

The regular meeting of the Mount Moriah Town Council was held in council chambers on Wednesday, July 19, 2023. The meeting opened at 7:00 p.m.

Present at the meeting:

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

Adoption of Agenda

Motion 2023-059 Porter/Penney

Be it be resolved that the agenda for the July 19, 2023 council meeting be adopted.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

Delegations

Mount Moriah Recreation Committee

- Canada Day Celebration was a success.
- Email from Jody Allen, Chairperson, Mount Moriah Recreation Committee informing the council that when they met and voted, the majority vote was not in favor of donating for Mount Moriah Day. Also, they are not sure who will be available for helping with Mount Moriah Day. Bingo cards will be available in the hall for use for their bingo night. The Recreation Committee will also not be able to put up the new fence this year as they planned since they were misquoted, and the price almost tripled. It is something they will still do but it will probably be next spring/summer.

Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department

- The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, informed the council that there is another water leak in the Fire Hall. Tuckie Butt's Heating and Ventilation is looking into getting the fitting that is required to fix the leak in the Fire Hall.

Councilor David Butt arrived at 7:05 p.m.

Mount Moriah Day Park

- On Wednesday, July 27, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. the Town of Mount Moriah and Qalipu First Nation will be having the raising of Grand Council Flag at the Mount Moriah Day Park. Chief Brendan Mitchell, Western Vice-Chief Jenny Brake, and Corner Brook Ward, Sherry Dean will be in attendance. Also, there will be drumming and smudging.
- There is no funding from the Town of Moriah put into Mount Moriah Day Park.
- Kent Supplies has donated a barbeque to the Day Park Group.
- Sparky and the City of Corner Brook Fire Department will be attending Mount Moriah Day.

Errors or Omissions of Minutes

Deputy Mayor LeRoy pointed out that on page 8: Deputy Mayor LeRoy suggested that a Qalipu band council be set up in Mount Moriah. Deputy Mayor LeRoy will check into this. This should have read: Deputy Mayor LeRoy suggested that an Indigenous Committee be set up in Mount Moriah. Deputy Mayor LeRoy will check into this.

Page 8, third paragraph from the bottom: Mayor Duffney attended the Town of Humber Arm South council meeting and asked them for a letter of support for apply for funding under the NL Active Living. This should have read: Mayor Duffney attended the Town of Humber Arm South council meeting and asked them for a letter of support to apply for funding under the NL Active Living.

Councilor Hamlyn was inquiring if in the last paragraph on page 8 should it have been guardrail instead of guide rail. The Town Clerk/Manager pointed out that guide rail is to be used not guardrail.

Adoption of Minutes

Motion 2023-060 LeRoy/Porter

Be it be resolved that the minutes of the June 21, 2023 council meeting be adopted as amended.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

Errors or Omissions of Minutes

The Fire Department picked up the cheque for their share of the proceeds from the 50/50 Draw.

PhoneTec was down to fix the fire alarm at the fire hall.

Patricia Ellsworth and Ashley Butt, Mount Moriah Recreation Committee, were given a copy of the Code of Conduct.

Contacted Western Locke's again regarding changing the lock in the fire hall and adding the porch door to the office, the council chamber door, and the fire hall door to the master key.

Still trying to get the book value for the Ford Truck.

The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, spoke to Gord Doman regarding their property on Tower Road. Mr. Doman spoke to Councilor Brad Penney and he and his sisters would like to set up a meeting with the council to discuss their property on Tower Road. The Town Clerk/Manager will contact Mr. Doman regarding setting up a meeting.

The council was given a copy of the survey of the property for Gordon and Janet Parsons, Morrison's Lane. Also, each councilor was given a copy of the survey for Morrison's Lane. There was a lengthy discussion regarding this property as where the land is located on Morrison's Lane. This will be tabled at the next council meeting as - Councilor Brad Penney and Councilor Brad Porter are going to look at the location of this property.

Speed bumps need to be put down.

Still having trouble with the pump on Serpentine Road. Western Pump is having trouble getting a part for the pump as the pump is obsolete. However, when the repair man from Western Pump is in our area, he is going to see if he can clean the existing part to see if it will work.

The playground area has been ditched.

Potholes on the gravel section of Serpentine Road have been filled in.

Since the Town only received one application for the Student Summer Employment-High School. This student will be given 40 hours per week for four weeks.

The council received the white spruce seedlings from Eddie Joyce's office in recognition of the Coronation of King Charles III.

The barrier has been put up on the trail between Serpentine Road and Soper's Drive, above 19 Serpentine Road.

Another email has been sent to Thomas Blundon, Department of Transportation and Infrastructure regarding the water running onto Morrison's stretch.

The shed on Town property on Serpentine Road needs to be fixed up and moved to Mount Moriah Day Park.

