

The regular meeting of the Mount Moriah Town Council was held in council chambers on Wednesday, July 20, 2022. Meeting opened at 7:00 p.m.

**Present at the meeting:**

Mayor Lisa Duffney  
Deputy Mayor Shelley LeRoy

Councilors Brad Penney  
Brad Porter  
Arthur Hamlyn  
Sandra Wells  
David Butt

**Adoption of Agenda**

Motion 2022-100 Porter/Penney

Be it be resolved that the agenda for July 20, 2022 council meeting be adopted.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

**Delegation**

**Mount Moriah Recreation Committee**

- Deputy Mayor LeRoy had an email from Jodi Allen, Mount Moriah Recreation Committee regarding Mount Moriah Day on August 20, 2022. According to only 3 or 4 members can attend the event on this date.

Councilor David Butt arrived 7:04 p.m.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding Mount Moriah Day - the Recreation Committee, Fire Department, and the Council.

Mayor Duffney asked if anyone from the council wanted to be the liaison for the Mount Moriah Recreation Committee, she also wanted an alternated if the liaison could not attend. Councilor David Butt will be liaison for the Mount Moriah Recreation Committee. The Mount Moriah Recreation Committee will begin having meetings in September with the meetings being the first Sunday of each month. If Councilor Butt cannot attend the meeting, the Town Clerk/Manager, will get another Councilor to attend the meeting on his behalf.

**Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department**

- Shed on playground can be torn down, however the steel beams under the shed belong to Don Bellows. Mr. Bellows would like to have the beams back.
- Mayor Lisa Duffney, Deputy Mayor Shelley LeRoy and Councilor Brad Penney attended the Fire Department meeting on Monday, July 18, 2022. The shed will be torn down by

the Maintenance Man and the alters at the Day Park will be burnt under a control burn by the Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department.

- The Mount Moriah Fire Department had a 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. The council will have an open house at the Fire Hall on Monday, September 26, 2022 from 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
- Email from Robyn Eddison, Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department regarding the hydrant bottom Sweetapple Drive leaking water when hydrant is turned on, alternative option for fuel other than Curling One Stop, look into widening/changing intersection to Tower Road to accommodate the truck being able to turn to go into Serpentine Road. The council will check into these problems to have them rectified.
- Councilor Arthur Hamlyn volunteered to be the liaison for the Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department and Deputy Mayor Shelley LeRoy volunteered to be the alternate if Councilor Hamlyn cannot attend the Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department meeting. Councilor Hamlyn or Deputy Mayor LeRoy will attend the Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department's business meeting the last Monday of each month.
- The council will check with Cory Sparklin, Fire and Emergency services to see if the Fire Department must have someone cover for them when they take the fire truck out of the town to fuel up. Also, can the Maintenance Manager, Paul Murley, take the fire truck to be fueled up or do it have to be a member of the fire department.

#### **Great Humber Joint Council**

- No correspondence from the Great Humber Joint Council.

Motion 2022-101 Butt/Hamlyn

Be it be resolved that the Town of Mount Moriah will host Mount Moriah Day on August 20, 2022 from 12 noon to 4:00 p.m. at the Cook's Brook Day Park.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

Councilor Hamlyn pointed out that it is challenging for someone in a wheel chair to go down to the Day Park.

Motion 2022-102 LeRoy/Wells

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council will have a Volunteer Appreciation Dinner on Sunday, October 16, 2022 from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

#### **Errors or Omissions of Minutes**

Deputy Mayor LeRoy pointed out the following errors: Page 2, should have been Raymond Bellows, not Raymond Bellow. Page 3, The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, informed the council that someone wanted to rent a garden bin, put wanted to set it up on their own property. This should have read The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, informed the council that someone wanted to rent a garden bin, but wanted to set it up on their own property. Page 6, A copy of the Social Media Policy will be distributed to the Mount Moriah Recreation Committee and the Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department. This should have read a copy of the Social Media Policy will be distributed to the Mount Moriah Recreation Committee and the Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department and each of the members of the committees. Page 7, How every, the council will contact Department of Transportation and

Infrastructure to see if they will put some calcium chloride on the sides of the Main Street at the beginning of Mount Moriah. This should have read; However, the council will contact Department of Transportation and Infrastructure to see if they will put some calcium chloride on the sides of the Main Street at the beginning of Mount Moriah. Page 7, Councilor LeRoy was inquiring if the Town could have something on Canada Day. This should have read: Council LeRoy was inquiring if the Recreation Committee could host something for Canada Day.

