



Town of Mulgrave
Council Meeting Minutes
Sept 3/2019

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

Regrets: Councillor Brophy

1. Call to Order

Mayor Hadley called the meeting to order at 6:30 and welcomed all back after summer break.

2. Approval of Agenda

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

- Fairway
- School: move and Crant building moved
- Aggressive dog(2nd notice)
- Duck pond
- Irving big stop traffic flows

Motion Carried

3. Minutes

Moved by C'Ir Chisolm, seconded by C'Ir Russell that the minutes of September 03, 2019 be approved as presented.

Motion Carried

4. Reports/Presentations

a. Wastewater treatment plant-

- Coucillors were provided a copy of the ICIP application for the waste water treatment plant.
- An overview of the \$7.3 million dollar approved project, and funding sources were discussed. Announcement took place in Guysborough on Friday, August 23rd. with Mayor Hadley and CAO present. It was noted that the sewer bylaw will require updating. Also noted that project initially approved by council under the assumption that the towns share would be 10%. Because the Town did not receive the 90% top up funding, its share will be 27%.

Moved by Clr Russel, second by Clr Chisolm that the Town of Mulgrave proceed with the Waste water treatment plant with its cost sharing requirement of 27%.

Motion Carried

b. Ryan Property

- A letter regarding the Ryan property was read. The letter requested sale of three small lots by the Town to Mrs Ryan to resolve land encroachment issues.

Moved by Clr Snow, seconded by Clr Chisolm to accept \$500 payment for parcels A, B and C in addition to any legal and incidental fees.

Motion Carried

b. Keeping Property

- A letter from Keepings lawyer was read which requested a copy of Deed for tax sale purchase.

- Council agreed to work with Keepings lawyer and towns solicitor to have a Quit claim deed prepared. CAO to follow up (**action item**)

c. Mulgrave Marina

- A Conflict of Interest was made by Councillor Snow who is marina member
- Property management agreement between Town and Marina Association was read.
- The condition of the marina and docks was discussed along with the agreement terms.
- Noted that terms of agreement not being fulfilled.
- It was noted, no boats are currently docked there.
- CAO to review assessment prepared by Tom Marr (**Action Item**)

Moved by Clr Chisolm, seconded by Clr Russel, to provide 60 days notice of intent to terminate agreement and have management of the Marina turned back over to the Town.

Motion Carried

d. Route 344 Correspondence:

Correspondence dated June 24th from the Minister of Transportation noted Wyldes Bridge is Not on the 5 year capital list and that consideration may be given to the Old Tracadie Road.

e. Martin Marietta:

Blasting on July 9th at Martin Marietta was significantly felt in Mulgrave. Damage to the water treatment plant was reported. Meeting were held with MM representatives which resulted in the Town being put on a blast notification list and a request to have additional sensors put at the water treatment plant. A file was opened with Dept of environment to track this and any future issues.

f. School naming:

Consensus among councilors to have building be named Mulgrave Memorial Centre.

g. Town water:

Discussion occurred over request for water which by-pass the administration office and go directly to the Fire department resulting in unpaid water usage. Discussions with Fire department occurred. New process requires request to go through the Town office.

h. NSFM-Policy Advisor-Council proposed meeting date of 09/23 at 5:30

i. NSFM- Accessibility plan requirements: It was noted that an accessibility plan is required by Fall of 2020 (1 year). Town of Wolfville showing leadership in field. CAO to seek Wolfville plan as model to work from (**Action item**).

j. CUPW-Letter regarding federal election issues was read to council

k. 211 annual report: Letter accompanying annual report was read highlighting service and its benefits.

l. Port Hawkesbury Airport: Response from Prime Ministers office regarding Towns letter of concern regarding the proposed new airport was read. Response noted Towns concerns sent to Minister of Rural Economic Development. A letter of support for Port Hawkesbury, regarding the Inverness airport was also received from NSFM. Letter was read to Council.

m. Financial /annual reports: Excerpts of the Financial statements for Eastern county regional library was shared with Council. Excerpts of the Guysborough CBDC annual report were also shared with Council.

n. New Water regulations- New water regulations regarding copper and magnesium are posted on Town website for anyone on a private water supply. Notice to be included in Town newsletter.

5. New Business

a. Fairway-Letter from Executive Director of Nova Scotia's Mining association was read requesting letter of support be sent to Province. Consensus of Council to provide letter of support. CAO to write letter of support **(Action Item)**

b. School move-Noted that move completed and Town office now located in office. It was noted that Councillor Snow and Chisolm are not getting MARA notices. Councillors attendance at these meetings is important.

c. Dog Bite- Council updated about a second complaint and letter written regarding dog complaints (same dog)

d. Duck Pond- Councillor Snow deferred an update to the next meeting

e. Irving Big Stop/traffic flows: It was noted that the intersection in front of the Irving station is dangerous and there have been several close calls. The intersection is busy and traffic heading towards Cape Breton is not honoring a center turning lane causing risk of a head on collision. Mayor Hadley spoke with Minister Hines and Mr Neil Decoff about the issue and noted that a traffic study is going to be completed. CAO to write letter to Dept of Transportation and cc Arthur Irving, Minister Hines and Councillor Decoff . CAO to also seek letters of support from Port Hawkesbury and Inverness. **(Action items)**

8. Gallery

a. PVC-Question asked as to why Property valuation service looking at certain properties. CAO explained discrepancy in assessment book where some properties note garages and other do not. PVC asked to check reason which resulted in property visits.

b. Ryan property-Gallery member questioned FMV of offer for \$500. Council(s) explained the land had no value to Town and desire to resolve issue for senior.

9. In Camera (Legal correspondence)

Motion to move in camera at 8:10 pm made by Clr Chisolm, seconded by Clr Rusell – Motion Carried.

Councillor Snow declared a conflict to Interest and left the room
Legal correspondence reviewed with Council

Motion to come out of in camera at 8:25 pm made by Clr Chisolm, seconded by Clr Rusell – Motion Carried.

No motions from in camera session

10. Adjournment

Councillor Snow returned to council Chambers.

Moved by C'lr Russell and sec'd by C'lr Chisolm that the meeting adjourn at 8: 30 pm: MC

Minutes approved by:

Minutes recorded by:

Mayor Ralph Hadley

CAO Darlene Berthier Sampson