

The regular meeting of the Mount Moriah Town Council was held in council chambers on Wednesday, May 18, 2022. Meeting opened at 7:02 p.m.

**Present at the meeting:**

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

**Adoption of Agenda**

Motion 2022-075 LeRoy/Hamlyn

Be it be resolved that the agenda for May 18, 2022 council meeting be adopted.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

**Delegations**

**Mount Moriah Recreation Committee**

- Mrs. Lynn Leonard informed the council that the last that she heard the Recreation Committee will be having a meeting in June 2022.

**Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department**

- No correspondence from the Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department.

**Great Humber Joint Council**

- No correspondence from the Great Humber Joint Council.

**Errors or Omissions of Minutes**

Deputy Mayor LeRoy pointed out on page 5, email from Mike Spontaneo informing the council that his fiancé and I are getting married on July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022, should have read: Email from Mike Spontaneo informing the council that he and his fiancé are getting married on July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

Councilor Arthur Hamlyn pointed out on page 2, Kirk Fowler was inquiring if the council was going to do anything regarding the landslide on Soper's Drive extension. Mayor Duffney pointed out that the council only installed Soper's Drive extension as far as 44 Soper's Drive (Michael Allen). This should have read Kirk Fowler was inquiring if the council was going to do anything regarding the landslide on Soper's

Drive extension. Mayor Duffney pointed out that the council only installed/maintains Soper's Drive extension as far as 44 Soper's Drive (Michael Allen).

### **Adoption of Minutes**

Motion 2022-076 Hamlyn/Butt

Be it be resolved that the minutes of April 27, 2022 council meeting be adopted as amended.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

### **Business Arising from Minutes**

Letter is ready to be sent to William Crocker regarding the council purchasing the piece of property that the water pump house is located on, on Serpentine Road for fair market value.

The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, has completed the OHS Designate Course.

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

The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, has the First-Aid Kits for the Town Hall, Fire Hall and Council Office.

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.

The council has to get the picnic tables and benches built for the Cook's Brook area.

The council has not heard from Gerry Phillips regarding an enforcement officer.

Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, asked if the council looked at the information from Paul Wylezol, Cabox Aspiring Geopark regarding a letter of support which will be included with UNESCO application. The council will not be sending a letter of support for this project.

Richard Carter, Pasadena Contracting, looked at the roof of the town hall and office where it was leaking, this will be repaired.

The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, informed the council that as of today's date no one has registered for the Town clean-up on Wednesday, June 1, 2022.

There have only been three names put in for the garden bins.

The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, informed the council that when she went to register Paul Murley for the Water Distribution Basics Course in Deer Lake, the course was full. She will have to check and see when the course will be offered again in Deer Lake.

The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, informed the council that she sent an email to Thomas Blundon, Department of Transportation and Infrastructure regarding getting the problem with the water running on Morrison's stretch rectified before the winter months are upon us again.

The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, asked if the council are going to put a speed bump on MacDonald Drive and a speed bump on Soper's Drive. Council agreed that the speed bumps would be put on MacDonald Drive and Soper's Drive.

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

Motion 2022-077 Penney/Hamlyn

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

All in Favor

Motion Carried

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Finance Committee**

- The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, informed the council that she has to get the 2021 Financial Statement sent into Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs.

#### **Maintenance Committee/Report**

- Roads
- Summer Maintenance work.

### **Correspondence**

- Letter from Gary Butt, regarding uncovered garbage being dropped off in front of his property on Friday mornings. Mr. Butt have reported this on several occasions over the last month and it hasn't been dealt with. Mr. Butt attended the council meeting and explained to the council that he contacted the Mayor and Town Clerk/Manager regarding this matter. Mayor Duffney explained to the council that her and the Town Clerk/Manager were working on the problem. However, since Mr. Butt did not know who was dropping the garbage off in front of his property, the council couldn't tell where the garbage was coming from. Mr. Butt informed the council that there was a white ford pick-up from Birchy Drive dropping off the garbage in front of his property. Since the council has something to go on the council will contact the resident of Birchy Drive informing him/her that the council had a formal complaint regarding their garbage being put in front of 65 Main Street uncovered and request that their garbage be covered.
- Letter from Harold Gillis informing the council that Island Tower is no longer operating. In December 2021, Mr. Gillis requested that his lawyer and accountant begin the process of transferring the title to the property at 69 Main Street, Mount Moriah to his personal name and take the necessary steps to close the business. Mr. Gillis would like to have Island Tower removed from the Business Tax list.

Motion 2022-078 Penney/Porter

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council remove Island Tower & Line Maintenance (2005) Inc. from the Business Tax list, since the business is dissolved.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

- The Mount Moriah Town Council received a letter from Lynn Leonard, 12 MacDonald Drive, Mount Moriah requesting to speak at the council meeting on Wednesday, May 18, 2022 regarding the ditch in front of her property. Mrs. Leonard attended the council meeting and explained to the council that the ditch in front of her property is deteriorating and the pavement on the side of the road is breaking off and the road is becoming narrow. Mrs. Leonard suggested that maybe the council could put a culvert in the ditch in this area of MacDonald Drive. The council will get Paul Murley, Maintenance Manager, to look at this problem to see how the problem can be rectified.

- Letter from Brendan Clarke & Gene Clarke requesting for a development permit for the parcel of land that extend behind 41-43 Serpentine Road, Mt. Moriah. Attached was the document "Serpentine Road Proposed Lots Drawing No. 19208-PLOT" as the preliminary drawing of the development. This development will consist of 12 oversize lots, a gravel road forty feet wide, ditched on both sides and water and sewage will be installed. Mayor Duffney pointed out to the council that this would be classified as a subdivision, the same as Davis Drive and the property that Mr. William Perrett wanted to develop on Morrison's Lane. Therefore, this property would have to follow the regulations of a subdivision according to the Town of Mount Moriah's Development Regulations.