### **Adoption of Minutes**

Motion 2022-103 Hamlyn/LeRoy

Be it be resolved that the minutes of June 15, 2022 council meeting be adopted as amended.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

### **Business Arising from Minutes**

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

The council has not heard back from the Minister of Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs regarding the approval of the Town's Municipal Regulations.

Some picnic tables and benches has been built for the Cook's Brook area and the Cook's Brook Day Park.

The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, is still working on the Heritage Policy.

The council has one easement left to get signed for the installation of the new sewer line.

The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, informed the council that she contacted Mr. Ayres, Stewart McKelvey, regarding the sewer outfall on Alfred Gosse property at 116 Main Street, Mount Moriah regarding the Town's legal obligations since the sewer out fall was there for so long. Mr. Ayers said that this is a tricky situation and expropriation would be the council's best option. The Town Clerk/Manager, also spoke to Dean Porter, Poole Althouse, regarding the sewer outfall on Alfred Gosse's property at 116 Main Street, Mount Moriah. Mr. Porter recommended that the council expropriate the property to prevent future problems with accessing the sewer outfall. Since the council have already approved this expropriation, Mr. Porter will proceed with the expropriation on council's behalf.

The Town's by roads have been upgraded.

### **Finance (Bills Payable for Approval)**

Motion 2022-104 LeRoy/Penney

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

All in Favor

Motion Carried

## Committee Reports

### Finance Committee

- The Finance Committee will have to have a finance meeting within the next couple of weeks.

### Maintenance Committee

- The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, informed the council that they are having trouble with the Ford Truck. The council will get an estimate of the cost to have the Ford repaired.

## Correspondence

Councilor Brad Penney left the council meeting at 8:24 p.m.

- Letter from Lorna Penney, 6 Welshman's Drive, advising the council that they are opening a business, Wicked Wheels Pizza and they would like to apply for a Business Permit.  
Motion 2022-105 Porter/LeRoy  
Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council approves Lorna Penney's request for a Business Permit to operate a business at 6 Welshman's Drive, Mount Moriah, Wicked Wheels Pizza.  
All in Favor Moton Carried

Councilor Brad Penney returned to the council meeting at 8:27 p.m.

- Letter from William Crocker (Bill) giving the council consent to proceed with the surveying of the piece of property where the Town's water pump is located at 15 Serpentine Road, Mount Moriah.
- Letter from Doug Hackett, 19 Davis Drive, Mount Moriah regarding Mr. Hackett has a few questions on the status of Phase I on Davis Drive as the development map has changed multiple time. Mr. Hackett attended the council meeting.  
# 1 Who designed this map? The developer? Also was it approved by the Town.? I am assuming yes to utilize the vacant lots still available that have higher interest to buyers, which certainly makes sense. Mayor Duffney pointed out that the developers engineer designed the map and it was approved by the Town's engineer. Mr. Hackett asked the council to go back and look to see where Phase I of Davis Drive ended and when the council took over Phase I. Mr. Hackett question that if Phase I ended where the house is being build now, how could council take over Phase I when the road was not put there at that time. The council will have to check into this. Also, there was some discussion regarding the \$50,000.00 that G & F Murley Excavations Ltd. gave the council for paving that was used for millings for Davis Drive.  
# 2 The road has been taken over by the town and many other roads also with town standards which are only suitable for snow clearing purposes. Why is the town accepting ownership of dust clouded roads that are inspected by town and not inspected by an engineering firm? There was a lengthy discussion regarding the takeover of dirt roads by the Town of Mount Moriah.

