

February 8, 2022

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Council for the Town of Brigus in the Town Hall, February 8, 2022, at 6:58 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Shears Mercer Jr.; Deputy Mayor Paul Matthews; Councillors Fraser Drover, Greg Hiscock (Zoom), Byron Rodway, John Brown and Ashley Kennedy

ABSENT: Nil

ALSO PRESENT: Wayne Rose - Clerk/Manager, Katie O'Flaherty, Kevin Spracklin - Maintenance & Public Works, Judy Giannou & Avery Fry

AGENDA: Motion: Rodway/Drover resolved that our Agenda for February 8, 2022 be adopted.. In Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried.

MINUTES: Motion: Rodway/Hiscock resolved that the minutes of our last regular meeting held on January 11, 2022 be adopted. In Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried.

ARISING FROM MINUTES

Discussion was held regarding the number of Parking Spaces for 28-30 Harbour Drive along with concerns of the Rock Wall to the steps. Mayor Mercer and Councillor Drover noted they visited the site and was shown where the parking spaces are to be located. It was also noted that the parking spaces that was requested in the letter written to the owner regarding parking spaces for the patio's was not addressed in his letter to Council.

Motion: Hiscock/Drover resolved that we approved the insulation of new parking stalls along with warning the owner that if the town's rock wall is damaged it would be at his expense to have it repaired.

Amendment to Motion: DM Matthews/Drover that the motion be amended to include council's interest in developing the bottom of steps area as a green space. In Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried.

Motion as Amended: Hiscock/Drover resolved we approved the insulation of new parking stalls along with warning the owner that if the town's rock wall is damaged it would be at his expense to have it repaired along with Council's interest in developing the bottom of the steps as a green space. In Favour 6 (Mayor Mercer, Councillors Drover, Hiscock, Rodway, Kennedy Brown) Opposed 1 (DM Matthews). Carried

Action Reports:

Kevin reported on sewer backup and what can be done in the future to prevent this from happening. Number of ditches needing to be cleaned out and culverts replaced.

DELEGATION

Judy Giannou and Avery Fry came to our meeting representing St. George's Heritage. The committee reported that it has been successful in receiving funding to complete a feasibility study which should be completed by early May 2022. After a very successful 2020 and 2021, they are moving forward with a very positive outlook for St. Georges as Mrs Giannou stated that they are seeking funding to do repairs to St. Georges in hopes to bring new life to the building. A plan is being worked on and the committee has high hopes in creating a space at St. Georges which will promote 3 pillars which are; tourism, education and performance.

Motion: DM Matthews/Brown resolved that council write a letter promoting the historic value St. Georges has in Brigus and supporting their future endeavours. In Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Development Committee:

The Town Clerk/Manager noted he did not receive any written or verbal inquiries regarding the application that was advertised for 23 North Street.

Motion: Rodway/Drover resolved that the application for 23 North Street Retreat - House Rental be approved. In Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried;

Motion: Drover/Hiscock resolved that the application for 8-10 Chapel Lane - House be approved. In Favour 7; Opposed 0;

Carried;

Motion: Brown/Rodway resolved that the application for 36-38 Station Road - House be approved. In Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried;

B. Public Works Committee: Council Members along with staff to look at what ditching and culverts need to done around town.

C. Finance Committee:

Motion: DM Matthews/Hiscock resolved that the bills in the amount of \$35,654.09 be paid. In Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried.

D. Blueberry Festival Committee: Looking into this years festival

E. Recreation Committee: Annual meeting February 9, 2022

F. HR. Committee: along with DM Matthews to meet with the Town Clerk/Manager

G. Policy Committee: Councillor Hiscock noted this should be ready by our next meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

| <u>FROM</u> | <u>REGARDING</u> | <u>ACTION</u> |
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| 5 Vindicator Lane Morley Knight | Sale of land Sea Water & Note | Motion Send bottler of sea water & message |
| Municipal and Provincial Affairs Environment & Climate Change | Capital Investment Plan Approval Climate Change Challenge Fund (CCCF) | Motion |

Councillor Rodway left the meeting while the letter from 5 Vindicator Lane was discussed due to conflict of interest.

Motion: Brown/Drover resolved that we write the owner of 5 Vindicator Lane with a copy of the Town of Brigus development regulations siting section 9.5.15 that states it is prohibited to remove or destroy any traditional Stone Walls. In Favour 6, Opposed 0; Carried.

Councillor Rodway return to our meeting

Motion: Hiscock/DM Matthews resolved that the Town of Brigus approve it's Capital Investment Plan from the Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs in the amount of \$311,953.00 (\$282,890.00 Canada Community Building Funding allocated to the Provincial Water and Wastewater initiative Fund; \$29,063.00 Council) as outlined in their letter dated January 19, 2022, Project number 29-2022-7614 to fund Regional Wet Well Upgrade for the Towns of Brigus, Cupids and South River. In Favour 7; Mayor Mercer, Deputy Mayor Matthews, Councillors Drover, Hiscock, Rodway, Kennedy, Brown, Opposed Nil Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Kevin to close of road when burning brush pile on Englishtown Road East, also send out notice to public road will be closed.
2. Councillors reminded to submit their disclosure statements.
3. Write landlord regarding tenants dog roaming in Riverhead.
4. Town Clerk/Manager holidays approved from April 4-29, 2022

Councillor Rodway spoke on correspondence he has had with a professor at Memorial University who has chosen Brigus as the community in which his class will build a model break water in the cove by the public wharf.

Motion: Hiscock/Brown resolved that our meeting be adjourned until March 8, 2022. In Favour 7; Opposed 0; Carried.
Time: 9:45 p.m.

Shears Mercer Jr., Mayor

Date: _____ 2022

Wayne Rose, Town Clerk/Manager