Motion 2022-079 Butt/LeRoy

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council deny Brendan Clarke and Gene Clarke's request for a development permit for the parcel of land that extends behind 41-43 Serpentine Road, Mt. Moriah due to inadequate information.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

- The council will forward a copy of the section of the Town of Mount Moriah's Development Regulations regarding the subdivision of land to Brendan Clarke and Gene Clarke.
- Email from Colin George, 16 MacDonald Drive, regarding how fast they drive up and down MacDonald Drive. The kids and neighbor's kids are out now with the weather we are having and it will be to late once one of them gets hit. Some are people just dropping off others and some are residents that live on MacDonald Drive. Mr. George pointed out that this matter needs to be addressed. Speed bumps are ok, but as soon as they are over the speed bump the vehicles are moving at a high speed. Mayor Duffney questioned as to why residents are not contacting the RCMP. There was a lengthy discussion regarding speeding on MacDonald Drive. The council will contact the RCMP regarding speeding on MacDonald Drive.

Motion 2022-080 Penney/Porter

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council, as a temporary measure, put two speed bumps on MacDonald Drive.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

The council will send Mr. Colin George an email regarding the decision that the council made regarding MacDonald Drive.

- Email from Alyssa Fowler, looking to start up a weekly yoga class starting in June for the summer months. The council will contact Ms. Fowler to see what night she would like to have the yoga class, what the cost will be per person and how much she is expecting to pay for the town hall.
- Email from Deann Spurrell, Manager of Canada Community-Building Fund Administration, Department of Municipal Affairs regarding the motion from the council to reduce the approval amount for the Extension of Corner Brook's Water System to provide Drinking Water to Mount Moriah project from \$1,677,644.34 to \$1,560,346.00 which was actually spent.  
Motion 2022-081 LeRoy/Hamlyn  
Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council reduce the approval amount for the Extension of Corner Brook's Water System to provide Drinking Water to Mount Moriah project from \$1,677,644.34 to \$1,560,346.00.  
All in Favor Motion Carried
- Email from Mfon Oton, Business Development Officer, MMSB regarding Litter/Illegal Signage and Program Information. Mr. Oton pointed out the availability of the **Crime Stoppers litter/illegal dumping public reporting tool**. Anyone can anonymously report suspicious activity by calling **1-800-222-TIPS (8477)**, visiting [www.nlcrimestoppers.com](http://www.nlcrimestoppers.com) to submit a tip or by downloading the free and secure P3 Tips App in your App store. Those who call with a tip are not required to provide their names. Deputy LeRoy will put this information on the Town's website.
- Letter from Rayanne Hibbs, CPA, CGA, Manager of Municipal Finance and Employment Support, Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs regarding Community Sustainability Partnership Accountability Measures and Exemptions.
- Letter from Kim Kieley, P. Eng., FEC, Director – Municipal Infrastructure, Transportation and Infrastructure, Department of Transportation and Infrastructure regarding Cost Adjustments Risks for Budgets and Form 7 and 15 Clarifications.
- Email from Andrea O'Brien, Outreach/Provincial Registrar, Heritage NL, regarding the information required to designate the cemeteries in Mount Moriah as heritage sites. The council will look into this further.
- Letter from Tara Pye, Director of Communications, Western Health regarding Mass Covid Vaccination Clinics in May and June.
- Letter from Skye Crawford Taylor, Executive Director, Association of Early Childhood Educators of Newfoundland & Labrador regarding Early Childhood Educators' Week.
- Email from Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador regarding Student Project Announcement.
- Info Note May 2, 2022.

**Development and Building Applications**

- Building application from Raymond Bellows, 20 Soper's Drive, Mount Moriah to build a garage 24 feet x 26 feet. Maintenance Manager, Paul Murley, can only approve accessory buildings up to 16 feet x 20 feet.

Motion 2022-082 Penney/Porter

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council approves Raymond Bellows building application to build a garage 24 feet x 36 feet at 20 Soper's Drive, Mount Moriah.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

**New Business**

- Deputy Mayor LeRoy pointed out that the bottom of Serpentine Road needs to be swept.
- The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, informed the council that there is a different kind of raker that the council can get for the roof of the town hall, the cost of the different raker is \$2,950.00 taxes included and Richard Carter, Pasadena Contractors will install the rakers for free. The council is not interested in purchasing new rakers. They will leave the rakers that are on the roof where they are and will get the raker over the basement door replaced. The Town Clerk/Manager was concerned with the rakers coming off the roof again.
- The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, was inquiring if you were allowed to burn now? According to this is now fire season and fires are not permitted.
- The Mount Moriah Town Council will send Sealand Safety and Prevention Services a Business Tax, since they are operating out of Mount Moriah.
- The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, informed the council that the council will need to get some easements for the sewer line that will have to be replaced, when the new water and sewer line are installed. The Town Clerk/Manager, is concerned that she will not be able to get all the easement required for the sewer line. If all easements are not put in place, Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs will not allow the project to go ahead.
- Mayor Duffney brought it to the attention of the council that there were people making in appropriate comments on the Town's face book page. There was a lengthy discussion regarding this matter.

Motion 2022-083 LeRoy/Hamlyn

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council deactivate the Town's face book page temporarily until the Town can get a Social Media Policy put in place. Once Social Media Policy is put in place the face book page will be reactivate with comments turned off.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

**Notice of Motion**

- No notice of motion.

**Next Council Meeting**

- The next council meeting will be Wednesday, June 15, 2022.

**Adjournment**

Motion 2022-084 Porter/LeRoy

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

All in Favor

Motion Carried

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Town Clerk/Manager

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Mayor