Regular Council Meeting February 15, 2023

The regular meeting of the Mount Moriah Town Council was held in council chambers on Wednesday, February 15, 2023. Meeting opened at 7:00 p.m.

Present at the meeting:

Mayor Lisa Duffney
Deputy Mayor Shelley LeRoy

Councilors Sandra Wells
David Butt

Town Clerk/Manager Carol Skeard

Absent Councilor Arthur Hamlyn, Councilor Brad Penney and Councilor

Brad Porter

Adoption of Agenda

Motion 2023-010 LeRoy/Wells

Be it be resolved that the agenda for February 15, 2023 council meeting be adopted.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

Delegations

Mount Moriah Recreation Committee

- Email from Jody Allen, Chairperson, Mount Moriah Recreation Committee requesting to
 meet with the council in the town hall before they clean out the cupboards. The council
 agreed that any discussion with the Recreation Committee should be addressed at a
 public council meeting, so it can be recorded in the minutes and the public are aware of
 what is going on with the Recreation Committee.
- In regards to the Recreation Committee cleaning out the cupboards in the kitchen of the
 town hall. The committee was given sufficient time to have the cupboards cleaned out.
 If the cupboards are not cleaned out be February 28, 2023, the council will have the
 cupboards cleaned out and the materials belonging to the committee will be put down
 in the basement of the town hall in front of the recreations committees door to their
 room.
- In regards to the Recreation Committee using the Town Hall on Sunday night for their meeting. The Recreation Committee can use the town on the first Sunday of each month for one hour for their meeting. However, if the town hall is booked out on that night the Recreation Committee will have to postpone their meeting until a later date.

Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department

• The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, informed the council that the rings for ten years of service with the Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department are valued at \$250.00. Since the motion made at the last council meeting was that the council would give the

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two members of the fire department that have ten years of service the monetary value of the ring, the council will give the two members a cheque for \$250.00 each.

Great Humber Joint Council

• Councilor David Butt did not attend the Great Humber Joint Council meeting in Pasadena on January 28, 2023.

Errors of Omissions of Minutes

There were no errors or omissions of the minutes of January 18, 2023.

Adoption of Minutes

Motion 2023-011 Butt/LeRoy
Be it be resolved that the minutes of January 18, 2023 council meeting be adopted.
All in Favor

Motion Carried

Business Arising from Minutes

Mayor Lisa Duffney, Deputy Mayor Shelley LeRoy, Councilor Sandra Wells and Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard met with Loader Operator, Calvin Bennett on Thursday, January 19, 2023 to discuss the concerns of the Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department regarding the attitude of the loader operator, specifically on Christmas Eve. Mayor Duffney pointed out to Mr. Bennett that the council will not tolerate this attitude.

The council discussed Mr. Bennett hurting his right arm on Friday, January 20, 2023.

Still working on getting the wand for reading the meters set up.

Contacted Jason Quilty regarding if Leo Quitly owns the timber jack and planer on Serpentine Road. According to Mr. Jason Quilty, Billy Quilty owns the timber jack and planer on Serpentine Road. Mr. Quilty was wonder who complained about the timber jack and planer on Serpentine Road. The council will inform Mr. Jason Quilty that the council was concerned with the timber jack and planer.

Will have to get the locks for the porch door to the office, the council chambers and the fire department added onto the master key.

Bank account have been set up for the Day Park Group.

Tax bills have been sent out.

List for Heavy Equipment almost completed.

Mr. George Murley looked at where the water and sewer lines are located going to 46 Soper's Drive, Mount Moriah and met with Aubrey Rose, Newfoundland Power in regards to installing the light poles. The council is very grateful for Mr. Murley's help regarding this matter.

Email Dean Porter, Poole Althouse, regarding expropriation of the land from Mr. Alfred Gosse for the Town's sewer outfall. Mr. Porter was given the wrong information as to who to contact at Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs. However, the Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, got the information required for Mr. Porter and Mr. Porter will proceed with the expropriation of the property.

Public Concerns

Email from Stephanie Fowler inquiring if there is anything that can be done with the snow bank between Kerry Wells, 47 Main Street and Shelley LeRoy, 49 Main Street, Mount Moriah. Mrs. Fowler pointed out that it is extremely hard to see if anything is coming when you are pulling out of the bottom of MacDonald Drive. Mayor Duffney pointed out that route 450 is owned by the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure and it is their responsibility. If any residents got any concerns with the snow clearing of route 450, they will have to contact the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure. The Town's Loader Operator will not be clearing this section of Main Street between 47 Main Street and 49 Main Street.

