TOWN OF TWILLLINGATE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL WEDNESDAY, JULY 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019 TOWN HALL, TWILLINGATE 7:00 PM

- PRESENT:ChairpersonMayor Grant WhiteDeputy MayorCyril DalleyCouncillorJanice BarnesCouncillorLloyd BlakeCouncillorMelissa BlacklerCouncillorWayne GreenhamTown Clerk/ManagerMarie Magnin
- **REGRETS:** Councillor Oliver Hynes
  - 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor White at 7:10 pm.

2. **DELEGATIONS** 

N/A

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Council reviewed and approved the agenda.

Motion #19-150 Approval of Agenda

It was moved by Councillor Greenham, seconded by Councillor Blackler, that the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council be adopted.

In Favour: 5 Opposing: 0 Decision: Motion carried.

4. MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

# Motion #19-151

Regular Meeting for Approval

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Dalley, seconded by Councillor Blake, that the Minutes from the Regular Meeting of Council on June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019 be adopted as presented.

In Favour: 5 Opposing: 0 Decision: Motion carried.

## Motion #19-152

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Dalley, seconded by Councillor Blackler, that the Minutes from the Special Meeting on June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019 be adopted as presented.

In Favour: 5 Opposing: 0 Decision: Motion carried.

## Motion #19-153

It was moved by Councillor Greenham, seconded by Councillor Blake, that the Minutes from the Special Meeting on July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019 be adopted as presented.

In Favour: 5 Opposing: 0 Decision: Motion carried.

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes.

- 6. **REPORTS STANDING COMMITTEES:**
- A. Public Works

No reports for this meeting.

B. Tourism

Mayor Grant White will contact TITA to set up a meeting to discuss the Visitor Information Centre.

C. Finance

No reports for this meeting.

D. Fisheries

No reports for this meeting.

E. Planning and Development

No reports for this meeting.

F. Fire Department

No reports for this meeting.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

## Motion #19-154

It was moved by Councillor Blackler, seconded by Councillor Blake, to sponsor the Unscripted Digital Arts Festival in the amount of \$1000.

In Favour: 5 Opposing: 0 Decision: Motion carried.

#### Minute #19-155

It was agreed not to purchase an advertisement in support of the Royal Newfoundland Constabulary's 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Crime Prevention Guide due to an increasing request for support from local charities and organizations.

### Motion #19-156

In response to a request for road maintenance from the Hospital Pond Committee, it was moved by Councillor Greenham, seconded by Deputy Mayor Dalley, to include this road maintenance (grading) in the scope of annual road maintenance.

In Favour: 5 Opposing: 0 Decision: Motion carried.

#### Motion #19-157

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Dalley, seconded by Councillor Greenham, to donate \$100 to Remembering Robbie.

In Favour: 5 Opposing: 0 Decision: Motion carried.

#### Motion #19-158

In response to a complaint about the Town's equipment entering private property and accidentally removing the survey pins, it was moved by Deputy Mayor Dalley, seconded by Councillor Greenham, to cover the cost (\$175+HST) of replacing the survey pins.

In Favour: 5 Opposing: 0 Decision: Motion carried.

#### Minute #19-159

In response to a request from a resident to place road signs in Back Harbour to alert traffic to a child with profound hearing loss, it was agreed that Councillor Blackler would discuss the request further with the child's mother in order to better understand the need and appropriate solution. It was further agreed that the Town Clerk/Manager would research the cost of such signage.

## Minute #19-160

Correspondence from a resident regarding a water/sewer line crossing the property at 17 Park Road was discussed. The water line crossing 17 Park Road is servicing an adjacent property. It is believed that when the water line was placed there, the land was owned by the Crown. It is unknown whether or not the adjacent property had permission from Crown Lands to run the line. In recent years, 17 Park Road has been acquired and the owner is hoping to sell the property. The water line is an issue. Given that the Town is in the process of installing water/sewer lines to this section of Park Road, the owner of 17 Park Road is requesting that the adjacent property connect to the new main line so that he/she can sell their property without this complication. It was agreed that the Town Clerk/Manager would contact the adjacent property owners and confirm their plans. Once Council is informed as to their plans, the next step can be determined.

## Minute #19-161

In response to a letter received from the Lion's Club expressing concern and disappointment that there was no Council representation at the Charter Night Banquet on June 8<sup>th</sup>, it was agreed that the Town Clerk/Manager would write a letter apologizing for their absence. The Mayor had committed to attending but due to unforeseen circumstances, he had to cancel at the last minute.

< The Town Clerk/Manager advised Council that the next correspondence is regarding the condition of Dock Road. As such, Councillor Blackler stated that she is in conflict of interest because she lives on Dock Road and would stand to gain financially if the road was upgraded. Councillor Blacker left the room at 8:14 pm.>

# Minute #19-162

In response to another correspondence regarding the terrible condition of Dock Road, there was extensive discussion about Council's options for upgrading the road. As discussed in a recent Council Meeting, the Town Clerk/Manager did receive three quotes from CECON, our engineering consultants, outlining the estimated cost and proposed engineering solutions to (1) ditch the road (2) lay Class A and ditch the road and (3) pave the road and ditch. The estimates came in at \$59,800, \$101,200 and \$198,950, respectively. Based on these quotes, Council previously decided that it was in the Town's best interest to consider applying for funding under Municipal Capital Works so that the Province would pay for 50% of the expense. According to our MHA, there is expected to be an opportunity to apply for new MCW Projects this month. The correspondence tabled at this meeting expresses dissatisfaction with this approach. It was agreed that the Public Works Committee will meet with the Public Works Foreman and Town Clerk/Manager to determine if there are options beyond the solutions proposed by CECON. Councillor Greenham agreed to coordinate this meeting ASAP.

