

Town of Irishtown-Summerside

Minutes of Meeting Wednesday, November 29, 2023

In Attendance:

Mayor Parsons, Deputy Mayor Morgan, Councilors, McAuley, Taylor, Bursey and Gushue. Also in attendance, Senior Town Clerk Bennett, Assistant Town Clerk Bursey and Project Organizer Cox. Minutes recorded by Assistant Town Clerk Bursey. Meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Mayor Parsons.

2. **Motion 2023 – 306 Councilor McAuley / DM Morgan**
Moved to adopt the agenda as circulated. All in favor. Carried.
3. **Motion 2023 – 307 DM Morgan / Councilor Gushue**
Moved to adopt the Minutes of November 15, 2023. All in favor, carried.
- 3.(b) **Motion 2023- 308 Councilor Bursey / Councilor Gushue**
Moved to adopt the Minutes of November 23, 2023. All in favor, carried.
- 4.(a) Business arising from November 15, 2023 the snowing Clearing contact is in the finalization stage. The Cameras installation, just waiting on Hi-Tech.
- 4.(b) Business arising from November 23, 2023
The rescue pick-up is being held at the dealership, just waiting for the letter. The Department will complete the specs for the truck to be sent in to be completed.
6. **Committees:**
 - (a) Public Works**
 - Hydrate's we are waiting on parts.
 - b) H.I.S.**
 - Donation was presented to the Dept by Councilor McAuley
 - c) Recreation/Halls**
 - Pynn's Pond Hall, one quote sent in by Clancey's General Contracting for the electric work. Will go ahead with Clancey's General Contracting.
 - No grab bar in the washroom in the small hall, will have one installed
 - d) Building Inspections**
 - N/A
 - e) Beautification**
 - Will follow up with resident on two properties

5. **Delegation:**

Delegation arrived at Chambers at 7:30 and gave delegation the floor.

- would like to have a plaque of Thank you placed in the playground next to the Community Hall in honor of the group of volunteers that help make the playground possible. told Council this is not cost to the town, he is just looking for permission to do so. Council explained to that he needs to make sure that if he is going to include names on the plaque to do his research on who helped with this, would not want to not have someone left out. Council also told to have a draft completed and send to the office for approval by Council.

Delegation Left chambers 7:40 p.m.

Delegations and arrived at 7:42 p.m.

Delegation is wondering about the sewer in his area. Told the resident that the current sewer project ended in the area of Wheeler Road and there is no current sewer project for his area.

Residents feel they are getting overlooked. Council explained to that they have applied for water project for 2024 capital works and the Capital works for 2025 they can have the sewer project for that area. Council can send in more then one project to Capital Works but the applications for 2024 is pass. If the application is not approved Council will try again.

Residents asked if all meetings were public and Council explained that all meetings are public, if the resident would like to speak in a meeting they can only do so if they are delegations, but they welcome to sit in one any meeting.

had mentioned that when the sewer project went thought in his area of town that he signed an easement to go though is property, but they went across the front of his property, so he was not able to join on the sewer.

Delegations left chambers at 7:53 p.m.

6. **Committees:**

f) GHJC-N/A

5. **Delegation :**

Delegation arrived at chambers at 8:03 and give delegation the floor.

was inquiring about is land on . said that the past mayor was looking into this for he said.

was concerned that the government was taking 50 feet of his land that is close to the Brook. We advised that the land is still his property, but the federal and provincial government got what they call a buffer zone, an area of land designated for environmental protection. Advised the resident that the land is still his he just can't build within those 50 feet. Mayor Parsons read the Sam Agreement to [redacted] and showed the map that outlines the buffer zone in the area of his land.

[redacted] left chambers at 8:16 p.m.

g) H/R

- Meeting with Staff will be scheduled.

h) Public Relation

- Kayla showed council the updated web page.

8. Correspondence

1. Discussion on the water and sewer hock up for resident on [redacted]. Resident was advised before we completed the paving of [redacted] that if he wanted to have the water and sewer hock up after the paving was completed on [redacted] the Resident would be responsible to have the pavement replace at the resident's cost. Resident feels that the cost of the amount of pavement that had to be repair for this job was too high and would like the cost of the water and sewer fee waved due to the cost of the pavement repair. Will advise resident that the cost the town incurred for this job is much higher than the cost to the resident.

2. Review the certificate of total performance from All North and signed document.

9. Financial Update

Motion 2023-309 DM Morgan / Councillor Gushue

Motion to accept financials as presented and pay outstanding bills. All in favor. Carried.

10. Unfinished Business

- a) Review and updated committee members

Public Works

Mayor Parsons

Councillor Bursey

H.I.S.
Councillor McAuley

Recreation/Hall
Councillor Taylor
Councillor Hackett

Beautification
DM Morgan
Councillor Gushue

Building Inspection
Councillor Hackett
Councillor Taylor

GHJC
Councillor Bursey

Public Relation
Mayor Parsons
Councillor Bursey

Financial
Mayor Parsons
Councillor Gushue

Human Resources
DM Morgan
Councillor Taylor
Councillor Gushue

11. **New Business**
- a) Discussion on Staff Christmas hours and bonus by council by pillage meeting took place at 9:15. Paid staff and Councillor Bursey excused themselves from chambers and returned 9:36p.m.

Will have a pizza for stuff at the end of the workday on December 22, 2023. The town office will be closed from December 25 to January 1, 2024, and open for regular business hours January 2, 2024. There will be no garbage collection while the office is closed. All paid staff will receive a \$100.00 gift card from brents. Any staff with vacation time can roll a week into the new year.

Clerk Bursey volunteered to drive the town truck in the Christmas Parade.

b) 2024 Tax Structure was discussed the only change is the Mill rate which will be changed to 5.7 percent, everything else will remain the same.

Motion 2023-310 DM Morgan / Councillor Taylor

Motion to adopt Tax Structure with only change being the Mill rate to 5.7 percent. All in favor. Carried.

c) The town will do tree lighting again this year, Councilor Gushue will have her family cut the tree for the town. The tree lighting will take place on December 10, 2023. 4-H will serve hot chocolate. DM Morgan will look into a new speaker for the hall. Will have Christmas light added to the fire hall, garage and new ones replace on the Town Hall.

Discussion on looking at trackers for the town trucks, will have meeting with maintenance Thursday at 4:30 to go over their work, will have written warning for staff on some issues that need to be addressed.

12. **Late Items**

a) SSSP report for the wild cove depot is a safety report for Tex's Transport to be able to have accuse to the salt and sand.

b) Reviewed email from Norten on purchasing or renting the meters from Norten.

Motion 2023-311 Councillor Taylor / Councillor McAuley

Motion to have Norten supply the meters and monitor them. All in Favor. Carried.

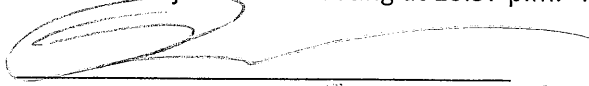
13. **Deferred Items**

Date and time of next meeting: December 13, 2023

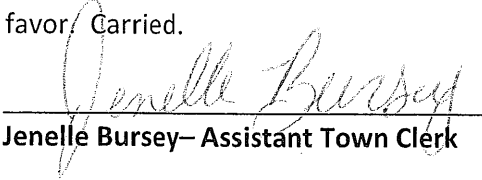
Meeting Adjourned

Motion 2023 – 312 DM Morgan / Councilor Gushue

Moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:57 p.m. All in favor. Carried.


Peter Parsons – Mayor *Shannon Morgan*

Date Adopted: December 13, 2023


Jenelle Bursey – Assistant Town Clerk