. Agreed to have maintenance shock well.

Spring Newsletter-Mayor Morrissey will draft letter & council members to submit ideas. Agreed.

8:20 P.M Councillor Hall declared conflict of interest as daughters request and left the chambers.

Swim for Hope 2021

Motion 2021 –1924– Brian Hurley / Dwight Snow

Resolved that the town donate \$100.00 same as last year.

6 in Favor Motion Carried

8:25 P.M Councillor Hall was recalled to chambers.

5. Development Applications: No applications received

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6. Correspondence for Information:

Grants -Mayor Morrissey updated members on the Covid stimulus package. Project is on budget. Inside lights and mini-split are finished. Chamber walls should be completed this week. Walking trail lighting proceeding.

Garden 2 loads of soil ordered and well to be dug.

Dog Park after it's grubbed off will look at size of property.

Students 3 Federal approved. Applied for 2 Provincial pending response. No criteria on hiring.

Camhole Environmental Assessment ready to submit and boathouse assessment started.

AGM Convention May 6-8 Mayor Morrissey and clerk both registered. Town to be reimbursed.

6B. Committee Reports

Bay de Grave- Councillor Snow advised No report.

Joint Councils- Mayor Morrissey provided an update on RCMP and Healthcare.

Seniors Committee- No report.

Animal Control- No report.

Recreation Committee- Councillor Hall copied members on T-ball proposal.
Subject to guidelines set down by public health as it relates to COVID-19 precautions.

Program #1 Dis'Guys North River T-Ball Start Date: Approx. July 1st
Ages 4-6 years old-Participants: 25 Max-Registration: \$30 per participant

Program #2 Baccalieu Trail Animal Hospital Minor Softball Start Date: Approx. July 1st
Ages 7-12 years old-Participants: 25 Max-Registration: \$40 per participant

Program #3 North River "River Rats Streetball" Basketball League- Start Date: Approx. July 1st
Ages: 13-17-Participants: 25 Max-Registration: \$40 per participant

The total cost is \$1200 per program +/- \$200 before sponsorship contributions and registration fees. This would include any minor supplies needed.

Dugout renovation brought forward last summer. Last summer had arranged for JDR construction to donate time/resources to complete the reno if the Town were to provide materials. Will reach out to JDR to see if offer still stands for this summer and if so move forward.

Members agreed that for accounting purposes run finances through the town office same as other grants. Bills to be submitted to the town for payment.

Dug out repairs discussed. Roof deferred.

Motion 2021 -1925- Brian Hurley / Elsie Morrissey

Resolved that the town approves proposal in principal and will supply materials for dug out.

Quotes for materials are required.

All in Favor Motion Carried

OHS Committee- No incidents reported.

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St. Georges Church-Mayor Morrissey will look into possible heritage site. Deferred

7. Financial Reporting Policy and Procedures

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

Total deposited \$64,382.32 includes Covid Stimulus Pkg \$40,059.75

Receipt# 15903-15952.

Total payable \$64,371.29. Cheque # 1657-1670. Closing Balance \$168,912.51.

Accounts Payable Ledger to April 30, 2021 was provided for Councils' review.

Motion 2021 –1926– Elsie Morrissey / Brian Hurley

Resolved that Operating accounts payable in the amount of \$16,433.72 be approved for payment.

All in Favor Motion Carried

Grants Income Statement along with Expense Statement were provided for Council.

Financial Transaction Summary to April 30, 2021 .Grants Ledger Cash outflow /inflow reports and financial statement reviewed by council.

Total deposited \$40,059.75. Total payable \$2,854.63 Cheque # 398-399. Closing Balance \$74,103.90.

Tax Adjustments/Write Offs to April 30, 2021 No adjustments to report.

Tax Dollar Arrears to April 30, 2021

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

Total outstanding includes 2021 taxes \$445,586.85 .Collections percentage at 83%.

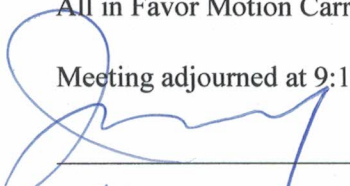
Adjournment

Motion 2021 –1927– Brian Hurley / Elsie Morrissey

Resolved that this meeting of council be adjourned until the next regular meeting June 1, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Council Chambers, 43 North River Road.

All in Favor Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 P.M.

 Mayor Joanne Morrissey

 Sheila Hall, Town Clerk/Administrator