

Regular Meeting - Wed. January 12, 2011
Town Office @ 6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Mayor Eric Skinner John H. Day Gerald Pittman Angela Tibbo
Eric Day Everett Allen Donald Stewart

Also Attending: Bernice Herritt, Clerk/Manager
Hannah Wells/Lilly, Office Clerk
Palmer Strowbridge, Town Superintendent

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Skinner at 6:30 p.m. and the minutes of December 8, 2010 were presented for adoption .

Errors/Omissions: Minutes of December 8, 2010:
Page 2, Item #5: The word "NEIA" should have been "NAIA";

Motion # 11-001:G. Pittman/A. Tibbo

Resolved that the Minutes of December 8, 2010 be adopted as presented, as circulated.

In favour: 7 Opposed: 0 Motion Carried.

Business Arising: Minutes of December 8, 2010:

1. Representation on the CYN Drug & Alcohol Abuse Committee: Recommends that a letter be written outlining Council's concerns as discussed;
2. Citi-Financial – Property on 14 Elliott Drive: Mayor informed of a conversation held with Citi regarding this property. Recommends to proceed as per the Mun. Act to acquire this property for demolition;

Minutes of December 13, 2010 were then presented for adoption by Mayor Skinner.

Motion # 11-002: E.Day/D. Stewart

Resolved that the Minutes of December 13, 2010 be adopted as presented, as circulated.

In favour: 7 Opposed: 0 Motion Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: ACTION/SUMMARY REPORT:

1. MMSB: Information on the backyard compost bins. Copy info to the Beautification Committee;
2. Former resident of Hr. Breton: Informing that they are interested in purchasing the property located on 11 Elliott Drive, if it becomes available;
3. D. Wells: Reply to request for advantages/disadvantages for ownership of Rocky Pt. Lighthouse

Motion # 11-003: E. Day/A. Tibbo

Resolved that the Town would proceed with acquiring ownership of the Rocky Point Lighthouse.

In favour: 7 Opposed: 0 Motion Carried.

3. Northern Harvest Sea Farms: Reply to the proposed tax agreement amount and counter offer as outlined.

Motion # 11-004:J. H. Day/D. Stewart

Resolved to negotiate a tax agreement with Northern Harvest Sea Farms as discussed for 2010-2012 based on the current business operations in town.

In favour: 7 Opposed: 0 Motion Carried.

3. Miss Teen NL: Forward information rec'd to the CYN;
4. Dept. of Fisheries & Aqua: Reply to correspondence forwarded concerning the inflow(clean) wharf. Thank you letter be sent and invite to visit Hr. Breton;
5. Dept. of Government Services: Copy of correspondence forwarded to resident on 24 Spencer's Brook Road regarding local business offering accommodations without approvals from various government departments. To date, still no reply from individuals 'alleged' to be operating;
6. Dept. of Environment/Conservation: 2010 Spring Drinking Water Quality Report. Copied to Kendall Engineering;
7. COB's Oceans Conference Report: Report available at office;

Town Super Report: & Building Committee Report: (attached); Mr. Strowbridge left at 8:00 p.m.

Finance Committee Report::

1. Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, January 18, 2011 at 6:30 p.m;

LIAISON REPORTS:

Public Relations: (E. Skinner):

Fire Department: (E. Allen):

1. New constitution prepared and presented by Liaison, Councillor E. Allen;
2. Recommends to copy sections of the Mun. Act that applies to the Fire Dept;
3. Suggests that a letter be sent to the Connaigre Peninsula Hospital requesting permission be given to Fire Chief, Anthony Casey to leave his worksite in the event of a major emergency;

Recreation: (E. Day):

1. Recommends that the EDO be asked to find out if there are any funding programs available for the Fitness Center;
2. Effective January 1, 2011, the Recreation Commission have taken over the operations of the Fitness Center;

Sunny Cottage: (J. H. Day):

1. Concerns expressed with a recent wedding party having photos taken at the Sunny Cottage in light of the fact that the Cottage has been winterized and closed for the season. Councillor J. H. Day to contact Chair of the Corporation regarding same;

Beautification: (D. Stewart):

Elliott Premises Management Committee: (A. Tibbo):

1. Discussion on the proposed budget for the Newman & Co. , Fishery Exhibit, & the Ted Russell Interpretation as prepared by D. Wells. Recommends that the EDO, Mr. Wells meet with Mr. S. Dawe to discuss this proposal further;
2. Provincial Commemorations Program. Committee to proceed with this program and names listed;

Update from HBIC Rep. (D. Stewart):

1. The Affordable Housing Project seems to be on target in relation to funds with a tentative occupancy by Feb/March 2011;
2. Committee in the process of preparing an application for the selection of applicants;

Other Business:

1. Concerns expressed with sawdust from sawmill blowing onto vehicles and personal property;
2. Recommends to discuss the work component for the TIOW participants with EDO. (possible extension to meeting room/storage in the basement of town hall for the Fire Dept.;

3. Discussion on a discretionary fund/food items for needy families. Suggested that a small committee be put in place consisting of Clergy, Council, & Lions Club for this purpose;
4. Recommends that a letter be sent to the business that provided construction to a residence without a permit;

With no further business, a motion for adjournment was made by Councillor Everett Allen and seconded by Councillor Eric Day . Adjournment @ 9:30 p.m.

Eric Skinner – Mayor

Bernice Herritt – Clerk/Manager