



Town of Mulgrave
Council Meeting Minutes
Nov 4/2019

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

Regrets: Councillor Sheila Brophy

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 6:30 by Mayor Hadley. Mayor.

2. Approval of Agenda

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

Approved Agenda Additions

- a. **Donation Request -SAERC**
- b. **Public works Ice bucket**

Motion Carried

3. Minutes

Moved by C'Ir Chisholm, seconded by Councillor Snow that the minutes of Oct 21, 2019 be approved as presented with the exception of the correction to 3.1

Motion Carried

4. Reports/Presentations/Old Bus

A. WWTP RFP proposal

- i. RFP MULG2020-1 was included in councilors package for review
CAO highlighted technical and cost requirements (pg12), COI clause (pg 17), RFP particulars (pg 21) and legal contract to receive legal vetting (page 29 link)

Mayor Hadley noted that Decommissioning can be handled by internal staff and asked item be removed from RFP. (Action item).

B. Generator Update /Fire Department

Fire Chief noted that the VFD generator was delivered for repair using the PW truck. This should assist with the quoted \$1500 transportation. Should be back in 3-4 weeks

Fire Chief expressed concern with the VFD communication with the Town and its allotted budget to the VFD. He indicated his health is suffering as a result. A letter was read by another volunteer member. The letter noted the financial contribution the VFD has made to the hall without the Towns involvement. Some discussion ensued. The Town noted that The VFD does not follow purchasing protocols and does not communicate its intentions to the Town making Administration very difficult. Fire Chief noted his consideration to quit and the intention of all fire fighters to quit the department if he did.

C. Aulds Cove Intersection

-CAO noted Office was contacted with notice of Intersection 40 being addressed at House of Assembly. It was noted by Mayor Hadley again that a study is to be done. CAO suggested letter be

sent directly to trucking companies for support and attention to issue. Discussion on District: Guys vs Antigonish. Suggestion to call Guys CAO. (Action)

D. Fence: Duck Pond

Moved by Councillor Chisolm , 2nd by Deputy Mayor Russell to use funds in community development fund (earmarked for St. F.X. Study) to replace the fence at duck pond as per quote of 1375.73 and to fund the \$300 for the skating rink supplies next to the firehall.

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E. Marina Building

- Building keys not returned as promised. Locks required to be rekeyed at a cost of apprx \$300.
- Scrap wharf on dock. Remnants is unsightly, smells, and has risk; all reasons for it to be removed. CAO to discuss with PW (Action) .
- Permanent Barricade to be erected (action Item)
- Status of building furniture to be checked (action item)
- Mayor Hadley noted intent of Marina is for small watercrafts going forward. Wharf lasted 23-24 years but small docks cant handle big craft.

5. New Business

A. Recreation Advisory Committee

- Letter submitted by committee was read to Council and gallery
- Establishment of a fitness centre is groups 2020 goal
- Grant application to be applied for
- Seeking Councils support
- Moved by Councillor Chisholm, 2nd by Deputy Mayor Russell that council support the recreation director with the fitness centre project and its fundraising.**

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B. Employee Pension plan

Some staff feedback towards pension plan is unfavorable. Concerns over Management Expense Ratio and service are largest concerns. CAO to inquire on AMANS as to what other org's have.(ACTION)

6. Additions to the Agenda

A. Donation request

Moved by Councillor Chisolm, 2nd by Councillor Russell to donate \$50 to SAERC fundraiser per request.

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B. Ice Bucket : Public works

- Topic deferred from prior council session
- at budget time, capital request for \$13k for a jackhammer was denied
- Smaller request item now: \$3000 range. Needed to break thru ice, cut back on OT and save from damaging equip.

Moved by Councillor Snow, 2nd by Councillor Chisolm to approve purchase of Ice bucket(from PW funds if possible)

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C. Late agenda Item: Update from EMO

Mayor Hadley requested an update from Deputy Mayor Russell and EMO V Power on Emergency center co-ordination training. Brief update of course background/benefit provided.

D. Late agenda Item : Cameras in gallery

Several councilors voiced their disagreement with the use of video recorders in the gallery.

E. **Hydro Electric:** Councillor Snow doing research on different models. Small water turbine was intent of waterfall. Mayor Hadley glad to see interest. Minister of Energy in contact.

7. Date of next meeting: Nov 18/2019

8. Gallery

- a. Main sreet, just before Larry Ryans. Ditching requested (action item)
- b. VFD wants space above hall back. Requested that Karen be asked if furniture can be moved to school and what space would be available (action: discuss with HB as well).
- c. Gallery member suggested cutting Rec funding for the VFD.
- d. Gallery member suggested TANS be contacted regarding route 40 as a means of reaching drivers
- e. NSPC light at Porcupine Mountain blinding drivers at night-Need be relocated

In Camera.

Moved by Clr Russell, 2nd by Clr Chisolm to go in camera at 8.29

Moved by Councillor Chisolm, 2nd by Councillor Russell to come out of in camera at 8.42 pm

No motions from in camera session

There being no further business, it was Moved by Councillor Russell, 2nd by councilor Chisholm to adjourn at 8:44 PM.

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