

The regular meeting of the Mount Moriah Town Council was held in council chambers on Wednesday, August 21, 2024. The meeting opened at 7:00 p.m.

Present at the meeting:

Mayor	Lisa Duffney
Deputy Mayor	Shelley LeRoy
Councilors	Brad Porter Brad Penney Arthur Hamlyn David Butt (Arrived At 7:38 p.m.)
Town Clerk/Manager	Carol Skeard
Absent	Councilor Sandra Wells

Adoption of Agenda

Motion 2024-106 Penney/LeRoy

Be it be resolved that the agenda for the August 21, 2024 council meeting be adopted.

All in Favor

Carried

Delegations

Mount Moriah Recreation Committee

- No correspondence from the Mount Moriah Recreation Committee.

Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department

- Security camera not working at Fire Hall.
- Check on the breathing apparatus that the Fire Department applied for under the Government through the Firefighting Program.
- The Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department will pay for the face painting for Mount Moriah Community Events Family Fun Day.

Mount Moriah Community Events

- Family Fund Day will be August 24, 2024, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Errors or Omissions of Minutes

Deputy Mayor LeRoy pointed out that Page 1, Deputy Mayor Wells, and Councilor Penney, declared a conflict of interest due to being on the Mount Moriah Community Events Committee. This should have read Deputy Mayor LeRoy, and Councilor Penney, declared a conflict of interest due to being on the Mount Moriah Community Events Committee.

Adoption of Minutes

Motion 2024-107 Penney/Porter

Be it be resolved that the minutes of the July 17, 2024 council meeting be adopted as amended.

All in Favor

Carried

Business Arising from Minutes

The council has not heard from Barry Ellsworth, Department of Transportation and Infrastructure regarding ditching on Morrison's stretch and the culvert at 55 Main Street. The council will send Mr. Ellsworth another e-mail regarding these matters.

The council has until Friday, August 23, 2024, to receive some applications for the JCP. If no applications are received by this date the JCP will not go ahead.

Council Brad Penney did not get a chance to contact Mr. Gord Doman regarding whether or not they are interested in selling their land next to the fire hall.

The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, informed the council that she was in contact with Crown Lands regarding whether Kirk & Stephanie Fowler could take over the right of way from Crown Lands on Soper's Drive extension from the light pole in front of 44 Soper's Drive to their property boundary at 46 Soper's Drive. According to Crown Lands, this right of way is not transferable. A letter will be sent to Kirk & Stephanie Fowler informing them that the right of way is not transferable.

The culvert has been installed for the railway bed on Soper's Drive. However, there are some safety concerns. The price of the culvert is \$279.99 per length and the end pieces are \$127.00 each. The council will order 4 lengths of culvert and 2 end pieces. The council will also need 5 pieces of 6 x 6.

The Community Enhancement Employment Program has been applied for.

Mayor Duffney will attend the 2024 MNL Conference from November 7-9, 2024.

Mayor Duffney is still working on getting the car that was left at Cook's Brook removed.

E-mail from Barry Ellsworth, Department of Transportation and Infrastructure regarding brush clearing between 48-52 Main Street and Cook's Brook Bridge. Mr. Ellsworth pointed out that there are no safety concerns with the Department's right of way. In regards to Cook's Brook bridge, the request has been sent to the Asset Management Division which manages all brush-cutting projects for the department. The brush-cutting request will be listed for future brush-cutting projects, the funding for this fiscal year has already been allotted.

Public Concerns

E-mail from Paula Welshman, 15 Welshman's Drive, Mount Moriah regarding the condition of the streets. The bottom of Serpentine Road has been torn up for close to two years or more and there are

mounds of dust dirt and sand piled up at the bottom of the street. Also, Mrs. Welshman pointed out the bad bump between 17 Serpentine Road and 22 Serpentine Road. Also, there is a hole dug up across from 16 Serpentine Road. Also, the bottom of Welshman's Drive is crumbling away because the sidewalks have never been looked after and all the rocks wash down the hill. On Morrison's stretch, there is a section of road just up past 32 Main Street that is worn away. Mrs. Welshman was hoping that the council could look into these matters. The council will have these matters looked into.

Letter from George Murley, G & F Murley Excavations Ltd. wondering if a building permit would be granted for 163 Main Street, Mount Moriah. This block of land isn't connected with the Development of Davis Drive or Davis Crescent Sub-Division, it is a block of land by itself.

