

**Minutes of regular council meeting held at EVPFD Fire Hall
at 7:00 P.M. on Wednesday, July 15, 2020**

Attendance

Councillors: Genevieve Squire, Bill Duffitt, Arthur Crisby, Shannon Powell, Alan Holman, Mary MacNab

Regrets: Kimberly Powell

Delegate: Roger Bull

At 7:15 PM, Roger Bull addressed the Council to advise that EP Wellness has received a \$33,000 grant from the Community Foundation of NL. The money is to be used to enhance the area for seniors and/or people with disabilities. The committee has arranged for the purchase and installation of Mobi-Mats on Eastport and Northside Beaches. These Mobi-Mats will allow people using wheelchairs or walkers a safe way to go on the beach.

Under the same grant, Pickleball equipment will be purchased for use at the existing rink. Pickle Ball is a paddleball sport (similar to a racquet sport) that combines elements of tennis, badminton, and table tennis. Two or four players use solid paddles made of wood or composite materials to hit a perforated polymer ball, with 26-40 round holes, over a net. EP Wellness also intends to build a teepee-like structure over the existing fire pit, in order to shelter the firepit from wind.

Meeting called to Order at 7:39 PM.

MOTION:	053-20
Proposed by:	Art Crisby
Seconded by:	Alan Holman
Resolved that the agenda be adopted as presented.	
In favour – 6; Opposed – 0. Abstained – 0. Carried.	

MOTION:	054-20
Proposed by	Bill Duffitt
Seconded by:	Shannon Powell
Resolved that minutes from June 17, 2020 be adopted.	
In favour – 6; Opposed – 0. Abstained – 0. Carried.	

BUSINESS ARISING

Clerk/Manager advised that necessary documentation for the Main Street Water & Sewer MCWP (Project Number 17-GI-21-00047) has been submitted to Municipal Affairs & Environment. The Regional Engineering Manager, Wilf Maloney, P.Eng has advised that work cannot commence until 2021.

Clerk/Manager also advised that representatives from the Department of Fisheries & Oceans and Crown Lands had evaluated the excavation site at 8 Clay Cove Road. No further municipal involvement is required.

MOTION: 055-20
Proposed by Mary MacNab
Seconded by: Art Crisby

Be it resolved that Council directs staff to apply for a grant opportunity from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Municipal Asset Management Program for Asset Management Initiative: Phase 1, Phase 2, and Phase 3. Tract Consulting shall draft the application on Council's behalf.

Be it therefore resolved that the Town of Eastport commits to conducting the following activities in its proposed project submitted to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Municipal Asset Management Program to advance our asset management program:

"Phase 1, Asset Register"

"Phase 2, Asset Prioritization"

"Phase 3, Capital and Operational Strategies and Policies"

Be it further resolved that the Town of Eastport commits \$5,750 from its budget toward the costs of this initiative.

In favour – 6; Opposed – 0. Abstained – 0. Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION: 056-20
Proposed by Bill Duffitt
Seconded by: Art Crisby

Be it resolved to that Council directs Clerk/Manager to engage an engineering firm and prepare a tender for paving of Penny's Road. As the application to the MCWP was rejected, Council will fund this project through cash on hand and Gas Tax funding.

In favour – 5; Opposed – 0. Abstained – 1. Carried.

MOTION: 057-20
Proposed by Art Crisby
Seconded by: Alan Holman

Resolved that the Town of Eastport will purchase three surveillance cameras for use on Eastport Beach, Northside Beach and the community playground.

In favour – 6; Opposed – 0. Abstained – 0. Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Council received a letter from residents of Burry's Lane and Legion Road about water & sewer lines that are directly in the middle of properties, making it impossible to develop the land. This issue has been ongoing for at least ten years, without resolution. All present felt that the most expeditious way to arrive at a compromise agreeable to all parties is to hold a meeting in the Fall, after all staff are back to a regular schedule.

