The regular meeting of the Mount Moriah Town Council was held in council chambers on Wednesday, June 21, 2023. The meeting opened at 7:00 p.m.

Present at the meeting:

Mayor Lisa Duffney
Deputy Mayor Shelley LeRoy

Councilors Brad Porter

Brad Penney Arthur Hamlyn Sandra Wells David Butt

Town Clerk/Manager Carol Skeard

## **Adoption of Agenda**

Motion 2023-041 LeRoy Porter Be it be resolved that the agenda for June 21, 2023 council meeting be adopted. All in Favor

**Motion Carried** 

## **Delegations**

#### **Mount Moriah Recreation**

- The Recreation Committee were wondering if they use the Town Hall for Canada Day would they have to pay for the Town Hall? The council agreed that the Recreation Committee will not have to pay the Town Hall for Canada Day Celebrations.
- Mr. James Gillam, Mount Moriah Recreation Committee was inquiring if the Recreation Committee could put a fence up in the playground area (from the light pole towards the beach). Also, if they put up the fence would they be able to put some stone inside of the fence?

Motion 2023-042 Porter/Penney

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council allow the Recreation Committee to install a fence in the playground area (from the light pole towards the beach).

All in Favor Motion Carried

- The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, informed the council that when she was at the PMA Convention in Gander, Recreation NL did a presentation and there is funding available for Recreation Committees through their Department.
- The Mount Moriah Town Council will send a letter to the Mount Moriah Recreation Committee and the Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department asking them if they would like to sponsor and help with Mount Moriah Day.
- The Recreation Committee will be having No Bingos or Cards during the summer months of July and August 2023.

## **Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department**

- The Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department is going to donate face painting for Mount Moriah Day.
- Fire Department is going to lead the parade for Canada Day.
- The Fire Department is still working on the OHS Respiratory Protection Program
- Wondering if Fire Department was paid the funding for the 50/50 draw. Cheque is ready.
- Lock has not been changed at Fire Hall, so the fire department is getting some more keys cut.
- Key for the mechanical room.
- Alarm system needs to be set up for Fire Department.
- Letter from Robyn Eddison, Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department regarding an incident that
  happened on June 13, 2023, at the fire hall. The domestic water pump had shorted out due to a
  leak in the water line. Mayor Duffney gave the ok for Tuckie Butt's Heating and Ventilation to
  repair the problem as it was an emergency. Mrs. Eddison's biggest concern was that the alarm
  was going off but the alarm company did not contact anyone. This will have to be checked into.

#### **Mount Moriah Day Park**

- Sparkes Trucking donated the boom truck to bring the Excavator, Cat 305, to Mount Moriah Day Park.
- The invoice for the Excavator, Cat 305, is being investigated, as the town was overcharged.
- Had to purchase 6 x 6 x 10 for the gazebo.
- Working on the gazebo at Mount Moriah Day Park.
- Flowers were donated by residents.
- Park is going to be cleaned up.
- Kathleen Butt was inquiring if Lawtons staff can have a barbeque at Mount Moriah Day Park.
  The council has no problem with Lawtons staff having a barbeque at Day Park. The council
  cannot close the Day Park to the public and there will be no charge. However, small donations
  toward the Day Park are graciously accepted.

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

No correspondence from the Great Humber Joint Council.

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

Mayor Duffney asked if there were any errors or omissions in the minutes of May 17, 2023.

#### **Adoption of Minutes**

Motion 2023-043 Butt/Hamlyn

Be it be resolved that the minutes from the May 17, 2023 council meeting be adopted.

All in Favor Motion Carried

#### **Business Arising from Minutes**

Waiting on the price of a remote for the garage door for the Fire Hall.

Need meeting with Fire Department and Fire Commissioner regarding Fire Department not being able to enter a building when responding to a fire.

Not sure if Patricia Ellsworth and Ashley Butt were given a Copy of the Code of Conduct, will have to check with Jody Allen, Chairperson, Mount Moriah Recreation Committee.

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

Have not heard from Western Locke regarding the lock change in the fire hall. Also, getting the porch door to the office, the council chambers, and the fire department door added to the master key.

Did not hear from the application for funding under the Community Garden.

Have sent in the JCP, however, need a price quote for the bandstand. The price quote for the bandstand came in at approximately \$21,000.00, and the materials for the JCP are approximately \$12,500.00. The council will have to only apply for the stage for the bandstand, not the walls and roof.

