

Town of North River Meeting Minutes November 1, 2022
Town Council Chambers 43 North River Road, North River, NL

In Person Attendance: DM Blair Hurley (Chair), Councilors' Joanne Morrissey, Kelly Hall, John Newell, Dwight Snow & Elsie Morrissey

Zoom: Mayor Brian Hurley

Also Present: Katie O'Flaherty - Town Clerk/Administrator, Clarence Dawson, Pat Mahoney, Eugene Anthony and Ryan Gates

Absent:

DM Hurley called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Mayor Hurley joined the meeting via zoom. Due to him not being physically present, he asked DM Hurley to chair the meeting.

Agenda and Minutes:

Motion 2022 – 2123– Councilor Hall/Councilor Snow

Resolved that the agenda for the November 1, 2022, meeting be adopted with the following additions:

Santa Claus parade

All in Favor, Motion Carried

Motion 2022- 2124 – Councilor Hall/Councilor E. Morrissey

Resolved minutes of the October 4th meeting be adopted as circulated. No errors or omissions.

All in Favor, Motion Carried

Delegation:

DM Hurley told delegates that the Council will listen to their questions and concerns and respond to them in writing, within a fair and reasonable period.

Pat Mahoney, and Eugene Anthony attended the council's meeting to follow up with their concerns presented at the council's November 4th meeting. At that time, they were advised that no application for development had yet been received by the council for development at 3-5 Aspell's Road. Since the meeting, it was confirmed by the Council that a permit for development was issued in November 2021. Mr. Mahoney said that he is not against development but wants to ensure his concerns are addressed and his property protected. His concerns stay the same as to where water will go in the event of a storm, and who will be responsible should any damage occur due to flooding. It was his opinion that the area is known for excessive water, but the vacant land acted as a sponge. At times, water in the area is not only from rain but when the river rises the discharge end of the culvert that goes across North River Road has the potential to be under water sending water back into the ditch and overflowing the road. It was asked that the council investigate his concerns and to check with the Department of Transportation to see if it is possible to install a backwater valve on the culvert which drains water from the ditch into the river.

Ryan Gates attended the meeting to answer any questions the council may have about their request for support in obtaining a lottery license. Although North River Recreation Inc. has no connection to the town of North River, the certification was to confirm that North River Recreation Inc. is a legit not-for-profit committee running within the town. Clerk to confirm with Service NL and ensure no liability to the town.

Ryan also noted that North River recreation will be hosting a community bon fire this year on Saturday, November 5 at the track/field. More information can be found on North River Recreation Facebook page.

Delegates left the meeting at 7:17pm.

Business Arising:

Municipal Plan – meeting with Anna Myers scheduled for November 15th at 6pm for Council and 8pm for public input. Notice has been posted on the town's website, Facebook page and the Shoreline. Clerk to put up notices around town.

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Dog Park Signage – Deferred. Councilor Snow to follow up.
Hobby Farm Regulations – check for policies in other communities.
Madengail Lane – Clerk to seek legal advice.

New Business:

The clerk reported that the 2022-2023 Snow Clearing tender was advertised on the town's website, the Government tending site as well as published in the Shoreline. Tender closed on October 7, 2022, at 3pm.

Motion 2022-2125 Councilor Hall/Councilor E. Morrissey

Resolved that Council accept bid received from G&J backhoe Services Inc. for the 2022-2023 snow clearing contract.
All in Favor, Motion Carried

Councilor Hall informed the council that she had been contacted by two people who drive school buses in North River about vehicles parking in the turnaround areas on Tanny's Hill and on North River Road. Clerk to ask Highways to install "no parking" signs.

Councilor Hall spoke on the success of the Halloween Trunk or Treat hosted by North River Recreation, which she took part in on behalf of the town.
Preparation is now underway for the Santa Claus Parade happening December 4th at 6pm. Hot Chocolate to be donated again this year by Compassion Homecare. Fire Dept. has been notified. Anyone interested in putting in a float are encouraged to do so.

Development Applications:

Motion 2022-2126 Councilor Snow/Councilor Hall

Resolved that Council approve in principle the application received from 13-19 Hall's Road – House, pending approvals from Service NL.
All in Favor, Motion Carried

Correspondence for Information:

Miles for Smiles Foundation	Proclamation	Motion
Eastern Regional Service Board	2023 Fee Structure	File
Eastern Regional Service Board	Garbage Collection	File
Town of Clarkes Beach	November 11 ceremony	File
Government of Canada	Celebrate Canada	Clerk to complete application

Motion: 2022-2127 Councilor Snow/Councilor E. Morrissey

Resolved that the Town of North River proclaim October 2022 to be Child Abuse Prevention month.
All in Favor, Motion Carried

Committee Reports

Bay de Grave – No report.

Joint Councils – Meeting cancelled.

Animal Control – No report.

Occupational Health Safety – No report.

Bills

Motion 2022 –2128 – Councilor E. Morrissey /Councilor Hall

Resolved that the bills be paid as presented with invoices added from Bell Aliant and Lynch's Trucking.
All in Favor Motion Carried

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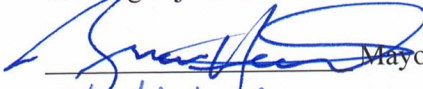
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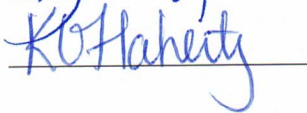
Motion 2022- 2129 – Councilor Hall/ Councilor Newell

Resolved that this meeting of the council be adjourned until the next regular meeting December 6, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Council Chambers, 43 North River Road.

All in Favor Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 8:43 P.M.

 Mayor Brian Hurley

 Katie O'Flaherty - Town Clerk/Administrator