

The regular meeting of the Mount Moriah Town Council was held in council chambers on Wednesday, May 17, 2023. The meeting opened at 7:00 p.m.

Present at the meeting:

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

Adoption of Agenda

Motion 2023-034 Porter/LeRoy

Be it be resolved that the agenda for May 17, 2023 council meeting be adopted.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

Delegations

Mount Moriah Recreation Committee

- James Gillam and Susan Butt attended the council meeting on behalf of the Mount Moriah Recreation Committee.
- Mayor Duffney recommended to the council that the cupboard for the Recreation Committee be put in the corner of the town hall by the stairs.

Motion 2023-035 Porter/LeRoy

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council allow the Recreations Committee to put their cupboard in the corner of the Town Hall by the stairs.

In Favor: Councilor Porter

Opposed: Councilor Butt

Deputy Mayor LeRoy

Councilor Penney

Mayor Lisa Duffney

- Discussed the cleaning of the Town Hall. Mr. Gillam was concerned with the cleaning of the Town Hall.
- Councilor Penney suggested that the council add the cleaning fee of the Town Hall onto the rental of the Town Hall. Then instead of the renter cleaning the town hall, the maintenance man will clean the town hall. This will be discussed later in the meeting.
- Mr. Gillam was wondering if the maintenance men can put up the nets on the basketball hoops. The maintenance men will put the basketball nets on the hoops.

- Also, Mr. Gillam was wondering if the maintenance men can sweep off the basketball court. The maintenance men will sweep off the basketball court.

Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department

- Deputy Mayor LeRoy informed the council that the 50/50 was a success. Kim Cleary was the winner of the 50/50.
- Tickets and stubs must be kept for a year.
- Light pole base is in the porch of the fire hall. See if maintenance men can put it back.
- Fire Department sign needs to be straightened up.
- All the Fire Department has done the Code of Conduct.
- Fire Department will be washing down the roads.

Mount Moriah Day Park

- Clearing Brush
- Debris on the right-hand side going into the park needs to be removed and the area flattened out.
- Johnsons Construction donated a load of Class "A"
- Shed on Serpentine Road fixed up and moved to Day Park.
- Advertising on the sign.
- Trails named after sponsors.
- The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard was inquiring if it would be ok for an individual to make a bench in memory of someone and put it in the Day Park. The council has no problem with someone making a bench to donate to the park, however, the bench would be dropped off at the council office and placed at the Day Park by the maintenance men.

Great Humber Joint Council

- No correspondence from the Great Humber Joint Council.

Errors or Omissions of Minutes

Deputy Mayor LeRoy spelling error on page 1, second last line should be should not be continues should be continue. Page 2 should be past donations not pass donations. Page 4, spelling error Ryan Penny should be Ryan Penney. Page 4, Letter from Ryan Penney, reforming the council, should be Ryan Penney informing the council. Page 7, Council Artur Hamlyn left the council meeting at 9:43 p.m. should be Councilor Arthur Hamlyn left the council meeting at 9:43 p.m. Page 7, The council do understand the Ms. Campbell's first commitment is to Canada Post. This should read: The council do understand that Ms. Campbell's first commitment is to Canada Post.

Motion 2023-031 Porter/Penney

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council will lay off, Paul Murley as Loader Operator on Friday, April 21, 2023. However, Mr. Murley will be offered to start a Maintenance Position, on Monday, April 24, 2023, at \$20.00 per hour at 40 hours per week. If the council do get more snow and Mr. Murley has to use the loader, Mr. Murley will be paid the loader operate rate.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

This motion should have read:

Motion 2023-031 Porter/Penney

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council will lay off, Paul Murley as Loader Operator on Friday, April 21, 2023. However, Mr. Murley will be offered to start a Maintenance Position, on Monday, April 24, 2023, at \$20.00 per hour at 40 hours per week. If the council does get more snow and Mr. Murley has to use the loader, Mr. Murley will be paid the loader operator rate.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

Mayor Lisa Duffney pointed out the following error.

Motion 2023-028 LeRoy/Wells

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council deny Tanya Campbell's request to increase her wages from \$15.00 per hour to \$20.00 per hour.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

This motion should have read:

Motion 2023-028 LeRoy/Wells

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council deny Tanya Campbell's request to increase her wages from \$15.00 per hour to \$20.00 per hour.

In favor: Deputy Mayor Leroy

Councilor Wells

Councilor Penney

Councilor Hamlyn

Mayor Duffney

Opposed: Councilor Porter

Councilor Butt

Motion Carried

Adoption of Minutes

Motion 2023-035 Penney/Porter

Be it be resolved that the minutes of the April 26, 2023 council meeting be adopted as amended.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

Business Arising from Minutes

Trying to get a price on the remote for the garage door at Fire Hall.

Check on the council meeting with Fire Department and Fire Commissioner regarding Fire Department not being able to enter a building when responding to a fire.

Did not hear back from Jody Allen, Chairperson, Mount Moriah Recreation Committee regarding whether Patricia Ellsworth and Ashley Butt were given a copy of the Code of Conduct.

Next week Chris Jay, Wolseley will setup the wand for reading the water meters.

Waiting on call from Western Lock regarding the lock changed in the fire hall, the office door unlocked in the fire hall and getting porch door to the office, the council chambers door and the fire department door added onto the master key.

Applied for funding for Community Gardens.

Checking into other programs that the council can apply for.

Check on the price of a small dumpster for behind Town Hall.

