

Minutes of regular council meeting held
at 7:00PM at April 24th at the Eastport Town Hall

Attendance

Mayor Kimberly Powell, Deputy Mayor Monica Bull

Councillors: Shannon Powell, David Decker, Ben Patey, Roger Bull, Art Crisby

Staff: Chantal Lynch – Town Clerk/Manager, Admin Assistant- Chelsea Harris

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM by Mayor Powell

2. Adoption of the Agenda

MOTION:	67-24
Proposed by:	Roger Bull
Seconded by:	Monica Bull
Resolved that the agenda be adopted with the addition of flags, playground and beach to new business.	
In favour – 7(Mayor Kim Powell, Deputy Mayor Monica Bull, Councillors: Shannon Powell, David Decker, Ben Patey, Roger Bull, Art Crisby). Opposed – 0. Carried.	

3. Adoption of Regular Council Minutes

MOTION:	68-24
Proposed by:	David Decker
Seconded by:	Shannon Powell
Resolved that the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on April 10 th , 2024, be adopted as presented.	
In favour – 7(Mayor Kim Powell, Deputy Mayor Monica Bull, Councillors: Shannon Powell, David Decker, Ben Patey, Roger Bull, Art Crisby). Opposed – 0. Carried.	

4. Business Arising

- a. Branding Eastport – Councillor Roger Bull updated that “Terra’s Edge” had been chosen by vote by the Road to the Beaches as the areas new branding slogan/catch phrase. Further information will follow.
- b. Joint Council Meeting, Sandy Cove April 25th, 2024 7:00PM – Mayor Kim Powell and Deputy Mayor Monica Bull will be attending.
- c. Water Agreement Update – the meeting was long overdue, information was shared around the table. There will be another meeting in June.

5. New Business

- a. Summer Student

MOTION:	69-24
Proposed by:	Ben Patey
Seconded by:	Art Crisby

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Resolved that a post-secondary skilled summer student be hired out of the recreation budget for four weeks for the purpose of planning the summer recreation and wellness program and yearly recreational activities for all ages.

In favour – 7(Mayor Kim Powell, Deputy Mayor Monica Bull, Councillors: Shannon Powell, David Decker, Ben Patey, Roger Bull, Art Crisby). Opposed – 0. Carried.

- b. Clean up week – will be set in conjunction with the Public Works Supervisor and the other communities.
- c. Flags, Playground, Beach – Deputy Mayor Monica Bull expressed concern that a flag at the cenotaph needs to be removed as it is tattered. There are items at the end of their life in the area near the playground. Councillor David Decker, as Chair of the Public Works/Planning & Development Committee advised it is already on the list of things to do.

6. Finance

MOTION: 70-24
Proposed by: Ben Patey
Seconded by: Shannon Powell

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

Line of Credit March 2024 - \$65.40
Fire Dept: Cheque #1837-1847 = \$1,065.89
General Account: Cheque #9996-10052=\$55,665.07
Quick Stats March 2024

In favour – 7(Mayor Kim Powell, Deputy Mayor Monica Bull, Councillors: Shannon Powell, David Decker, Ben Patey, Roger Bull, Art Crisby). Opposed – 0. Carried.

MOTION: 71-24
Proposed by: Monica Bull
Seconded by: Ben Patey

Resolved that pending completion of 2023 audit, a special meeting for the whole of council with the auditors to review audit and trends over four years. This meeting would also be an opportunity to discuss our financial picture, fiscal projections and ongoing risk management. There will be opportunity to ask questions and would be educational in terms of interpretation of audited financial statements.

In favour – 7(Mayor Kim Powell, Deputy Mayor Monica Bull, Councillors: Shannon Powell, David Decker, Ben Patey, Roger Bull, Art Crisby). Opposed – 0. Carried.

MOTION: 72-24
Proposed by: Ben Patey
Seconded by: Art Crisby

Resolved that the aged receivables amounts of \$28,xxx.xx be written off as per the Municipalities Act, Section XX in the year 2024.

