

Minutes of regular council meeting held
at 7:00PM at June 27th at the Eastport Town Hall

Attendance

Mayor Kimberly Powell, Deputy Mayor Monica Bull

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

Staff: Chantal Lynch – Town Clerk/Manager, Admin Assistant – Chelsea Harris(via telephone)

Gallery – Barry Brown

1. Call to Order

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

2. Mayors Statement

Mayor Kim Powell advised that we have a responsibility to adhere to our Rules of Procedure. The voting process is laid out for us, once a Motion is made and seconded, Council must vote according to legislation and facts presented and not based on feelings.

3. Adoption of the Agenda

MOTION:	108-24
Proposed by:	Shannon Powell
Seconded by:	David Decker
Resolved that the agenda be adopted as presented.	
In favour – 6(Mayor Kim Powell, Deputy Mayor Monica Bull, Councillors: Shannon Powell, David Decker, Ben Patey, Roger Bull). Opposed – 0. Carried.	

4. Adoption of Regular Council Minutes

MOTION:	109-24
Proposed by:	Ben Patey
Seconded by:	Shannon Powell
Resolved that the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on June 12 th , 2024, be adopted as presented.	
In favour – 6(Mayor Kim Powell, Deputy Mayor Monica Bull, Councillors: Shannon Powell, David Decker, Ben Patey, Roger Bull). Opposed – 0. Carried.	

5. Business Arising

- a. Vendor Electrical Hook Up – the draft document is to be reviewed for adoption at the next regular meeting.
- b. Church Street, Bank Road, Beach Road Intersection – The position of the Dept of Transportation and Infrastructure remains the same. It was suggested that any councillor wishing to take this issue further was welcomed to. Concerned residents would be contacted with the outcome from the department.

6. New Business

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- a. Water leaks vs. demand – There was a discussion around the concerns of water leaks last year and the need for water conservation various times. Public Works are continuing the leak detection program and will issue conservation notices if/when needed.
- b. Staff Appreciation Lunch – scheduled for August 19th, Mayor Kim Powell and the Town Clerk Manager will facilitate this. All of Council is asked to attend.
- c. Fire Ban – extended to July 31st, 2024 by the Department of Forestry, due to various reasons, any updates will be communicated to the residents by Voyent Alert and Facebook.
Agreement to purchase 2 small, red/green reversible fire ban signs to be erected where necessary. (Northside Beach)

7. Finance Update

MOTION:	110-24
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 May 2024 - \$161.46 Fire Dept: Cheque #1852-1860; \$4,523.07 General Account: Cheque #10076-10163; \$83,495.22 Quick Stats May 2024	
In favour – 6(Mayor Kim Powell, Deputy Mayor Monica Bull, Councillors Shannon Powell, David Decker, Ben Patey, Roger Bull), Opposed – 0. Motion Carried.	

8. Committee /Liaison Reports

Communication Engagement Committee – Mayor Kim Powell gave an update on the Coffee with Council afternoon that took place today. It was a full afternoon, filled room. Very well received and another one will be scheduled soon.

Fire Dept Liaison – nothing to report

Shared Services Committee – the committee reviewed the agreement and the clerks will amend as identified. A meeting with public works crew will be scheduled to discuss a four year plan. The next meeting is scheduled for September 5th, 2024. Agreement to invite a representative from NL Power, MHA Lloyd Parrott and Sian French of TNNP to the next *Joint Council Meeting* to discuss the power outages on the peninsula due to downed trees in the park.

Public Works Update – The rink has been resurfaced, with a couple follow up items to be completed. Contractor will revisit after sufficient time has passed to finalize the project.

9. Town Clerk Manager Report

- a. Bike NL road race –

MOTION:	111-24
Proposed by:	Shannon Powell
Seconded by:	David Decker
Resolved that the request to host a bike road race in Eastport on September 1, 2024 be approved.	

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b. Porta Potty

MOTION: 112-24
Proposed by: David Decker
Seconded by: Shannon Powell

Resolved that the request to sponsor a porta potty at Northside Beach for the Damnable Trail Festival be approved.

In favour – 5(Mayor Kim Powell, Deputy Mayor Monica Bull, Councillors: Shannon Powell, David Decker, Roger Bull. Opposed – 1(Ben Patey) Carried.

c. Meeting Dates – PWPD Meeting July 4th at 9:00AM, Finance – July 9th at 7:00PM

d. MNL convention is being held in Gander on November 7-9th, 2024. There are amounts budgeted for 2 councillors and the Town Clerk Manager to attend. It is requested that Councillors attend the next regular meeting with a decision on whether or not they intend to attend the convention.

e. Vacant Land Water Tax – in response to ongoing correspondence surrounding vacant land water tax, it is agreed that more research will be conducted.

10. Correspondence

- a. Tony Rose, June 27th – Fireworks Advisory for Municipalities – filed for information purposes
- b. Baxter Lane, June 27th, Property Tax - agreed to send the decision of council from 2018.

11. Reading File

None

Adjournment

MOTION: 113-24
Proposed by: David Decker
Seconded by: Ben Patey

Resolved that the meeting adjourn at 8:21PM and the next Regular Council meeting would be scheduled for July 10th, 2024 at the Town Hall.

In favour – 6(Mayor Kim Powell, Deputy Mayor Monica Bull, Councillors: Shannon Powell, David Decker, Ben Patey, Roger Bull). Opposed – 0. Carried.

Kim Powell – Mayor

Chantal Lynch – Town Clerk/Manager