



**Regular Meeting of Council #10
September 17, 2024, at 6:00 pm**

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Mayor Gary Goobie

Marjorie Gibbons, CAO

Deputy Mayor Michelle Woodford

Councillor Laura Crawley

Councillor Bruce King

Councillor Sadie King

Councillor Mabel Tilley

Councillor Steve Winsor

1. CALL TO ORDER/ADOPTION OF AGENDA

10-97-24

B. King/Crawley

BE IT RESOLVED that this meeting is now called to order and the agenda is adopted as presented.

Motion Carried

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting of Council August 20, 2024 adopted as presented- with error on second page, should be section 404(1).

3. BUSINESS ARISING- n/a

4. CORRESPONDENCE

a. HMCS St. John's- Thank you- Tabled

b. Climate Change Flood Mapping for Conception Bay- Tabled

5. PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

a. Update

b. Permits

10-98-24

Woodford/Winsor

BE IT RESOLVED to table and approve the attached permit listing. 12 permits were issued from August 15-September 10, 2024 (Permit Number 08-0112-24 to 09-0123-24 and includes permits for patio, general repairs, residential, site preparation, accessory building, extension, and fence.

Motion Carried

c. 10-99-24

Woodford/B. King

Location: 523-527 Conception Bay Highway (1 lot)

Proposal: Residential

Zoning: RMD

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the above application, in principle, subject to the Town's Municipal Plan and Development Regulations.

d. 10-100-24

Woodford/Crawley

Location: 36 Butterpot Road

Proposal: Commercial Extension

Zoning: RMD

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the above application in principle, subject to the Town's Municipal Plan and Development Regulations.

Motion Carried

- e. Within the duties of the Council to ensure a safe, and peaceful town for residents to reside and be content, the Town has the right to issue an order in some relevant statutory provisions as listed in 404 (1-6) of the Act. Therefore, to move forward with the responsibilities and expectations of the Act the Town of Holyrood is delegating the power to issue orders to the position of CAO.

10-101-24

Woodford/Crawley

BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to section 404(6) of the Municipalities Act, The Town of Holyrood delegates the power to issue orders under section 404(1) to the Chief Administrative Officer of the Town of Holyrood provided that Council is notified immediately of any orders issued.

This motion allows Council to act more efficiently when facing issues within the Town which require corrective action by others. The types of action covered under such an order can be found under section 401 of the municipalities act.

Motion Carried

6. RECREATION AND COMMUNITY EVENTS

a. Update

Squid Fest was a great success. Overall attendance was great. Will review and make changes for next year. Profits will be put back into recreation infrastructure and programs. Summer programming have ended and fall programming is starting like after school hangout,

walking with wellness and active for life and mini movers. Some are started and some starting soon. Fall activity guide will be in mailboxes next week. Fall festival and SpookTRUNKular, Tasty Trail and Holyrood Harvest Hoedown returns in October.

7. INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC WORKS

a. Update

Salmonier Line water project update- scope of the work for the contractors completing the project was designed by Englobe and approved by various government departments (Department of Environment and Climate Change and a letter of approval from Fisheries and Oceans). The scope requires one section to cross under North Arm River and there is a plan to achieve this with compliance to the government approved plan. Contractor and Engineers are taking the appropriate steps to maintain compliance with the government approved plan. The tree land clearing is within scope and the construction crew must safely enter the area to construct copper dams, install pumps, complete trenching, install pipe work and lay stone. The use of copper dams is identified as an improved means to impede and re-divert the flow of water during the actual time of crossing the river. This is an accepted construction method.

While some residents may be concerned about the work being completed, all residents should know this work is being done in accordance with all the requirements and specifications of government. There is a supervisor on site to ensure work is completed as per approved plans. The area affected will have soil and seed placed upon completion.

8. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

a. Update

Laurentic Conference is taking place on September 25 with a portion of it being held at the Marine Institute and we have an opportunity to be part of that. Conception Bay Area Chamber of Commerce golf tournament took place last week at The Willows, and we partner with the Chamber of Commerce and sponsored lunch. The OHI communications coordinator, Nola Edison, has started work and is developing a database of contact info. Expect a phone call from Nola to get your preferred method of communication. This info is confidential and will only be used for our purposes of communication with our residence. Please provide that information if you want to be contacted when events are happening in Holyrood, in case of emergency, etc.

Tanks are coming down on the Valero site. They should be dismantled by the end of December, no fuel in the tanks, and nothing to be concerned about. The metal will be trucked out.

Hydro are doing repair work on their access road.

b. 10-102-24

Woodford/B. King

BE IT RESOLVED the Town of Holyrood approves the Lease of 46.95 acres of land situated in Town Center and more particularly described in the lease document with the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador through Crown Lands. This lease provides access to this for the purposes of economic development at a cost of 9,842.00 per year for 10 years with first payment and all subsequent payments being deferred until such time that the Town realizes a revenue from the sale of a parcel of that land.

