

The regular meeting of the Mount Moriah Town Council was held in council chambers on Wednesday, August 17, 2022. Meeting opened at 7:00 p.m.

**Present at the meeting:**

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

**Adoption of Agenda**

Motion 2022-107 Wells/Butt

Be it be resolved that the agenda for August 17, 2022 council meeting be adopted.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

**Delegation**

**Mount Moriah Recreation Committee**

- Mayor Duffney asked Councilor Butt to check with the Recreation Committee to see when they will have the supplies for Mount Moriah Day.
- Kids back to school Bingo, Tuesday, August 23, 2022.
- Cards will start Tuesday, September 13, 2022 and Bingo will start Friday, September 16, 2022.

**Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department**

- Fire Department had trouble filling up truck for control burn, because of rocks put in front of entrance to Cook's Brook, could not back truck down to brook. Also, there were vehicles parked in front of the rocks. The council will get no parking signs put up in front of the rocks, so vehicle will not park there.
- Fire Department had a Toll Gate, Saturday, August 6, 2022. They raised \$2,957.84.
- Mayor Duffney informed the council that she has spoken to Linda Edmonds, Katie's Convenience regarding setting up an account to fuel up Town vehicles. Mrs. Edmonds was wondering if the council wanted to use purchase orders or a letter with a list of fire fighters and staff that will be able to charge the fuel to the town for town vehicles. The council will send Mrs. Edmonds a list of firefighters and staff that can charge fuel to the

Town's account for fuel for town vehicles. Also, the council will continue to purchase fuel at Curling One Stop.

**Great Humber Joint Council**

- No correspondence from the great Humber Joint Council.

**Errors or Omissions of Minutes**

Mayor Duffney asked if there were any errors omissions of the minutes.

**Adoption of Minutes**

Motion 2022-108 Porter/Hamlyn

Be it be resolved that the minutes for Wednesday, July 20, 2022 meeting be adopted.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

**Business Arising from Minutes**

The council did not hear from Cory Sparklin, Fire and Emergency Services, as to whether the Fire Department must have someone cover for them when they take the fire truck out of the town to fuel up.

The council have still not heard back from the lawyer regarding the Town of Mount Moriah taking over Birchy Drive.

Each councilor was given a copy of the Town of Mount Moriah Heritage Regulations to review before the next council meeting to see if any changes need to be made.

All the easements for the installation of the new sewer line have been signed.

Each councilor was given a copy of the agreement when the Town of Mount Moriah took over Davis Drive, the letter of convenance and the survey.

Email sent to Cindy & Hayward Prosper, 7 Hussey's Lane, Mount Moriah regarding adjusting their taxes.

Mayor Duffney and Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, met with Marion Evoy, Karen Donahue and Erica Humber-Shears regarding projects that the Town can apply for, for funding.

The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, informed the council that the Community Enhancement Employment Program has been applied for to do work on the Cook's Brook Day Park.

**Bills Payable for Approval**

Motion 2022-109 Penney/Porter

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

Motion Carried

**Committee Reports**

- Finance Committee will have to have a finance meeting before the next council meeting.

**Maintenance Committee**

- The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, informed the council that the paving of the Town Hall Road is going to have to be delayed until after the new sewer line is installed behind the Town Hall as the sewer line runs across the road.
- Councilor Penney pointed out that the council needs something done with the top of the Town Hall Road. Check with Marine to see if they are in the area if they can drop of some pavement for the top of Town Hall Road.
- Mr. Kirk Fowler is wondering where the sewer line ends on Soper's Drive extension. Councilor Brad Penney checked to see where the sewer line ends on Soper's Drive extension. Councilor Brad Porter will check with Michael Allen to see where his curb stop is and see if they can trace the water line to where it ends. Also, Councilor Penney suggested that they get Stephen Hickey, Norten Contracting to put the camera out through the line to see if he can find out where the line ends. The Town Clerk/Manager, spoke to William Perrett and he has an idea of where the lines ends.
- Mayor Lisa Duffney informed the council that Maintenance Manager, Paul Murley, is currently in St. John's, waiting for triple by-pass surgery, therefore she feels that the part time casual call-in Maintenance Man, Kyle Specker, should be hired in Paul Murley's position.

