

***Town of Long Harbour - Mount Arlington Heights  
Minutes of Regular Meeting  
December 10, 2020***

**In Attendance**

Mayor Gary Keating

Councillor Patricia Burke

Deputy Mayor Isadore Gambin

Councillor Kathleen Griffiths

Councillor Kevin McDonald

*Absent: Councillor Merrill Norman*

Also, in attendance: Juanita Gosse, Town Clerk/Manager

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Keating called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed everyone.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**MOTION 12-10-20-01 Adopt Agenda**

Moved by Councillor Kathleen Griffiths; seconded by Councillor Kevin McDonald.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the agenda be adopted as presented.

**In Favor:** Mayor Gary Keating  
Deputy Mayor Isadore Gambin  
**Councillors:** K. McDonald, P. Burke, K. Griffiths

**MOTION CARRIED**

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**MOTION 12-10-20-02 Adoption of Minutes of November 19, 2020**

Moved by Councillor Patricia Burke; seconded by Councillor Kevin McDonald.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the minutes of November 19, 2020 Regular Meeting be adopted as presented without error or omission.

**In Favor:** Mayor Gary Keating  
Deputy Mayor Isadore Gambin  
**Councillors:** K. McDonald, P. Burke, K. Griffiths

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION 12-10-20-03 Adopt the Notes of Special Meeting, November 30, 2020**

Moved by Councillor Patricia Burke; seconded by Mayor Gary Keating.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the notes of November 30, 2020 Special Meeting be adopted as presented without error or omission.

**In Favor:** Mayor Gary Keating  
Deputy Mayor Isadore Gambin  
**Councillors:** K. McDonald, P. Burke, K. Griffiths

**MOTION CARRIED**

**BUSINESS FROM THE MINUTES**

**Apply for COVID-19 Stimulus Program**

**MOTION 12-10-20-04 Apply for COVID-19 Stimulus Program**

Moved by Councillor Kevin McDonald; seconded by Deputy Mayor Isadore Gambin.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** that Council approves an application for a COVID-19 Stimulus Program to upgrade ATV and walking trails within Long Harbour-Mount Arlington Heights. We will also replace the siding and six windows in the depot building. Indoor work will include painting the floors at the Fire Hall and Pumphouse.

**In Favor:** Mayor Gary Keating  
Deputy Mayor Isadore Gambin  
**Councillors:** K. McDonald, P. Burke, K. Griffiths

**MOTION CARRIED**

**2021 Community Calendar**

**MOTION 12-10-20-05 Community Calendars**

Moved by Mayor Gary Keating; seconded by Deputy Mayor Isadore Gambin.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** that Council approves the 2021 Community Calendar for print.

**In Favor:** Mayor Gary Keating  
Deputy Mayor Isadore Gambin  
**Councillors:** K. McDonald, P. Burke, K. Griffiths

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Damage to Fire Hydrant and Town Sign**

**MOTION 12-10-20-06 Invoice for Damage to Town Property**

Moved by Councillor Patricia Burke; seconded by Deputy Mayor Isadore Gambin.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** that Council approves having CBS Plumbing and Heating repair the fire hydrant at the quoted price of \$2,297.70. Also, have the Town Depot sign repaired and note the costs. Forward both invoices to the vehicle owner for reimbursement.

**In Favor:** Mayor Gary Keating  
Deputy Mayor Isadore Gambin  
**Councillors:** K. McDonald, P. Burke, K. Griffiths

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Gifts for Seniors**

**MOTION 12-10-20-07 Purchase Christmas Gifts for Seniors and Shut-in's**

Moved by Councillor Kathleen Griffiths; seconded by Councillor Kevin McDonald.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** that Council will purchase Christmas gifts for seniors and shut-in's.

**In Favor:** Mayor Gary Keating  
Deputy Mayor Isadore Gambin  
**Councillors:** K. McDonald, P. Burke, K. Griffiths

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Christmas Gifts for Councillors and Staff**

**MOTION 12-10-20-08 Christmas Gifts for Councillors and Staff**

Moved by Councillor Kathleen Griffiths; seconded by Councillor Kevin McDonald.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** that Council will purchase Christmas gifts for Councillors and Staff, same as last year.

