

***Town of Long Harbour - Mount Arlington Heights
Minutes of Regular Meeting
March 27, 2025***

In Attendance

Mayor Walter Keating

Councillor Wayne Kelly

Deputy Mayor Kevin McDonald

Absent: Councillor William Murphy

Councillor Gary Keating

Absent: Councillor Barry Murphy

Councillor Lydia Burke

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

CALL TO ORDER

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

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION 03-27-25-01 - Adopt the Agenda

Moved by Deputy Mayor Kevin McDonald, seconded by Councillor Lydia Burke.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda be adopted as presented.

In Favor: Mayor Walter Keating
Deputy Mayor Kevin McDonald
Councillors: G. Keating, W. Kelly, L. Burke

MOTION CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOTION 03-27-25-02 - Adopt the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held February 12, 2025

Moved by Councillor Gary Keating, seconded by Councillor Lydia Burke.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of February 12, 2025, Regular Meeting be adopted without errors or omissions.

In Favor: Mayor Walter Keating
Deputy Mayor Kevin McDonald
Councillors: G. Keating, W. Kelly, L. Burke

MOTION CARRIED

BUSINESS FROM THE MINUTES

MANAGER'S REPORT

ACOA - Trail Project – Our ACOA application and proposal for the walking trail on the north side of Maturin Pond was submitted to ACOA and we have been given a project number. This is the first step in securing this funding.

Community Garden Grant – The office has applied for the 2025 Community Garden Grant. It's a small grant of \$700.00 that can be used to fund building additional raised beds, as well as purchasing small garden tools, and planting supplies.

Active NL Grant – The office has submitted an application for the Active NL grant. We have applied for \$48,400 to finish cutting the trail on the north side of Maturin Pond. If we are successful, we will recalculate our funding request from ACOA, which will strengthen our chances of obtaining the ACOA funding.

Year-End Financial Statements - The auditors were in the office on Tuesday, March 25, 2025, to begin the year-end audit.

Visa Card – The towns Visa Card was compromised. Several attempts were made to purchase items from Quebec. This triggered Scotiabank to block the card immediately, therefore, there were no fraudulent charges made on the card. We are currently waiting for a new card to be issued. In the meantime, I have been using my personal visa to continue with online payments such as Starlink. My personal visa card is not a point card so there is no personal gain in its use.

Cougar Invoice - I spoke with Cougar about the invoice Council received for the work Cougar did repairing Mr. Thomas Murphy's waterline. I advised Cougar that Council cannot pay to have a resident's private waterline repaired. If Council were to do that, we would have to offer that service to all residents. The decision Cougar made to go ahead and repair the waterline is between them and Mr. Murphy, and the invoice should have been sent to the owner.

MOTION 03-27-25-03 – Approve Partial Payment of Invoice from Cougar

Moved by Councillor Gary Keating, seconded by Councillor Lydia Burke.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town approves paying ½ of the outstanding invoice.

In Favor: Mayor Walter Keating
Deputy Mayor Kevin McDonald
Councillors: G. Keating, W. Kelly, L. Burke

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Volunteer Appreciation Night: The office staff are currently working on Appreciation Night. Appreciation Night is scheduled for Saturday, April 26, 2025. This year's theme is Volunteers Make Waves – Together we Create Ripples of Change. In the next day or two, we will send out invitations and request RSVP.

Water Workshop – Our Water Treatment Plant Operator Glen Power was in Gander this week to participate in Water Workshop.

NEW BUSINESS

Gas Tax Annual Expenditure Report - 2024

The 2024 Gas Tax Annual Expenditure Report was copied to all councillors for review.

MOTION 03-27-25-04 - Adopt the 2024 Annual Gas Tax Expenditure Report

Moved by Deputy Mayor Kevin McDonald, seconded by Councillor Gary Keating.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the 2024 Annual Expenditure Report for the Local Government Canada Community Building Fund Agreement is approved as presented.

In Favor: Mayor Walter Keating
Deputy Mayor Kevin McDonald
Councillors: G. Keating, W. Kelly, L. Burke

MOTION CARRIED

Municipalities Newfoundland & Labrador Municipal Symposium

The Municipalities NL Symposium is scheduled for May 1st to May 3rd in Gander. Requesting approval for two to attend.