Only one application for the Temporary, Part-Time Clerk for 35 hours bi-weekly at \$18.00 per hour. This will be discussed later in the meeting.

Public Concerns

- No public concerns

Finance (Bills Payable for Approval)

Motion 2023-061 Porter/Penney

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

All in Favor

Motion Carried

Finance Committee

- The council will have a finance meeting in September 2023.

Maintenance Committee

- Trouble with sewer lift station Main Street, had Pardy's down to clean it out.
- Gravel section of Serpentine Road has been upgraded.
- Demolition Permits are required.
- Town needs a new cell phone to put the water reader app on. Check with Town's current provider.
- Guide rail by Shawn Park (19 Serpentine Road) needs to be taken down.
- Cone removed from the side of Main Street where the water shut-off is located.

Correspondence

- Email from Daniel Hynes, P. Eng., Assistant Division Manager, Allnorth regarding Approved funds: \$1,500,000 HST included: Contract Amount: \$2,384,053 HST included: Engineering Fees: \$98,020 HST Included: Deficit \$992,020 HST included. The council has 4 options regarding this project.
 1. Cancel the project and reapply under a new program, this would delay any work and not likely to result in a reduced cost.
 2. Eliminate all the sanitary sewer works under the project. this would result in a savings of approximately 851,875 HST incl. This would still leave a deficit of 130,148 HST incl which the town would be fully responsible for or may approach gov't for additional funds. This option should see the 300mm water line only installed to Serpentine Road
 3. Eliminate all the sanitary sewer works under the project and reduce the 300mm water line by 75m. This would result in a savings of approximately 982,073 HST incl. This would leave a deficit of 0. Should the project incur any change orders etc. which exceeds the approved funds the town would be responsible for it. This option should see the 300mm water line installed approximately to Serpentine Road
 4. Eliminate both the water and sanitary sewer works by 330-360 m. This would result in a savings of approximately 982,073 HST incl. This would leave a deficit of 0. Should the project incur any change orders etc. which exceeds the approved funds the town would be responsible for it.

Mr. Hynes, Allnorth recommends option 3.

Motion 2023-062 Hamlyn/LeRoy

Be it be resolved that the council will go with Option 3. Eliminate all the sanitary sewer works under the project and reduce the 300mm water line by 75m. This would result in a savings of approximately 982,073 HST incl. This would leave a deficit of 0. Should the project incur any change orders etc. which exceeds the approved funds the town would be responsible for it. This option should see the 300mm water line installed approximately to Serpentine Road.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

- Email from Maxine Ings and Jeremy Bath, Program Delivery Specialist, Employment Support, Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs regarding the Community Enhancement Employment Program (CEEP) 2023-2024 Call for Applications. Deadline on or before July 28th, 2023.

Motion 2023-063 Penny/Hamlyn

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council will apply for renovations to the kitchen in the Town Hall under the Community Enhancement Employment Program 2023-24.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

- Email from Judy Bolt, B.A., Constituency Assistant to Eddie Joyce, MHA, Humber- Bay of Islands District regarding the Community Enhancement Employment Program Applications.
- Email from Afton Madore, CGSP Program Manager regarding the Community Garden Support Program (CGSP) application. Since the email, the council has received a letter from Honourable Elvis Loveless, MHA, District of Fortune Bay-Cape La Hune, Minister, Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture informing them that a grant to the Town of Mount Moriah in the amount of \$750.00. There was some discussion as to what the council will purchase for the Community Garden.
- Email from Denica Wheeler, Conservation Officer III, Pasadena, Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture regarding a permit for development for all forest management activities that fall within municipal boundaries. There was a discussion regarding this development permit. The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, will contact Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture regarding this development permit.
- Email from Western Regional Waste Management regarding Reimplementation of Fees Collection Policy – Effective July 4, 2023.
- The Town of Mount Moriah received a copy of the letter that Eddie Joyce, MHA, Humber-Bay of Islands District sent to Hon. Tom Osbourne, Minister, Department of Health and Community Services regarding Letter of June 16, 2023 – Billing of Nurses Practitioners.
- Email from Cynthia Layden-Barron, Manager of Municipal Training Programs, Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs regarding 2023 Municipal Long Service Award -Elected Officials.