Motion 2022-110-Porter/Penney

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council hire Kyle Specker for \$20.00 per hour to fill in for Paul Murley. Also, the council will hire a part-time casual call-in maintenance person.

In Favor: Councilor Porter

Opposed: Councilor Butt

Councilor Penney

Councilor Wells

Councilor Hamlyn

Mayor Duffney

Motion Carried

Mayor Duffney informed the council that she spoke to Doug Jewer regarding the part time casual call-in position, but he was not interested. The council will check the list of people that worked for the Town before.

Motion 2022-111 Wells/Hamlyn

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council hires a part time casual call-in maintenance person for \$15.00 per hour, for two months.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

**Correspondence**

- Letter from Brenda Hann, President, Curling Lions Club asking if it would be possible to borrow 30 chairs from the Town of Mount Moriah for a wedding on August 27, 2022.

Motion 2022-112 Penney/Porter

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council lend the Curling Lions Club 30 chairs for August 27, 2022.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

- Letter from Paul Jones informing the council that 12 years ago he purchased a piece of property at 76 Main Street, Mount Moriah and the condition that he bought the property was that he could put in a driveway between 76 and 78 Main Street, Mount Moriah. The Mount Moriah Town Council gave him a letter approving a permit for an extension of the private driveway to the back land between 76 and 78 Main Street, Mount Moriah. Now he would like to put the driveway in, but Department of Transportation and Infrastructure will not approve the driveway. Mr. Jones attended the council meeting and explained to the council the situation regarding this piece of property. According to the motion of council on October 4, 2006 the council approves Anne & Randell Keeping's (Paul Jones) request for an extension of their private driveway between 76 Main Street and 78 Main Street, so they can access their vacant piece of property. Construction of driveway must not interfere with the two existing homes or the sewer. The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, explained to the council that her interpretation of the motion is that the driveway already exists and Anne & Randell Keeping (Paul Jones) just wanted to extend the driveway down to their property. The council will contact Thomas Blundon, Department of Transportation and Infrastructure and explain to him that Mr. Jones is only extending the driveway on down to his property.

- The council received an email from Dean Porter, Poole Althouse, regarding the expropriation of the property belonging to Alfred Gosse to the sewer outfall on his property at 116 Main Street, Mount Moriah. Mr. Porter received a letter from Mr. Gosse's Lawyer, Gerard Martin, regarding Mr. Gosse is willing to negotiate an Easement through this property on terms agreeable to himself and the Town. A proposed easement was proposed in 2009 but negotiations at that time were unsuccessful. Mr. Martin pointed out in his letter that should the land be expropriated it will have the effect of severing a large portion (approximately one-third) of Mr. Gosse's land from the main portion. The severed portion would have no access and would be rendered practically valueless. The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, pointed out to the council that it is likely that Mr. Gosse is going to claim further compensation then the money offered for the land, due to the remainder of the land being considerate as having no access and practically valueless.

Motion 2022-113 Hamlyn/Penney

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council proceed with the expropriation of the land (50 feet x 800 feet) to the sewer outfall on Mr. Alfred Gosse's property.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

- Email from Clint Rumbolt, NLS, Yates & Woods Ltd. enclosed was a preliminary survey plan for the Town 's reviews of the property that the council is purchasing from William Crocker, 15 Serpentine Road, Mount Moriah for the pump house. As you can see there is only (12.351m) 40 ft frontage available, with about (23.155m) 76 feet to the brook.

