

Regular Meeting
Wednesday, September 23, 2009
Town Office @ 6:30 p.m.

Members Present:

Mayor Donald Stewart	Wade Tibbo	Angela Tibbo
Deputy-Mayor Lloyd Jensen	Susan Skinner	
Eric Day	Bernie Stewart	

Also Present:

Bernice Herritt, Clerk/Manager
Palmer Strowbridge, Town Superintendent
Lori Pierce, SEP Assistant

Before the minutes of September 2, 2009 were presented for adoption by Mayor Stewart, the following new business was addressed:

1. Recommends that an ad be placed on the community channel regarding the fires been lit at the dump & left unattended;

Errors/Omissions: Minutes of September 2, 2009: n/a

O/S Items: Minutes of September 2, 2009

1. Hydro billings: Councillor A. Tibbo informed that she attended a meeting regarding the previous issue for the hydro billings at the Elliott Premises. Committee felt that the rent being paid to the town for the café is sufficient to cover the difference in the hydro billings from when the building was vacant compared to it being occupied. Inform the committee that the rent will remain status quo for 2009, however, will be reviewed in April 2010, if they want to use the building again;
2. Salaries: This to be looked at when preparing the 2010 budget;
3. Business on 57 Hr. Drive:
Motion #09-068:E. Day/A.Tibbo
Resolved that the municipal taxes for the business located on 57 Hr. Drive to remain status quo for 2009.

In favour: 5

Opposed: 2

Motion Carried.

4. Resident on 13 Lydia's Lane: Complaint of strong chlorine odour. Keep monitoring to see if we can find out the cause;

Motion #09-069:S. Skinner/W. Tibbo

Resolved that the Minutes of September 2, 2009 be adopted as presented, as circulated, with the above noted changes.

In favour: 7

Opposed: 0

Motion Carried

Correspondence Action/Summary Report:

- **Municipal Affairs:** Informing that our 4 out of 5 projects applied for under the Gas Tax Funds has been approved;
- **CECON:** Informing that the DFA has made their selection as the preferred site for the aquaculture wharf;
- **Michael Griffin:** Response regarding the liability for repairs to neglected properties. Follow up with respect to the property located on Hearn's Point Road;
- **Municipal Affairs:** Application for the 2010/2011 municipal capital works program. Recommends to re-apply for road reconstruction projects as per last years proposal. (Bay View Road, Mulberry Crescent, Brunette Place, Landslide Road, Rocky Point Lighthouse & Bridge to Gun Hill);
- **Fire & Emergency Services:** Cost shared funding to attend the fire emergency training school & the upcoming training schedule;
- **Town of Hermitage/Sandyville:** Requesting a letter of support in their endeavour to obtain the Conher Development building. Recommends that a letter be sent outlining the reasons for not supporting this request. Copy to COBC & INTRD;
- **MNL:** Request for a financial contribution, prize or food products for prizes for the AGM (Central NL Night). Recommends to obtain some fish products;
- **Commodity Tax Consultants Inc.** Requesting consideration to do a an updated tax commodity review. Recommends approval;

1. Town Super Report:

- Update on the water line in area of Tibbo Crescent was provided. Three residents are now hooked into the new line;
- Update on 2 lanes in 'down hr.' area. Good job done with the gravel lane & to keep monitoring the other wooden lane;
- Update on truck & Municipal Affairs (debt servicing ratio). Unable to obtain truck as previously agreed to do. MA advises of the debt service ratio as it relates to the Town's debt and future loans;
- **Motion #09-070:B.Stewart/W.Tibbo**
Resolved that the Town to consider buying out the 2006 GMC, subject to the condition that the amount of buy out not to exceed \$15,000.

In favour: 7

Opposed: 0

Motion Carried.

Building Committee Report: (Attached)

Finance Committee Report:

- Minutes of September 10, 2009 were presented for adoption by Councillor E. Day;
- **Motion#09-071:B.Stewart/W.Tibbo**
Resolved that the minutes of September 10, 2009 be adopted as presented, as circulated.

In favour: 7

Opposed: 0

Motion Carried.

LIAISON REPORTS:

- **Public Relations:**
- **Fire Department (B. Stewart)**
Mayor provided an update on the meeting he attended. He was informed at that time that there is the possibility of 3 retirees at the end of the year;
- **Recreation (S. Skinner):**
 1. Councillor B. Stewart informed that due to work commitments, he was unable to schedule the meeting for the new arena board.
Furthermore, due to future work commitments, he is unable to be involved with this board as previously suggested. This item to be put on the agenda for the next meeting;
 2. It was noted that as a condition of funding (\$15,000) being approved for the fitness center, the former IMP building was used as the town's in-kind contribution towards the project;
 3. Concerns expressed with the heat being left on at the hospitality room at the arena. Memo to be sent to the Bingo Committee;
- **Sunny Cottage (L. Jensen):**
 1. Proposal has been submitted for the 100th anniversary celebration of the Sunny Cottage;
- **Beautification (D. Stewart):**
- **Economic Development (E. Day/D. Stewart/W.Tibbo):**
- **Elliott Premises Management Committee (J. Vallis/A. Tibbo)**
- **HBIC:** To date, not many applications received.

Other Business:

1. Mayor Stewart informed that after the COBC AGM, discussions were held with representatives from ACOA & Service Canada regarding funding opportunities;

With no further business, a motion for adjournment was made by Councillor Eric Day & seconded by Susan Skinner . Adjournment at 9:00 p.m.

Donald Stewart
Mayor

Bernice Herritt
Clerk/Manager