- Email from Celina Stoyles, CFRE, Executive Director, Kids Eat Smart Foundation Newfoundland & Labrador regarding Kids Eat Smart Breakfast Clubs School Year 2023-2024- Radiothon 2023.
- Email from Oyeoritseyemi Akonu, Federation of Canadian Municipalities regarding FCM Audit Confirmation – Project 17186 Municipal Asset Management Program.
- Email from Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro and Newfoundland Power regarding the takeCHARGE Make the Switch LED Bulb Giveaway is back again for 2023.
- Email from Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador.
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- Info Note June 19, 2023.
- Info Note June 27, 2023.
- Info Note July 4, 2023.
- Info Note July 11, 2023. The MNL Regional meeting for Northern /Western will be held in Deer Lake September 8 -9, 2023. The MNL 2023 Conference, Trade Show and AGM will be October 25-28, 2023 in St. John's.
Moton 2023-064 Wells/Penney
Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council will send Mayor Lisa Duffney to the MNL Convention in St. John's on October 25-28, 2023.
All in Favor Motion Carried

Development and Building Applications

Development application from Keith Miller, 40 Soper's Drive, Mount Moriah to install a culvert and fill in the open ditch.

Motion 2023-065 Hamlyn/Porter

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council approves Keith Miller's development application to install a culvert and fill in the open ditch at 40 Soper's Drive, Mount Moriah.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

Email from Aaron Hall, 20 Serpentine Road, Mount Moriah to build a shed 16 feet x 20 feet. Maintenance Men Paul Murley and Kyle Specker have already approved this building application.
Motion 2023-066 Porter/LeRoy

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council approves Aaron Hall's building application to build a shed 16 feet x 20 feet at 20 Serpentine Road, Mount Moriah.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

Building application from Eric Bourgeois, to build a new house at 115 Main Street, Mount Moriah. There was some discussion regarding access to this property. As to whether Mr. Bourgeois is using the existing driveway or putting in a new driveway. If Mr. Bourgeois is putting in a new driveway, before the council can issue a permit, the council will need approval from the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure. This application will be put on hold until the council knows whether Mr. Bourgeois is using the existing driveway or a new driveway.

New Business

The Town Clerk /Office Manager, Carol Skeard, informed the council that Mr. Alvin Reid was in the council office and informed her that he was told that the council would get him a new survey of his land. The Town Clerk/Office Manager, Carol Skeard informed the council that she told Mr. Reid that he should put a letter into the council regarding this issue. According to Mr. Reid, he does not have any documentation that the council was going to have his property surveyed for him. Therefore, the council would not be responsible for surveying Mr. Reid's land.

Some discussion regarding the property owned by the Town of Mount Moriah on Serpentine Road. Currently, some residents of Serpentine Road are using this property for their personal use. There was some discussion regarding the council advising these residents that the council plans on using the property in the future and the council would like for them to have their personal possession removed from the Town's property.

Moton 2023-067 LeRoy/Hamlyn

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council will advise the residents of Serpentine Road that are currently using the town's property on Serpentine Road that they have two months to have their personal possessions removed from the property. As the Town has plans for the use of the property in the near future. Also, their possession is impeding with snow clearing.

In Favor: Deputy Mayor LeRoy
Councilor Hamlyn
Councilor Butt
Councilor Wells
Councilor Penney
Mayor Duffney

Opposed: Councilor Porter

Motion Carried

There was some discussion regarding the cleaning fee for the rental of the Town Hall.

The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard will be on holiday from August 7-11, 2023. Tanya Campbell will be filling in for the Town Clerk/Manager.

Councilor LeRoy informed the council that the Mount Moriah sign at the beginning of Mount Moriah the grass needs to be cut, also could the council get a couple of hanging baskets? It was also mentioned that the council mentioned before about getting solar lights for this sign.

Councilor LeRoy was also inquiring if the Mount Moriah Recreation Committee put their cupboard upstairs in the Town Hall. The Recreation still has not put their cupboard upstairs in the Town Hall.

Councilor Porter informed the council that the crosswalk with the lights needs to be leveled off and cleaned out around the crosswalk.

Councilor Porter was inquiring about where the trees are around the power line in on Serpentine Road. The council will check with Aubrey Rose to see whom to contact about getting the trees cut.

Councilor Penney was inquiring if the Fire Department washed down the millings on Davis Drive. The Fire Department could not wash down the millings.

Councilor Penney was inquiring about the leveling of the parking lot of the Town Hall.

Mayor Dunphy was inquiring about getting the road to the town hall paved. The Town Clerk/Office Manager informed the council that she has spoken to Dan Hynes, Allnorth regarding the paving of the Town Hall Road this will be worked on in the near future.

The council received one application for a Temporary, Part-Time Clerk for 35 hours bi-weekly at \$18.00 per hour. The application was from Tanya Campbell. Councilor Sandra Wells, Deputy Mayor Shelley LeRoy, Mayor Duffney, and Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard will interview Ms. Campbell.

Notice of Motion

- No notice of motion.

Next Council Meeting

- The next council meeting will be Wednesday, August 16, 2023.

Adjournment

Motion 2023-068 LeRoy/Porter

There being no further business council meeting adjourned at 9:24 p.m.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

Town Clerk/Manager

Mayor

