

Town of Mount Moriah
Regular Council Meeting October 18, 2023

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The regular meeting of the Mount Moriah Town Council was held in council chambers on Wednesday, October 18, 2023. The meeting opened at 7:00 p.m.

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

Adoption of Agenda

Motion 2023-098 Porter/Penney

Be it be resolved that the agenda for the October 18, 2023 council meeting be adopted.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

Delegations

Mount Moriah Recreation Committee

- No correspondence from the Mount Moriah Recreation Committee.

Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department

- The Fire Department is going ahead with Guy Fawkes Night on Sunday, November 5, 2023.
- The Fire Department is going ahead with the Fire Alarm Program, currently, they have six applications.
- The Fire Department will install fire alarms in resident's homes, the program will begin once the course is completed.
- The Fire Department will be going ahead with the memory tree.
- The Fire Department will be going ahead with the snowmobile run.

Councilor David Butt arrived at 7:03 p.m.

Mount Moriah Day Park

- JCP still working on Day Park, cutting brush.
- Dan Hynes, Allnorth, will let the council know tomorrow the cost to do engineering plans for the bandstand.
- Newfoundland Power should have the power hooked up at Cook's Brook Day Park by October 26, 2023.

Mount Moriah Community Events Inc.

Mayor Lisa Duffney, Deputy Mayor Shelley LeRoy, and Councilor Brad Penney left the council meeting at 7:15 p.m. Councilor Brad Porter chaired the council meeting.

- Joyce Murley gave a report on the Mount Moriah Community Events Inc. meeting, and the executive was formed.
- Motion 2023- 099 Hamlyn/Wells
Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council is going to give the Mount Moriah Community Events Inc. one Wednesday per month free of charge for their meetings.
All in Favor Motion Carried
- Trunk or Treats is going ahead as scheduled on Halloween Night, Tuesday, October 31, 2023, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Cook's Brook Day Park. Going to have three prizes for the best-decorated trunk. First Place, Second Place, Third Place. Mrs. Joyce Murley offered to donate a \$20.00 gift card for a prize for a child.
- The Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department will take part in the truck or treat.

Mayor Lisa Duffney, Deputy Mayor Shelley LeRoy, and Councilor Brad Penney returned to the council meeting at 7:20 p.m. Mayor Duffney continued to chair the council meeting.

Errors or Omissions of Minutes

Page 3, Deputy Mayor Shelley Leroy wanted to know who Frank was from Western Pumps. Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, pointed out that it is Frank Rumboldt from Western Pumps.

Adoption of Minutes

Motion 2023-100 LeRoy/ Wells

Be it resolved that the minutes from the September 20, 2023 council meeting be adopted as amended.
All in Favor Motion Carried

Business Arising from Minutes

The culvert in Paul Roberts's driveway has to be replaced.

Mr. Alfred Gosse has accepted the Town's offer to purchase the piece of property going to the sewer outfall at 116 Main Street, Mount Moriah.

Still waiting to hear from the Town of Humber Arm South regarding a Community Collaboration Grant.

There was some discussion regarding the water/sewer projects that the Town has on the go. The council will contact the Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs regarding the two projects.

There was some discussion regarding the water still running onto Morrison's stretch, the council will contact the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure regarding this issue.

Frank Rumboldt, Western Pumps will check the pump on Serpentine Road next week.

The piece of property that Glenn McGrath, 22 Davis Drive, Mount Moriah wanted to purchase off G & F Murley Excavations Ltd. to build a shed is in Phase II of the subdivision.

The playground equipment has been ordered from Kangaroo Equipment.

There was some discussion regarding the personal belongings belonging to Mr. William Crocker that are left on the Town's property that was purchased from Mr. Crocker on Serpentine Road, Mount Moriah.

Motion 2023-101 LeRoy/Wells

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council will send Mr. William Crocker a letter giving him until April 30, 2024, to have his personal belongings removed from the Town's property.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

Paint has been purchased for the old fire hall.

