

The regular meeting of the Mount Moriah Town Council was held in the council chambers on Wednesday, March 19, 2025. The meeting opened at 7:00 p.m.

Present at the meeting:

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

Deputy Mayor LeRoy pointed out that under correspondence, it should have been Brian Hudson, CAO, Town of Pasadena, not Brian Hudson, CAO, Town of Mount Morah.

Adoption of Agenda

2025-050 LeRoy/Penney

Be it be resolved that the agenda for the March 19, 2025, council meeting be adopted as amended.
All in Favor Resolution Carried

Delegations

Mount Moriah Recreation Committee

- Letter from Jody Allen, Recreation Chair and Recreation Members, asking if the council will donate the rental of the town hall to the Mount Moriah Recreation Committee to have a bingo to raise funds for the new showcases in the Town Hall.

2025-051 Porter/Hamlyn

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council donate the rental of the Town Hall to the Mount Moriah Recreation Committee to have a bingo to raise funds for the new showcases in the Town Hall.

All in Favor Resolution Carried

The Recreation Committee was concerned about damage done to the tables and chairs in the hall. The council will do a thorough inspection of the chairs and tables, and they will ask the Recreation if they see any damage to report it to the council office as soon as possible. The council will also look into getting a trolley built for the tables and chairs.

In regards to the cleaning of the Town Hall after it is rented on the weekends. The person renting the hall is supposed to clean the hall. However, the council will do a thorough inspection of the hall after it is rented out.

Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department

- Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department Election of Officers, February 25, 2025

Fire Chief	Robyn Eddison
Assistant Fire Chief	Brandon Poole
Training Officer	Logan Butt
Administrative Officer	Jenesta Butt
Lieutenant and Training Officer	Scott Osmond
Captain	Christopher Wells
Equipment Manager	Cody Eddison

Motion 2025-052 Hamlyn/Butt

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council accept the Election of Officers for the Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department.

All in Favor

Resolution Carried

- Letter from Janesta Butt, Administrative Officer, Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department informing the council that they are trying to form a new committee to be known as the Mount Moriah Firettes which would raise funds for the Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department. They are looking for permission from the council to form the committee and to be incorporated.

Motion 2025-053 Butt/LeRoy

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council approves the establishment of the Mount Moriah Firettes and permits them to be incorporated.

All in Favor

Resolution Carried

Mount Moriah Community Events

- No correspondence from the Mount Moriah Community Events.

Errors or Omissions of the Minutes

No errors or omissions of the minutes.

Adoption of the Minutes

2025-054 Hamlyn/Porter

Be it be resolved that the minutes from the February 19, 2025, council meeting be adopted.

All in Favor

Resolution Carried

Business Arising from Minutes

Have not heard from Barry Ellsworth, Department of Transportation and Infrastructure, regarding the ice built on Main Street.

Councilor Penney is looking into getting a price quote for two corner showcases in the Town Hall.

The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, was wondering if the fire department has decided when they will be having the toll gate on Morrison's stretch. Assistant Fire Chief Brandon Poole, informed the council that the Fire Department will have the toll gate in May. If the volleyball team wants to have a toll gate, they can have one in April or June.

A Street Light for 129 Serpentine Road has been ordered.

Town Clerk/Manager Carol Skeard completed the Virtual Training on the Towns and Local Service District Act.

The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, still has to apply for the Job Creation Program.

The maintenance men will not be attending the Water and Wastewater Workshop.

When the Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, went to apply for the Scotts Canada Program, the limit of 200 applications had already been accepted.

Public Concerns

Email from Megan Bird requesting permission to open a home salon at 146 Main Street, Mount Moriah.
Motion 2025-055 Penney/Hamlyn

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council approves Megan Bird's request to open a home salon at 146 Main Street, Mount Moriah.

All in Favor

Resolution Carried

Finance (Bills Payable for Approval)

2025-056 Butt/Penney

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council pay the bills, see attached list.

All in Favor

Resolution Carried

Committee Reports

Finance Committee

- No meeting of the Finance Committee

Maintenance Committee

- The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, informed the council that the council can cancel their subscription with Itron for the reading of the water meters since it is not being used. However, when they start reading the water meters, they will be charged a setup fee.

2025-057 Hamlyn/Porter

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council cancel the subscription with Itron for the reading of the water meters since the council has not started the reading of water meters.

- All in Favor Resolution Carried
- There was some discussion as to whether the Loader Operator will be laid off.
2025-058 Penney/Porter
Be it be resolved that the Loader Operator will be laid off on March 31, 2025; however, if the Loader Operator would like to stay on as a Maintenance Man, he will be paid the wages of the Maintenance Men. However, should he be required to operate the loader while working as a Maintenance Man, he will be paid the Loader Operator wage.
All in Favor Resolution Carried

Correspondence

An email from Brian Hudson, informing the council that they have advertised for the Municipal Enforcement Officer. It closes on March 28. While they had expected to have a draft engagement letter to provide you for the service, they have had significant delays from their legal consult and have yet to receive these. As soon as the drafts come in, we will share them with you and arrange an in-person meeting to go over the details and get your feedback. The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, will contact Mr. Hudson to set up a general meeting for the council.

The council received a copy of the email that Wendy Henstridge, P. Eng., Regional Engineer-Western Region Municipal Infrastructure, sent to Garrett Anderson, Allnorth, regarding the Water City Boundary to Serpentine Road, 17-GI-21-00079. According to the pre-budget tender for this project, it has come in at approximately \$750,000.00 short. Therefore, the council must decide if they are going to proceed with the tender.

