

Town of North River Meeting Minutes April 2, 2024
Town Council Chambers 43 North River Road, North River, NL

In Person Attendance: Mayor Hurley, DM Blair Hurley, Councilors' Joanne Morrissey, Elsie Morrissey, Dwight Snow, Kelly Hall and John Newell

Absent:

Also Present: Katie O'Flaherty - Town Clerk/Administrator, Cathy Mahoney and Candice Snow

Agenda and Minutes:

Motion 2024 – 2308– Councilors Newell/Hall

Resolved that the agenda for the April 2, 2024, meeting be adopted with the following additions.

Lanes

Bell Alliant

Dilapidated Properties

All in Favor, Motion Carried

Motion 2024-2309 – Councilors Hall/E. Morrissey

Resolved that the minutes of the March 5, 2024, meeting of council be adopted as circulated.

All in Favor, Motion Carried

Delegation:

Business Arising:

Councilor Newell brought forward his request for council to revisit square footage requirements for development.

Motion 2024-2310 – Councilors Newell/J. Morrissey

Resolved that council amend building lot requirements to reduce single family homes to ½ acre lots, while duplex and apartments remain ¾ acre.

All in Favor, 3/4(M. Hurley, DM Hurley, Councilors J. Morrissey and E. Morrissey) Motion defeated.

Motion 2024-2311 – Councilors J. Morrissey/E. Morrissey

Resolved that council amend building lot requirements to reduce single family homes to ½ acre lots.

All in Favor, 5/2(M. Hurley and DM Hurley) Motion carried.

Motion 2024-2312 – Councilors J. Morrissey/E. Morrissey

Resolved that building lot requirements for duplex remain ¾ of an acre.

All in Favor, Motion Carried

Motion 2024-2313 – Councilors J. Morrissey/E. Morrissey

Resolved that building lot requirements for apartments containing 3-5 units increase to one acre lots.

All in Favor, Motion Carried

The council agreed that applications requesting to develop more than 5 units be addressed as received.

All building approvals are subject to the approval of well and septic from Service NL.

New Business:

Councilor Hall spoke on town right of ways.

Motion 2024-2314 – Councilors Hall/J. Morrissey

Resolved that the town works to identify and mark town right of ways. Clerk to have Maintenance worker cut out approx. 15-20ft of right ways to clean them up once identified.

All in Favor, Motion Carried

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Councilor Snow noted the many half poles left in the town from the upgrades.

Motion 2024-2315 – Councilors Snow/Hall

Resolved that the Clerk contact Bell and request to have poles removed.

All in Favor, Motion Carried

Councilor J. Morrissey spoke on dilapidated properties. Each councilor review and bring a list forward of properties needing to be addressed.

Motion 2024-2316 – Councilors J Morrissey/E Morrissey

Resolved that council review dilapidated properties and request to have properties cleaned up/torn down as needed.

All in Favor, Motion Carried

Development Applications:

Correspondence for Information:

Dept of Transportation	Municipal Infrastructure Change Request	File
MAA	Update	File
MNL	2024 Provincial Budget Update	File
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David Power	Response to information request – Name change	Motion
Confederation 75	Funding approval	Events committee applied for Canada Day Events. Town and Committee to host events.
NL Power	Take Charge	File

Motion 2024-2317 – Councilors J. Morrissey/E. Morrissey

Resolved that the Clerk write North River Recreation regarding request to change name. The council does not support a for-profit organization being confused with the town and using town facilities. Council to deny North River Recreation access to town facilities for recreational programs.

All in Favor, 4/3(DM Hurley, Councilors Snow and Hall) Motion carried.

DM Hurley, Snow and Hall felt like denying access to town facilities would only take away from the children in the community.

Committee Reports

Events Committee – Councilor Hall was proud to announce the success of the committees first event – St Patrick's Dance. They had 91 people in attendance, the music was great, the food went over well and great prizes donated by local businesses.

Easter Hunt was cancelled, and the money refunded. The committee pulled together to deliver treats to children who had purchased tickets for the event as well as some seniors in the community. The kind gesture was very much appreciated by everyone.

The next event for the committee will be Mother's Day Afternoon tea.

Councilor Hall read out a note from committee member Cathy Mahoney thanking the council for their support. The committee is looking forward to working with the council and bringing many exciting, enjoyable and affordable events to residents of North River.

Bay de Grave – Committee from Brigus Junction/Junction Park attended the last meeting. Contract for services not yet in place.

Members of the council expressed their concern for services locally. Fees collected should be 100% for services as each town is required to pay.

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Joint Councils – Met March 28, 2024.

Animal Control –. Nothing to report.

Occupational Health Safety – Nothing to report.

Bills

Motion 2024-2318 E Morrissey/Hall

Resolved that the bills be paid in the amount of \$16,543.19.

All in Favor Motion Carried

Mayor Hurley advised that he will be away for the May meeting.

Adjournment

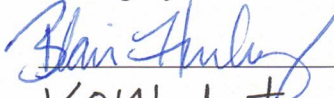
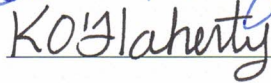
Motion 2024-2319 – Councilors Newell/Hall

Resolved that this meeting of the council be adjourned until the next regular meeting May 7, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Council Chambers, 43 North River Road.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 8:07 P.M.

Mayor Brian Hurley

Katie O'Flaherty - Town Clerk