

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

Present at the meeting:

Mayor	Lisa Duffney
Councilors	Brad Porter Brad Penney David Butt Sandra Wells Arthur Hamlyn
Town Clerk/Manager	Carol Skeard
Absent	Deputy Mayor Shelley Leroy

Adoption of Agenda

Motion 2024-022 Porter/Butt

Be it be resolved that the agenda for the February 7, 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

- Councilor Hamlyn brought it to the attention of the council that the fire hydrants need to be dug out and the advisory board.
- The Fire Department is looking into having adopt a fire hydrant.
- The Fire Department was inquiring if the council had a filing cabinet that the Fire Department could have.
- Councilor Hamlyn was inquiring if the Fire Department, Recreation Committee, and Mount Moriah Community Events could each have a line on the advisory board.
- Councilor Hamlyn informed the council that the Fire Department can purchase 12 cylinders and 2 sets of breathing apparatus from the York Harbour Fire Department for \$2,500.00.

Moton 2024-023 Hamlyn/Penney

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council purchase cylinders and breathing apparatus from the York Harbour Fire Department for the Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department for \$2,500.00.

All in Favor

Carried

- Mayor Duffney reached out to Brad Gallant, regarding a mutual aid agreement with the Town of Humber Arm South.
- Town Hall needs to be cleaned off, will have to contact Billy Gallant Roofing, as the maintenance men do not have fall arrest.

Mount Moriah Community Events

- The next Mount Moriah Community Events meeting will be on Wednesday, February 14, 2024.

Errors or Omissions of Minutes

No errors or omissions in the minutes.

Adoption of Minutes

Motion 2024-024 Hamlyn/Penney

Be it be resolved that the minutes of the January 24, 2024 council meeting be adopted.

All in Favor

Carried

Business Arising from Minutes

The council did not hear back from Todd Flynn, City of Corner Brook regarding the Mutual Aid Agreement with the City of Corner Brook.

The list of Price Quotes for Heavy Equipment 2024 has been completed.

A letter was sent to Annie Moninghoff regarding her dog barking constantly, enclosed was a copy of the Town of Mount Moriah's Dog Regulations.

Tax Bills were sent out in the mail today.

No Parking Sign on Serpentine Road hasn't had the trees removed from around it, as Newfoundland Power had to be contacted because of the power line overhead.

Have to check into the Scotts Canada, 2024 Gro for Good Grant Initiative.

Mayor Duffney is registered for the 2024 Regional Meeting in Cow Head.

Still need to get a cell phone for Maintenance Man.

Public Concerns

Letter from Jay Hussey, asking the council to remove one of the water and sewer taxes from his property at 5 Hussey's Lane. The house extension is currently being used by him as an existing part of the house, not a separate place.

Motion 2024-025 Porter/Hamlyn

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council exempt Jay Hussey, 5 Hussey's Lane, from one Water/Sewer Tax.

All in Favor

Carried

Letter from Alan & Andrea Gardner, 159 Main Street, Mount Moriah, requesting a permit to install a 2-bedroom apartment in their home.

Motion 2024-026 Hamlyn/Porter

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council approves Alan & Andrea Gardner's request for a permit to install a 2-bedroom apartment in their home at 159 Main Street, Mount Moriah.

All in Favor

Carried

Finance (Bills Payable for Approval)

Motion 2024-027 Butt/Porter

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

All in Favor

Carried

Committee Reports

Finance Committee

- The auditor will be down to do an audit soon.

Maintenance Committee

- The hydraulics on the loader blade broke, and the Loader Operator did the repairs.
- Received two complaints regarding the snow piled up on Main Street from Serpentine Road to MacDonald Drive. Residents cannot see up or down the road when coming out of Serpentine Road or MacDonald Drive.

Motion 2024-027 Porter/Penney

Be it be resolved that the Town's Loader Operator will clear the snow on Main Street from Serpentine Road to MacDonald Drive, due to safety concerns.