This is the land behind the roundabout area where we have long been promoted as Oceana. This lease allows the Town to hold the land for business development such as office buildings, stores, research facilities, and other such economic activity. Through a lease arrangement, the Town does not acquire any cost until we have an actual buyer in which case there is no financial burden to the Town.

Motion Carried

9. PUBLIC SAFETY

a. Update

Junior Firefighter Program- starting that later in September. They will be sending out pamphlets to make people aware.

The rescue vehicle is on schedule to arrive the end of this month.

Work in progress on Route 60.

Brush cutting and signs- if you drive down route 60 the alders are almost out to the pavement. Director has contacted Transportation and we hope to get the brush cut. Alders need to be cleared around signs to see them.

Roaming dogs- we have isolated incidents of dogs being out. If you have an issue with roaming dogs of vandalism you contact the RCMP.

Emergency Preparedness Plan- this is ongoing. There is an EPP prepared by a professional that's been done for many years but

needs some updating. Town has request funding to hire someone to get this updated.

Prevention Sessions for the public to bring prevention safety to the community. The local ground search and rescue does a nationwide program that is sponsored and endorsed through the search and rescue volunteer sector of Canada called adventure smart. The local Search and Rescue group would like to do the Adventure Smart session, there is no charge to the town and it's open to the public, geared towards young adults, takes about 45 minutes to an hour. Check out www.adventuresmart.ca or speak to someone at the local search and rescue group. Date to be determined, please keep an eye to our social medial platforms.

If there is any public safety session people would like to see, reach out and we will determine if we can make that happen within reason.

Councillor B. King- Leslie Kenny has been the interim fire chief for a few months. I enjoyed working with her, found her to be professional, knows what she is doing, a great asset to the Fire Department, and her expertise and knowledge is staying here which is great for the incoming fire chief.

b. 10-103-24

King/Tilley

BE IT RESOLVED the Town of Holyrood approves the hiring of Trevor Rideout as the new Fire Chief at Holyrood Fire Department. A job search was issued for this position and there were 16 applicants – 8 of whom were given interviews and Trevor was the candidate selected through a scoring process of both resume and interview.

Motion Carried

10. COMMUNICATIONS

a. Update

b. 10-104-24

Crawley/Woodford

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town of Holyrood request Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador lobby Bell Canada to improve access to cell service to every community in each region of the province. The reliability of a consistent cell service is a key component of the economic productivity of communities and the current level of service being provided lacks reliability and consistency.

In all areas of the province cell phone service is vital to emergency response and safety of people. The current service delivery cannot be accepted, and we ask Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador to intervene on behalf of all communities to seek improvement in cell service. This will improve safety for all residents and will support the sustainability of communities as well as improve overall quality of life for residents and municipalities across Newfoundland and Labrador.

Motion Carried

11. CORPORATE SERVICES & ADMINISTRATION

a. Update

Upcoming budget consultation- there will be information in the fall flyer. There are various ways for people to engage in the budget consultation. We have in person, where you can call in and request a private meeting, you can email it in, or send a letter. We will have a survey for residents to take part in.

b. Accounts

10-105-24

Crawley/B. King

BE IT RESOLVED those accounts tabled in the amount of \$235,193.40 cheque numbers 46213-46290 and D4289 to D4363 be approved for payment from the general account.

Motion Carried

c. Bankbook Balance: \$88,525.30

12. NEW BUSINESS

Woodford- n/a

B. King- on January 27, 2024, Corporal Jamie Murphy became the first Newfoundlander and Labradorian to be killed in the Afghan conflict. He was killed by a suicide bomber while on patrol. This year represents the 20th anniversary of that incident. The beautification committee has been working in Conception Harbour to refurbish the monument. The monument looks great and they are still putting the finishing touches on it. One September 28, they're going to rededicate the monument and there will be a ceremony. Encourage veterans and anyone else who would like to, to attend. Starts around 1:00 pm. There could be traffic delays that day.

Crawley- we will be recognizing Truth and Reconciliation day on September 30. We recognize and remember indigenous people who survived and those who didn't get to return home.

Tilley- hats off to our current fire chief, who is stepping down. It was great working with Leslie and learning from her. The town is very lucky that we are keeping her on staff. Shout out to our new fire chief, I look forward to working with him.

S. King- Glad to see active for life is coming back. Seniors really look forward to it.

Winsor- n/a

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

October 15, 2024, 2024, at 6:00 pm

14. ADJOURNMENT

10-106-24

Woodford/Crawley

BE IT RESOLVED that this meeting now adjourn.

Mayor

CAO

Minutes taken by CT