The cost of a small dumpster for down behind the Town Hall is \$108.00 plus HST, plus tipping fees. There was some discussion regarding getting a small dumpster.

Motion 2023-044 Porter/Butt

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council get a small dumpster for down behind the Town Hall on a trial basis.

In Favor: Councilor Porter Opposed: Deputy Mayor LeRoy

Councilor Butt Councilor Hamlyn Councilor Penney Mayor Duffney

**Motion Carried** 

Councilor Wells

An email was sent to Derek Simmons, Fire Department, City of Corner Brook, regarding if some members of the City Fire Department and Sparky could attend Mount Moriah Day. As of today's date, the council has not received a reply for Mr. Simmons.

References did not check out for Temporary Part-Time Clerk.

In order to get the book value for the Ford Truck, will need serial numbers and kilometers on the truck.

#### **Public Concerns**

Email from Colin George inquiring if there is a plan for the open ditches to have culverts installed and filled in on MacDonald Drive and the town areas that need it. There was some discussion regarding installing culverts on MacDonald Drive. Mr. George also, mentioned in some places the pavement is giving away. The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, informed the council that if you are installing culverts also storm sewers must be installed. Also, it was mentioned that installing culverts and storm sewers costs money that the council did not budget for. The council will get the Maintenance Men, to look at MacDonald Drive to see and prioritize where the culverts are needed the most.

An email from Chantelle Edmonds regarding land on Hussey's Lane, the property currently owned by Otto Mitchell. Ms. Edmonds is looking to get a building permit, for a new residential home. As well wondering if there is a water and sewer hook-up. If not can a well and septic be installed on this property?

The council will send a letter to Ms. Edmonds informing her that there is no access to the property and this property must be developed before any building permits can be given out in this area.

Email from Ashley Chaffey, informing the council that she is a Hairstylist/Nail Technician. Mrs. Chaffey is asking for permission to operate her business from her home at 25-27 Main Street, Mount Moriah, as she recently closed her business in Corner Brook.

Motion 2023-045 Penney/LeRoy

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council approves Ashley Chaffey's request to operate a Hairstylist/Nail Technician Business from her home at 25-27 Main Street, Mount Moriah.

All in Favor Motion Carried

Email from Dianne Russell informing the council that she is interested in selling the property at 20 Tower Road, Mount Moriah. The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, informed the council that she emailed Mrs. Russell back asking if she had any idea what she would want for the property, but Mrs. Russell never got back to her. The council will see if they can get a survey of the property for the next council meeting.

Application form from Frank Murley requesting permission to put a circular saw/rotary saw at 165 Main Street, Mount Moriah.

Motion 2023-046 Porter/Penney

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council permits Frank Murley to put a Circular Saw/Rotary Saw at 165 Main Street, Mount Moriah.

All in Favor Motion Carried

Letter from Gordon and Janet Parsons inquiring if it would be possible to build a house on the land, they currently own located a 5 Morrison's Lane, Mount Moriah. The council will need a copy of the survey to see exactly where their property is located on Morrison's Lane.

Email from Joanne Hackett requesting a speed bump for Davis Drive. There is an increased number of vehicles driving at a higher speed as well being a dirt road, the dust has worsened having a speed bump installed would help with both issues. There was some discussion regarding the speed bumps the council has, council has three speed bumps. The council will put a speed bump on MacDonald Drive, Soper's Drive, and Davis Drive. There was some discussion regarding getting the millings on Davis Drive washed down by the Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department. The council will see if the Fire Department can wash down the millings on Davis Drive. The council will also, check on the cost of a speed bump.

#### Finance (bills Payable for Approval)

Motion 2023-047 LeRoy/Hamlyn Be it be resolved that the bills are paid, see attached list. All in Favor

**Motion Carried** 

#### **Finance Committee**

Finance Committee needs to have a finance meeting.

#### **Maintenance Committee**

- Having trouble with the pump on Serpentine Road, called Western Pumps to get the pump checked out. Also, the sewer lift station on Main Street was serviced.
- The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, informed the council that she has received complaints
  regarding the smell of sewer on Main Street where the outfall is located. Maintenance Men,
  Kyle Specker and Paul Murley have checked the sewer outfall and manholes in this area, but
  there do not seem to be any problems. The council will keep a watch on the sewer system in
  this area.
- The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, informed the council that she is getting the playground area ditched and replacing the weeping tile that runs across the playground.
- The potholes on Serpentine Road need to be filled in with milling and in some places with stone.