Where does the council want the garbage can taken from to put on Main Street? Council agreed that a garbage can will be taken from Cook's Brook.

Public Concerns

Letter from Ryan Lowe, 11 Sweetapple Drive, Mount Moriah, informing the council that instead of operating a part-time business called "Wood Splitter Service" from his home at 11 Sweetapple Drive, Mount Moriah, he would like to operate a full-time business from his home called "Wood Splitter Service".
Motion 2023-036 Butt/Porter

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council approves Ryan Lowe's request to operate a full-time business called "Wood Splitter Service" from his home at 11 Sweetapple Drive, Mount Moriah.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

Email from Calvin and Cindy Bennett regarding when Welshman's Drive was paved there was a gutter put in place from Dexter Wiseman's down. When the paving company got between Alvina Wiseman's and Calvin Bennett's, they turned the gutter in between both properties so the waste is running into and washing out the driveway. If the catch basin was installed it would not happen. The catch basin was never installed. Will the town be installing a catch basin between Alvina Wiseman's and Calvin Bennett's? The council will not be installing a catch basin between Alvina Wiseman's and Calvin Bennett's in the near future. However, the council will get the maintenance men to see if a gutter can be put in this area.

Letter from Brenda Hann, Vice-President, Curling Lions inquiring if the Lions Club could borrow 40 chairs from the town hall on Saturday, May 27, 2023. The Town Hall is booked out for Saturday, May 27, 2023, therefore the town cannot lend the Curling Lions Club any chairs.

Finance (Bills Payable for Approval)

Finance Committee

- Finance Committee will have to have a Finance meeting.

Maintenance Committee

- Summer maintenance work.
- Parking Lot needs to be leveled out.
- Manhole on Soper's Drive by David Bellows and the manhole on Davis Drive are too high, see if the manholes can be fixed.
- Discussed prizes for Community Clean Up on June 14, 2023. Humber Arm Contracting has donated \$150.00. Some suggestions for prizes: 1st 150.00, 2nd \$75.00 and 3rd 50.00.

- If someone has property in Mount Moriah and pays Water/Sewer and Property Tax, can they put their garbage out at their property in Mount Moriah? The council agreed that the property owner can put their garbage out at their property in Mount Moriah.
- Email the City of Corner Brook Fire Department to see if some members of the Fire Department and Sparky can attend Mount Moriah Day on Saturday, August 26, 2023.

Correspondence

- 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 Hon. Krista Lynn Howell, MHA, District of St. Barb-L'Anse Aux Meadows, Minister Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs regarding Collaboration and Service Sharing.
- Letter from L. Robert Fowler, Fire Commissioner/Director of Fire Services, regarding Update – Fire and Emergency Services Training School, Grand Falls-Windsor, May 27 to June 2, 2023. This information has been sent to the Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department.
- Letter from Charles Beudet, VP, Government Relations, Xplore Inc. requesting a 2nd letter of support. They sent this request back in 2020, and your responses helped Xplore Inc. become successful in its proposal to offer high-speed internet to your community.

Motion 2023-037 Porter/LeRoy

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council send a letter of support to Xplore Inc.'s proposal to the Atlantic Cable Facility fibre strands.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

Info Note May 1, 2023.

Info Note May 9, 2023.

Development and Building Applications

Development Application from Calvin Bennett, 8-10 Welshman's Drive, Mount Moriah, to erect a fence, add fill to the upper driveway and lower driveway, and slope fill away from the basement. There was some discussion as to where the fence is going to be located and the material used on the fence. Also, fences must be built according to the Mount Moriah Development Regulations. What type of fill is going to be used in the driveways? Also, how is the fill going to be sloped away from the basement and where is water going to run? Maintenance Men, Kyle Specker and Paul Murley will do an inspection of this property.

New Business

Resume from Heather Lowe for Temporary Part-Time Clerk. There was some discussion regarding having two people in the office. Mayor Duffney pointed out that when Carol is on holiday Tanya Campbell will be called in and the Temporary Part-Time Clerk will also work 35 hours biweekly.

Motion 2023-038 LeRoy/Porter

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council check Heather Lowe's references. If references check out offer Heather Lowe the Temporary Part-Time Clerk position for 35 hours biweekly and then called as needed.

In favor: Deputy Mayor LeRoy
Councilor Porter
Councilor Penney
Mayor Duffney

Opposed: Councilor Butt

Motion Carried

Some discussion as to who owns the land behind the Fire Hall, Dianne Russell owns the property at 20 Tower Road, Mount Moriah. The council will write Dianne Russell asking her if she is interested in selling this piece of property to the Town of Mount Moriah.

The Professional Administrators Convention will be June 13-15, 2023 in Gander.

Motion 2023-039 Porter/Penney

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council approves for the Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, to attend the Professional Administrators Convention in Gander from June 13 -15, 2023.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

Water is still running on Main Street (Morrison's stretch)

Curb & gutters were not cleaned very well along Main Street, Mount Moriah. Mayor Duffney messaged Thomas Blundon, Department of Transportation and Infrastructure regarding this matter. Also, the Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, sent Mr. Blundon an email.

Some discussion regarding selling the Ford truck. The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, will try to get a book value on the truck.

Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, informed the council that Dean Porter, Poole Althouse is working on the expropriation of the land for the sewer outfall on Mr. Gosse's property.

Notice of Motion

- No notice of motion.

Next Council Meeting

- The next council meeting will be Wednesday, June 21, 2023.

Adjournment

Motion 2023-040 Porter/Butt

There being no further business meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

Town Clerk/Manager

Mayor