Motion 2024-108 Porter/Hamlyn

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council has no problem issuing a building permit for 163 Main Street, Mount Moriah, as long as the building application meets the requirements of the Mount Moriah Municipal Plan and Mount Moriah Development Regulations.

All in Favor

Carried

Email from Jinene O'Dell, regarding discussing the regulations regarding live stalk. Mrs. O'Dell sent another email requesting to have this email re-tabled for the next council meeting.

Councilor Brad Porter left the council meeting at 7:38 p.m.

Letter from Kyle Hackett, informing the council that he wants to purchase a piece of land from Cory Basha on Stella Street. The property is located between Cory Basha and Lorne Flynn. He realizes a well and a septic system will be required for this area. Does the council foresee any issue with him getting a building permit in the future?

Motion 2024-109 Hamlyn/Penney

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council does not see any problem with issuing a building permit for this section of Stella Street as long as approval is received from Service NL for the septic system and water.

All in Favor

Carried

Councilor Porter returned to the council meeting at 7:40 p.m.

Road Signs need to be picked up.

Bottom Serpentine Road needs to be cleaned off and potholes patched.

The driveway by 4 Welshman's Drive needs to be repaired.

The council will meet with staff on Tuesday, September 3, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

Finance (Bills Payable for Approval)

Motion 2024-110 LeRoy/Hamlyn

Be it be resolved that the bills be paid, see attached list.

All in Favor

Carried

Committee Reports

Finance Committee

- Finance meeting Tuesday, September 3, 2024.

Maintenance Committee

- The sand truck is in poor condition, and may not pass inspection. The sand truck will be taken to the garage to see what is required for it to pass inspection.

Correspondence

The Mount Moriah Town Council received a copy of the letter that Steve Osmond, P. Eng., Engineer Manager, Aguathuna Drafting and Consulting sent to Wendy Henstridge, P. Eng., Regional Engineer, Department of Transportation and Infrastructure regarding MI 1532- Ph. 2 Water and Sewer Replacement -Route 450 and Serpentine Road -47-GI-22-00008 & MI15351-Ph. 1 New Water Booster Pumping Station on Serpentine Road -47-GI-22-00008. They have reviewed the low bid submission and find it to be in order. The total approved funding is \$2,311,211.00 with estimated engineering costs being \$118,852.14, leaving \$2,192,558.86 for construction. The total low bid amount from the contractor is \$2,603,033.05 which is approximately \$410,674.19 over the approved budget. Since the upgrades to the booster station, Phase 1 are essential, we recommend reducing the scope of Phase 2. Motion 2011-111 Penney/Hamlyn

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council reduce the scope of Phase 2, of Project 17-GI-22-00008 as recommended by Steve Osmond, P. Eng., Engineering Manager, Aguathuna Drafting and Consulting to meet the requirements of the approved budget.

All in Favor

Carried

Letter from Honourable Elvis Loveless, MHA, District of Fortune Bay-Cape La Hune, Minister of Department of Fisheries, Forestry, and Agriculture regarding the Community Garden Support Program. Mr. Loveless is pleased to inform the council that a grant to the Town of Mount Moriah for \$750.00 has been approved. Since there was no interest in the Community Garden this year, the funding must be returned.

Email from Jamie Warren, Executive Director, Newfoundland T'Railway Council informing the council that they are a non-profit organization and the council does not have the staff or resources to clean up the sides of the T'Railway. They have partnered/sponsored a volunteer clean-up day with other communities in the past to clean up the T'railway.

The council received a copy of the letter that Edward Joyce, MHA, Humber-Bay of Islands sent to Honourable Fred Hutton, Minister, Department of Transportation and Infrastructure regarding Route Condition Route 450 and 440.

E-Mail from Cynthia Layden-Barron, Manager, Municipal Training Programs, Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs regarding Municipal Long Service Award Applications 2024. The Town Clerk/Manager will check on the years of service for Mayor Duffney and Councilor Butt.

The Mount Moriah Town Council received a copy of Draft 2, for the Town of Mount Moriah, Development Regulations for 2017 to 2027, Amendment No. 1, 2024. The council reviewed the Draft copy of, Amendment No. 1 of the Development Regulations.

