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**MARCH 8, 2022**

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Council for the Town of Brigus in the Town Hall, March 8, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor Shears Mercer Jr.; Deputy Mayor Paul Matthews; Councillors Fraser Drover, Greg Hiscock, Byron Rodway and Ashley Kennedy

**ABSENT:** Councillor John Brown

**ALSO PRESENT:** Wayne Rose - Clerk/Manager, Katie O'Flaherty, Kevin Spracklin - Maintenance & Public Works, Pauline Mercer

**AGENDA:** Motion: Hiscock/Drover resolved that our Agenda for March 8, 2022 be adopted.. In Favour 6; Opposed 0; Carried.

**MINUTES:** Motion: Rodway/Kennedy resolved that the minutes of our last regular meeting held on February 8, 2022 be adopted. In Favour 6; Opposed 0; Carried.

**ARISING FROM MINUTES**

Write property owner again regarding roaming dog in Riverhead.

Follow up on parking at 28-30 Harbour Drive.

Review ditching and culverts that need to be done

**Action Reports:**

Kevin noted snow clearing ongoing

The brush on the back road (Englishtown Rd West) is approx 85% burnt.

Kevin noted drainage concern at Chapel Lane

Councillor Rodway felt that we should be using the backhoe with the blade for snowclearing when we have heavy or large amounts of snow.

Mayor Mercer noted he received a call regarding the resident at 7 Rattley Row losing his water due to a leak on the town side of the curve stop. Kevin noted he was down and has a garden hose run from the house next door so that he could have water.

**DELEGATION**

Nil

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**A. Development Committee:**

Motion: Drover/Hiscock resolved that the application for 76 Irishtown Rd - Extension be approved In favour 6; Opposed 0; Carried

The application from 2 Mitchell's Road was deferred until the development committee has a chance to review the email received late today regarding questions on the regulations.

Regarding the application from 38 Riverhead Road, Council instructed the Clerk/Manager to get a better picture of the house and also to make the owner aware that the front of the house needs to have a residential door entrance.

DM Matthews asked the committee for an update on the development revisions. Councillor Hiscock noted he has done work on this and the committee will be meeting in the near future. DM Matthews hoped that the committee would have recommendations for our next meeting.

**B. Public Works Committee:**

Members to submit a list of ditching and culverts that need to be done.

Mayor Mercer noted it is a good time to clean up sod on the side of the roads that got torn up with the plow.

**C. Finance Committee:**

Motion: DM Matthews/Hiscock resolved that the bills in the amount of \$39,425.73 be paid. In Favour 6; Opposed 0; Carried.

**D. Blueberry Festival Committee:**

Katie noted that she is stepping down as chair of the festival group but will soon meet with members to explore how to proceed this year.

**E. Recreation Committee:**

Councillor Kennedy noted the recreation is meeting tomorrow night. She also noted that to date they have sold 600 cold plates for their fundraiser. She is also in hopeful all groups of Council can working together.

**F. HR. Committee:**

DM Matthews and Councillor Drover to meet with the Town Clerk/Manager on Thursday, March 10/22 at 3 pm

**G. Policy Committee:**

Councillor Hiscock also presented to Council the update on Council’s polices. Council members noted it looks good. It was noted that these need to be reviewed on an annual basis.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

<b><u>FROM</u></b>	<b><u>REGARDING</u></b>	<b><u>ACTION</u></b>
Newfoundland Herald	Ad - Rock Solid Builds	File
Brigus Recreation	New Committee Members	Motion
Brigus Recreation	Points of Interest	Met March 2/22 and discussed any issues
4 South Street	Concern of Adjacent Property	Write owner giving him 60 days to secure property.
St. George’s Heritage Committee	Thank You	File
MNL	Letter of Support - Regionalization	File

Motion: Hiscock/Drover resolved that the following be added to the Brigus Sports & Recreation: Chairperson Ashley Kennedy, Assistant Chairperson Raelene Wall, Secretary/Treasurer Steven Spracklin; Members: Wendy Lush, Barbara England, Stephanie Drover, Mark Bonnell, Lori Pike, Cindy Hiscock, John Brown, Cheryl Hepditch, Robert Butler, Alex Pryor and Vince Spracklin. In Favour 6; Opposed 0 Carried

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Write owner 2-4 Percy’s Lane re-securing of property.
2. DM Matthews and the Clerk/Manager to fill out application for ActiveNL for funding to go towards the cost of our new washrooms.

DM Matthews noted that Bill 37, Code of Conduct, is to be approved this spring. Once this is done there will be mandatory training.

DM Matthews also noted that many towns are now live streaming their council meetings. Council asked DM Matthews if he would look more into and the cost of the setup.

Motion: Hiscock/Kennedy resolved that our meeting be adjourned until April 12, 2022. In Favour 6; Opposed 0; Carried. Time: 9:57 p.m.

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Shears Mercer Jr., Mayor

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ 2022

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Wayne Rose, Town Clerk/Manager