

1. CALL TO ORDER

Regular meeting #7 for 2022 of the Grand Bank Town Council was held on Monday, July 18, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. at the Council Chambers of the former Federal Building.

Mayor Rex C. Matthews, Councillors George Bennett, Angela Blackwood, Roger Brooks, and Stan Burt attended along with Acting Town Manager Sheila M. Dolimount, Recreation/Operations/Maintenance Director Tom Burton, and Town Clerk Michelle Patten. Councillor Jack Burfitt is away on vacation. Administrative Clerk Shelly Osmond is working.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION 2022-3531: S. BURT/G. BENNETT

Motioned that the agenda be adopted as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

3. DELEGATION - NONE

4. ERRORS AND OMISSIONS – JUNE 20, 2022

7. c.) Councillor Burt questioned if the wording should be changed from “he” to “the Town”.

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOTION 2022-3532: G. BENNETT/R. BROOKS

Motioned that the minutes for June 20, 2022 be approved with changes to 11 (c).

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES – JUNE 20, 2022

a. ATV Usage

Councillor Bennett raised his concerns with the use of ATV’s around the community at all hours of the day and night. After some discussion it was agreed to contact the RCMP and request a “blitz” on a Saturday.

b. Property on Pearson Place

Councillor Burt questioned if we have investigated the property ownership on Pearson Place. Mayor Matthews advised it is private property. Councillor Brooks suggested the Town contact Shoppers Drug Mart to request if they would find an alternate route for offloading their freight trucks to avoid damage to the road on Pearson Place.

c. Nature Trail Signs

Councillor Brooks advised he is receiving compliments on the signs at the Nature Trail, they look really nice.

7. **INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION**

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a. **NL Power**

Received an email regarding the take charge LED Bulb Giveaway. This is for non-profit organizations and other groups. Deadline to submit proposals are July 25, 2022.

b. **Department of Transportation and Infrastructure**

Received a letter regarding Tender Amendments, New Design Guidelines and Standards, and Petroleum Products Cost Adjustments.

c. **ReCreate Consulting Services Inc.**

Received an email regarding 2022-2023 Age – Friendly Newfoundland and Labrador Communities Program.

d. **RCMP**

Received the June 2022 Monthly Report Burin Peninsula.

9. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

a. **Finance Committee**

Councillor Stan Burt, Committee Chairperson, presented a written report of a meeting the Committee held on July 6, 2022.

MOTION 2022-3533: S. BURT/A. BLACKWOOD

Motioned that the Finance Committee report of July 6, 2022 be approved with the exception of item #2.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2022-3534: S. BURT/G. BENNETT

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank accept funding from ACOA in the amount of \$69,667.00 for project number 221351 - Rediscover Main Streets Program.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

b. **Development Committee**

Councillor Roger Brooks, Committee Chairperson, presented a written report of a meeting the Committee held on July 6, 2022.

MOTION 2022-3535: R. BROOKS/S. BURT

Motioned that the Development Committee report be accepted as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

10. OLD BUSINESS

a. Downtown Development

Mayor Matthews advised things are proceeding as scheduled. Some minor adjustments to the project are being made as the situation dictates.

b. Summer Festival/Come Home Year

Mayor Matthews suggested getting the Summer Festival Schedule of Events re-designed by someone who is familiar with graphics to make it more attractive and reader friendly.

c. Nature Trail Signs

Mayor Matthews advised that the signs are now up at the trail and we are waiting on one more.

d. Paving Program

Mayor Matthews advised that the paving is completed for the year with the exception of the Lions Club Parking lot, and a major cut on Main Street.

e. Atlantic Pursuit

Mayor Matthews advised that the Town has absolutely no control or authority over the Atlantic Pursuit, it is under the control of Small Craft Harbours and the Harbour Authority. Mayor Matthews advised the vessel is now being monitored closely by Small Craft Harbours and Transport Canada and hopefully it will be moved sometime in 2022, probably the fall.

11. NEW BUSINESS

a. Heritage Society

Councillor Bennett advised he cannot attend the Heritage Society meetings as they are held at the Copper Kettle; which is not wheelchair accessible. Mayor Matthews suggested we write the Heritage Society to request they hold their meetings at the former Federal Building to accommodate everyone since all public places are supposed to comply with the Accessibility Act and Regulations and also the Human Rights Act.

b. Murals

Mayor Matthews suggested having a mural painted on the back of the Bait Depot depicting possible, the operation of the Bait Depot in the past..

MOTION 2022-3536: S. BURT/R. BROOKS

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank have a mural painted on the back of the Bait Depot.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

Councillor Angela Blackwood left the meeting at 3:08 p.m.

c. **Lions Club Paving**

MOTION 2022-3537: S. BURT/R. BROOKS

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank enter into partnership with Lions Club to pave the front of the parking lot as part of the Downtown Development Project.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

d. **CYN Proposal**

MOTION 2022-3538: G. BENNETT/R. BROOKS

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank enter into partnership with the Anglican Church and the Community Youth Network in providing a suitable facility for the youth of Grand Bank and area.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

12. **COUNCILLORS FORUM**

a. **Dr. Beckley**

Mayor Matthews advised that Dr. Beckley will soon be retiring. It was agreed to take him out for supper and present him with a picture of the Town.

b. **Frazer Park Fence**

Mayor Matthews suggested not erecting a fence at Frazer Park as proposed in the Downtown Development. The Town will look at other options to put on the edge of the park to ensure the view isn't obstructed and vehicles cannot park there.

c. **Downtown Development**

Councillor Brooks advised the downtown area is looking really nice.

d. **Cancer Relay for Life**

Councillor Burt advised he attended the Cancer Relay for Life at the Fortune Arena on July 2, 2022 and brought greetings on behalf of the Town.

e. **ATV's**

Councillor Burt noted that he had received two calls regarding the closure of the ATV access path off of Hillview Street. Councillor Bennett noted that to his understanding the property owner over which the ATV's travel to access an approved trail plans on removing the bridge that makes this possible. Council will monitor the situation.

13. **COMMUNICATIONS FROM TOWN OFFICIALS**

- a. Acting Town Manager Dolimount advised she has received a quote for banners for the downtown decorative lights. It was agreed to order the banners.

- b. Acting Town Manager Dolimount advised the Town of Marystown has invited two representatives from Council to a presentation on July 25, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Marystown Hotel.

14. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2022-3539: G. BENNETT/S. BURT

Motioned that the meeting adjourn at 3:41 p.m.