Motion 2024-112 Penney/Porter

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council approves Draft 2, of the Town of Mount Moriah, Development Regulations for 2017 to 2027, Amendment No. 1, 2024.

All in Favor

Carried

Application from Crown Lands for Tyson White, 29 MacDonald Drive, Mount Moriah. Mr. White would like to apply for crown land directly behind his property at 29 MacDonald Drive.

Motion 2024-113 Hamlyn/Porter

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council approved Tyson White's, crown land application to apply for the crown land directly behind his property at 29 MacDonald Drive, Mount Moriah.

All in Favor

Carried

Letter from L. Robert Fowler, Fire Commissioner/Director of Fire Services, Fire Services Division regarding Re: Response Outside Municipal Boundary. This e-mail has been forwarded to the Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department.

Letter from Kim Kieley, P. Eng., FEC, Director-Municipal Infrastructure, Department of Transportation and Infrastructure regarding New Intake Dates for Federal Government Program.

Letter from Kim Kieley, P. Eng., FEC, Director-Municipal Infrastructure, Department of Transportation and Infrastructure regarding Canada Public Transit Fund.

E-mail from Sean Adeyemi and Philip Strong, Disability Policy Office, Children, Seniors, and Social Development regarding the Status of Accessibility Plan. The council will have to check into this further.

Letter from Prevention Services Department P52 regarding Prime Refund for Path 1 Employers. To meet the requirements for Prime the Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, will have to complete two courses to be eligible for a refund for the 2024 Prime year.

Email from Municipal Provincial Affairs Training regarding 2025 Budget Training and Towns and Local Services District Act (TLSDA). The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, will do this training.

Email from Amanda Freake, Western Director, Municipal Assessment Agency, regarding an Update on the Municipal Assessment Agency.

Email from Celina Stoyles, Executive Director, Kid Eat Smart Foundation Newfoundland and Labrador regarding Kids Eat Smart Breakfast Clubs, Radiothon 2024.

Email from Paul Thomey, Eating Disorder Foundation of Newfoundland and Labrador regarding Eating Disorder Awareness Week from February 1 -7, 2025.

An email from Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada regarding the Immigration Matters team invites you to participate in Welcoming, Week, from September 13 to 22, 2024.

Email from Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador.

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Info Note July 29, 2024.

Info Note August 5, 2024.

Info Note August 12, 2024.

Development and Building Applications

- Building application from G & F Murley Excavations Ltd., 169 Main Street, Mount Moriah to extend the existing building onto the front, 15 feet x 26 feet.
Motion 2024-114 Porter/Hamlyn
Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council approves G & F Murley Excavations Ltd. building application to extend the existing building at 169 Main Street, Mount Moriah, in the front 15 feet x 26 feet.
All in Favor Carried

New Business

- The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, informed the council that she will be off work for six weeks, due to medical reasons (date unknown). The council will ask Tanya Campbell to work in the office when the Town Clerk/Manager is off.
- The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, informed the council that she received a request under the Code of Conduct and will need funding approval to hire an investigator to investigate the complaint.
Motion 2024-115 Penney/Porter
Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council approves up to \$1,000.00 to hire an Investigator to investigate the complaint received under the Code of Conduct.
All in Favor Carried
- Send another email to Barry Ellsworth, Department of Transportation and Infrastructure regarding the ditching on Morrison's stretch and the culvert and pothole by 55 Main Street.
- The Main Street needs to be cleaned up where the council did water repairs near 125 Main Street, Mount Moriah.
- The council will purchase two loads of Class "A" for Cook's Brook Day Park.
- Mayor Lisa Duffney, clarified that Cook's Brook Day Park is owned by the Town of Mount Moriah and the Town is responsible for the maintenance at the park. Therefore, the Maintenance Men have to do work at Cook's Brook Day Park.
- The culvert needs to be returned.

- Check on the cost of calcium for Serpentine Road, next year calcium will be needed for Serpentine Road.
- Some cold patch needs to be put in the potholes on Serpentine Road.
- Check on the smoke alarm at the fire hall.
- Check with Massey Drive and Humber Arm South regarding who enforces the By-Laws and Regulations.

Notice of Motion

- No notice of motion.

Next Council Meeting

- The next council meeting will be Wednesday, September 18, 2024.

Adjournment

Moton 2024-116 LeRoy/Porter

There being no further business meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

All in Favor

Carried

Mayor

Town Clerk/Manager

