

Town of North River Special Meeting Minutes May 16, 2024  
Town Council Chambers 43 North River Road, North River, NL

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

Absent:

Also Present: Katie O'Flaherty – Town Clerk

Council called a special meeting to address:

- North River Recreation – use of facilities
- Riverside Road
- By-law for property clean up – draft reviewed
- 47-49 North River Road – proposed development application
- Snows Pond Road – road grading
- Proposed War Memorial
- GIC
- Paving

The council reviewed response from North Rier Recreation regarding the use of town facilities for sports. After some discussion the following motions were made;

Motion: DM Hurley/Snow

Resolved that council rescinded the following motion made during the April 3 meeting of council.

**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.

All in Favor, Motion Carried

**Motion 2024-2329 - DM Hurley/E. Morrissey**

Resolved that North River Recreation shall have use of town facilities pending confirmation of insurance. Insurance must be submitted to the Town Office and verified by the Towns Insurer, ensuring the Town of North River holds no liability prior to the start of recreational programs.

All in Favor, Motion Carried

The council would also like to invite North River Recreation to meet and discuss their concerns around the name North River Recreation and ask that North River Recreation consider their request to change its name.

Councilors Hall and E. Morrissey spoke on the concerns of Riverside Road. Clerk to contact Concord to ensure material quoted was used to build up road before paving.

The council noted properties in the community that need to be addressed. Several properties noted for clean-up and Council to call upon the Bay de Grave Fire Department to assist with those unsafe/need to be removed.

The Clerk presented property cleanup policy; minimal changes noted for adoption at next council meeting.

Councilor Newell left the meeting.

The council reviewed the proposed development application for 47-49 North River Road.

**Motion 2024-2330 - DM Hurley/K Hall**

Resolved that the proposed application and request be approved in principle pending an updated survey be submitted to council once sale is completed and approval from Service NL for a well and septic system. The council noted the existing structure can remain on the property until power can be connected to new development. Once power can be connected the existing structure must be removed.

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All in Favor, Motion Carried  
Councilor newell returned to the meeting.

Clerk to check on quote for grading of Snows Pond Road for next council meeting.

Councilor J Morrissey spoke on the proposed war memorial and potential locations. She hopes to have the Memorial in place by June 1, 2025. Councilor J. Morrissey spoke on grants available to help with the memorial, but the location must be identified, and land obtained by the town before we can avail of funding. She will also have the artwork donated as a fundraiser soon.

The Clerk noted our GIC is up and asked councils plans, the Clerk present current offers through Scotiabank.

**Motion 2024-2331 – Councilors J. Morrissey/E. Morrissey**

Resolved that council reinvest current fund from GIC and add additional funds from the town account for a total of \$200,000 GIC investment on a 4.25% cashable GIC for one year.

All in Favor, Motion Carried

The clerk advised that David Peddle of Harris and Associated visited the office to advise of paving tender for multi towns and asked if we would be interested. Brian to meet with David to look at the town section of Snows Pond Road for paving.

Clerk to complete Crown Lands application as previously proposed.

Meeting tomorrow re: shared enforcement officer. Mayor Hurley will attend and report back at the next meeting.

Due to the number of councils unable to attend the next regular meeting on June 4, the council agreed to move the meeting until June 11, 2024. Clerk to put out notice.

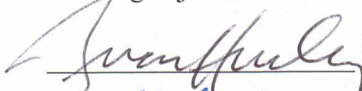
**Adjournment**

**Motion 2024-2332 – Councilors Snow/Hall**

Resolved that this meeting of the council be adjourned until the next regular meeting on June 11, 2024, at 7PM.

All in Favor, Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 8:27P.M.

 Mayor Brian Hurley

 Katie O'Flaherty - Town Clerk