## Correspondence

- Letter from Kim Saunders, Agreement Manager, Immigration, Population Growth and Skills regarding Student Summer Employment-High School Not-for-Profit Agreement 319289. The council is approved for 2 students for 4 weeks of work each for 20 hours per week. The total approved funding is \$2,668.00. The Town Clerk/Manager informed the council that they only had 1 application for this program. She has since sent an email to Kim Saunders asking if the 1 student can work 40 hours per week for 4 weeks.
- Letter from Judith Hearn, Deputy Minister, Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs regarding Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000, Amendments.
- Letter from Chris Power, P. Eng., Regional Engineer, Department of Transportation and Infrastructure regarding Approval to Call Public Tender, 17-GI-21-00079- Water and Sewer City Boundary to Serpentine Road. The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard will check on Merx to see if this project has gone to tender.
- Email from the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure regarding Ice Control Materials 2023-2024.

Motion 2023-048 LeRoy/Penney

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council order 300 tons of Mixture (75% Sand/25% Salt) for the Winter Season of 2023-2024.

All in Favor Motion Carried

- Email from Victoria Pelley, E.I.T., Department of Environment and Climate Change, Water Resources Management Division enclosed was a Permit to Construct, for Mount Moriah Water and Sewer Replacement City Boundary to Serpentine Road.
- Email from Steven Osmond, P. Eng., ADC Engineering -Engineering Manager, regarding
   Water/Sewer Serpentine Road. Mr. Osmond informed the council that the design work is almost

complete. He expects everything to be ready for submission in about 1 to 2 weeks. If everything goes well, the project will be tendered before the end of next month.

- Letter from Megan Pederson, Water Resources Technician II, Department of Environment & Climate Change, regarding Permitting Requirements Associated with Work in and Near Water Bodies.
- Alan Doody, Deputy Minister, Department of Children, Seniors and Social Development regarding
  the Requirement of Public Entities to Develop and Implement Accessibility Plans/Accessibility
  Plan Session. The council will check to see if there is any funding available to change the access
  to the council chambers and office.
- Letter from Vanessa Whiteway, Western Petroleum explaining the Federal Fuel Charge which will come into effect on July 1, 2023.
- Email from Wastewater Section regarding amendments to the Wastewater Systems Effluent Regulations (WSER).
- Letter from Amanda Freake, Western Director, Municipal Assessment Agency, Update on the Municipal Assessment Agency.
- Pamphlet from Municipal Assessment Agency regarding the 2023 Clar Simmons Scholarship.
- Email from Judy Bolt, B.A., Constituency Assistant to Eddie Joyce, MHA, Humber-Bay of Islands
  District regarding Coronation Seedlings. In recognition of the Coronation of King Charles III,
  commemorative seedlings -mostly white spruce -have been provided to MHAs for distribution in
  the District. Ms. Bolt is reaching out to see if our Town would like 10-12 seedlings to plant in our
  town. The council will contact Ms. Bolt to get 10-12 seedlings.
- Info Note June 5, 2023.
- Email from Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador.
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## **Development and Building Applications**

Mayor Duffney asked if Councilor Penney would be in conflict regarding Mr. Calvin Bennett's development application. The council agreed that Councilor Penney was not in conflict.

Development application from Calvin Bennett, 8-10 Welshman's Drive, Mount Moriah to add fill to the upper driveway and lower driveway, slope fill away from the basement and to erect a fence. Maintenance Men Paul Murley and Kyle Specker did an inspection of the property. Mr. Bennett will be using Class A. The fill will be sloped from the house and towards the gutter in the road. A wooden fence is going around the property. Mr. Bennett was given a copy of the fencing regulations according to the Town of Mount Moriah's Development Regulations. Motion 2023-049 Penney/Porter

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council approve Calvin Bennett's Development Application for 8-10 Welshman's Drive, Mount Moriah to add fill to the upper and lower driveway, slope fill away from the basement, and erect a fence around his property. Mr. Bennett will use Class A for fill, the fill will be sloped from the house and run towards the gutter in the road. A wooden fence will be built around the property, Mr. Bennett will have to follow the regulations for the fence according to the Town of Mount Moriah Development Regulations.

All in Favor Motion Carried

Mayor Lisa Duffney left the council meeting at 8.27 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Shelley LeRoy chaired the council meeting.

Development application from Timothy Hunt, 100 Main Street, Mount Moriah, to fill in the property behind his garage to extend his property. This is a renewal of a previous Development Application Permit already granted.