2025-059 Hamlyn/Porter

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council will proceed with the tender of the water line from the City Boundary to Serpentine Road, 17-GI-21-00079.

All in Favor Resolution Carried

2025-060 Hamlyn/Porter

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council apply for additional funding for the water line from the City Boundary to Serpentine Road, 17-GI-21-00079.

All in Favor Resolution Carried

Letter from Kim Kieley, P. Eng., FEC, Director-Municipal Infrastructure Transportation and Infrastructure regarding Year-end Claims for Municipal Infrastructure Programs.

Email from Judy Bolt, B.A., Constituency Assistant to Eddie Joyce, MHA, Humber-Bay of Islands District regarding Applications Open for 2025 Summer Employment Program for Students. The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, informed the council that she has applied for two students under the 2025 Summer Employment Program.

Town Clerk/Manager Carol Skeard informed the council that she resubmitted the Active NL Application for the slide for Cook's Brook Day Park.

Email from Ruth S. Andrews, WPE01, Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs, regarding the New Version of the Code of Conduct Policy for Councilors May 2024.

2025-060 Penney/Hamlyn

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council adopted the Town of Mount Moriah Code of Conduct for Councilors May 2024.

All in Favor

Resolution Carried

Email from Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs regarding Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000, Amendments.

Email from Melissa Young, Chair, Go Western Newfoundland, regarding Strengthening Western Newfoundland's Tourism Industry Together.

Email from Bradley Power, Director of Programs, Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador, regarding Student Housing Forum – Wednesday, March 26, 2025, in Corner Brook.

Email from Judy Bolt, B.A., Constituency Assistant to Eddie Joyce, MHA, Humber-Bay of Islands District regarding Growing Food Self-Sufficiency and Supporting Sustainable Communities: Applications Open for Community Garden Support Program.

Letter from L. Robert Fowler, Fire Commissioner/Director of Fire Services, Newfoundland and Labrador
Re: Emergency Vehicle Traffic Management for Firefighters. This letter has been forwarded to the Mount Moriah Volunteer Fire Department.

Email from Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador.

Info Notes Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador.

2025-061 LeRoy/Hamlyn

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah send Mayor Lisa Duffney to the Municipal Symposium in Gander from May 1-3, 2025.

All in Favor

Resolution Carried

Mayor Lisa Duffney left the council meeting at 7:36 p.m. Deputy Mayor Shelley LeRoy chaired the council meeting.

Building and Development Applications

Building application from Timothy Hunt, 100 Main Street, Mount Moriah, to add an addition on to the existing garage 14 feet x 24 feet.

2025-062 Porter/Penney

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council approve Timothy Hunt's building application to add an addition onto the existing garage, 14 feet x 24 feet at 100 Main Street, Mount Moriah.

All in Favor

Resolution Carried

Mayor Duffney returned to the council meeting and chaired the council meeting at 7:39 p.m.

New Business

2025-063 Penney/LeRoy

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council send the Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, to the PMA 2025 Convention & Trade Show in St. John's from April 8-10, 2025.

All in Favor

Resolution Carried

Mayor's meeting -Hughes Brook, Wednesday, April 2, 2025, 46 Lidstone's Drive or Virtual via Zoom from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. Mayor Duffney will try to attend the Mayor's meeting.

Council Hamlyn informed the council that they will need Class "A" in potholes on Serpentine Road. Also, they will need asphalt for some potholes on Serpentine Road.

Councilor Penney informed the council that where they did put the culverts between the railway bed and Soper's Drive last summer, they will have to look at it again; a catch basin may be needed in this area.

Councilor Porter inquired about the Spring Clean-Up.

Also, Councilor Porter was wondering if the person that had the water leak on their property at 35 Main Street, Mount Moriah, has had the water leak repaired on their property. The council will call the resident and ask if the water leak is repaired or when they plan on getting the water leak repaired, as the council has to pay the City of Corner Brook extra for water overages.

Deputy Mayor LeRoy was concerned with the hole in the road by 34 Main Street, Mount Moriah. The council will contact Barry Ellsworth, Department of Transportation and Infrastructure, regarding this pothole.

The Town Clerk/Manager, Carol Skeard, received an email from Melissa May, Poole Althouse Barristers & Solicitors, regarding the Town of Mount Moriah purchasing land at 20 Tower Road, Mt. Moriah, for future development. According to Ms. May, if you are acquiring land that is not necessary, Section 201 of the act requires approval. If you are acquiring land for recreational facilities, Section 174 does not require approval. If you don't have a set plan to build the community hall now, but just a possibility, I'd err on the side of caution and seek approval.

Motion 2025-064 Hamlyn/Porter

Be it be resolved that the Mount Moriah Town Council requests approval from the Minister of Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs to purchase property at 20 Tower Road, Mount Moriah.

All in Favor

Resolution Carried

Mr. Bruce Temple brought it to the attention of the council that with the infrastructure on Serpentine Road continuing in the Spring of 2025, the council should ensure that the contractor has proper flagging procedures to prevent a serious accident in this area. The Council will send a letter to the contractor and inform them that flag persons with a radio system are required on the top and bottom of Welshman's Drive as this is a one-way street. Also, if Welshman's Drive is used as a two-way street, after hours, a signal light will be required on the top and the bottom of Welshman's Drive.

Notice of Motion

- No notice of motion.

Next Council Meeting

- The next council meeting will be on Wednesday, April 16, 2025.

Adjournment

Motion 2025-065 Penney/LeRoy

There being no further business, the council meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

All in Favor

Resolution Carried

Town Clerk/Manager

Mayor

