

## Minutes

A public meeting held at the Town of St. George's Town Hall on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July, 2023, with the following in attendance.

Mayor: Conrad White

Absent: Deputy Mayor: Andy Tobin

Councillors: Joe Blanchard

Sharon O'Neill Parsons

William Vincent

Jean Legge

R. Sheppard

Also present: Manager- Danny Conway

Town Clerk- Mary Spicer

3 members of the public in attendance

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### Call to Order:

Mayor Conrad White called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., and welcomed all members of council, staff and the public present.

Councillor Vincent has noted that the cash balances are incorrect. Councillor Vincent has offered to work with the town clerk (Mary Spicer) to make corrections with the Town Suite Program. Council has agreed to grant Councillor Vincent permission to do so. Mayor white has asked that the manager contact Municipal Affairs to ensure that this can be permitted. Contact must made before Councillor Vincent be permitted to do this.

### Adoption of the agenda:

**Motion #23-72 Councillor: J Blanchard 2<sup>nd</sup> Councillor S. O'Neill Parsons**

Be it resolved that the council of the town of St. George's does adopt the agenda dated.  
8<sup>th</sup> June, 2023

**All in Favor Motion passed**

### Adoption of the Minutes:

**Motion #23-73 Councillor J. Legge by 2<sup>nd</sup> Councillor R Sheppard**

**All in Favor Motion Passed**

### Proclamation:

Resident #1 Concerns for clean up were addressed see action report.

b) Resident # 2 regarding land issue see action report

c) Resident #3 regarding roaming animals see action report

**Action Report:**

Land Purchase for Church Street- awaiting paperwork from lawyers.

**Dilapidated Buildings and resident properties:**

Manager called Chris Gallant regarding the property on Main Street inquiring as to the demolition of dilapidated building.

Resident #1 Much discussion on removal of vehicles from property. Owner will remove prior to August 14th deadline. If vehicles are not removed, they will be removed by the town of St. George's.

Resident #2 Resident spoke regarding land that was purchased at 2 Shore Rd from a Town of St. George's auction . Council has agreed that a letter would be supplied to resident stating that the property formally owned by William Bennett (2 Shore Rd) would be supplied.

Resident #3 Issue with roaming dogs- Manager to call RCMP to schedule meeting to discuss the ongoing issue of roaming animals.

**Committee Reports**

**Finance:**

**a) Motion #23-74 Councillor Blanchard 2nd by Councillor Legge**

Be it resolved that the list of accounts for payment that had been attached to the agenda be approved for payment in the amount of \$ 50538.06.

**All in Favor Motion Carried**

Manager to check and see if errors were made in budget submission.

Scada system. The parts are here. Manager has spoken to John Andrews about the scheduling of repairs. John will be in touch with Cahill to schedule repairs in conjunction with the town of Stephenville to cut costs.

**Fire Department:**

There were 6 fire calls in the month of June 2023.

**Permits:**

**Motion #23-75 Councillor S. O'Neill Parsons 2nd by Councillor J. Legge**

Be it resolved that general repair permits with #s 1461, -1482 be approved as presented.

**All in Favor Motion Carried**

**Motion #23-76 Councillor Vincent 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councillor O'Neil Parsons**

Be it resolved that building permits #'s 1460,1470, & 1476 be approved as presented.

**All in Favor Motion Carried**

**Motion #23- 77 Councillor W. Vincent 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councillor S. O'Neill Parsons**

Be it resolved that the building permits with # 1446 be approved as presented.

**All in Favor Motion Carried**

**Unfinished Business**

Pelly's LANE WATER project (CIP)

motion #23-76 motion made by: Councillor Sheppard 2<sup>nd</sup> Councillor O'Neil Parsons

Be it resolved that the Town of St.George's submit its capital investment plan to the department of municipal and provincial affairs for gas tax funding in the amount of \$37613.71 for water line and road upgrade on Pelly's lane road extension

All in Favor Motion carried.

**New Business**

A) Town Managers review:

Mayor asked for questionnaire to be completed by current staff. 8 were returned and will be kept on file. After much discussion it was decided that a new contract would be offered to the manager, and this will be done annually.

**Motion #23-77** Be it resolved that a motion made by Councillor Vincent 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councillor O'Neil Parsons that a 3 % raise would be offered as in line with the Collective agreement given to our outside workers.

All in Favor Motion Carried

B) Streetlight on Pelly's Lane

**Motion # 23-78** Be it resolved a motion made by Councillor O'Neil Parsons 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councillor Legge that a streetlight be placed at the intersection at Pelly's Lane and Main Street. For full approval on the motion, a letter must be received from residents of Pelly's Lane.

All in Favor Motion carried.

C) Water and Sewer on Farm Road.

A concerned resident of Farm Road made request for an upgrade to water and sewer Line prior to paving farm road extension. It was explained by Town Manager that changes were unable to be made because of grade issues. Resident would be informed in writing with this explanation.

D) MNL Conference. It was agreed upon to send Councillor Vincent if needed in support of his motion concerning review engagement vs Audit.

Be it resolved a motion by Councillor O'Neil Parsons 2<sup>nd</sup> to be determined by another municipality that MNL endorse petition and write Government of Newfoundland and Labrador to allow municipalities to choose between an annual audit or review engagement by CPA. Councillor Vincent be permitted to contact all municipalities for support and if need be, councillor Vincent be permitted to attend MNL conference in October 2023 in St. John's to further pursue this.

E) Collective Agreement with Nape: All council member signed this agreement.

**Other Business**

**Correspondence:**

A) Letter for damage to Windshield.

Motion # 23- Be it resolved that Councillor O'Neil Parsons 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councillor Vincent that the total of \$1705.35 be paid as per quote for the repairs to Windshield of resident.

All in Favor Motion carried.

B) Old firetruck

There was a total of 4 bids received to purchase the firetruck.

The successor Bidder was Doug Legge

**Motion #23-79 Councillor W. Vincent 2<sup>nd</sup> Councillor S. O'Neill Parsons**

Be it resolved that the old firetruck be sold to Doug Legge for Tender submitted.

**All in favor Motion Carried.**

Councillor Legge suggested that a letter of appreciation be sent to the Stadium Committee.

Councillor Vincent inquiring why the signage for Hudson was not placed yet? Manager informed council that property owner did not require signs.

**Adjournment Motion#23- 80 Councillor S. O'Neill Parsons 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councillor J.Legge**

Be it resolved that as there is no more business to discuss the meeting will now adjourn @ 10:32 p.m. and the next scheduled regular meeting of council will be Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> August, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m.

**All in Favor Motion Carried**

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Mayor

  
Town Manager