

Town of North River Meeting Minutes May 6, 2025
Town Council Chambers 43 North River Road, North River, NL

In Person Attendance: Mayor Brian Hurley (via Zoom), DM Blair Hurley, Councillors' Joanne Morrissey, E. Morrissey, John Newell, Dwight Snow and Kelly Hall

Absent:

Also Present: Katie O'Flaherty – Town Clerk Cathy Mahoney, James Cummings and Noel Hurley

Mayor Hurley request to have DM Hurley chair meeting as he joined over Zoom.

Agenda and Minutes:

Motion 2025-2436 – Councillors Snow/Newell

Resolved that the agenda for May 6, 2025, meeting be adopted with the following additions.

Newsletter

Tennis court

Cleanup day

Kayla launch

Property cleanup

Garbage bins

All in Favor, Motion Carried

Motion 2025- 2437– Councillors Newell/Hall

Resolved that the minutes for the April 1, 2025, meeting be adopted as circulated.

All in Favor, Motion Carried

Delegation:

Mr. Noel Hurley addressed council regarding ongoing dispute between 44 North River Road and Council. His intension was to improve area and asking for fair consideration. Trespass/small claims set for case management meeting. Cost for town will exceed fixing the ongoing ditch issue and advise council will be taking on substantial legal fees if they proceed. Mr. Hurley noted he would like to settle the issue rather than spend tax dollars in court proceedings. Culverts are to engineered standards and will include catch basin and clean out as required. Mr. Hurley feels if council can agree to his proposal the issue with the ditch can be resolved and small claims case closed. Mr. Hurley advised council that he can be flexible and is not looking to cost share the expense but rather just improve his property.

Business Arising:

Councillor J. Morrissey spoke on memorial and criteria for engraving.

Proceed with work to level ground. Council will then mark location for monument.

Invoice for research completed to date reviewed, council to discuss further research.

Councillor Hall spoke on quotes for land next to dog park.

Grub off land next to dog park, grade as required and grub off area for kayak launch.

Clean out ditch, cut pavement and supply & install 24" culvert across the road.

Mayor Hurley noted installation of weeping tile to assist with water issue.

Motion 2025- 2438– Councillors Hall/Snow

Resolved that council accept quotes and proceed with work.

All in Favor, Motion Carried

Quote reviewed for culvert on Newell's Road. Council decided no longer needed.

MEO – ½ day on Fridays with flexibility, as needed.

New Business:

Motion 2025- 2439– Councillors Newell/Snow

Resolved that clerk contact contractor for road grading and allow for material if required.

All in Favor, Motion Carried

Flower beds around town sign - Have rocks replaced and soil added. Quote to confirm 2025 pricing for next meeting.
Include shrubs/hostas etc.

Clerk noted the auditor will be on site May 8 to begin 2024 audit.

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Motion 2025- 2440– Councillors Snow/Hall

Resolved that council proceed with purchase of chair saw from Avalon Industrial as quoted.
All in Favor, Motion Carried

Clerk to complete Community Garden application.

Motion 2025- 2441– Councillors E. Morrissey/Hall

Resolved that council proceed with purchase of triple mix for garden.
All in Favor, Motion Carried

Motion 2025- 2442– Councillors E. Morrissey/J. Morrissey

Resolved that council proceed with purchase of lumber required to completed garden bed repairs.
All in Favor, Motion Carried

Sign – Parking for Community Garden/Tennis Court only!

Motion 2025- 2443– Councillors Hall/ E. Morrissey

Resolved that council purchase 2 benches for tennis court.
All in Favor, Motion Carried

Year end newsletter. Clerk to note for next council.

Cleanup Day – deferred.

Council to revisit list for property clean ups. Have MEO visit.

DM Hurley asked on status of roll out garbage bins. Council to discuss and plan.

Clerk noted that Municipal Plan and Development Regulations 1996 are in place until Plan and Regs under review are approved.
Therefore, unless amendment completed, new lot sizing will not be implemented until we have that approval.

Development Applications: 9 Cummings Lane – Garage extension

Motion 2025- 2444– Councillors Hall/Snow

Resolved that council approve application as presented once MEO confirms boundary requirements. Note – personal use only.
All in Favor, Motion Carried

Correspondence for Information:

Municipal Affairs	Election Training	Clerk attending May 21 and possibly June 11(virtual)
Canada 5k	Canada Day funding approved	File
Canada Summer Jobs (Federal)	Grant- 2 positions	Clerk to advertise
ERSB	Access – Unacceptable behaviour	File
Municipal Affairs	Vote by mail	File
Emmaus Cafe	Program proposal	Add to FB
North River Heritage & Dev	Letters of support	Completed
Municipal Affairs	Land use planning	1996 regs until review completed and approved
North River Recreation	Use of facilities	Motion

Motion 2025- 2445– Councillors Hall/Snow

Resolved that council approve request for use of facilities pending confirmation of insurance.
All in Favor, Motion Carried

Committee Reports

Events Committee –

Joint Council – N/A

Bay De Grave – N/A

Animal Control – Review contract

Occupational Health Safety – N/A.

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Bills

Motion 2025-2446 –Councillors E Morrissey/Hall

Resolved that council pay bills as presented in the amount of \$32,490.41.

All in Favor, Motion Carried

Note: Office closure May 19,21,22 &23.

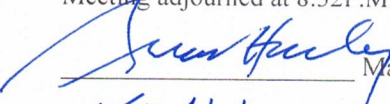
Adjournment

Motion 2025-2447 – Councillors E Morrissey/Hall

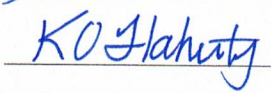
Resolved that this meeting of the council be adjourned until the next regular meeting on June 3, 2025, at 7PM.

All in Favor, Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 8:32P.M.



Mayor Brian Hurley



Katie O'Flaherty - Town Clerk