



Council Meeting Minutes April 29th, 2024

Members Present:

Rodney Critch, Mayor Ivy Piercey, Deputy Mayor
Derek Martin, Councillor Felix St. George, Councillor

Also Present:

Shelly Burrage, Town Clerk/Manager

Absent:

Peter Burrige, Councillor Rick French, Councillor

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm.

Adoption of Agenda

Motion #2024-029

I. Piercey/F. St. George

Resolved to adopt the agenda.
Favour: 4; Opposed: 0; Carried

Adoption of Minutes

Motion #2024-030

D. Martin/F. St. George

Resolved that the minutes of the regular Council meeting that was held on March 21st, 2024, be adopted.
Favour:4; Opposed: 0; Carried

BUSINESS ARISING

Housekeeping

- Pumphouse is working good, chlorine levels are levelled out. Using about 2 barrels of chlorine per month.

Long Bridge Water

All materials except for the bolts have been received for the project. May 6th is the planned date to start, and staff is hoping it will be completed in 2 weeks.

Garbage Collection

There have been no major issues with the collection of garbage in the town by the maintenance staff. They have been told that if there are any problems with the garbage, i.e. too many bags, too heavy, to notify the town clerk/manager. Maintenance staff does have an issue with the height of the bin that is in place until the compactor is ready, and Council had questions on when it will be there. The Town of Winterton will be emailed about the height of the bins and asking when will the compactor be in place. Council stated that if it is much longer, they may consider doing the garbage on their own.

Letter re: Drainage – 60-64 Harbour Road

A letter was tabled regarding drainage issues at 60-64 Harbour Road. Maintenance staff will fix this issue when time permits.

Letter re: Culvert – 6-8 Bryant's Road

A letter was tabled asking for a longer culvert to be installed at 6-8 Bryant's Road. Council resolved to have it installed.

Motion #2024-031

I. Piercey/D. Martin

Resolved to purchase a longer culvert at 6-8 Bryant's Road.
Favour:4; Opposed: 0; Carried

Letter – New Perlican Recreation

A letter was tabled from the New Perlican Recreation Committee with several issues. The main item was the damage to the rink that was done during a rainstorm by maintenance staff. The doors are unable to be opened and the rink is due to be resurfaced. Council stated that the doors will be removed in time for the resurfacing and the damage will be repaired when time permits. There were also questions about the electrical work, sink, tiles, doors, and locksets. The sink has been received and the locksets have been sent to St. John's. Maintenance staff will do a temporary repair to the doors this week and the rest of the work will be completed either on rainy days or when the step is being replaced.

BUSINESS ARISING (CONT.)

Maintenance Staff

Maintenance staff will return to work May 6th, 2024.

Time Sheets

The time sheets to April 28th, 2024 was reviewed.

12-16 Tory Road

Deferred to the next meeting.

PERMITS

Council discussed issuing deck permits. The present practise is they are issued by the town office after maintenance staff ensures that it is within regulations and not over water lines. Council resolved that going forward, deck permits do not have to brought to a Council meeting unless it is not within regulations and/or over a water line.

Motion #2024-032

I. Piercey/D. Martin

Resolved that deck permits do not have to brought to a Council meeting unless it is not within regulations and/or over a water line.

Favour:4; Opposed: 0; **Carried**

Metcalfe, Leroy and Sharon – New Construction – Leroy and Sharon Metcalfe have applied to build a 52ft x 40ft building on their property at 12 Hiscock’s Road.

Metcalfe, Leroy and Sharon – Extension – Leroy and Sharon Metcalfe have applied to build a 12ft x 32ft extension onto their building that is located on their property at 156 Main Road.

Peddle, Wayne - Garage/Shed – Wayne Peddle has applied to build a 28ft x 34ft garage on his property at 203 Main Road.

Motion #2024-033

D. Martin/F. St. George

Resolved to approve the above permits.

