## REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD AT ST. LAWRENCE, NL APRIL 21, 2020 AT 7:00 P.M.

#### MEMBERS PRESENT

MAYOR PAUL A. PIKE DEPUTY MAYOR JACK WALSH

COUNCILLORS MICHAEL STACEY RODNEY DOYLE ERNIE LUNDRIGAN (7:45 P.M.) AMANDA SLANEY

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#### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

COUNCILLOR ROSALIE DUPRÉ

## AGENDA

The Mayor called the meeting to order and asked if the following items could be added to the agenda.

- Increase in ATV usage
- Possible illegal construction of cabin
- Wood cutting on Point Road
- CFI trucks speeding on Route 220
- Water Filtration building

## MOTION: D. M. WALSH/STACEY

20 – 59 Resolved to approve the agenda for April 21, 2020 with noted additions. All in favour, Motion Carried.

#### **MINUTES**

- **MOTION: LUNDRIGAN/DOYLE**
- 20 60 Resolved to approve the minutes of April 7, 2020 as circulated. All in favour, Motion Carried.

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#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no Committee meetings held.

#### CORRESPONDENCE TO BE ACTED ON

## APPLICATION – TURPD005 – EXTENSION TO EXISTING ATTACHED GARAGE – 12' X 22'

#### MOTION: D. M. WALSH/DOYLE

20 – 61 Resolved to approve the application for TURPD005 to construct an extension to existing attached garage – 12' X 22' and also removal of shed – 8' X 8' once the extension is complete. All in favour, Motion Carried.

#### **REQUEST FOR DONATION – SPCA**

- MOTION: STACEY/LUNDRIGAN
- 20 62 Resolved to approve a donation of \$25.00 to Burin Peninsula SPCA. All in favour, Motion Carried.

## LETTER FROM RESIDENT RE – INTERNET SERVICE

The Manager advised that she spoke to the resident and explained that a letter of support has been sent to CRTC in support of the Bell application to the CRTC Broadband Fund to acquire funding to upgrade high-speed internet to our community.

Discussion took place and it was agreed to write a letter to the resident advising that meetings have been held with Eastlink who advised that there is nothing that they can do for us. We will have to see what happens with the Bell application to the Broadband Fund to acquire funding to upgrade high-speed internet.

#### MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION REQUEST FROM CANADIAN PROCLAMATION

### MOTION: DOYLE/STACEY

20 - 63Resolved to sign a proclamation proclaiming the week of May 4 – 10, 2020 as the Canadian Mental Health Association Mental Health Week. All in favour, Motion Carried.

## LETTER FROM HNL RE - RELIEF FOR COMMERCIAL & BUSINESS PROPERTIES

The Manager advised that the deadline for payment of taxes is June 30, 2020.

Discussion took place and it was agreed by Council that if businesses request relief from Council that each request will be dealt with individually.

It was suggested to write HNL and advise that we are in the process of reviewing the impact on tourism related customers commercial properties.

## **REQUEST FOR DONATION – RONALD McDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES**

#### MOTION: SLANEY/D. M. WALSH

Resolved to donate \$25.00 to Ronald McDonald House 20 - 64charities. All in favour, Motion Carried.

#### SWEEPERS – NANNY B'S – RENT RELIEF FOR APRIL – JUNE 2020

#### MOTION: LUNDIRGAN/D. M. WALSH

20 - 65Resolved to approve of rent relief for Nanny B's for April -June 2020. All in favour, Motion Carried.

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#### DONATIONS

Discussion took place on sending donations to the families of the late Patrick Brake (former Councillor) and the late Julian Rennie (former employee).

#### MOTION: D. M. WALSH/STACEY

20 – 66 Resolved to donate \$100 to each of the families of the late Patrick Brake and the late Julian Rennie. All in favour, Motion Carried.

# **GREETING LETTER REQUEST FOR 28<sup>TH</sup> FALUN DAFA DAY ANNIVERSARY**

The consensus was to file this correspondence.

#### TOWN CLEAN UP 2020

Discussion took place on this topic.

It was agreed to follow Lewin's Cove initiative and ask residents to clean up their properties and around their property and send a picture to the town to post on the town facebook page. The garbage will have to be placed in the residents own garbage bin for collection.

#### COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Manager advised that the town received a circular from the Dept. of Municipal Affairs advising that Local Governments may conduct their public meetings through a live streaming, video conferencing or teleconferencing process.

The Manager advised that we have received correspondence from Telus who are offering a free 90-day package and that she will contact them to see if we can get something set up for the next Council meeting so anyone who wishes to listen in can do so.

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## DRAINAGE COMPLAINT

The Manager advised that several residents on Fairview Avenue have made complaints regarding the amount of water that is pooling on the back of their property. She advised that the town's outside supervisor visited the area and looked at the trench that runs along the back of properties along this street.

Council held further discussion on this item and decided to engage Edwards & Associates to look at this area and provide recommendations to Council. Also agreed to seek quotes on hire of equipment hire to clean out the drain, if necessary.

#### MOTION: SLANEY/STACEY

2020 – 67 Resolved to engage Edwards & Associates to look at the area on Fairview Avenue and provide recommendations to Council. Council also agreed to seek quotes on hire of equipment to clean out the drain, if necessary. All in favour, Motion Carried.

#### **ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**

#### **INCREASE IN ATV USAGE**

Discussion took place on the increase in ATV usage in town.

The consensus was to contact the RCMP and request a conference call to discuss this issue.

## POSSIBLE ILLEGAL CONSTRUCTION OF CABIN

Discussion took place on this topic. The consensus was to contact the person who put it there in the first place to advise them that kids are using it and ask if this can be taken down.

## WOOD CUTTING ON POINT ROAD

Discussion took place on the issue of wood cutting-on Point Road.

The consensus was to contact Forestry to see if this area is included in the Town's wood cutting regulations.

## **CFI TRUCKS SPEEDING ON ROUTE 220**

Discussion took place on the issue of the CFI trucks speeding on Route 220 and also the use of the jake brakes when coming down Kearney's Hill and Lawn Road Hill.

## **MOTION: SLANEY/DOYLE**

2020 – 68 Resolved to contact Dept. of WST to request application to erect signs on Route 220 entering and exiting St. Lawrence – signs to read – No Jake Brake Use permitted. All in favour, Motion Carried.

## WATER FILTRATION BUILDING

Council has been asked if the Water Filtration building will reopen soon.

The consensus of Council was to leave the Water Filtration building closed and try to source wipes and to review this policy in a couple weeks.

## BROOK AT IRON SPRINGS

Deputy Mayor Walsh advised that the brook at Iron Springs is really brown again. He said there is a problem out there somewhere.

Further discussion took place and it was agreed to contact DFO and Environment regarding this issue.

## **GENERAL DISCUSSION**

## EMERGENCY DEPT. – USMHCC

Councillor Stacey advised that he has been advised that the USMHCC will be keeping the Emergency Department closed until May 30, 2020.

Discussion took place on this topic.

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## **VOLUNTEER WEEK**

It was advised to source mugs to pass out to volunteers in the community.

## **GARBAGE COLLECTION**

Councillor Lundrigan advised that he had a complaint from a resident regarding garbage collection. The person advised that he had a bag on the ground as he couldn't get anymore in his bin and they did not take it.

It was noted that at this time they will not be taking anything other than what is in your bin because of Covid-19.

## HOSPITAL UPDATE

The Mayor advised that he received an update from Councillor Dupré regarding the hospital issue.

## **CONDITION OF ROUTE 220**

Mayor Pike advised that Route 220 is in terrible condition and will need to be replaced in a couple years.

It was suggested to put this item on the agenda for a conference call with MHA Carol Anne Haley.

## **CAPITAL WORKS – PAVING PROJECT**

Mayor Pike advised that Carol Anne has advised that the Town's application for Capital Works – paving project has been recommended for approval.

## <u>CFI</u>

Discussion took place on several issues regarding CFI – dust, cutting trees, road, etc.

It was advised that they were going to be having a meeting with the community but it is not known when that will be.

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Mayor Pike advised that it is time to have a meeting with CFI to discuss the issues.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

## MOTION: D. M. WALSH

The meeting adjourned at 9:21 p.m.

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