Town of Long Harbour - Mount Arlington Heights Minutes of Regular Meeting January 9, 2025

In Attendance

Mayor Walter Keating

Councillor Gary Keating

Councillor Wayne Kelly

Councillor William Murphy

Absent: Deputy Mayor Kevin McDonald

Absent: Councillor Lydia Burke

Absent: Councillor Barry Murphy

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

CALL TO ORDER

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

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION 01-09-25-01 - Adopt the Agenda

Moved by Councillor Wayne Kelly, seconded by Councillor Gary Keating.

Councillor William Murphy requested to have noted that he has not reviewed the agenda.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda be adopted as presented.

In Favor:Mayor Walter KeatingCouncillors:G. Keating, W. Kelly, W. Murphy

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOTION 01-09-25-02 - Adopt the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held December 5, 2024

Moved by Councillor Wayne Kelly, seconded by Councillor Gary Keating

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of December 5, 2024, Regular Meeting be adopted without errors or omissions.

In Favor:Mayor Walter KeatingCouncillors:G. Keating, W. Kelly, W. Murphy

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BUSINESS FROM THE MINUTES

MANAGERS REPORT

CEEP Project: The CEEP Project has ended. Because of poor weather, the CEEP employees didn't complete the trail cutting. What was done was considered great work. Mayor Keating walked the cut trail and commended the group on a job well done.

The guardrail installation on Main Street - The guardrail installation requires a retaining wall. This work was quoted by H&R Enterprises Ltd. They quoted \$6,000 plus HST to build the retaining wall and install the guardrail. As you know, the guardrail and posts were purchased as part of the MCW project. I emailed Meridian Engineering and asked if installation could be covered as well under the MCW Waterline Replacement funding. Stephen Porter with Municipal Infrastructure approved the work eligible for 90% MCW funding.

Annual Leave – I would like to schedule annual leave for May 22, 2025 – June 9, 2025.

MOTION 01-09-25-03 - Approve Annual Leave

Moved by Councillor William Murphy, seconded by Councillor Wayne Kelly

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council approves annual leave from May 22 to June 9, 2025, for the Town Manager.

In Favor:Mayor Walter KeatingCouncillors:G. Keating, W. Kelly, W. Murphy

MOTION CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

Scotiabank – Update Borrowing Resolution

The resolution was copied to all councillors for review and must be updated each year. We need a motion to approve the resolution to borrow as presented.

MOTION 01-09-25-04 - Approve updated resolution to borrow from Scotiabank

Moved by Councillor Gary Keating, seconded by Councillor Wayne Kelly

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Mayor/Deputy Mayor and the Town Clerk is/are hereby authorized on behalf of the Town of Long Harbour-Mount Arlington Heights to borrow from the Bank of Nova Scotia, from time to time by way of promissory note, a sum or sums not exceeding at any one time, Twenty Five Thousand dollars, to meet, until the taxes are collected, current expenditures of the Corporation for the year 2025.

In Favor:Mayor Walter KeatingCouncillors:G. Keating, W. Kelly, W. Murphy

MOTION CARRIED

Accessibility Plan 2025-2027

The 2025-2027 Accessibility Plan was copied to all councillors for review. We need a motion to adopt the plan as presented.

- Deferred to next meeting

Email from Mills/Wright - Maturin Pond Walking Trail Extension

The email was copied to all councillors for review.

The entire walking trail extension did not get cut during the CEEP project. This was due to poor weather and trail conditions. The question is, will council hire employees to complete the cutting, or should Mills and Wright include the trail cutting in their scope of work to be tendered.

Mills and Wright would also like to schedule a meeting with Council to review the drawings, cost estimates and tender process. This could be a Teams meeting.

MOTION 01-09-25-06 – Trail Cutting

Moved by Councillor William Murphy, seconded by Councillor Gary Keating

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council will include the trail cutting to the scope of work for tender.

In Favor:Mayor Walter KeatingCouncillors:G. Keating, W. Kelly, W. Murphy

MOTION CARRIED

DEVELOPMENT

DELEGATIONS

FINANCE

MOTION 01-09-25-07 Approve Cheque List

Moved by Councillor Wayne Kelly; seconded by Councillor Gary Keating.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the cheque list for the period of December 5, 2024 to January 9, 2025 in the amount of \$91,322.92 be approved for payment as well as the Visa Statement in the amount of \$12,683.00 for the month of December 2024.

In Favor:Mayor Walter KeatingCouncillors:G. Keating, W. Kelly, W. Murphy

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CORRESPONDENCE

Government Circular

The circular was copied to all councillors for review. The Department of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities Canada has announced the launch of the Rural Transit Solutions Fund's Capital Projects Stream. This new stream intake, under the Canada Public Transit Fund, supports the development and expansion of locally driven transit solutions.

Memo – Municipal Assessment Agency

The memo was copied to all councillors to review at their convenience.

Government of NL – Fire Services Funding Opportunities

The documents were copied to all councillors for review.

Applications will be accepted from January 1, 2025, to March 31, 2025, for Fire Protection Vehicle and Equipment Funding Programs.

These documents provide information about the funding program, the cost share and how to apply. Copies of these documents were emailed to our Volunteer Fire Department.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

DATE FOR NEXT MEETING - February 20, 2025

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 01-09-25-08 Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Gary Keating, seconded by Councillor Wayne Kelly.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting is adjourned at 7:17 pm.

In Favor:Mayor Walter KeatingCouncillors:G. Keating, W. Kelly, W. Murphy

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Walter Keating Mayor

Juanita Gosse Town Clerk/Manager

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