

December 10th, 2019

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Council for the Town of Brigus in the Town Hall, December 10th, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Byron Rodway; DM Wayne Broughton; Councillors, Ralph Trickett, Shears Mercer Jr. John Brown; Randy Spracklin; Paul Matthews

ABSENT: Nil ;

ALSO PRESENT: Wayne Rose - Town Clerk/Manager; Members from film crew Scott Lindsay, Chris Matthews, Christle Leonard, Jason Porter, Lorne Youden.

Mayor Rodway noted that tonight's Council meeting was being filmed. There were no objections with regards to privacy.

Ms. Leonard stated that they are doing a 10 episodes for HGTV with regards to Newfound Builders which will be aired in 2020.

AGENDA: Motion: Trickett/Brown resolved that our Agenda for December 10th, 2019 be adopted as presented. In Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried.

MINUTES: Motion: Mercer/DM Broughton resolved that the minutes of our last regular meeting held on November 12th, 2019 be adopted as circulated. In Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried.

ARISING FROM MINUTES

Council members to meet on Friday, Dec 13/19 at 3pm to look at work that needs to be done at our Quarry on Englishtown Road West.

DELEGATION

Mr. Lorne Youden came to our meeting concerning Council going in on private property while doing snow clearing. He noted at least four places including his residents on cooperage lane and the Mayor's residents on Meaden's Lane. Mr. Youden stated he no longer wanted Council coming in on his property pushing snow. Mayor noted that Council do go in on private property but it done so from the permission of the owners. Council stated that they would get back to Mr. Youden on their decision.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Development Committee:

Deputy Mayor Broughton left the meeting due to conflict of interest while the application for 43 Rattley Row was being discuss.

Motion: Mercer/Trickett resolved that the application for a shed located at 43 Rattley Row be approved. In Favour 6; Opposed 0; Carried. DM Broughton returned to our meeting.

Due to conflict of interest Councillor Spracklin left the meeting while the next two applications were being discussed.

Motion: Trickett/Brown resolved that the application from 22C Farm Road - Extension and 88-92 Farm Road - House be approved. In Favour 6; Opposed 0; Carried. Councillor Spracklin returned to our meeting.

B. Public Works Committee:

The Town Clerk/Manager reported that we are still waiting on engineering approval in order to tender on the Water Intake Upgrade.

C. Finance Committee:

Motion: Trickett/ Mercer resolved that the bills in the amount of \$106,080.59 be paid. In Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried.

Councillor Trickett, Chair of the Finance Committee, which consists of Mayor Rodway, Councillor Brown and Town Clerk/Manager Wayne Rose presented the 2020 Municipal Budget to Council and stated that he was happy to report there would be no tax increase on mill rates, water/sewer or permits. . There is money set aside in our surplus for the town to proceed with the building of a salt shed along with Wharf at Riverhead and repairs to cribbing at the quay. Also we would be applying through our gas tax fund for a tourism attraction at Bishop Beach.. Councillor Trickett stated that we have a balanced budget for 2020 in the amount of \$935,515.12

Motion: Trickett/Brown resolved that our 2020 Municipal Budget be accepted and approved as presented. In Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried.

Motion: Trickett/Mercer resolved that Municipal Tax rates for 2020 be accepted and approved as presented with interest charges of 12% annually. In Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried.

Motion: Trickett/Brown resolved that we borrow from the Bank of Nova Scotia for the year 2020, Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000.00) as our operating line of credit. In Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried

D. ACOA Committee:

Councillor Trickett reported the story boards have arrived. He met with Wanda last week and she is getting a price on installing the scoreboards.

E. Blueberry Festival Committee:

Mayor Rodway left the meeting due to conflict of interest while discussion was taking place regarding the former Brigus Blueberry Festival Committee.

Councillor Spracklin reported the Brigus Blueberry Festival Group met with the former Brigus Blueberry Festival Committee and agreed on a price of \$2,000.00 for the assets owned by the Brigus Blueberry Festival.

Mayor Rodway returned to our meeting.

Also there are plans for berrr festival along with an ice rink on the field next to the town hall. This is in conjunction with the Brigus Recreation.

F. Recreation Committee:

Councillor Brown reported that they are looking at a winter C. Brown also noted that the tree lighting was a great success with over 80 people. They had the Cadet Band, Shearstown Brass Band and a visit from Santa.

CORRESPONDENCE

<u>FROM</u>	<u>REGARDING</u>	<u>ACTION</u>
5-9 Riverhead Rd	Water Issue	Write - will fix problem next spring.
Small Crafts & Harbours	Wharf	Set up meeting in New Year.
Eastern Lands Office	App for Crown Lands, 5 Lobster Factory Lane	Get more information plans

NEW BUSINESS

1. Town Clerk/Manager holidays approved from December 23/19 to January 2/20

Motion: Mercer/Brown resolved that Council meeting be held the second Tuesday of the month starting in 2020. In Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried.

Councillor Matthews stated that he was talking to heritage regarding the bridge next to the stage. It was agreed to wait to see what they may say along with tendering next year.

Being the last meeting of the year Council members expressed seasons greetings.

Motion: Trickett/Mercer resolved that our meeting be adjourned until January 14th, 2020. In Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried. Time: 9:39 p.m.

Byron Rodway, Mayor

Date: _____ 2019

Wayne Rose, Town Clerk/Manager