

Minutes of regular council meeting held
at 7:00PM at July 10th 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

1. Call to Order

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

2. Adoption of the Agenda

MOTION:	114-24
Proposed by:	Monica Bull
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.	

3. Adoption of Regular Council Minutes

MOTION:	115-24
Proposed by:	Shannon Powell
Seconded by:	David Decker
Resolved that the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on June 27 th , 2024, be adopted as amended to include “nothing to report” under Fire Dept Liaison, rather than “no update”	
In favour – 7(Mayor Kim Powell, Deputy Mayor Monica Bull, Councillors: Shannon Powell, David Decker, Ben Patey, Roger Bull). Opposed – 0. Carried.	

4. Business Arising

MNL Convention – names were drawn from the members of council able to attend. It was agreed that Mayor Kim Powell, Councillor Roger Bull and Town Clerk Manager Chantal Lynch would attend the MNL Convention in Gander, November 7-9, 2024.

5. New Business

None at this time.

6. Finance Update

MOTION:	116-24
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 June 2024 - \$751.09 Fire Dept: Accounts payable totaling \$2649.25 General Accounts Payable totaling \$18,369.48 Quick Stats June 2024	

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

MOTION: 117-24
Proposed by: Ben Patey
Seconded by: David Decker

Resolved that the Town would proceed with the tax sale of PAR ID 056231 as per legal advice.

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

MOTION: 118-24
Proposed by: Ben Patey
Seconded by: Shannon Powell

Resolved that the Town would proceed with the tax sale of PAR ID 056175, 056433, 195525, 195523 through legal consultation.

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

7. Public Works Planning and Development Update

Deputy Mayor questioned if Council felt she was in conflict in the matter to be discussed, the whole of council did not feel she was in conflict.

MOTION: 119-24
Proposed by: Shannon Powell
Seconded by: Ben Patey

Resolved that a request to change the zoning for 75B Main Street from Residential to Rural would proceed through the proper channels at the cost of the property owner.

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

MOTION: 120-24
Proposed by: David Decker
Seconded by: Shannon Powell

Resolved that the property owner at 75B Main Street would be advised that no new material is to be placed on the property, no further expansion is permitted, but material can be removed.

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

Public Works Committee showed a presentation on a versatile piece of equipment and the rationale for purchasing such.

MOTION: 121-24
Proposed by: David Decker
Seconded by: Ben Patey

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Resolved that the Town would proceed with the purchase of the piece of equipment (possibly through the Shared Services Agreement if requested by the other towns), in the 2025 budget, Ministerial approval to borrow would be sought accordingly in due process.

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

Beach Mats – Currently the mobi mats run parallel to the beach, they are meant to be perpendicular to help facilitate a better beach experience. Town Clerk Manager advised that the Public Works Supervisor will change the direction of the mats when the tide allows the mats to be placed without constant maintenance.

Concerns about the beach – Agreed to ensure the beach is cleaned every day.

MOTION:	122-24
Proposed by:	Shannon Powell
Seconded by:	Monica Bull

Resolved that the Vendor Policy for Electrical hookup 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. Motion Carried.

8. Committee /Liaison Reports

Communication Engagement Committee - Newsletter will be ready and out soon, aiming for the end of the month.

Fire Dept Liaison – nothing to report

9. Town Clerk Manager Report

- a. Mines and Energy – following the process outlined by the department, council may meet when necessary with any proponent regarding remediation, upon receiving a remediation report from the department.
- b. Committee meetings – Town Clerk Manager advised that committee meetings should be scheduled in advance to allow all members the opportunity to attend.
- c. Point of Interest – a young family had visited the office while on vacation and expressed huge interest in relocating to Eastport.

10. Correspondence

None

11. Reading File

- a. Fr: John Crisby – Bank Road concerns – the letter was read aloud by Deputy Mayor Monica Bull. There was discussion around the table, the majority of council remained in the position that the actions by the provincial government, as it is their road, and as council has been advised by the department of Transportation and Infrastructure, there is no safety concern when the motoring public are driving the speed limit.

12. Adjournment

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MOTION: 123-24

Proposed by: David Decker

Seconded by: Shannon Powell

Resolved that the meeting adjourn at 9:53PM and the next Regular Council meeting would be scheduled for August 14th, 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