#3 Mr. Hackett also, asked to have a yellow center line painted on the entrance to Davis Drive and the jersey barriers moved off the edge of the exit lane. A half a meter shoulder is required on any roadside and someone is going to sideswipe these barriers while passing incoming traffic entering Davis Drive. This is a serious safety matter and needs action. Mayor Duffney pointed out to Mr. Hackett that she has contacted Thomas Blundon, Department of Transportation and Infrastructure to come down and meet with the Maintenance Manager, Paul Murley, to show him exactly where the lines and barriers need to be placed on Davis Drive. It was pointed out to Mr. Hackett that the entrance of Davis Drive must be on a 90-degree angle. Discussed when the lines are put on Davis Drive, the council will send a letter to the residents of Davis Drive informing them that they are responsible for following the proper way for entering and exiting Davis Drive.

- Letter from Cindy & Hayward Prosper, 7 Hussey's Lane, Mount Moriah, informing the council that they are writing to appeal their property tax amount. Recently they received and paid their total invoice of \$2,387.25. With changes made to their services this year, they both find this amount to be outrageous. They have several rental properties in which these services are year-round and pay nowhere near this amount. They now must pack their garbage to Soper's Drive. Also, the roads are not cleared nor maintained for most of the year and they are required to pay out of pocket and have a private business clear/remove snow. Also, not to mention the water situation. Mr. and Mrs. Prosper requested that their taxes be re-evaluated as they are paying for services they are not receiving. There was some discussion regarding Mr. and Mrs. Prosper's concerns. For their Property Tax to be re-evaluated, Mr. & Mrs. Prosper would have to contact the Municipal Assessment Agency to request that a reassessment be done on their property.  
Motion 2022-106 Wells/Hamlyn

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council decline Cindy and Hayward Prosper's request to have their taxes re-evaluated, since in order to change their Property Tax, they would have to have a reassessment done on their property at 7 Hussey's Lane, Mount Moriah by the Municipal Assessment Agency.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

- Email from Pauline Anderson, Executive Assistant, Western Regional Service Board informing the council that Alfred Park (McIvers) is the new representative on the Western Regional Service Board.
- Letter from Donald J. DiCesare, P. Eng., Senior Project Engineer, DMG Consulting Limited informing the council that they are pleased to advise that effective July 29, 2022, DMG Consulting Ltd. will be integrating its operations with those of Allnorth Consulting Ltd.
- Circular from Kim Kieley, P. Eng., FEC, Director – Municipal Infrastructure, Transportation and Infrastructure regarding Tender Amendments, New Design Guidelines and Standards, and Petroleum Products Cost Adjustments.
- Email from Judy Bolt, B.A., Constituency Assistant to Eddie Joyce, MHA, Humber-Bay of Island District regarding registration Now Available for Patient Connect NL in Remaining Regions of the Province.

- Letter from Amanda Freake, Western Director, Municipal Assessment Agency regarding Update on the Municipal Assessment Agency.
- Email Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador.
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- Info Note June 20, 2022.
- Info Note June 28, 2022.
- Info Note July 4, 2022.

### **Development and Building Permits**

- No Development or Building Permits.

### **New Business**

Deputy Mayor LeRoy informed the Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, that she has not received the minutes of the meetings since April 2022.

There was some discussion regarding the emergency cell phone not being answered. Since Paul Murley has the emergency cell phone, maybe he can forward the calls from the emergency phone to his personal cell phone.

Councilor Wells suggested that once the Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department and the Mount Moriah Recreation Committee reads the Social Media Policy that they can sign and date the policy.

Mayor Lisa Duffney suggested that the council and the Town Clerk/Manager meet with Marion Evoy and Karen Donahue, Town of Humber Arm South, to discuss what projects that they can apply for under the JCP, CEEP etc. so, the council can start applying for different projects.

Mayor Duffney pointed out that some councilors and Paul Murley have been doing work at the Day Park in the evenings.

Dennis Blackwood, Blackwood Signs donated a sign for the Cook's Brook area.

Mayor Duffney has seven signs ordered for Cook's Brook and Cook's Brook Day Park.

The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, informed the council that the applications for the Community Enhancement Employment Program must be submitted by August 5, 2022. The council will look at applying for funding for the Cook's Brook Day Park.

**Notice of Motion**

- No notice of motion.

**Next Council Meeting**

- The next council meeting will be Wednesday, August 17, 2022.

**Adjournment**

Motion 2022-106 LeRoy/Butt

Be it be resolved there being no further business meeting adjourned at 10:11 p.m.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

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Town Clerk/Manager

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Mayor

