

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING, FEBRUARY 1, 2021

A regular meeting of the Bonavista Town Council was held on Monday, February 1, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. in the Garrick Theatre Annex. There were seven members present namely Deputy Mayor Stephen Chard, Councillors Barry Randell, Lindsay Phillips, Reg Butler, Calvin Rolls and Paul Moulard. Mayor John Norman joined the meeting by telephone. Also present at the meeting was Town Manager/Clerk David Hiscock. The meeting was presided over by the Deputy Mayor and opened with a prayer.

It was moved by Councillor Butler and seconded by Councillor Randell that the minutes of the meeting held on January 11, 2021, be adopted as read. Motion carried unanimously.

A discussion arose concerning the following Councillors' concerns:-

(1) Councillor Randell's concerns:-

(A) John Templeman having a mess around his property on White's Lane. It was stated that this case is going to court.

(2) Councillor Rolls' concerns:-

(A) Electronic Speed Signs near school zones. They only operate during school hours. Council wants this changed to full time.

(B) Meeting with R.C.M.P. re future of Bonavista Detachment. It was agreed that a meeting will be set up with R.C.M.P. and Council some time this month.

(3) Councillor Phillips' concerns:-

(A) Lots on Adam Pardy Drive. Councillor Phillips asked what the situation is on sale of lots and if we would consider lowering the price.

(B) Pedestrians only sign in right-of-way near Wayne Harris' property on Brown's Hill. It was stated that this problem is rectified and no sign will be placed there.

(C) Water and Sewer Servicing for Rocky Drung Extension. It was agreed to consider that area for future Capital Works.

(4) Councillor Moulard's concerns:-

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(A) Snow clearing near Max Stagg's on Saint's Lane. It was stated this needs to be checked out to see if improvements can be made.

(5) Councillor Butler's concerns:-

(A) Salting roads. It was stated that we need the salt trucks out earlier.

(6) Deputy Mayor Chard's concerns:-

(A) Bridges near Long Pond Old Railway Track that needs repairs. Deputy Mayor Chard asked who is responsible for these bridges. It was stated that there is a Trails Committee. It was agreed to get more information on this matter.

(7) Mayor Norman's concerns:-

(A) Trussell deteriorating rapidly near Harbour Pond. It was agreed to check on this matter further.

(B) Meeting with M.P. Churence Rogers. It was agreed for the Mayor to try to arrange a meeting as soon as possible.

A discussion then arose concerning the business arising out of the minutes:-

(1) Water problem around Old Days Pond because of rising sea waters. It was stated the environmental experts need to look at this area to see if a remedy can be found.

(2) Monument on White Rock. David Bradley advised us that he is going to look at replacing this plaque this summer.

A discussion then arose concerning the following:-

(1) Accounts Payables. The Town Manager/Clerk presented a list of bills for approval to pay. A copy of this list of bills is attached. It was moved by Councillor Randell and seconded by Councillor Rolls that these bills in the amount of \$191,657.03 be paid. Motion carried unanimously.

(2) Harbour Quarters Inn requesting a reduction in Business Tax for 2020 since their business decreased by 80% and they were only open 4 to 5 months. It was agreed that we cannot offer further reductions at this time.

(3)

- (3) Write-off of Service Fee for Evelyn Street for 2019 in the amount of \$100.00 since she is deceased. It was moved by Councillor Butler and seconded by Councillor Rolls to write off this Service Fee for Evelyn Street in the amount of \$100.00 for 2019 since she is deceased. Motion carried unanimously.
- (4) Request from Dene Holmes, Mifflin's Tea Room and Mifflin's Heritage Inn. These requests are:
 - (A) White picket fence repaired and painted between 15 and 21 Church Street and 2 – 10 Ackerman's Lane.
 - (B) Removal sand and gravel build up 5 Ackerman's Lane in the spring.
 - (C) Repositioning of front survey pin on Church Street between Mifflin's Tea Room and Custom Computer.
 - (D) Equality in Business Tax reductions for all B & B's.

It was agreed to revisit these requests in the spring.