Public Concerns

Letter from George Murley, G & F Murley Excavations Ltd. applying for a permit to operate a Heavy Truck Repair Station, in their existing work garage located at 169 Main Street, Mount Moriah. Mrs. Joyce Murley attended the council meeting.

Motion 2023-102 Hamlyn/Porter

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council will grant Mr. George Murley, G & F Murley Excavations Ltd., permission to operate a Heavy Truck Repair Station from his existing work garage at 169 Main Street, Mount Moriah.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

Letter from Brian Bellows informing the council that he is interested in purchasing Terry Porter and Mike Porter's property at 8 Soper's Drive, Mount Moriah. Mr. Bellows is looking at building a residential building with 4 apartments. The approximate size of the building would be 56 feet x 26 feet. There would be 2 units upstairs and 2 units in the basement. Mr. Bellows attended the council meeting and was wondering would a building permit be achievable before he purchases the property. The approximate size of both properties together is 60 feet x 120 feet. It was pointed out to Mr. Bellows that the Town of Mount Moriah currently does not own Hussey's Lane and any access would have to be from Soper's Drive. If Mr. Bellows purchased the property Town of Mount Moriah Municipal Plan and Development Regulations must be followed.

Finance (Bills Payable for Approval)

Motion 2023-103 Penney/Porter

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

All in Favor

Motion Carried

Committee Reports

Finance Committee

- There was a finance meeting on Tuesday, September 26, 2023. In attendance were Mayor Duffney, Deputy Mayor LeRoy, Councilor Hamlyn, Councilor Penney, and Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard. Reviewed Actuals to Budget. The main concern of the Finance Committee was the Fire Department was over budget. This is due to the requirements of OHS and the purchasing of 3 Bunker Suits.
- The council will send Robyn Eddison a copy of the Fire Department's budget for 2023.
- Councilor Hamlyn will check into setting up a meeting with the Council and Fire Chief, Paul Butt, Assistant Fire, Chief Brandon Poole and Robyn Eddison.

Maintenance Committee

- Bill Quilty sent an email to the council informing them that the old skidder was removed from Town Property and transferred to Crown land. The Town would like to know who at Crown Lands gave him permission to move the skidder onto Crown Land. The council will contact Crown Lands to find out. Also, need to clean up the area past the skidder because there is a lot of old dirty fill in there that needs to be removed.
- The Town discussed several areas that need pavement ASAP including the bottom of Serpentine Road, Soper's Drive, the top portion of Town Hall Road, and a small gutter by Calvin Bennett's on Welshman's Drive. Need to get some quotes for paving.
- The council will send Calvin Bennett a letter informing him that the Town will be replacing/putting a new gutter along Welshman's Drive. This area will be monitored by Town Maintenance after the gutter is installed and if he should do any damage to the gutter, he will be responsible for repairing the gutter.
- The Council needs to find a part for the sewer at the end of Serpentine Road.

Correspondence

- The council received a copy of the letter that Hon. Steve Crocker, MHA, District of Carbonear-Trinity-Bay de Verde, Minister, Department of Tourism, Cultures, Arts and Recreation sent to Eddie Joyce, MHA, Humber-Bay of Islands District concerning the landslide in the Morrison's Stretch area in Mount Moriah.
- Letter from Shawn Street, Coordinator, Bay of Islands Volunteer Search and Rescue requesting the Town's support by means of a donation for repairs to their building. The council donates to the BOISAR annually.
- Letter from Don Hearn, M.I.M.A., ICD, Executive Director/CEO, Municipal Assessment Agency Inc. regarding the 2024 Assessment Service Fee.
- Letter from Don Hearn, M.I.M.A., ICD.D, Executive Director/CEO, Municipal Assessment Agency Inc. informing the council that Hon. Jon Haggie, Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs, has appointed long-time Grand Falls-Windsor resident, Mr. Allan Hawkins, as the newest Taxpayer Representative on the Agency's Board of Directors.

