Meeting # 1 January 12, 2021

Present:

Mayor James Cashin

Deputy Mayor Eileen Hann Councillor Michael McCann

Councillor Elaine Martin – joined our meeting at 6:45 p.m. (working)

Councillor Gordon Johnston

Mayor Cashin called the meeting to order at 6 p.m

Guests:

Ron and Shirley Benoit

Mr. & Mrs. Benoit asked to speak to Council regarding the placement of a mobile home on their Property located at 12 Oceanview Drive. They also wanted to discuss the foundation on which It will be placed.

Mr. Benoit asked what the purpose of having a cement slab was, and why in Port au Port East and not required elsewhere? Council had some concerns regarding past mobile homes that had become derelict and run down, and that there has to be the same standard for mobile homes as for anyone building a home. Mayor Cashin said that a slab would not be required and a discussion regarding regulations took place. Council thanked Mr. & Mrs. Benoit for joining the meeting and said that they would research and provide an answer as soon as possible.

Minutes of meeting held on December 8^{th.}

Motion 04-2021

Councillor Johnston / Councillor McCann

Resolved, that, the minutes of meeting held on December 8th be approved as presented.

All In Favor Motion Carried

Correspondence:

 Gerry Clarke (Search & Rescue) – Asking if Council will continue to donate money to pay their phone bill for 2021?

Motion 05-2021

Councillor McCann / Deputy Mayor Hann

Resolved, that, the Town of Port au Port East will support the Stephenville, Kippen's, Port au Port Search and Rescue by giving a donation of \$1,000.00 to pay their telephone bill for 2021.

All In Favor Motion Carried

- "Thank You" from Jessica Benoit (winner of the Port au Port East \$200.00 Scholarship).
- Gerry Duffy offered to provide assistance with our water system if we need him very much appreciated.
- Generator An offer was made to Council to purchase a generator that the town is not using for \$600.00

Motion 06-2021

Councillor Johnston / Deputy Mayor Hann

Resolved, that, Council will accept the offer to sell the generator for \$600.00

All In Favor Motion Carried

Finances: Accounts Payable:

\$46,683.26

Motion 07-2021

Deputy Mayor Hann / Councillor McCann

Resolved, that, the accounts payable in the above amount be approved for payment.

All in Favor Motion Carried

Finances: Bank Statement for period ending December 31, 2020 – Reviewed and accepted.

Items for Discussion:

- Bacteriological Water Analysis Report December 8th, 2020 Satisfactory
- Letter to Council from Daren Benoit Confirming that he resigned his position as Water Operator/ Town Maintenance Worker as of January 2nd 2021.

Motion 08-2021

Councillor McCann / Councillor Martin

Resolved, that, Darren Roberts CPA – the town auditor will be asked to do a separate audit of Payroll when he does the yearly audit in January 2021.

All In Favor Motion Carried • Motion to hire Gary Hynes to work with Stephen Barter as the town's water operators/maintenance workers.

Motion 09-2021

Councillor McCann / Councillor Martin

Resolved, that, Gary Hynes will be hired to work with Stephen Barter as the town Water Operators/ Maintenance Workers.

All In Favor Motion Carried

• Gas allowance for Maintenance/ Water Operators

Motion 10-2021

Councillor Johnston / Councillor McCann

Resolved, that, the weekly gas allowance will be split 50/30.

All In Favor Motion Carried

- Annual Review Fee BMO. Clerk talked with Jennifer Hiscock Commercial Account Manager at BMO who dropped the annual review fee from \$500.00 down to \$250.00
- Draft Development Plan and Regulations Clerk presented Council members with a draft copy of our Development Plan and Regulations.

Adjournment:

Motion 11-2021

Councillor McCann / Councillor Johnston

Time of Adjournment

7:45 p.m

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