Motion 2022-114 Porter/Butt

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council accept the preliminary survey plan done by Yates and Woods of the property that the council is purchasing from William Crocker, 15 Serpentine Road, Mount Moriah for the pump house.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

- Information Circular from Department of Transportation and Infrastructure regarding Natural Infrastructure Fund – Small Projects Stream.
- Letter from Stephen Mercer, CPA, CA, Director, Municipal Finance, regarding Asset Management Plans.
- Email from Kim MacPherson, Local Governance and Land Use Planning Division, Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs regarding 2022 Municipal Long Service Awards -Elected Officials. The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, will check on the years of service for Mayor Lisa Duffney.
- The council received a copy of the letter that Honourable Tom Osborne, MHA, Minister of Health and Community Services, District of Waterford Valley sent to Eddie Joyce, MHA, District of Humber Bay of Islands regarding nurse practitioner primary care services.
- Letter from Kerry Power, Executive Director, NL911, informing the council that as a result of the new Emergency 911 Act, effective August 1, 2022, NL911 Bureau will be integrated into core government as the 911 Division of the Emergency Services Branch, Department of Justice and Public Safety.
- Email from L. Robert Fowler, Fire Commissioner/Director of Fire Services, Fire Services Division, Department of Justice and Public Safety informing the council that he is the new Fire Commissioner/Director of Fire Services.
- Email from Tianna Butler, BA, Bed, MPhil, Regional Manager of NL Integrated Youth Service Delivery, Labrador and Western Newfoundland Choices for Youth informing the council that she is the Regional Manager of the NL Integrated Youth Service Delivery for Labrador and Western Newfoundland.
- Letter from Roberta Stanford, President Citizens Crime Prevention Association of Newfoundland & Labrador requesting a donation.
- Email Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador.
- Info Note July 20, 2022. Check into funding under Active NL.

- Info Note July 25, 2022. Register Mayor Duffney for 2022 MNL Conference, November 2-5, 2022. Check with Deputy Mayor Shelley LeRoy to see if she is interested in attending the conference.
- Info Note August 1, 2022.
- Info Note August 8, 2022.

### **Development and Building Applications**

- No development or building applications.

### **New Business**

- Each councilor was given a copy of the Town's latest newsletter Mount Moriah Connection. Newsletter will be put in the mail tomorrow.
- It was brought to the attention of the council that the Casual Call-in Town Clerk is off sick.  
Motion 2022-115 Penney/Porter  
Be it be resolved that the council will advertise for a Casual Call-In Town Clerk at a rate of pay of \$14.34 per hour.  
All in Favor. Motion Carried
- Councilor Hamlyn suggested that in the future the council should look into sending out the bills and receipts by email.
- Get cold patch put in potholes on Serpentine Road.
- Councilor Porter suggested that the council get in contact with Thomas Blundon, Department of Transportation and Infrastructure regarding the water that runs onto Main Street instead of into the ditch on Morrison's stretch.
- Councilor Penney suggested that the council put a culvert in on Tower Road, so that the fire truck can come out Tower Road and turn to go in Serpentine Road.
- Deputy Mayor Duffney informed the council that she received a call regarding getting a speed bump put on the Main Street, near Morrison's stretch. Mayor Duffney informed the person that the council cannot put a speed bump on Morrison's stretch as this is the Department of Transportation and Infrastructures jurisdiction.
- There was some discussion regarding the barricades and lines for the beginning of Davis Drive. Mayor Duffney had Thomas Blundon, Department of Transportation and Infrastructure look at what had to be done in this area of Davis Drive.  
Motion 2022-116 Penney/Porter

Be it be resolved that the council will remove the barricades and put lines and stop signs as suggested by Thomas Blundon, Department of Transportation and Infrastructure at the beginning of Davis Drive.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

**Notice of Motion**

- No notice of Motion.

**Next Council Meeting**

- The next council meeting will be Wednesday, September 21, 2022.

**Adjournment**

Motion 2022-117 Porter/Penney

There being no further business meeting adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

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Mayor

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Town Clerk/Manager