Motion 2023-050 Porter/Butt

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council approves Timothy Hunt's Development Application for 100 Main Street, Mount Moriah to fill in his property behind his garage to extend his property.

All in Favor Motion Carried

Mayor Duffney returned to the council meeting at 8:29 p.m. and continued to chair the council meeting.

Development application from Eric Bourgeois, 115 Main Street, Mount Moriah, to upgrade existing driveway to include stone, put weeping tile around the rear of the house, remove fill at the rear of the property to level an area, and install stone and sod in the rear of the house. The Maintenance men did an inspection of this property. Also, Mayor Duffney, Councilor Penney, and Councilor Porter did an inspection of the property. The land behind the house must be benched.

Motion 2023-051 Porter/Penney

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council approves Eric Bourgeois's, 115 Main Street, Mount Moriah, Development Application to upgrade the existing driveway to include stone, put weeping tile around the rear of the house, remove fill at the rear of the property to level out the property, this area of property must be benched, and install stone and sod in the rear of the house.

All in Favor Motion Carried

Building application from Chelsea & Mike Penney, 3 Sweetapple Drive, Mount Moriah, to build a shed 10 feet x 10 feet. Maintenance Men, Paul Murley and Kyle Specker have already approved this building application.

Motion 2023-052 Wells/Hamlyn

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council approves Chelsea & Mike Penney's building application to build a shed 10 feet x 10 feet, at 3 Sweetapple Drive, Mount Moriah.

All in Favor Motion Carried

Building application from Leonard P. Roberts 12 Soper's Drive, Mount Moriah to build a two-car garage, 812 square feet. Maintenance men, Paul Murley and Kyle Specker have already done an inspection of this property.

Motion 2023-053 LeRoy/Porter

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Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council approves Leonard P. Roberts's building application to build an 812 square-foot garage at 12 Soper's Drive, Mount Moriah.

All in Favor Motion Carried

Councilor Arthur Hamlyn left the council meeting at 8.34 p.m.

Building application from Arthur Hamlyn to build a shed 20 feet x 30 feet at 129 Serpentine Road, Mount Moriah. Maintenance Men, Paul Murley and Kyle Specker have already done an inspection of this property.

Motion 2023-054 LeRoy/Porter

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council approves Arthur Hamlyn's building application to build a shed 20 feet x 30 feet at 129 Main Street, Mount Moriah.

All in Favor Motion Carried

Councilor Arthur Hamlyn returned to the council meeting at 8.36 p.m.

#### **New Business**

Mayor Lisa Duffney brought it to the attention of the council that due to the number of residents in Mount Moriah being Qalipu, maybe the council could have a Qalipu flag raising in Mount Moriah. Also, there was some discussion regarding a drumming ceremony at Day Park.

Motion 2023-055 Hamlyn/Butt

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council will have a Qalipu Flag raising in the Town of Mount Moriah.

All in Favor Motion Carried

Deputy Mayor LeRoy suggested that a Qalipu band council be set up in Mount Moriah. Deputy Mayor LeRoy will check into this.

Mayor Duffney brought it to the attention of the council that under the NL Active Living the council can apply for funding for a swing set for the Mount Moriah Day Park. 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. Also, Mayor Duffney spoke with Eddie Joyce, MHA, Humber Bay of Islands District asking him for a letter of support for funding under the NL Active Living. The Town of Humber Arm South and Mr. Eddie Joyce agreed to give the Town of Mount Moriah a letter of support for applying for funding through NL Active Living.

Motion 2023-056 LeRoy/Hamlyn

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council apply for funding through NL Active Living for a swing set for the Mount Moriah Day Park.

All in Favor Motion Carried

Mayor Duffney brought it to the attention of the council that guide rail is required to be put up across the trail between Serpentine Road and Soper's Drive, above 19 Serpentine Road as people are using this trail to enter onto Serpentine Road which is unsafe. The council will get a piece of guide rail to put up in this area between Serpentine Road and Soper's Drive.

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Send another email to Thomas Blundon, Department of Transportation and Infrastructure regarding 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.

Councilor Wells was wondering if there could be a Dog Park put in Mt. Moriah.

Motion 2023-057 LeRoy/Hamlyn

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council advertise for a Temporary, Part-Time Clerk for 35 hours bi-weekly 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, July 19, 2023.

## **Adjournment**

Motion 2023-058 LeRoy/Butt There being no further business meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m. All in Favor

**Motion Carried** 

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