

December 2nd, 2014

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Council for the Town of Brigus in the Town Hall, December 2nd, 2014 at 8:09 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Byron Rodway, DM Ralph Trickett; Councillors, Lorne Youden, Shears Mercer Jr., Greg Hiscock (left at 8:30pm), Thomas Ryan Sr, Wayne Broughton.

ABSENT: Nil

ALSO PRESENT: Town Clerk/Manager Wayne Rose,

MINUTES: Motion: Mercer/Ryan resolved that the minutes of our last regular meeting held on November 4th, 2014 be adopted as circulated. In Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried.

ARISING FROM MINUTES

Write resident at 12 Forge Road regarding having his parked vehicle removed by the river during our snow clearing.

Write resident at 28A Southside road regarding fixing the problem with water running from his driveway onto our road.

DELEGATION

Nil

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Rodway, Chair of the Finance Committee, presented the 2015 Municipal Budget to Council and reported that the finance committee was pleased to announce that there would be no increase in the mill or water & sewer rates. Chairperson Rodway noted that no other changes were made to our tax structure. Also noted that there is money allocated in the budget to continue work on the lighthouse trail and our playground. Chairperson Rodway stated that we have a balanced budget for 2015 in the amount of \$762,520.00

Motion: DM Trickett/Hiscock resolved that our 2015 Municipal Budget be accepted and approved as presented. In Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried.

Motion: DM Trickett/Mercer resolved that Municipal Tax rates for 2015 be accepted and approved as presented with interest charges of 12% annually. In Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried.

Motion: DM Trickett/Youden resolved that we borrow from the Bank of Nova Scotia for the year 2015, Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000.00) as our operating line of credit. In Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried

The Town Clerk/Manger noted he received two quotes on ditching as outlined by our works committee. One from Conception Bay Bus Line in the amount of \$2,825.00 HST included and one from Spracklin's Mini Excavating in the amount of \$6,497.50 HST included.

Motion: Mercer/Youden resolved that we accept the quote from Conception Bay Bus Lines in the amount of \$2,825.00 HST included to do our ditching as outlined. In Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried.

C. Hiscock left the meeting due to other commitments. (8:30pm)

CORRESPONDENCE

| <u>FROM</u> | <u>REGARDING</u> | <u>ACTION</u> |
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| Dept of Environment & Conservation | 2014 Winter Water Quality Report | File |
| The Bay Arena | Financial Support | Motion |
| Brigus Library Board | Report | File |

DM Trickett left the meeting while the Letter from the Bay Arena was being discussed due to Conflict of Interest.

Motion: Youden/Mercer resolved we donate \$400.00 to the Bay Arena. In Favour 6; Opposed 0; Carried

DM Trickett returned to our meeting.

BILLS

Motion: Mercer/Broughton resolved that the bills in the amount of \$15,428.51 be paid. In Favour 6; Opposed 0; Carried.

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Meet regarding Rec Program for 2015.
2. Install Street Light on Farm Road.
3. Town clerk/Manager holidays approved from Dec 19, 2014 to Jan 5, 2015.
4. Fill in washout on Church Hill.

The Town Clerk/Manager reported that a tender is called for our waste collection with a deadline date of December 11/14. The reason for this was due to our present waste collector, Jim McCabe, is no longer in business.

The Town Clerk/Manager reported that he had received a statement of Claim from Lorne Youden’s lawyer Robert Pittman with regards to land Council sold to Mr. Youden located at 55-71 Keatings Road in 2003. It was noted that this is now in the hands of our lawyer.

The Clerk/Manager noted that the annual Tree Lighting held on November 26, 2014 was a Hugh success with approx 200 people turning out. The Clerk/Manager thanked Special Guest for coming out, Council members, staff who helped out and the Navy league for providing the carolling.

C. Broughton noted he was approached on having lights installed on our walking track. It was agreed this would be looked into.

C. Mercer noted that he is interested in flooding the tennis court. Council agreed that he get a price on material that is needed and the Town Clerk/Manager will look at the cost through our Recreation.

Mayor Rodway noted he had received an invitation to the Children’s Wish Tree Lighting by the RCMP which was held on November 29, 2014. Unfortunately at last minute he was unable to attend.

This being the last public meeting of the year Council members expressed Season Greetings.

Motion: Mercer/Ryan resolved that our meeting be adjourned until January 13th, 2015. In Favour 6; Opposed 0; Carried.
Time: 9:20 p.m.

Byron Rodway, Mayor

Date: _____ 2015

Wayne Rose, Town Clerk/Manager