<Councillor Blackler returned to the Council Chambers at 8:44 pm.>

8. FINANCES

# Motion #19-163

It was moved by Councillor Blackler, seconded by Councillor Barnes, that the attached accounts be passed for payment.

In Favour: 5 Opposing: 0 Decision: Motion carried.

## Motion #19-164

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Dalley, seconded by Councillor Greenham, that the A/R adjustments for June, in the amount of \$35,706.58, be approved.

In Favour: 5 Opposing: 0 Decision: Motion carried.

9. **REGULATIONS AND POLICIES** 

# N/A

10. GENERAL BUSINESS

### Motion #19-165

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Dalley, seconded by Councillor Blackler, to pay \$48,052.75 from the Town's operating budget (reserve for capital expenditure) to purchase the new Dodge RAM Pick Up Truck.

In Favour: 5 Opposing: 0 Decision: Motion carried.

### Motion #19-166

As presented in the Special Meeting Minutes from July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019, it was moved by Councillor Greenham, seconded by Councillor Blake, to approve, in principle, the request to occupy 149 Main Street (formerly SUF Hall) as a residence and ceramic art studio. As the property is zoned Mixed Development and this use is classified as General Assembly, Council's approval is subject to advertising for 1 week at the property owner's expense. This approval is also subject to the occupant meeting all relevant regulations (Provincial & Municipal).

In Favour: 5 Opposing: 0 Decision: Motion carried.

#### Motion #19-167

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Dalley, seconded by Councillor Blake, to grant a building permit to the property owner of 228 Durrell Street to build a home with a septic system and well, and to permit the property owner to place a pipe under the Main Road. It would be the responsibility of the property owner to restore the road to its original state to the satisfaction of the Town's Public Works Foreman. This property owner has two lots in the Blow Me Down area of our community. The lot on which they have requested to build their home is zoned Residential but the lot where their septic field is required to go is partially zoned as Conservation. According to guidance from the Land Resources Planning Division of Municipal Affairs, due to the primary use of the development being Residential, it is at Council's discretion to approve the permit and set the conditions.

In Favour: 5 Opposing: 0 Decision: Motion carried.

#### Minute #19-168

The issue of safety concerns related to the condition of the road at the corner of Robin's Cove Road and Hugh Lane, was discussed again. As per Council's earlier direction, the Town Clerk/Manager received a quote from CECON to alleviate the safety issues. The quote came back over \$75K. It was agreed that this is the gold standard (i.e. includes repaving 30 metres of pavement) and that we need an estimate that reflects addressing the safety concerns only. Councillor Greenham agreed to include this on the agenda for the upcoming Public Works Committee Meeting. It was further agreed that this issue is lingering too long and that a decision must be made as soon as possible.

## Minute #19-169

The Town Clerk/Manager informed Council that the deadline for 2019 CEEP applications is July 31<sup>st</sup>. It was agreed that Council will proceed with a project to upgrade slipways in our community. It was agreed that Deputy Mayor Dalley and Councillor Blake will take the lead on scoping out the project.

## Motion #19-170

It was moved by Councillor Blake, seconded by Councillor Greenham, to advertise the Fish, Fun and Folk Festival on VOCM, as done in previous years.

In Favour: 5 Opposing: 0 Decision: Motion carried.

#### Minute #19-171

The Town Clerk/Manager re-iterated to Council that there is a need for additional administrative support in the office. It was agreed that the Town Clerk/Manager would call up support as needed, within the approved budget, to assist in key projects.

### Motion #19-172

It was moved by Councillor Blackler, seconded by Councillor Barnes, to accept the Ultimate Gas Tax Amendment increasing the 2019-2024 allocation to \$634,303.

In Favour: 5 Opposing: 0 Decision: Motion carried.

### Motion #19-173

It was moved by Councillor Greenham, seconded by Councillor Barnes, to accept the Municipal Capital Works Funding of \$17,250, Project #17-MCW-20-00024, Water Supply Tank Assessment and the Town's portion of \$1564.

In Favour: 5 Opposing: 0 Decision: Motion carried.

#### Minute #19-174

The Town Clerk/Manager provided an update on Park Road W/S Project and the Road Paving Project. The Park Road W/S Project is underway and we expect to be completed within a few weeks. The Paving Project has been awarded and we are awaiting confirmation of the project start date.

#### Minute #19-175

The Town Clerk/Manager provided an update on the Plan Twillingate Project, informing Council that the project website has officially been launched (Plantwillingate.com) and there has been positive response. The Town Clerk/Manager also provided an update on the Town Website Project, informing Council that it is moving along on schedule.

#### Motion #19-176

It was moved by Councillor Blackler, seconded by Councillor Barnes, to purchase a new lift station pump for Knott's Lane at a total cost of \$8900+HST.

In Favour: 5 Opposing: 0 Decision: Motion carried.

### Minute #19-177

Councillor Blake raised a resident's concern about the speed of traffic along the Main Road just past the Town Hall on the South Side, by Iceberg Man Boat Tours and Pier 39 Restaurant. The concerned resident requested a speed bump but Council agreed that solution would not work on that roadway.

#### Minute #19-178

Councillor Blackler asked about putting more hooks in the change rooms at the pool and putting them down lower. The hooks there currently are too high for kids to reach. It was agreed that the new

Recreation Director would evaluate the concern and make the appropriate recommendation to the Town Clerk/Manager.

## Minute # 19-179

Mayor White requested that Council send a letter to the Art at The Gate Committee congratulating them on an outstanding event and thanking them for their contribution to the community. It was agreed that the Town Clerk/Manager would send the letter.

There being no further business at this time, it was moved by Deputy Mayor Dalley, seconded by Councillor Greenham, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 9:35 pm. Carried.

Grant White-Mayor

Marie B. Magnin-Town Clerk/Manager