

Town of North River Meeting Minutes January 9, 2024  
Town Council Chambers 43 North River Road, North River, NL

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

Absent:

Also Present: Katie O'Flaherty - Town Clerk/Administrator, James Cummings, Dave Wicks, Cathy Mahoney and Cheryl Edmunds

**Agenda and Minutes:**

**Motion 2023 – 2275– Councilors Hall/Snow**

Resolved that the agenda for the January 9, 2024, meeting be adopted with the following additions.

Snow Clearing

All in Favor, Motion Carried

**Motion 2023-2276 – Councilors Snow/Hall**

Resolved that the minutes of the December 5, 2023, meeting of council be adopted as circulated.

All in Favor, Motion Carried

**Delegation:**

David Wicks addressed council to follow up on the emails he had previously submitted to council that he felt were not adequately responded to.

The clerk noted that the council did participate in a discussion with Mr. Wicks during the December 5<sup>th</sup> meeting. Following the meeting, the clerk, via email, advised Mr. Wicks that no direction was given for a formal response outside this discussion. The email also noted should Mr. Wicks wish to follow up and have questions added to the next agenda, or should he wish to send in a new document to have included, to please advise her prior to the January 9<sup>th</sup> meeting.

The clerk followed up via phone and email on January 8<sup>th</sup> prior to sending out the council's agenda, to remind Mr. Wicks of the discussion with council as recorded in the December 5<sup>th</sup> minutes.

It was suggested that Mr. Wicks submit questions in a point format, so each question could be addressed at the next council meeting.

**Business Arising:**

Appeal hearing for 44 North River Road to be held on Thursday January 11, 2024. Clerk to attend virtually.

Boat Launch – Clerk was contacted by Christa Skinner (Dept. of Environment and Climate Change) to follow up with application. Councilor Snow and Hall to work on updating application. Clerk to assist as needed.

288-290 North River Road Development – 50+ seniors' apartments were advertised; clerk noted no public input received. Still waiting for approval from Service NL.

Town Plan – Waiting for updated mapping. Council to meet January 23 at 7pm to review draft plan. Meet with Anna Myers once new mapping is in place.

Council to meet with Cathy Mahoney Re: Events Committee on January 23 at 6:30pm.

Audit – with senior auditor for review.

Christmas parade – Council thanked everyone who participated in the parade. It was a great success.

**New Business:**

Clerk to contact Kool Freeze to have the mini split system serviced.

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DM Hurley noted the extension of the Municipal Boundary and to ensure Snow clearing operator is aware of the added section of road to be cleared in Snows Pond Road.

Clerk has applied for Canadian Heritage grant.

**Motion 2023-2277 – DM Hurley/Councilor E. Morrissey**

Resolved that council purchase fireworks for Canada Day up to \$1,900.00.

All in Favor, Motion Carried

**Development Applications:**

169 North River Road – Shed

Clerk advised that a drawing was submitted with application and a site visit completed by and signed off on maintenance worker.

**Motion 2023-2278 – Councilors Snow/Hall**

Resolved that the application for 169 North River Road – Shed, be approved.

All in Favor, Motion Carried

**Correspondence for Information:**

Municipal Affairs	Capital Investment Plan - Approval	File
Fisheries and Oceans Canada	Shoreline Stabilization on Riverside Road	File
Minister of Transportation	North River Road – Response from Minister	Upload to Facebook page. Encourage the public to express concerns.

**Committee Reports**

Bay de Grave – No more meetings for this year.

Joint Councils – December meeting was cancelled.

Animal Control – Invoice for 2024 services. Pay ½. No update on shared services – Enforcement Officer

Occupational Health Safety – Nothing to report.

**Bills**

**Motion 2023 –2279 –Councilors E Morrissey/Hall**

Resolved that the bills be paid in the amount of \$39,329.28.

All in Favor Motion Carried

On behalf of council, Mayor Hurley expressed condolences to the Clerk and family on the passing of her Father-in-law. Town office will be closed for the remainder of the week, reopening on Monday, January 15, 2024.

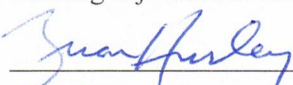
**Adjournment**

**Motion 2023 –2274 – Councilors J Morrissey/Hall**

Resolved that this meeting of the council be adjourned until the next regular meeting February 6, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Council Chambers, 43 North River Road.

All in Favor Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 P.M.

 Mayor Brian Hurley

 Katie O'Flaherty - Town Clerk

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