- Letter from Alexandra Jung, Service Business Representative, Itron, regarding the Itron Maintenance/Services Contract. The maintenance contract is \$4,017.47, there was some discussion regarding this contract and the water meters.
- Email from Vance White, Manager, Stakeholder Engagement Team, Assistant Deputy Minister (Public Affairs), Department of National Defence regarding Veteran's Week.
- Email from Bev Moore-Davis and Connie Pike, Miles for Smiles Foundation asking the council to proclaim October as National Child Abuse Prevention Month.
Motion 2023-104 Wells/LeRoy
Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council proclaim October as National Child Abuse Prevention Month.
All in Favor Motion Carried
- Email from Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador, September 27, 2023.
- Email from Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador, October 6, 2023.
- Email from Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador, October 10, 2023.
- Email from Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador, October 11, 2023.
- Email from Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador, October 11, 2023.
- Email from Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador, October 12, 2023.

Development and Building Applications

- Development Application from the Bellows Family Estate, Harley Bellows, 5-11 Park Lane to install a culvert of Tower Road/Serpentine Road to access their land on Park Lane. There was some discussion in regard to as to whether the right-of-way extends onto Tower Road where the Bellows' want to install the culvert or if the O'Quinns own the property beyond the Bellows property. Councillor David Butt will go with the Town's Maintenance men and Harley and Dexter Bellows to see if the right-of-way extends onto Tower Road/Serpentine Road where they want to put in the culvert.

Councillor Arthur Hamlyn left the council meeting at 9:10 p.m.

- Development Application from Arthur Hamlyn, 129 Serpentine Road, Mount Moriah to install another culvert on the other side of his property.
Motion 2023-105 Porter/Penney
Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council approves Arthur Hamlyn's Development Application to install another culvert on the other side of his property at 129 Serpentine Road, Mount Moriah.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

Councilor Hamlyn returned to the council meeting at 9:12 p.m.

New Business

- There were four tenders on the Ford Pick-Up Truck. Tenders were from the following:

Wayne Barnes	\$250.00
Neal Peddle	\$301.00
Alex Companion	\$625.00
Richard Collins	\$403.00

Deputy Mayor LeRoy and Councilor Wells left the council meeting at 9:15 p.m.

Motion 2023-106 Butt/Porter

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council accepted the tender for the Ford Pick-Up Truck from Alex Companion for \$625.00.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

Deputy Mayor LeRoy and Councilor Wells returned to the council meeting at 9:17 p.m.

- Motion 2023-107 LeRoy/Hamlyn
Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council adopt the Site Specific Health and Safety Plan for Pickup of Ice Control Materials from the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Depot 2023-2024.
All in Favor Motion Carried
- Deputy Mayor LeRoy was inquiring if Assistant Town Clerk Tanya Campbell could do a newsletter to be sent out next week.
- Contact Thomas Blundon, Department of Transportation and Infrastructure regarding the water on Morrison's stretch.
- Councilor Hamlyn informed the council that he picked up 4 bags of garbage that were dumped on Serpentine Road.
- Councilor Hamlyn informed the council that there was someone on a 4-wheeler cutting in front of his homecare worker, this happened twice.
- Some discussion regarding all Crown Land on the inner section of Serpentine Road was classified as Commercial Agriculture.
- Garbage boxes and speed bumps need to be put up for the winter.
- Snow Clearing is approaching and Paul Murley will be returning to the Loader Operator position. Therefore, the council must look for a casual call-in maintenance person.

Motion 2023-108 LeRoy/Porter

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council advertise for a casual call-in maintenance person for two days per week at \$18.00 per hour.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

Notice of Motion

- No notice of Motion

Next Council Meeting

- The next council meeting will be Wednesday, November 15, 2023.

Adjournment

Motion 2023-109 LeRoy/Penney

There being no further business meeting adjourned at 9:39 p.m.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

Mayor

Town Clerk/Manager