**In Favor:** Mayor Gary Keating  
Deputy Mayor Isadore Gambin  
**Councillors:** K. McDonald, P. Burke, K. Griffiths

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Donation to Council organizations**

**MOTION 12-10-20-09 to Donate to Fire Department and Sport and Recreation Committee**

Moved by Councillor Patricia Burke; seconded by Deputy Mayor Isadore Gambin.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** that Council will make a donation to the Fire Department and the Sports and Recreation Committee in the amount of \$500.00.

**In Favor:** Mayor Gary Keating  
Deputy Mayor Isadore Gambin  
**Councillors:** K. McDonald, P. Burke, K. Griffiths

**MOTION CARRIED**

## **MANAGERS REPORT**

### **Information on Generator for Water Treatment Plant**

During our budget meetings, I was asked to review past minutes and bring forward information on the Generator for the Water Treatment Plant.

According to the minutes of February 2017:

Meeting with Cahill – Re: Generator for WTP: Council met with Cahill on February 1 to discuss the requirements to install a generator at the Water Treatment Plant. To ensure continued production and distribution, the plant would require a 100-kw generator at a cost of \$95,000.00 plus HST.

A 40-kw generator would allow continued distribution from one pump. A price estimate on this is \$20,000 plus HST.

A much smaller generator would be required to ensure adequate heat and light in both buildings.

All options were discussed. It was determined that our water storage tank would not service the town for an extended power outage. During an extended outage, more residents would keep water running so their waterpipes don't freeze. The amount in the tank would be depleted in a very short time.

Council decided the main priority is to keep both buildings heated during a power outage.

- Town Manager to check prices for a 100-kw Generator

### **Information on Vehicle and Equipment Depot**

Quotes on Steel Buildings were presented at the meeting of March 2017.

Building specifications, 30ft x 60ft with 14ft walls, three overhead doors and one man-door.

Northern Steel quoted \$34,876 plus HST

Allied Building quoted \$49,000 plus HST

Future Building – Toro Steel Building quoted \$28,400.00. Specifications on this building are slightly different as this building was built for another customer and the order was cancelled. This building is 30 x 54 with 14 ft walls. The list price was \$56,869.00, but after some negotiation they agreed to \$28,400.00, including shipping.

The entry went on to talk about payment and delivery.

Council agreed to further discuss the requirements of the building and made a motion to defer the purchase of a steel building.

- Defer to next meeting

**Safe Start Program:**

As part of the COVID-19 Safe Start Program, the town received a cheque for \$10,871.38.

**ATV Bridge Project:** This project is complete.

**Redirect Water from Newtown Road:** This project started Monday, December 7, 2020.

**Requesting approval to take vacation time** – Town Manager is requesting approval to take her remaining vacation time, December 29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, and 31<sup>st</sup>.

- It was agreed to close the office between Christmas and New Year. Town Manager will meet with the outside staff by phone during her time off.

**DELEGATIONS** – None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Bill C-213**

The email was copied to all councillors.

Members of Parliament are seeking your support by formally endorsing Bill C-213, the Canada Pharmacare Act. Introduced in February 2020, the Canada Pharmacare Act is ground-breaking new federal legislation based on the recommendations of the Hoskins Advisory Council on the implementation of National Pharmacare and modeled on the Canada Health Act.

The Canada Pharmacare Act specifies the conditions and criteria that provincial and territorial prescription drug insurance programs must meet to receive federal funding.

**MOTION 12-10-20-10 Bill C-213**

Moved by Councillor Patricia Burke; seconded by Deputy Mayor Isadore Gambin.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** that Council supports Bill C-213 and will sign the e-petition.

**In Favor:** Mayor Gary Keating  
Deputy Mayor Isadore Gambin  
**Councillors:** K. McDonald, P. Burke, K. Griffiths

**MOTION CARRIED**

## **Citizens Crime Prevention**

Requesting Council purchase an ad in their Citizens Crime Prevention – Family Violence Awareness Handbook. The price list for an ad is attached.

### **MOTION 12-10-20-11 Purchase Ad**

Moved by Councillor Kathleen Griffiths; seconded by Councillor Patricia Burke.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** that Council will make a \$50.00 donation to the Citizens Crime Prevention.

