

**Town of St. George's
Minutes of Regular Meeting of Council
of St. George's held at Town Hall on
December 6th, 2021**

<i>Members Present</i>	Councillors	D. Conway C. White A. Tobin R. Sheppard S. O'Neil Parsons J. Blanchard J. Legge
<i>Also Present</i>	Acting Town Clerk Assistant Town Clerk	J. Deluney S. Bennett
<i>Call to Order</i>	As Returning Officer, the acting town clerk called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and welcomed the new council and the public who attended through electronic means via Facebook Live and Zoom.	
<i>Nominations for Mayor</i>	Nominations were called for the position of Mayor. Councillor C. White nominated Councillor D. Conway, seconded by Councillor A. Tobin. Councillor D. Conway accepted the nomination. There being no other nominations Councillor D. Conway was declared Mayor.	
<i>Nominations for Deputy Mayor</i>	Nominations were called for the position of Deputy Mayor. Councillor A. Tobin nominated Councillor C. White, seconded by Councillor D. Conway. Councillor White accepted the nomination. There being no other nominations, Councillor C. White was declared Deputy Mayor.	
<i>Swearing-In</i>	Each councillor completed and signed the Oath of Office. Information sheets had been distributed along with Disclosure Statements, copies of the Municipalities Act, the new Councillors Handbook, Rules of Procedure for council meetings, and our Respectful Workplace Policy.	
<i>Designation of Signing Officers</i>	Motion #21 – 239 Councillor A. Tobin/Councillor Jean Legge Be it resolved that Mayor C. Conway, Deputy Mayor C. White and Town Clerk will be signing officers for the 2021-2025 term. All in favor. Motion carried.	
<i>Adoption of Agenda</i>	Motion #21 – 240 Councillor A. Tobin/Councillor R. Sheppard Be it resolved to adopt the agenda as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.	
<i>Adoption of Minutes</i>	Regular Meeting of November 1st, 2021 Motion #21 – 241 Councillor A. Tobin/Councillor R. Sheppard Be it resolved to adopt the minutes of the Regular Council meeting that was held on November 1 st , 2021. All in favor. Motion carried. Special Meeting of November 16th, 2021 Motion #21 – 242 Councillor S. O'Neil Parsons/Councillor Jean Legge Be it resolved to adopt the minutes of a Special Meeting that was held on November 16 th , 2021. All in favor. Motion carried. Special Meeting of November 24th, 2021 Motion #21 – 243 Councillor J. Blanchard/Councillor R. Sheppard	

Be it resolved to adopt the minutes of a Special Meeting that was held on November 24th,2021.
All in favor. Motion carried.

*Business Arising
from minutes*

1) Application submitted for Capital Works Project

Acting town clerk stated that the application has been submitted for the Capital Works Project, the deadline to apply was November 26th,2021.

*Committee Reports
a) Finance*

1) Motion #21 – 244 Deputy Mayor C. White/Councillor S. O’Neil Parsons
Be it resolved to approve general invoices in the amount of \$39,114.66 for payment.
All in favor. Motion carried.

2) Motion #21 – 245 Councillor J. Legge/Councillor R. Sheppard
Be it resolved to pay Western Pump Services in the amount of \$187,448.45. Final payment invoice New Drilled Well 17-GI-21-00058 from Projects Account.
All in favor. Motion carried.

3) Motion #21 – 246 Deputy Mayor C. White/Councillor S. O’Neil Parsons
Be it resolved for post approval to pay Northbridge Financial Corp. the amount of \$5000.00, RE: Town of St. George’s Deductible for Claim # 5605G0779 W. Vincent vs Town of St. George’s.
All in favor. Motion carried.

4) Current bank balances were given for November 2021.

5) Aged Receivables reports shows that as of November 30th,2021
Property taxes 95.21%, Water and Sewer taxes 94.37%, Business taxes 85.28%.

6) Expense report as of November 30th,2021, shows we have 97.55% used.

b) Projects

New Drilled Well/Emergency Generator and Chlorination Building

Mayor Conway gave an update on the new drilled well, all connections have been made and the new well is up and running at 43 gals. per minute which saves the life of the pump.

c) Fire Department

Fire Call Reports for November 2021

There was a total of 8 fire calls for the month of November 2021.

- 1) Medical Rescue on November 4th,2021 on Muise’s Lane.
- 2) Medical Rescue on November 4th,2021 on Muise’s Lane (Called back)
- 3) Structure Fire on November 13th,2021 on Main Street
- 4) Structure Fire on November 14th,2021 on Main Street (Called back)
- 5) Medical Rescue on November 18th,2021 on Steel Mountain Road
- 6) Structure Fire/False Alarm on November 18th,2021 on Boyd’s Lane
- 7) Utilities Incident on November 23rd,2021 on Main Street
- 8) Mutual Aid call on November 30th,2021 on White’s Road

*d) Stadium &
Recreation Report*

Siki Bennett Memorial Stadium

As of November 30th,2021 the Siki Bennett Memorial Stadium has a deficit of \$15,739.47.