Favour: 4; Opposed: 0; **Carried**

Council had a question if people can be invoiced for a permit after the work has been completed. Other towns will be consulted, and this will be discussed at the next regular meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Leave of Absence

A request for a leave of absence was received from Councillor Rick French asking for a leave of absence until August for work commitments. Council approved his request.

Motion #2024-034

D. Martin/I. Piercey

Resolved to approve Councillor French’s leave of absence until August.

Favour: 4; Opposed: 0; **Carried**

Property Clean Up

A letter will be sent to the owner of 256 Main Road giving them 30 days to clean up the property.

Canada Summer Jobs

Approval was received from Canada Summer Jobs for 1 person for 8 weeks @ 35 hours per week.

Wages

Meeting declared privileged at 8:05pm.

Meeting re-opened at 8:20pm.

There was no motion made during the privileged meeting.

New Business Request

A letter was received from Brad Cook informing Council of his intention to operate a home-based residential renovation business from his home at 336 Main Road. Council is please to offer their support and wished Mr. Cook every success.

Motion #2024-035

D. Martin/F. St. George

Resolved to send a letter of support to Brad Cook for his home-based residential renovation business from his home at 336 Main Road.

Favour: 4; Opposed: 0; **Carried**

NEW BUSINESS(CONT.)

Letter – Garbage Box

A letter was received concerning a garbage box placed on property that is owned by someone else. It was also stated that maintenance staff said that it was in the way for snow clearing. Council discussed the issue and asked that a letter be sent to the complainant stating that Council does not get involved with disputes between property owners and if it is a problem for snow clearing, it will be dealt with when it is closer to snow clearing season.

Letter – New Perlican Dart Committee

A letter from the New Perlican Dart Committee was tabled. They are asking permission to install 2 new dart boards, one across from the bar and one between the two windows by the stage. Deputy Mayor Piercey had already discussed this with the New Perlican Recreation Committee, and they agree. Council asked that a letter be sent back to the committee giving permission under the conditions that the dart boards are placed as indicated in the letter and the cases are the same height, width and depth as the ones that are already there. Council will inspect the boards when they are put in place to ensure that it is done as they asked.

Active NL – Funding

The Town of New Perlican received \$5,000.00 from the Active NL to upgrade the trail from Pop’s Park to Heart’s Content.

Drone NL – Quote

Deferred to next meeting.

MANL Membership

Council resolved to pay the membership to MANL due to the Hefford artifacts.

Motion #2024-036

I. Piercey /F. St. George

Resolved to pay the membership to MANL due to the Hefford artifacts.

Favour: 4; Opposed: 0; Carried

FINANCE

Payables

Council resolved to pay the invoices as presented.

Motion #2024-037

I. Piercey/F. St. George

Resolved to pay all outstanding invoices.

Favour:4; Opposed: 0; Carried

Cash Report

A copy of the cash report for March was given to Council for review.

Check Register

A copy of the check register for March was given to Council for approval.

Motion #2024-038

I. Piercey/D. Martin

Resolved to approve the check register for March.

Favour: 4; Opposed: 0; Carried

Visa Statement

A copy of the Visa statement for February/March and March/April was given to Council for review.

COMMITTEES

New Perlican Recreation Committee – Active NL Funding

The New Perlican Recreation Committee has received \$5,000.00 from the Active NL Fund for upgrades to the rink.

New Perlican Recreation Committee – Confederation 75 Celebration Funding

The New Perlican Recreation Committee has received \$1,000.00 from the Confederation 75 Celebration Fund. They are planning to plant a tree and place a time capsule in June/July.

CORRESPONDENCE

MNL – Proclamation

Mayor Critch signed the proclamation for Municipal Awareness Week from May 5th – May 11th.

Municipal Assessment Agency – Memo – File

RNC – Donation - File

Next Meeting – May 23rd @ 7:00pm.

Motion #2024-039

F. St. George/I. Piercey

Resolved to adjourn the meeting at 9:25pm.

Favour: 4; Opposed: 0; **Carried**

Ivy Piercey
Mayor

Shelly Bunnage
Town Clerk/Manager

May 23, 2024
Date