MOTION 03-27-25-05 – MNL Symposium Attendance and Travel approval

Moved by Deputy Mayor Kevin McDonald, seconded by Councillor Lydia Burke.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT three councillors are approved to attend the 2025 MNL Symposium in Gander.

In Favor:
Deputy Mayor Kevin McDonald
Councillors: G. Keating, W. Kelly, L. Burke
Contrary Minded: Mayor Walter Keating

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Janeway Donation Request

The Janeway Telethon is scheduled for June 7th and 8th. Requesting a donation be made to the Janeway.

MOTION 03-27-25-06 – Donation Approval

Moved by Councillor Lydia Burke, seconded by Councillor Wayne Kelly

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council will donate \$500.00 to the Janeway.

In Favor: Mayor Walter Keating
Deputy Mayor Kevin McDonald
Councillors: G. Keating, W. Kelly, L. Burke

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Total Power – Price quote for Generator

Some time ago, Council priced a generator for this Municipal Complex. The idea was to allow this building to become the Command Centre for disaster management and to provide a warming station for our residents. If I'm not mistaken, the price quote for the generator installation, at that time was around \$90,000. Cordell Callan, our electrician, sent me this quote from Total Power last week. He called to ask that I present it to Council as the cost is much lower. The Generac Protector Series - 120/208V 3 phase is currently priced at \$33,000 plus HST. Installation and startup would be extra.

- Deferred for additional information.

DEVELOPMENT

Proposed Undertaking for Long Harbour Quarry

The quarry proposal filed by Anytime Heavy Haul was copied to all councillors to review. The proposed undertaking has been registered with the Department of Environment and Climate Change in accordance with the Environmental Protection Act.

Council is invited to review the registration documents and submit any comments and/or concerns in writing to the Minister of Environment and Climate Change.

DELEGATIONS

FINANCE

MOTION 03-27-25-07 Approve Cheque List

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

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the cheque list for the period of February 13 to March 27, 2025, in the amount of \$139,008.45 be approved for payment as well as the Visa Statement in the amount of \$2,700.34 for the month of February 2025.

In Favor: Mayor Walter Keating
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CORRESPONDENCE

Government of NL – Approval to Call Public Tender

The Government of NL has issued approval to call public tender for the Capital Works Project Waterline Replacement Phase 3.

Government of NL – Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000 Amendments

The document was copied to all councillors to review and outlines several amendments to the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000.

Government of NL Circular – Re: Council Meetings and Publications

The document was copied to all councillors to review and outlines Section 39 and Section 38 (3) of the Municipalities Act, regarding the holding of Council meetings and publications of changes to meetings.

Meridian Engineering Inc. – Recommendation to Award Tender for Waterline Replacement Phase 3

Tender for Project 17-MCW-25-00038 Waterline Replacement Phase 3 closed on Friday, March 24, 2025. The lowest bidder was Shaw Venture's Co. Ltd. with a bid of \$624,772.75 HST included. Meridian deems the bid to be in good order and represents a valid bid. Meridian recommends Council award to Shaw Venture's Co. Ltd. This bid will leave a project surplus of \$248,138.20.

MOTION 03-27-25-07 –Approval to Award Tender

Moved by Councillor Wayne Kelly, seconded by Deputy Mayor Kevin McDonald.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council awards tender for Project 17-MCW-25-00038 Waterline Replacement Phase 3, to Shaw Venture's Co. Ltd. having the lowest bid of \$624,772.75 HST included.

In Favor: Mayor Walter Keating
Deputy Mayor Kevin McDonald
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COMMITTEE REPORTS

DATE FOR NEXT MEETING - April 17, 2025

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 03-27-25-08 Adjournment

Moved by Deputy Mayor Kevin McDonald seconded by Councillor Lydia Burke.

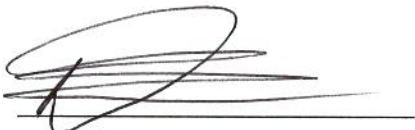
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting is adjourned at 7:32 pm.

In Favor: Mayor Walter Keating

Deputy Mayor Kevin McDonald

Councillors: G. Keating, W. Kelly, L. Burke

MOTION CARRIED

A black ink signature of Walter Keating, consisting of a large, stylized 'W' and 'K' followed by several horizontal strokes.

Walter Keating
Mayor

A blue ink signature of Juanita Gosse, featuring a cursive 'J' and 'G' followed by several horizontal strokes.

Juanita Gosse
Town Clerk/Manager