

**Town of Irishtown-Summerside**

**Minutes of Meeting  
Wednesday, January 24, 2024**

**In Attendance:**

Mayor Parsons, Deputy Mayor Morgan, Councilors, McAuley, Taylor, 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 7:02 p.m. by Mayor Parsons.

In Galley-

2. **Motion 2024 – 335 Councilor McAuley / DM Morgan**  
Moved to adopt the agenda as circulated. All in favor. Carried.

**arrived 7:04pm**

3. **Motion 2024 – 336 Councilor McAuley / Councilor Taylor**  
Moved to adopt the Minutes of January 10, 2024. All in favor, carried.
4. **Business from January 10, 2024**
  - Waiting on western pump regarding the flashing light at the lift station on Jarvis Road.
  - took the maintenance position.
  - DM Morgan visited the area of Shamrock where the roads of Paddy Drive, Clover and Celtic meet and said that there are currently enough light poles, when more infrastructure is in place, we will have to add more lighting.
  - Municipal Affairs are still reviewing the 2024 budget
  - Work has not started in the garage, contractor completing another job and then he will start.
6. **Committees:**
  - (a) **Public Works**
    - Mayor Parsons and Councilor Bursey are working on a water committee.
    - Jarvis Road lift station is being worked on.
    - Contractor has been contacted about the 2 roads to the Chlorine buildings.
  - (b) **H.I.S**
    - They are going ahead with their elections in February. Tonight, members are doing their fit test and work is being done on the compressor unit.

**c) Recreation/Halls**

- Will discuss 7:45 as groups are attending meeting as delegations.

**d) Building Inspections**

- N/A

**e) Beautification**

- Letter send to resident on the use of Black Bags.

**f) GHJC-N/A**

**g) H/R**

- Read letter from Lawyer advising to not go ahead with sending the Dismissed staff member a letter.

**h) Public Relation**

- Not much have come though Facebook.

and joined meeting 7:16.

**7. Correspondence**

1. Resident sent in email saying that their survey pegs were covered up when work had taking place in the area. Council had discussion and will contact the resident to see if we can locate them in the spring.
2. Email from the Merry Maker's advising they are interested in playing at the next So Long to Summer Festival. DM Morgan has been in contact with them.
3. Letter on Brake Heights matter, the delegation for this letter is scheduled for 8:00pm for discussion.

**8. Financial Update**

**Motion 2024-337 Councillor Gushue / DM Morgan**

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

The money for the Track grant should be here anytime.

9. **Unfinished Business**

(a) Email from City of Corner advising that they can't provide Irishtown-Summerside at this time with Enforcement.

5. **Delegation-                      attended meeting via zoom at 7:28pm**

Resident told council that he plans on building a retirement home on the property. Residents believe that there may have been a mix-up with the property address because of the location. Resident told council that he came to the office in October to have the permit for water and sewer, he was told due to the time of year town would not be able to do a water and sewer installation at that time, but                      , will go and have look at the area to advise resident if water and sewer could be completed in the spring.                      then told council that after having conversation with                      and the matter being addressed to council that he was then told that he could have town water but as for the sewer he would need to put in his own septic field as he couldn't get town sewer.

                    ; and                      **arrived to meeting 7:45pm**

                    : had mention that everyone in the area has got town sewer. Mayor Parsons had asked                      if we could revisit in the spring of the year, that we would have maintenance look into the matter again and to see what solution can be done about this sewer issue.                      said that would be great and                      was told that the office will be in contact with him as soon as we have any answers.

**Zoom call ended at 7:48pm**

**attended meeting by Zoom at 7:49pm**

Advised the group members attending the meeting that the Pynn's Pond Hall is now open, the electric issue is now fixed. Mayor Parsons read to the groups the expectations for the groups to follow. 1. NO SMOKING - Smoking and tobacco products are not allowed in or around the facility. 2. Building capacity must not be exceeded at any time. 3. No tape or tacks are to be used on the walls or doors. Use the provided board. 4. At the end of each use you are expected to sweep and mop the floor if needed, put equipment and chairs away, take out trash and recycling, close and lock all windows and doors (storm windows too), turn off lights and make sure bathrooms are clean and tidy. 5. During any public assembly (meetings, plays, concerts, dances) all exit signs must be lit and never obstructed by scenery, props, etc.6. Seating should provide ample clear aisles for easy and safe access to exits.7. All committees must store their own stuff in their own closet/lockers. You will be given a closet or locker, not both. No locker should be stored in the kitchen. 8. You are responsible for the building during your use. Any non-scheduled individuals or groups should be refused entry while you are using the building. 9. Fridges are there to be used by all committees! No storing food in the fridge

overnight, please take food with you or keep stored in your own cabinets. 10. Only the committee chair is responsible for the keys. Keys should not be given out to other members. 11. Report any damaged or broken equipment to town clerk.

from 4-H Group asked about having their closet and a cabinet, because that is what they had before cause the closet they have is very small. Council had talked about maybe sharing the rec closet and maybe turning it into two closets inside of one big closet. Clerk Bennett also told the groups that they can store their items that they don't always use in the basement of the main hall if they wish.

Groups were told that drinks and other items can not be stored in the cooler over night, when it is not their time for the use of the hall, that all items must be removed, stored in the closets or taken home.

Member from the galley said that this was disrespectful to seniors, and it was explained to member that it was no right from one group to store items in the cooler and other groups are not able to use the cooler when it is there time for the Hall.

Groups were told that if they didn't respect the hall and use the hall according to the expectations, then groups will lose the use of the hall.

r had asked if the seniors' groups were allowed to have birthday parties for members that were celebrating their 70 and 80 birthdays and if they are allowed to invite the families of this person. Council told the member that they are to check with the office to see if it was available and they could not go over the amount the hall could seat. The head people of the groups signed the exception sheet and passed them to Assistant Clerk Bursey.

**Members of the Groups dismissed meeting at 8:13pm.**

**join meeting via Zoom at 8:14pm**

is the homeowner on Brake Heights. Homeowner is looking for answers on why Brake Heights have been plowed for years and not this year, they are saying that it is unsafe to do so now but it was not in the past. Mayor read the letter we had received for the contractor.

said that there is a turn around at the top of Brake heights and it was put there for that reason for plowing. said that the contact was signed so they would have to go by the signed contact. Mayor Parsons advised that we have the information passed to the town Lawyer so the Lawyer can advise what we can do with this matter.

made mention in the contract it states that is the contractor fails to meet the requirement of the contract a secondary contractor will be brought in, and the cost of this service will be deducted from the contract price. So, he feels that someone else should do Brake Heights.

also said that a site visit should have been down before the contact was signed.

had made comment that the reason he had words with one of the plow drivers was because he was told they would be back and didn't show. also said that in his last

meeting with council that they said they would have the contractor clear a spot at the bottom for them to park and that is not even being done.

Brake heights residents wanted to know why the letter from the contractor was not received tell after business hours today. Residents were told that due to the administer of the company being in the hospital and a death in the family is why this letter was so late from the contractor. Councillor Taylor had told the residents that come the spring they will look into seeing if the road can be brought up to town regulations. Also, advise the residents when it comes to a safety concern council had to pass to the lawyer. Clerk will contact OH&S and advise them of the issue to have them come and check out Brakes Heights. Will contact the contractor again and have them clear a spot for the residents to park to get off the highway. Will update residents of any information to which the office receives.

**zoom video ended at 8:50pm.**

**dismissed the meeting at 8:51pm**

**Break 8:52**

**Return from Brake 8:56**

**9. Unfinished Business**

(b) Review the email from [redacted] advising the change order was for not going with the Sod and soil as the hydroseeding cost was lower and they went with the hydroseeding.

**10. New Business**

a) N/A

**11. Late Items**

a) Water and Wastewater workshop being held in Gander on March 26-March 28,2024. Had the discussion and will send [redacted] and one of the girls from the office, be a good idea to send [redacted].

b) The garbage and Refuse Regulations needed updates, so the changes have been made and Council reviewed.

**Motion 2024-338 Councillor Taylor / Councillor Gushue**

Motion to amend the Town of Irishtown-Summerside Garbage and Refuse Regulation as reviewed. All in favor. Carried.

c) Reviewed an email sent regarding Artesian Well at the Hughes Brook Bridge. The Artesian Well is located near the shoulder of Route 440. Council discussed having their

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consultant look into the matter for the town and reaching out to \_\_\_\_\_ to see if this can be access as a source for clean drinking water for residents to avail of.

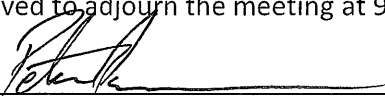
**12. Deferred Items**

**Date and time of next meeting:** February 7, 2024

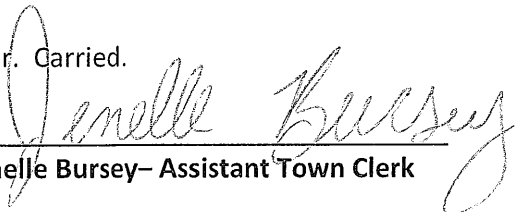
**Meeting Adjourned**

**Motion 2023 – 339 Councilor McAuley / DM Morgan**

Moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:36 p.m. All in favor. Carried.



**Peter Parsons – Mayor**  
**Date Adopted: February 7, 2024**



**Jenelle Bursey – Assistant Town Clerk**