



**Town of Mulgrave**  
**Council Meeting Minutes-Emergency meeting**  
**June 24/2019**

**Present:** Mayor Hadley, Deputy Mayor Snow, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Russell, CAO Darlene Berthier Sampson,

**Regrets:** Sheila Brophy

**1. Call to Order**

Meeting called to order at 6:30 by Mayor Hadley. Mayor Hadley noted this to be the last meeting for the summer months.

**2. Approval of Agenda**

**Moved by C'I Chisolm, seconded by C'Ir Russell that the agenda be approved as circulated with the following additions:**

Approved Agenda Additions

- a. *Walking trail*
- b. *In camera legal issue*

*Motion Carried*

**3. Minutes**

**Moved by C'Ir Chisholm, seconded by Deputy Mayor Snow that the minutes of Jun 17, 2019 be approved as presented.**

*Motion Carried*

**4. Reports/Presentations**

**A. Financial budgets:**

- i. Motion for wage increase: **Moved by C'Ir Chisolm , seconded by Deputy Mayor Snow that council and all non union staff, except the CAO, receive a 2% raise retroactive to April 1, 2019.**

*Motion Carried*

- ii. Motion to add employee to group benefits: **Moved by C'Ir Russell, seconded by C'Ir Chisolm that Public Works employee, Matt Tibbo be added to the group health plan effective July 1, 2019.**

*Motion carried.*

- iii. Motion for 5% tax rate change: **Deputy Mayor Snow moved and C'Ir Chisolm seconded the following resolution:**

**Whereas the Town of Mulgrave requires the sum of \$1,914,775 to cover the cost of providing municipal service, after allowing for all other sources of revenue; be it resolved that the 2019/2020 tax rate to be applied:**

- **\$1.2375 per \$100 of taxable residential assessment on the assessment roll with a total residential combined rate of \$1.890**
- **\$4.52572 per \$100 of taxable commercial assessment on the assessment roll with a total commercial combined rate of \$5.1797 (\$5.18)**

**And that the amount to be paid to the Mulgrave Water Utility of \$113,538 be recovered through a levy of \$.2015 per \$100 of assessed value in the area serviced by fire hydrants.**

**AND that a rate of \$.4510 per \$100 of assessed value in the area serviced for sanitary sewer.  
AND that each household pay a special levy of \$104 per annum for solid waste collection.**

***Motion Carried.***

***iv. Motion for operating budget:*** **Motion by Deputy Mayor Snow, seconded by Cl'r Russell to approve the operating budget of \$1,914,775.** ***Motion Carried***

***v. Motion for Water budget:*** **Motion by Clr Chisolm and seconded by Deputy Mayor Snow to approve the water budget as presented with projected revenue of \$601,256 projected expenses of \$597,599 and a surplus of \$3657.** ***Motion Carried***

***vi. Motion for Capital budget-General:*** **Motion by Clr Russell and seconded by Clr Chisolm to approve the capital budget as presented with projected capital expenditures of :**

**1. Truck reserve fund \$10,000**

**2. School leasehold improvements –up to \$5000**

**3. Land acquisition of 3 parcels of land –up to \$18,500**

**4. Sewer treatment design-up to \$400,000 contingent upon 90% CWWF grant**

***Motion Carried***

***vi. Motion for Capital budget-Water:*** **Motion by Deputy Mayor Snow, seconded by Clr Chisolm to approve the water capital budget as presented with projected capital expenditures of :**

**1. Control valve and shut off valves \$ 9,500**

**2. Water line audit \$17,000**

***Motion Carried***

**B. Water update**

- Plant continues to work with Bell to raise phone lines for Armour delivery truck.
- Spring distribution flush carried out Jun3-5<sup>th</sup> went well
- Critical parts reviewed/approved for order to prevent prolonged shut down

**C. Waste treatment plant update:**

- Renewal application for Loggie St. WWTP sent to DOE
- Meeting held with DOE regarding exceedances. Recommendations/assistance provided including advise for updated bylaw.
- Control module quoted in NS for almost \$3000 found in US for \$550 us. May be new supplier with savings.

**D. Public Works:**

- Work and progress continues on culverts/ditching, patching, pool renos, training, summer projects etc.

**E. Recreation Report:**

- Staff hiring & pool preparation underway
- Capital donation of \$6500 received (\$5k from Mulgrave Machinery Ltd and \$1500 from Celtic Current).
- Lobster /turkey lunch great success
- Festival(s) planning underway.

**5. New Business and Correspondence**

- Mayor Hadley noted Mulgrave Machinery Ltd is 50 yrs in business in 2019. Open house in Mid July (12<sup>th</sup>/or 13<sup>th</sup>). Plaque to be ordered to recognize long standing community business **(Action Item)**
- Thank you cards to be sent to Celtic Current and Mulgrave Machinery Ltd for pool donation. **(Action item)**
- Pool Policy -2<sup>nd</sup> reading presented. **Moved by Clr Chisolm, seconded by Clr Russel to approve the pool policy. Motion Carried**
- Port Hawkesbury Airport- **Moved by Clr Russell, seconded by Cr Chisolm to send letter of of support to PH regarding its Airport. Motion Carried**
- Sydney rail line-**Moved by Clr Chisolm, seconded by Cr Russell to send letter to Minister Geoff MacLellan opposing continued funding of the defunct Genesee and Wyoming line. Motion Carried**
  
- Beautification application-**Moved by Clr Chisolm and seconded by Deputy Mayor Snow to send a letter of inquiry to Minister Porter regarding the streetscape/beautification application which was denied. Motion Carried**

**6. Approved Additions to the Agenda**

*a. Walking trail* – Trail covered in Dog droppings despite bags being provided. Continue to educate in next newsletter.

**7. Date of Net Meeting- To be determined : no meetings over the summer**

**8. Gallery** –discussion arose over co-operative objectives and land purchase. Request made to raise water level in duck pond.

**9. In Camera** –Motion to move in camera made by Clr Chisolm, seconded by Deputy Mayor Snow at 7.16pm. MC. Deputy Mayor Snow declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting at 7.16. There was a consensus of councilors that the CAO receive legal advice. Motion to come out of in-camera made by Clr Russell and seconded by Clr Chisolm at 7: 19. MC. Deputy Mayor Snow rejoined the meeting.

**10. Adjournment**

**Moved by C’lr Russell and sec’d by C’lr Chisolm that the meeting adjourn at 7: 21 pm:  
Motion Carried**

**Minutes approved by:**

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**Mayor Ralph Hadley**

**Minutes recorded by:**

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**CAO Darlene Berthier Sampson**