Town of Irishtown-Summerside Minutes of Meeting Wednesday, October 19, 2022

In Attendance:

Mayor Wheeler, DM Parsons, Councilors Taylor, Hackett and Morgan. Also in attendance, Clerk – Bennett. Minutes recorded by clerk - A. Bennett. Meeting called to order at 7:07 p.m. by Mayor Wheeler.

2. **Motion 2022 – 132 DM Parsons / Taylor**

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

3. Motion 2022 – 133 Morgan /DM Parsons

Errors/Omissions – no

Moved to adopt the Minutes of October 5, 2022. All in favor, carried.

4. Business arising from October 5, 2022 minutes

- Lots of information on grants
- DM parsons working on Awards night and deferred
- Residents are still putting out bulk items
- Marina meeting- collecting paperwork, hope to have by end of month.

6. Committees:

Public Works

- a) Water repair Wheelers Road tomorrow
 - More investment required
 - What is underground

Clover

- Resident complaint culvert encroaching on property
- survey pegs to be replaced

Solor signs

- Posts need to be installed

Second Avenue

- 2 buildings to be removed

Green Space

- request quote from Tex's Transport re pavilion for green space by garage
- permanent venue have covered band stand 20 x 24, add green room. This can be used for storage in winter.
- Get advice from people who knows what is required for sound
- sound system grants available

Cameras required outside Town Hall and other areas. Vandalism is becoming an issue

5. Recreation Delegates - and (7:25)

- Spoke on their planning day
- See Documents
- Playground for toddler ages, for it to be more toddler oriented
- Maybe just do a toddler park for 1 to 2 years of age.
- Send grants to

Delegates left at 8:01

Back to Committees:

b) H.I.S

Honorarium – Executives met to discuss last week. See letter from Chief Parsons

- Department feels that they cannot afford to take from the Budget, would like to use the Budget to complete payment of SCBA's, plans for bigger purchases in the future to update equipment etc.
- Can not afford to take from budget with plans for future
- Existing members grandfathered in, any new members will not qualify for tax incentive if live out of town.
- implement incentive in 2 stages
- January 2023 \$5.00 / meeting if stipulations met
- January 2024 Tax Incentive, if stipulations met

DM Parsons stepped out declared conflict at 8:17

Much discussion

Motion 2022 – 134 Morgan / Hackett

Motion for Council to start H.I.S. Honorarium effective January 2023, to members that meet all stipulations. Tax Break in the amount of \$500.00 to be applied January 2024 for those who qualify from 2023. Starting January 2023, all qualifying members will receive \$5.00/call/meeting/training, etc. to be paid in December of each year. First payment will be paid December 2023. All in favor. Carried.

DM Parsons returned 8:28

Honorarium not to affect H.I.S. Annual Budget.

- c) **Recreation/Halls** addressed above with delegates
- d) Building Inspections

Shamrock - ok

Stop work orders issued on Main Street and Main Street, now in compliance, order lifted

- e) Beautification
 - Lights on the stretch is being installed
 - 2 vehicles back at Park Lane, they are registered and insured
 - was notified today to remove vehicle
 - Colson's road is going to lawyer

Tax Collections – if resident is below poverty line, they must prove so by providing current Notice of Assessment from CRA indicating income. Decision left to Senior Town Clerk on how to proceed with collection. We do not want to cause undue stress and hardship to residents but need to make an effort to collect.

- f) GHJC- No meeting
- g) H/R Working on self-assessment
- h) Public Relation -

Crown Land application W- - all in favor

National Child Abuse Prevention Month

Motion 2022 – 135 Morgan / DMP

Motion to make to proclaim October month as Child Prevention Month. All in favor. Carried.

2023-2024 Application for Municipal Infrastructure - Submit what was submitted last year with update

Letter from Resident on work getting down on their property from the southside sewer project. Mayor has spoken to the contractor, and they have to wait on electricity and then will send request for hydro seed.

Municipal Grant Service subscription of a fee of \$371.25 a year – No

Letter complaint from resident – resident claims they did not receive a receipt from previous clerk when he paid his 2022 taxes in full. Resident did not return to get receipt. Mayor discussed with Municipal Affairs for direction and was advised that the onus is on the tax payer to prove and not up to Council. If the resident wishes to proceed, they will have to contact the RCMP.

Vehicle on side of highway already discussed.

Templeton Academy donation request toward turkey dinner.

Motion 2022 - 136 Taylor / DMP

Motion to make to donation of \$100.00 to Templeton Academy. All in favor. Carried.

Letter from resident regarding culvert on Colson's Road. Send letter to resident to thank for letter and advise that the new Council is now aware and will have the culvert addressed during the next repair in the area.

7. Financial Update

Councillor Morgan stepped out due to conflict 9:24 pm

Motion 2022-137 Hackett/DM Parsons

Motion to accept financials as presented and to pay outstanding bills, except for invoice from A, Mayor is going to check this out and get more information as discussed. All in favor. Carried.

Councillor Morgan returned 9:36 pm

9. Unfinished Business

(a) Mayor's Meeting

- Good response
- Look into Murphy's to collect our garbage
- Engineering Meeting being scheduled with All North, Chris and WCE

Copy of Agenda attached for your reference.

(b) SS Seniors - Fitness Monday to Thursday

- Council is in agreement to accommodate Seniors request for use of Pynn's Pond Road Recreation Facility for fitness Monday to Thursday 9:00 am to 11:00 am. May have to alter schedule due to rentals but if no rentals go ahead. Seniors will be responsible for cleaning of facility

Discussion regarding misuse of facility by groups. If this continues, Council will have no choice but to have all locks changed and no groups will be issued keys, they will have to pick up key and drop off key for each use. There will be no keys distributed to any groups should this continue.

(c) Travel Rates- KM/Meals and Daily Rates

- \$20.00 per meal unless meal is provided
- \$0.55 cents per km
- \$200.00 daily rate for Council
- Paid staff will be paid per hour of training including travel time

Motion 2022-138 Taylor/Morgan

Motion to adjust rates for travel and KM as follows:

- \$20.00 per meal unless meal is provided
- \$0.55 cents per km
- \$200.00 daily rate for Council
- Paid staff will be paid per hour of training including travel time

All in favor. Carried.

9. New Business

(a) Poll tax arrears – discontinue poll tax going forward

Motion 2022-139 DM Parson/Morgan

Motion to discontinue poll taxes and to write off owing poll taxes. All in favor. Carried

- (b) MCW Project
- (c) Hype Domes- Council willing to look into the option. Will get more info and apply for grants.

10. Late Items

- (a) Bonfire Recreation will talk to fire dept
- (b) Security 4K cameras approximately \$1,200.00-\$1,500.00 per location. Will get quotes for at least 8 cameras.

Date and time of next meeting: 7:00 pm, Wednesday, November 16, 2022

Meeting Adjourned

Motion 2022 - 140 Taylor / Morgan

Moved to adjourn meeting at 10:35 p.m. All in favor. Carried.

Barry Wheeler - Mayor

Date Adopted: November 16, 2022

Amanda Bennett - Clerk