

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Regular meeting #10 for 2023 of the Grand Bank Town Council was held on Monday, October 23, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. at the Council Chambers.

Mayor Rex C. Matthews, Deputy Mayor Stan Burt, Councillors Angela Blackwood, Roger Brooks, Jack Burfitt, and Derrick Dunne attended along with Chief Administrative Officer Terry Fleming, Town Clerk Michelle Patten, and Recreation/Operations/Maintenance Director Tom Burton.

2. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

MOTION 2023-3692: D.DUNNE/A.BLACKWOOD

Motioned that the agenda be adopted as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

3. **DELEGATION**

4. **ERRORS AND OMISSIONS – SEPTEMBER 25, 2023**

5. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

MOTION 2023-3693: J.BURFITT/R. BROOKS

Motioned that the minutes for Council Meeting September 25, 2023 be approved as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

6. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 25, 2023**

a. **Partanna Building**

Councillor Dunne questioned if the building is advertised yet with a Real Estate Agent. CAO Fleming advised that it isn't yet.

b. **Bridge**

Councillor Dunne questioned if the Department of Transportation and Works were asked to erect caution signs for pedestrians walking on the bridge.

7. **INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION**

8. **INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION**

a. **RCMP**

Received the monthly report for September.

b. **Department of Transportation and Infrastructure**

Received a letter advising that the Bridge on Grandview Blvd. has been scheduled for rehabilitation next year.

c. **Canadian Coast Guard Atlantic Region**

Received a letter confirming the Grand Bank Lighthouse is owned and operated by the Canadian Coast Guard (CCG). Their Maritime and Civil Infrastructure Division carry out regular inspection and maintenance. They are aware that the Grand Bank Lighthouse requires maintenance and repair work such as cleanup, painting, and door repairs, and are currently exploring avenues to source funding to carry out this work.

9. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

a. **Finance Committee**

Deputy Mayor Stan Burt, Committee Chairperson, presented a written report of a meeting the Committee held on October 18, 2023.

MOTION 2023-3694: S.BURT/R.BROOKS

Motioned that the Finance Committee report of October 18, 2023 be approved as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

Administrative Clerk Michelle Osmond entered the meeting at this time.

b. Development Committee

Councillor Roger Brooks, Committee Chairperson, presented a written report of a meeting the Committee held on October 18, 2023.

Councillor Angela Blackwood left the meeting at this time due to conflict.

MOTION 2023-3695: R.BROOKS/S.BURT

Motioned that item number 2. a. to e. of the Development Committee report of October 18, 2023 be approved as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

Councillor Angela Blackwood returned to the meeting at this time.

MOTION 2023-3696: R.BROOKS/A.BLACKWOOD

Motioned that the Town give hoop001 two weeks to have the property completely cleaned up. If it is not completed by that time, the Town will have it cleaned up at the homeowners expense.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2023-3697: R.BROOKS/J.BURFITT

Motioned that the Development Committee report of October 18, 2023 be approved with the exception of item number 2. a. to e. as it was previously approved.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

10. OLD BUSINESS

a. Downtown Development

CAO Fleming advised that the tender is sent back to the engineering company to remove some contingencies. Hopefully it will be returned to us in a couple of weeks to submit to ACOA for approval.

b. Riverside East – Plantline Watermain Update

CAO Fleming advised we received a request to store some materials on Town's property for the contractor. It was agreed that we have space and will store the required materials behind the Town Depot.

c. Community Garden

After some discussion it was agreed to construct the following committee:

Councillor Brooks, Councillor Blackwood, Administrative Clerk Michelle

11. NEW BUSINESS

a. Health Care Update

Councillor Dunne gave a brief update on the human resources available at the Health Care Center from his perspective.

b. 911

Deputy Mayor Burt gave an update on the meeting with NL Health Services regarding the transition from the local telephone number currently used to access ambulance service to using 911.

c. Recreation Activities Update

Recreation/Operations/Maintenance Director Tom Burton gave an update on the activities scheduled from now until Christmas.

d. Outside Employee - Fulltime

MOTION 2023-3698: S.BURT/R.BROOKS

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank offer Mr. Paul Power a full-time position as a Step IV Labourer as Mr. Henry Kelland has requested to reclassify his position from a full-time labourer to seasonal labourer.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

12. COUNCILLORS FORUM**a. Budget**

Councillor Dunne advised that he has received some concern from residents regarding the Mil rate for the 2024 Municipal taxes. Mayor Matthews advised that this will all be taken into consideration during the budget process.

b. Sidewalks

Councillor Blackwood advised that she received a concern from a resident regarding the condition of the sidewalk on Main Street; from Main Street Mini Mart to the Anglican Church.

13. COMMUNICATIONS FROM TOWN OFFICIALS**14. ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION 2023-3699: S.BURT/J.BURFITT

Motioned that the meeting adjourn at 5:10 p.m.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED