

Town of Irishtown-Summerside

**Minutes of Meeting
Wednesday, November 15, 2023**

In Attendance:

Mayor Parsons, Deputy Mayor Morgan, Councilors, McAuley, Hackett, 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 7:12 p.m. by Mayor Parsons.

- 1.(a) Swearing in of 2 new councilors, Clifford Bursey and Krystal Gushue by reading the Oath of Office.

Made note to members in chambers of posted sign that No recording devices are to be used in this area.

2. **Motion 2023 – 295 DM Morgan / Councilor Bursey**

Moved to adopt the agenda as circulated. All in favor. Carried.

- 3.(a) **Motion 2023 – 296 Councilor McAuley / DM Morgan**

Moved to adopt the Minutes of October 4, 2023. All in favor, carried.

- 5.(a) **No Business arising from October 4, 2023**

- 4.(b) **Motion 2023 – 297 Councilor Morgan / Councilor Hackett**

Moved to adopt the Minutes of October 16, 2023. All in favor, carried.

- 5.(b) **Business arising from October 16, 2023**

- Cheque was sent to Bay of Island search and recuse.
- Fridge from KC Reid didn't go ahead because the fridge was on back order, so we cancel the order. Contacted Molson and they were able to find us a cooler fridge.
- the snow clearing contract will be signed next week.
- the donation cheque was sent to the school and pictures of the compost bins.

- 4.(c) **Motion 2023 – 298 Councilor Bursey / Councilor Taylor**

Moved to adopt the Minutes of November 1, 2023. All in favor, carried.

- 5.(c) **No business arising from November 1, 2023.**

6. **Delegations:**

Delegation for 7:30 didn't show.

7. **Committees:**

(a) Public Works

- Most of the fire hydrate work is completed.
- Had a resident replacing weeping tile today and hit there was lane and had to turn off the resident's water.
- Council discussed and will look and see what other towns are doing for digging permits.
- Have maintenance look at the stop sign on Patty Drive, the sign is not in the correct place.

b) H.I.S.

- Donation to The H.I.S. will be made from the bar sale from the festival under the not for profit So long to summer committee.
- from Lifeline safety had concerns that he pass along to the mayor and Deputy Mayor on the product the dept was looking for and didn't feel he was giving the information and the product had been purchased elsewhere. He just wants more clarification on if he is the preferred vendor. (Moved to Delegations)

Delegations arrived at 7:59 Chief and Assistant Chief

Give Chief Parsons and Assistant Chief Bennett the floor.
Chief Parsons explained the situation with the Rescue, that we still have not heard if we are getting a new one. has sent many emails on this matter to and to
1. We did hear back from that we may hear in April, they may have the money to grant us a Rescue then. April will not help use as we have no rescue right now as it didn't pass the last inspection and is currently taken off the road. The members of the dept have to use personal vehicles to respond to medical calls.
passed along information on a grant for an electric truck, but they will not work for the dept because it will not support the lights needed.
Mayor wanted to know how the medical calls have been going and Chief explain, they have been going slow do to having to load the equipment in personal vehicles.
Senior Clerk Bennett told council that the town insurance covers the members not the members personal vehicles.
Council had discussion with the chief and assistant chief on the possibly of a pickup if that would work for the Dept. They agreed and explained that a pickup would work for

now to get items to a call and would also work if they were to get a new rescue unit. Chief explained to council that there are two types of rescue units one being a walk around and the other being a pass through style. Both units are very large and with some of the small roads in the community a pickup would be great to access the smaller roads.

Will have check on prices for the next meeting on a possible pickup truck and bring information back to the next meeting. Would need to be a 4x4 with 4 doors and a 6 ½ foot box, they only need a basic model.

Councilor Gushue gave Kayla some information on fleet truck across the golf.

Delegations left chambers at 8:52p.m.

7.(b) H.I.S. Return to discussion

- Lifeline always give a deal before, Lifeline said they were a preferred vendor for the Dept.
- This is a dept matter, they order their own products. Will advise maybe to have things in writing to help with confusion and to have a paper trail.

c) Recreation/Halls

- Discussion on the electrical issue of the Pynn's Pond Hall. Will have Paul do a quote on this repair. Closing the hall again to the groups. Clerk Burse will advise groups in the morning not to use the Hall that it is closed.
- Looked over quote from Hi-Tech on camera for the outside of the fire hall.

Motion 2023-299 Councilor Burse / Councilor Taylor

Motion made to go ahead with additional camera for the outside of the fire hall and garage. All in favor, carried.

- Had discussion on sending someone from recreation for the responsibilities of Volunteer Board Meeting and will not be sending anyone at this time.

d) Building Inspections

- No building inspections currently,
- Will look into a stop work order for Penney's Lane if no permit was issued.
- Investigate resident in Summerside who looks to be building a shed.

e) Beautification

- Send resident on Penney's Lane letter.

f) GHJC

- Email from the Great Humber Joint Council to see if we can host the next Humber Joint Council meeting. Had a discussion and we are unable to host that this time. Will send email to advise.

g) H/R

- Meeting with Staff will be scheduled for a later date. Will keep watch and revisit next meeting.
- H/R will look in Maintenance Supervisor position.

h) Public Relation

- will add minutes from meetings to the Town Website.

8. Correspondence

1. Notice from Municipal Assessment Agency on the assessment services will remain at \$26.00 per parcel and per tenant for tax year 2024.
2. Proposal from Modern Pest Control council reviewed and will continue to use on an as needed basis.
3. The Climate Change workshop the time as passed.
4. Information on Charged for Change Grant. is currently looking into this.
5. Resident complaint on the ATV trail. Council discussed and will send resident a letter stating the town is ATV friendly.
6. Roaming Dog complaint, we have sent letters to the residents on this matter. Will check in with Municipal Enforcement to see when our contact will be available and have Enforcement take care of this matter.
7. Resident on Park Drive looking for water and sewer, water is available to the resident but will advise resident that sewer is not available and will have to have a septic field in place.
8. Letter from Professional Municipal Administrators on the new legislation for Administrators.
9. Contract Change Order Notice with the changed amount.

Motion 2023-300 DM Morgan / Councilor Gushue

Motion made to go ahead and sign the Contract Change Order Notice. All in Favor. Carried.

9. **Financial Update**

Motion 2023-287 Councillor McAuley / Councillor Bursey

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

10. **Unfinished Business**

- a) Signing of the Audit.
- b) Election Change- 1 ballot for 7 Council Members (No separate ballot for Mayor)
Moved to deferred Items.

11. **New Business**

N/A

12. **Late Items**

- a) Resident from Fourth Ave lost a hot water in the last water outage in the area would like it to be replace. Council discussed and denied the replacement.
- b) Discussion on raising the mill rate to cover the deficit in the MCW application.

Motion 2023-301 Councillor Bursey / Councillor Taylor

Motion made to raise the mill rate from 5 mills to 6 mills. All in favor. Carried.

- c) Quad complaint on Jarvis Road. Will resident that the town is ATV friendly.

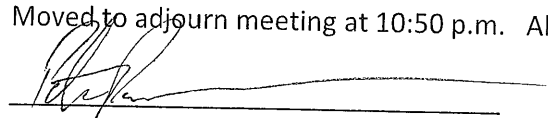
13. **Deferred Items**

Date and time of next meeting: November 29, 2023

Meeting Adjourned

Motion 2023 – 302 Councilor McAuley / Councilor Hackett

Moved to adjourn meeting at 10:50 p.m. All in favor. Carried.


Peter Parsons – Mayor

Date Adopted: November 29, 2023


Jenelle Bursey– Assistant Town Clerk