- (5) Statement of Income and Expenses for Cabot Stadium for January 2021.
- (6) Jeffrey Keel requesting a permit to relocate a building 20' X 20' to his property on Edmund's Lane. It was agreed to issue a permit provided this is a storage shed and not a barn. If Mr. Keel agrees then a permit can be issued.
- (7) Letter from Dene Holmes re Business Tax for B & B's and his suggestion to help remedy the problem.
- (8) Letter from Diane and Harvey Hayley complaining about ice and debris falling from the Old Water Tower on to their home and requesting a six month tax break for Property Tax for 2020 and 2021 because of this. It was agreed that a tax break cannot be given but we are hoping to have the Old Water Tower removed this year.

Since there was no further business to be discussed, the meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

BILLS FOR PAYMENT, COUNCIL MEETING, FEBRUARY 1, 2021

1.	Mercer's Marine, clothing – S.C	\$ 697.68
2.	Vardy Villa Ltd., Garbage Collection – 5 weeks, 2 Spillars Cove	23,172.50
3.	Bell Aliant, phone bill – Dec. 2020	699.06
4.	C. & C. Distributors, diesel fuel & furnace oil	5,766.56
5.	Toromont CAT, parts – Loaders – S.C.	1,840.92
6.	Eastlink, 2 Internet Lines – Office – January	264.39
7.	Boyce Tec Inc., Computer Hardware Support-2021 – Office, Playground	7,475.00
8.	Parts Place Ltd., supplies – S.C.	140.79
9.	Raymond Guy Sons Ltd., deliveries – W & S Maint.	173.25
10.	Orkin, Pest Control - Dump – Dec. 2020	473.80
11.	Municipal Assessment Agency, Assessment Fees – 1 st . Q 2021	17,530.50
12.	Blue Oceans Satellite Systems, Vehicle Surveillance Dec. 2020	423.66
13.	Nfld. Power, Street Lighting – Dec. 2020	10,172.14
14.	Ellis Gas & Convenience, fuel – W & S Maint.	80.00
15.	K. & D. Pratt, supplies – Fire Dept.	3,412.19
16.	R. & J. Advertising, ads – Office (Other), W & S	212.00
17.	First Stop Ltd., gas – W & S Maint., Fire, S.C.	1,291.04
18.	Crewe's Garage, repairs Dump Truck & Salt Truck – S.C.	1,779.02
19.	Bonavista Cabs, delivery – S.C.	17.25
20.	Afonso Group Ltd., inspection – W & S Lines	1,043.63
21.	Emco Corp., materials – W & S Maint.	3,294.26
22.	Discovery Global Geopark Membership Fees to March 31/21	20.00
23.	Craig Clarke, reimbursement Liability Insurance – Fire Dept.	79.35
24.	Lodge's Plumbing & Electrical, repairs – Lift Station – W & S	1,600.96
25.	G. B. Signs Ltd., Stop Signs, etc. – Roads	1,155.75
26.	Telus Mobility, cellphones & Ipads	534.59
27.	Telus, phone bills – January 2021	612.02
28.	Ellis Gas & Convenience, fuel – Fire Dept.	60.03
29.	Allstream, phone bill – Fire Dept. – Dec. 2020	11.57
30.	Marsh's Taxi, deliveries – S. C.	161.00
31.	Marsh's Taxi, deliveries – Fire Dept.	46.00
32.	Ricoh, copy cost – Sept. 20 to Dec. 17, 2020 – Office	471.55
33.	J. T. Swyers Co. Ltd., materials - Dec. 2020	1,556.10
34.	Justin Abbott, reimbursement parts – Splash Pad – Roads	281.81
35.	Nfld. Power, light bills – Dec. 2020	9,384.21
36.	H. T. Durdle Ltd., materials – Office (Other)	182.24
37.	Mills Pittman Twyne, legal fees – J. Templeman	776.25
38.	K. & D. Pratt, 2 S.C.B.A.	19,768.50
39.	Construction Signs Ltd., parts – Speed Signs – Roads	2,211.25
40.	Meridian Engineering, Engineering Lift Station Upgrades 2020	17,449.93
41.	Bulldog Contracting Ltd., Progress Payment #3 – Chlorination	40,209.75
42.	Meridian Engineering, Engineering Chlorination Plant	9,813.67
43.	Dicks & Co. Ltd., office supplies	806.40
44.	H. T. Durdle Ltd., supplies – Beaver Pond Boardwalk	3,272.26

45.	Credit Recovery Ltd., collection cost – Dec. 2020	32.20
46.	Ann Squires, Services Rendered – CEEP 2020	1,200.00
		\$191,657.03