Email from Cindy Bennet, concerning Rod Welshman snow clearing his driveway into the road Welshman's Drive. Mr. Welshman has been sent a letter asking him to refrain from snow clearing his driveway into Welshman's Drive, also a copy of the Town of Moriah's snow clearing regulations were sent to Mr. Welshman. Since the council do not have a municipal enforcement officer the council feels that they have done everything possible with regards to this matter. The council will advise Mrs. Bennett if she still has concerns with Mr. Rod Welshman regarding snow clearing his driveway into Welshman's Drive, she should contact the RCMP.

Email from Kurt & Beverley Fitchett concerning a large amount of snow being put on the corner of their property. The homeowner is clearing all the snow from his own property that is two houses away and putting it on the corner of the boundary of their property. Mayor Duffney spoke with the home owner that was putting the snow on the boundary of Mr. & Mrs. Fitchett's property and the home owner has removed the snow from the boundary and is putting the snow elsewhere. However, the council feels that this is an issue between property owners.

Letter from Matthew Bennett and Renee Steeves seeking permission to use the Cook's Brook Day Park for their wedding ceremony on July 15, 2023. The council will allow Matthew Bennett and Renee Steeves to have their wedding ceremony at the Day Park on July 15, 2023. However, the Day Park will not be closed to the public at that time and Mr. Bennett and Ms. Steeves can make a donation to the Day Park.

Finance (bills Payable for Approval)

Motion 2023-012 Butt/LeRoy
Be it be resolved that the bills be paid, see attached list.
All in Favor

Committee Reports

Tax Bills have been sent out.

Maintenance Committee

- Having trouble with the pump on Serpentine Road, had to get the electrician and Western Pumps to look at the pump. Western Pump is looking for a connector for the pump.
- Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, informed the council that the water/sewer connection for Kirk Fowler cost more than \$3,000.00, therefore she will have to send Mr. Fowler a bill for the remainder of the water/sewer connection cost.

Correspondence

Letter from Holly Scott-Walsh, Manager of Municipal Support regarding receipt of the Town's Municipal Budget Submission Form for the Calendar Year 2023 as prepared and adopted by Council. The Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs reviewed the budget and wish to advise that it has been accepted.

Letter from Jeremy Keeping, Regional Emergency Planner, Emergency Services Division, regarding the Municipal Emergency Management Plan (MEMP) that was approved by the Director of Emergency Services in 2018. Mr. Keeping encouraged the Town to take the time to revisit the plan to ensure the hazards, risks and vulnerabilities identified remain relevant and that all contact information is accurate.

Letter from Judith Hearn, Deputy Minister, Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs regarding Municipal Conduct Code of Conduct Reminders and Compliance Form.

Letter from Bren Hanlon, Assistant Deputy Minister, Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs regarding Municipal Conduct Act Reminder Mandatory Training.

Email from Catherine Morgan, CMP, Executive Assistant/Corporate Secretary, Municipal Assessment Agency informing the council that Blair Ward is the assigned Commercial Assessor for the Town of Mount Moriah.

Email from MAA Customer Service regarding Assessment Roll Maintenance.

Email from Amanda Earle-Pennell, B.A., M.S.W., Wellness Facilitator, Community Health, Western Health, regarding Western Regional Wellness Coalition, Wellness Grants.

Email from Scotts Canada 2023 Gro for Good grant Initiative.

Email from Federation of Canadian Municipalities.

Email from Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador regarding Code of Conduct Deadline Approaching.

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Email from Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador regarding 2023 Municipal Symposium Registration Now Open.

Info Note January 16, 2023.

Info Note January 23, 2023.

Info Note January 30, 2023.

Info Note February 6, 2023.

Development and Building Applications

• No Development or Building Applications

New Business

- Deputy Mayor LeRoy was inquiring as to how many 50/50 tickets each councilor had sold.
- Mayor Duffney informed the council that all the Mount Moriah Flags are sold and she has order 100 more.
- Mayor Duffney informed the council that there is a youth in Mount Moriah that needs 30 hours
 of volunteer community service. Mayor Duffney asked the council if it was ok for the youth to
 do the community service with the council. The council has no problem with the youth doing the
 community service with the Town of Mount Moriah.
- Department of Transportation and Infrastructure will be contacted regarding the snow blower for Route 450.
- Some discussion regarding the Workshop for Water and Wastewater, for the maintenance man.

Notice of Motion

No notice of motion.

Next Council Meeting

The next council meeting will be Wednesday, March 15, 2023.

Adjournment

Motion 2023-013 Wells/LeRoy There being no further business meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m. All in Favor	Motion Carried
	Mayor
	Town Clerk/Manager