As of October 15th,2021 General Bowling and League bowling has resumed. Anyone interested in booking for can call Town of St. George’s At 647-3283.

e) Roads

Deputy Mayor gave an update on the roads, he stated that he received at least 10 calls regarding the condition of the road in front of the Pharmacy and something will have to be done. There was a similar situation on Mercers Lane between Dept. of Transportation and Infrastructure which was resolved.

Councillor Blanchard asked that we contact the Dept. of Transportation and Infrastructure to get an engineer to come assess the problem and find a solution.

Motion #21 – 247 Deputy Mayor C. White/Councillor J. Blanchard
Be it resolved that a light will be installed on every 4th light pole on Hayes Lane.
All in favor. Motion carried.

Permits

General Repairs Permits

Motion #21- 248 Councillor A. Tobin/Deputy Mayor C. White
Be it resolved that General Repair permit #1309 and #1310 be accepted as presented.

In favor: Mayor D. Conway
Deputy Mayor C. White
Councillor A. Tobin
Councillor S. O'Neil Parsons
Councillor J. Blanchard
Councillor J. Legge

Abstained: Councillor R. Sheppard
Motion carried.

Building Permits

Motion #21 – 249 Councillor A. Tobin/Councillor S. O'Neil Parsons
Be it resolved that Building Permit #1308 be accepted as presented.
All in favor. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business

Appoint Councillors

Mayor Conway appointed Councillors to bring back recommendations to Council.
Recreation: Councillor J. Legge, Councillor R. Sheppard and Councillor S. O'Neil Parsons.
Marina: Deputy Mayor C. White
Roads: Councillor J. Blanchard
Fire Department: Mayor D. Conway and Deputy Mayor C. White
Finance: Deputy Mayor C. White, Councillor A. Tobin, Councillor S. O'Neil Parsons, and Councillor J. Blanchard.

New Business

1) Acting Town Clerk Training

Motion #21 – 250 Councillor R. Sheppard/Councillor S. O'Neil Parsons
Be it resolved that Acting Town Clerk receive training for Budget 2022.
All in favor. Motion carried.

Incoming Correspondence

a) Letter - MMA – 2022 Assessment Service Fee

A letter was received from MMA stating that an error had been detected in the number of tenants reported in their letter dated October 20,2021, regarding the 2022 Assessment Service Fee for our municipality.

b) Email - Western Health – Covid Vaccination Available for Children Aged 5-11 years

An email was received from Western Health informing the town that a Covid Vaccination is available for children aged 5 to 11 years. To schedule an appointment call 1-833-703-5470.

c) Newsletter – Above Board – Office of the Privacy Commissioner

A newsletter was received from the Office of the Privacy Commissioner.

d) Circular – Government of NL – CYBER SECURITY AWARENESS

A circular was received with information on tips, links to various cyber security resources.

e) Letter – Western Health – IT Outage

A letter was received from Western Health to inform us of a Network Outage which took place November 5th,2021.

f) Email – Department of Transportation and Infrastructure – Call for Applications

An email was received from Department of Transportation and Infrastructure as a reminder for Call for Applications – 2022-2023 Municipal Infrastructure Cost-Shared Funding Program on October 8th,2021. The deadline to submit applications is November 26th,2021.

g) Email – Government of NL Department of Environment and Climate Change Water Resources Management Division RE: Public Consultation on the Drinking Water Safety Action Plan

The Government of Newfoundland and Labrador is seeking input to help inform a Drinking Water Safety Action Plan for the province. The development of this Action Plan is being led by the Department of Environment and Climate Change (ECC) in partnership with other Departments including Health and Community Services, Digital Government and Service NL, Transportation and Infrastructure, and Municipal and Provincial Affairs.

h) Letter – Resident

A letter was received from a resident who was having issues with water drainage on his property, the problem has since been addressed and the issue resolved.

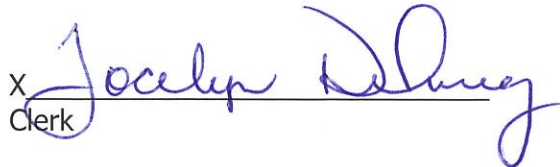
Adjournment

Motion #21 – 251 Deputy Mayor C. White/Councillor A. Tobin
Be it resolved that the meeting do now adjourn.
All in favor. Motion carried.

Next meeting will be held on Monday, January 10th,2022 @ 7:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

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Mayor

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Clerk