All in Favor

Carried

- An email will be sent to Barry Ellsworth, Department of Transportation and Infrastructure regarding getting Main Street widened out.

Correspondence

Email from Judy Bolt, B.A., Constituency Assistant to Eddie Joyce, MHA, Humber-Bay of Islands District regarding applications open for the 2024 Summer Employment Program for Students. The council will apply for students for the beautification and cleanup of the Town of Mount Moriah.

Email from Drinking Water and Wastewater Section, Water Resources Management Division, Department of Environment regarding a reminder to submit the 2023 Water System Report Form.

Email from John Haggie, MB. ChB. MD, FRCS, Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs, MHA – District of Gander regarding Accessible Communities Grant.

Motion 2024-028 Hamlyn/Porter

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council apply for an Accessible Communities Grant to move the door coming into the council office from where it is located to the other side of the building next to the window for easier accessibility.

All in Favor

Carried

Email from Amy Dwyer, Town Manager, Town of Harbour Grace, asking for the Town's support and to write the members to ask that the Town of Harbour Grace's Resolution, which was presented at the MNL Conference be tabled in the House of Assembly. The council will check with the Town of Harbour Grace to see if they have a Template for a letter that they would like to be sent to the members.

Email from Kimberly Leonard, 211 asking the council to declare February 11, as 211 Day in the Town of Mount Moriah.

Motion 2024-029 Hamlyn/Butt

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council declare February 11, 2024, as 211 Day in the Town of Mount Moriah.

All in Favor

Carried

Email from Andrea O'Brien, Outreach/Provincial Registrar, Heritage NL asking the council to declare February 19-25, 2024 as National Heritage Week.

Motion 2024-030 Hamlyn/Wells

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council declare National Heritage Week, from February 19-25, 2024, in the Town of Mount Moriah.

All in Favor

Carried

Email from Deputy Mayor Terry Randell regarding WRDC is inviting the Municipalities of NL, on the West Coast to a Professional Development session at the Hew & Draw Hotel from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. on February 21, 2024. Mayor Lisa Duffney will attend this Professional Development session.

Email from Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador.

Info Note January 22, 2024. Water and Wastewater Workshop in Gander from March 26 to 28, 2024. Check with Maintenance Man, Kyle Specker to see if he is interested in attending the workshop.

Info Note January 29, 2024.

Development and Building Applications

No Development or Building Applications.

New Business

Each Councilor was given a copy of the Town of Mount Moriah Recreation Vehicles Regulations and a copy of the Town of Humber Arm South Recreational Vehicles Regulations 2021. The Mount Moriah Town Council is interested in making the Town of Mount Moriah ATV-friendly. The Town's Regulations will have to be updated.

The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, would like to attend the PMA Convention & Trade Show in Gander from April 9-11, 2024.

Motion 2024-031 Porter/Penney

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council send the Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, to the PMA Convention & Trade Show in Gander from April 9-11, 2024.

All in Favor

Carried

Councilor Porter informed the council that the fire hydrants need to be shoveled out and Welshman's Drive needs to be widened out.

Councilor Penney brought it to the attention of the council that the council needs to put two street lights near Cook's Brook Bridge. This is something to consider for the next council meeting.

Councilor Hamlyn brought it to the attention of the council he still feels the Recreation Committee, Mount Moriah Events, and Fire Department should each be given a line on the Town's advisory board.

Motion 2024-032 Wells/Hamlyn

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council will use the top two lines on the advisory board for Town business. The Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department, Mount Moriah Recreation Committee, and Mount Moriah Community Event will each be given one line on the advisory board to advertise their events. However, each organization will be responsible for putting their advertisement on the advisory board.

All in Favor

Carried

There is some discussion regarding Town employees.

Notice of Motion

No notice of motion.

Next Council Meeting

The next council meeting is Wednesday, February 21, 2024.

Adjournment

Motion 2024-033 Porter/Hamlyn

There being no further business meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

All in Favor

Carried

Town Clerk/Manager

Mayor