In favour – 7(Mayor Kim Powell, Deputy Mayor Monica Bull, Councillors: Shannon Powell, David Decker, Ben Patey, Roger Bull, Art Crisby). Opposed – 0. Carried.

MOTION:	73-24
Proposed by:	Shannon Powell
Seconded by:	David Decker
Resolved that the meeting enter into a privileged meeting at 7:46PM	
In favour – 7(Mayor Kim Powell, Deputy Mayor Monica Bull, Councillors: Shannon Powell, David Decker, Ben Patey, Roger Bull, Art Crisby). Opposed – 0. Carried.	

MOTION:	74-24
Proposed by:	Art Crisby
Seconded by:	Shannon Powell
Resolved that the meeting revert to regular meeting at 7:48PM	
In favour – 7(Mayor Kim Powell, Deputy Mayor Monica Bull, Councillors: Shannon Powell, David Decker, Ben Patey, Roger Bull, Art Crisby). Opposed – 0. Carried.	

MOTION:	75-24
Proposed by:	Ben Patey
Seconded by:	David Decker
Resolved that as a result of unique circumstance, the amount of interest \$41.76 for PAR ID 056157 be written off.	
In favour – 7(Mayor Kim Powell, Deputy Mayor Monica Bull, Councillors: Shannon Powell, David Decker, Ben Patey, Roger Bull, Art Crisby). Opposed – 0. Carried.	

7. Committee/Liaison Reports

Mayor Kim Powell attended the Terra Nova National Park community leaders forum and gave updates on happenings at the park, including a new biking trail system in the park. Noted that the intersection of Route 310 and the north park entrance was satisfactory with regulations and would not be changed.

8. Town Clerk Report

- a. Town Clerk Manager advised that three quotes were received for Engineering design for Bank Road Water Management issues, as follows : All North - \$14,720.00, CeCon - \$6,756.25 and Meridian Engineering - \$8,625.00 (All prices were HST included)

MOTION:	76-24
Proposed by:	David Decker
Seconded by:	Shannon Powell
Resolved that the lowest price be accepted and the Engineering Design for Bank Road be completed by CeCon in the amount of \$6,756.25.	
In favour – 7(Mayor Kim Powell, Deputy Mayor Monica Bull, Councillors: Shannon Powell, David Decker, Ben Patey, Roger Bull, Art Crisby). Opposed – 0. Carried.	

- b. A complaint of a resident operating a construction yard will be investigated and deferred to the Public Works/Planning and Development Committee.

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- c. Fleet - The 2015 truck is having some issues, Public Works/Planning and Development Committee will meet with Marvin to discuss options.
- d. SCADA/Public Works Computer – the computer suffered damage as a result of the last series of power outages. A new computer will need to be purchased with an updated SCADA system, waiting on technical specifications from the engineers to proceed.
- e. Tulks Road Quarry 711:6881 Remediation

MOTION: 77-24

Proposed by: David Decker

Seconded by: Art Crisby

Resolved that the remediation of Quarry File 711:6881 is satisfactory to council, subject to the conditions of the Closure Report by Quarry Materials Compliance Officer. Noted the acceptance of this remediation does not substantiate permission for a new quarry adjacent to this site.

In favour – 7(Mayor Kim Powell, Deputy Mayor Monica Bull, Councillors: Shannon Powell, David Decker, Ben Patey, Roger Bull, Art Crisby). Opposed – 0. Carried.

- f. ATIPP requests – three requests have been received to the office. This will impede the regular work of the Town Clerk as ATIPP Coordinator.

9. Correspondence - none

10. Reading File - none

11. Adjournment

MOTION: 78-24

Proposed by: David Decker

Seconded by: Monica Bull

Resolved that the meeting be adjourned at 8:40PM and the next regular meeting would be held on May 8th at 7:00PM.

In favour – 7(Mayor Kim Powell, Deputy Mayor Monica Bull, Councillors: Shannon Powell, David Decker, Ben Patey, Roger Bull, Art Crisby). Opposed – 0. Carried.

Kim Powell – Mayor

Chantal Lynch – Town Clerk/Manager