Council received a letters from Sandra Bradley and Ches Crisby, requesting exemptions from the 'vacant land water & sewer tax'. After much discussion, it was determined that the two pieces of land in question are in fact inaccessible to water and/or sewer.

Dale Samson contacted the Town Clerk/Manager about moving an existing curb stop. Council discussed and felt that she may move the curb stop, but Council will not be responsible for any costs incurred.

MOTION: 058-20

Proposed by: Mary MacNab

Seconded by: Alan Holman

Resolved that land at 67G Main Street is inaccessible and should not be taxed for 'vacant land water and sewer.'

In favour – 6; Opposed – 0. Abstained – 0. Carried.

MOTION: 059-20

Proposed by: Mary MacNab

Seconded by: Alan Holman

Resolved that land at 45 Lane's Road is inaccessible and should not be taxed for 'vacant land water and sewer.'

In favour – 6; Opposed – 0. Abstained – 0. Carried.

FINANCE

The quick stat report, June bank reconciliation and payroll were reviewed and found to be in order.

MOTION: 060-20

Proposed by: Alan Holman

Seconded by: Art Crisby

Resolved that the following invoices be approved for payment as presented:

Fire Dept Account - Cheque #'s 1573 – 1575: \$1054.12

General Account - Cheque #'s: 8160 - 8187: A/P \$26,380.72; P/R - \$10,357.99

Total from General Account: \$36,738.71

In favour – 6; Opposed – 0. Abstained – 0. Carried.

PUBLIC WORKS

MOTION: 061-20

Proposed by Art Crisby

Seconded by: Alan Holman

Resolved that Station Road Contracting will be awarded the work for paving on Lane's Road, as their bid was the lowest.

Bids received were as follows:

Crossroads Contracting Ltd \$2500.00 + HST

Feltham's Construction Ltd \$1745.00 + HST

Station Road Contracting \$1150.00 + HST

In favour – 6; Opposed – 0. Abstained – 0. Carried.

MOTION: 062-20

Proposed by Art Crisby

Seconded by: Alan Holman

Resolved that Feltham's Construction will be awarded the work for on Babstock's Lane, as their bid was the lowest.

Bids received were as follows:

G&R Contracting Ltd \$3500.00 + HST

Crossroads Contracting Ltd \$1725.00 + HST

Feltham's Construction Ltd \$850.00 + HST

In favour – 5; Opposed – 0. Abstained – 1. Carried.

Mayor Squire abstained from voting, citing a Conflict of Interest

MOTION: 063-20

Proposed by: Bill Duffitt

Seconded by: Shannon Powell

Resolved that the following development application be approved as presented subject to the approval and recommendations of any and all applicable government departments and/or agencies:

008-20	38 Church Street	Extension on shed
009-20	59 Church Street	Build Shed

In favour – 6; Opposed – 0. Abstained – 0. Carried.

RECREATION REPORT

Councillor K. Powell sent along a list of items concerning Recreation & Wellness. She requested the following:

- Students paint the benches & flower boxes at the playground and stain the gazebos.
- Public Works staff spread left over Class A at the rink/community garden
- Trees and brush that were cut at the community garden to be added to the burn pile at bonfire site.
- Order a sign with COVID rules listed for placement at the Community Garden
- Bulbs to be planted in the late summer/fall in flower boxes throughout town
- Council has decided not to open the new washroom at the recreation grounds due to the cleaning regulations under the Public Health Emergency.

Town Clerk/Manager to coordinate the above tasks with Public Works employees.

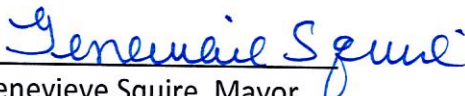
MOTION: 064-20

Proposed by: Art Crisby

Seconded by: Alan Holman

Resolved that the meeting adjourn at 9:12 PM. The next meeting will be held on August 12.

In favour – 6; Opposed – 0. Abstained – 0. Carried.


Genevieve Squire, Mayor


Kelly Bull, Town Clerk/Manager