**In Favor:** Mayor Gary Keating  
Deputy Mayor Isadore Gambin  
Councillors: K. McDonald, P. Burke, K. Griffiths

**MOTION CARRIED**

## **FINANCE**

### **Cheque and Visa List**

The cheque list was presented for the period from November 20, 2020 to December 10, 2020 in the amount of \$236,578.27. Because of the early December meeting, the Visa statement is not yet received.

### **MOTION 12-10-20-12 Cheque List**

Moved by Councillor Kathleen Griffiths; seconded by Councillor Kevin McDonald.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the cheque log for period of November 20, 2020 to December 10, 2020 in the amount of \$236,578.27 be approved for payment.

**In Favor:** Mayor Gary Keating  
Deputy Mayor Isadore Gambin  
Councillors: K. McDonald, P. Burke, K. Griffiths

**MOTION CARRIED**

### **Cash Analysis**

Cash analysis was copied to all councillors.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

### **2021 Budget Submission**

Department of Environment, Climate Change and Municipalities acknowledges receipt of our 2021 Budget and advises it is under review.

## **Message from the Desk of MHA Jeff Dwyer**

The message is regarding the Come By Chance Refinery. MHA Jeff Dwyer is committed to doing everything he can to ensure a viable and bright future for the refinery. To this end, he has lobbied Minister Parsons and Premier Furey to undertake the necessary steps to help secure a long-term operator of the refinery. This includes putting the refinery in warm idle, until a successful deal can be reached, and plans are put in place for the refinery to return to full operations.

**NOTICE OF MOTION** - None

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Councillor Kevin McDonald:**

**Vale** – Attended the Community Liaison Meeting on December 8<sup>th</sup> there are presently 9 employees from Long Harbour with Vale and 27 from Long Harbour with a Contractor for a total of 36. They had a good presentation on the green crab issue that's infesting our waters and there is a study on how they can eliminate them or reduce their reproduction. They are rapidly producing at an uncontrollable rate. One female crab can produce 150 thousand eggs at a time. They completed the installation of 2 new titanium tanks and completed their shutdown recently. They also mentioned that there has been a huge increase in demand for cobalt due the production of EV's. They also mentioned that they will be hiring 20 Process Technicians in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2021.

- Town Manager will do a OneCall to advertise that Vale will hire 20 Process Technicians in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2021. Let residents know to apply through the Valejobs.ca website.

**Fire Department** – Nothing to report

**ERSB** - Attended the monthly Directors meeting on November 25<sup>th</sup>.

**HR** – nothing further to report at this public meeting.

**Audit/Finance & Economic Development** – The budget for 2021 was completed.

**Public Works/Roads** – The shoulders on the main road are still quite hazardous in a number of places.

- It was noted that photos of the shoulders were forwarded to MHA Jeff Dwyer's office. Town Manager will follow up.

**Strategic Planning** – Nothing further to report

**Community Affairs/Recreation** – Nothing to report due to Covid 19.

**Councillor Patricia Burke:** Because of COVID-19 the Church can only host 50 people for Christmas service. We will be receiving a request to do a OneCall letting residents know so they are not disappointed.

**Councillor Merrill Norman:** Absent

**Councillor Kathleen Griffiths:** Nothing to report. Would like to chat about a Christmas Social for councillors and staff.

**Deputy Mayor Isadore Gambin:** There are ongoing HR issues.

Asked about sludge to the ocean.

- The backwash sample results are back and have been forwarded to Department of Environment, Deneen Spracklin. The results are required to be submitted to DOE yearly to comply with our Permit to Operate the water treatment plant. I have also asked Deneen to check the results against the Schedule B requirements.

**Mayor Gary Keating:**

**DATE FOR NEXT MEETING** – January 21, 2021

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION 12-10-20-13 Adjournment**

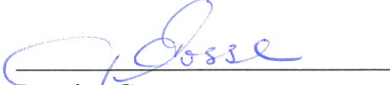
Moved by Councillor Kevin McDonald, seconded by Councillor Patricia Burke.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the meeting be adjourned to a privileged session at p.m.

**In Favor:** Mayor Gary Keating  
Deputy Mayor Isadore Gambin  
**Councillors:** K. McDonald, P. Burke, K. Griffiths

**MOTION CARRIED**

  
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