

**TOWN OF LOCKEPORT
COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, JANUARY 27, 2020
MINUTES**

Present: Mayor George R. Harding, Deputy Mayor Dawn DeMings-Taylor, Councillor Dayle Eshelby, Councillor Cory Nickerson, Town Clerk/Treasurer – Joyce Young, Community Coordinator – Frances Scott and Recording Secretary - June Harding

Councillor Kent Balish arrived at 2:35 p.m.

Mayor Harding showed a short YouTube film on the Tourist attractions offered by the Village of Nakusp, British Columbia and commented that he would like to see something similar on the Town of Lockeport website showing highlights of this area.

1. Call to order

The Meeting was called to order at 1:05 p.m.

2. Silence Electronic Devices

All electronic devices were silenced at this time.

3. Approval of Agenda

01-27-20-01

It was duly moved and seconded that the agenda be approved with the following additions: Under Other Business: The Irving Parking lot and Under “In Camera”: Personnel Issue.

Motion Passed

4. Approval of Minutes

- *Council meeting January 13, 2020*

01-27-20-02

It was duly moved and seconded that the Regular Council Minutes from January 13, 2020 be approved.

Motion Passed

5. “Open Mic”

No guests attended.

6. Department Reports

- *Fire Department*
- *Training Opportunity*

Fire Chief Wayne Chetwynd was not in attendance at the meeting. The Town Clerk/Treasurer has provided him with this training information.

- *Public Works*

Working Streets Foreman – Kevin Snow was not in attendance at this meeting. No report available.

- *Recreation Report*

- *Appointment to July 1st sub-Committee of Recreation*

01-27-20-03

It was duly moved and seconded that Emily Swim be appointed as a member to the July 1st sub-Committee of Recreation.

Motion Passed

Frances reported that this week is exam week at the High School so her Department has several programs scheduled for the gymnasium.

Winterfest is scheduled for February 12 to February 26, 2020.

The Town Clerk/Treasurer explained that she and the Community Coordinator, along with the Future Proofing Lockeport Group, have been successful in their application to the Community Works Program for two employees from approximately April - October for one and May – September for the other. These two employees will work in conjunction with each other to address certain accessibility issues in the Town of Lockeport as well as various other projects. There are several projects already in mind that need to be addressed.

The Town Clerk/Treasurer suggested that Becky Williams be invited to participate in this endeavour as a member of the Future Proofing Lockeport Group.

The Community Coordinator has asked the Public Works Department to remove the lights from around the pavilion because they were drooping down and damaged.

- *Administration Report*

The Town Clerk/Treasurer reviewed her report and informed Council that she is looking forward to possibly representing the Asset Management Pilot Project in Newfoundland in May, 2020 to do a presentation in conjunction with Darren Shupe – CAO for the Town of Shelburne. They have already put a short presentation together so Councillor Eshelby asked the Town Clerk/Treasurer if she would consider presenting it to this Council before she goes. The Town Clerk/Treasurer agreed to present it in the near future to this Council.

The Trestle Trail Remediation Project tender was posted online this morning with a deadline for submission of February 11, 2020 at 2:30 p.m.

7. Presentations

There were no presentations scheduled for this afternoon.

8. Economic Development

There was nothing regarding Economic Development this afternoon.

9. Finance

- *List of bills already paid in the amount of \$69,415.02*

The List of bills was reviewed with no questions arising.

- *Request re: Nova Scotia International Student Program*

It was noted that this request cannot wait until budget deliberations because the trip to Mexico is scheduled for March, 2020.

After a short discussion the following motion was made:

01-27-20-04

It was duly moved and seconded that Council of the Town of Lockeport approve a donation of \$100.00 towards Ashley Hiltz's fundraising effort through the 2020 Service Learning Project that the students will choose while in Campeche, Mexico in March, 2020.

Motion Passed

10. Other Business

- *Updated Fire Services Agreement*

The Town Clerk/Treasurer reviewed the additional changes that have been made to the Fire Services agreement and the following motion was made:

01-27-20-05

It was duly moved and seconded that Council of the Town of Lockeport approve the Fire Services Agreement with the Municipality of the District of Shelburne as presented with the newest corrections.

Motion Passed

- *Letter from AIM Network re: Proposed MAMP3 Program*

The Town Clerk/Treasurer explained Asset Management to Councillor Nickerson upon his request and filled him in on what has taken place so far.

There was considerable discussion regarding the amount of knowledge gained by the participants of the MAMP2 Program and how advanced the Town of Lockeport has become through the program. It was decided that the Town will benefit for us to continue participating in this proposed program, so the following motion was made:

01-27-20-06

It was duly moved and seconded that the Town of Lockeport move forward with this initiative so that detailed planning of AIM Cohort Program 2.0 can begin.

Motion Passed

- *Motion to add Deputy Mayor DeMings-Taylor to Property Condition Assessment Team*

01-27-20-07

It was duly moved and seconded that Deputy Mayor DeMings-Taylor be appointed to the Property Condition Assessment Team.

Motion Passed

- *Motion to add Councillor Nickerson to Property Management Team*

01-27-20-08

It was duly moved and seconded that Councillor Nickerson be appointed to the Property Management Team.

Motion Passed

- *Discussion topics for NSF*

Councillor Eshelby expressed the wish to have the subject of alternative means of collecting revenue for Municipalities to be placed on the agenda for the NSF Spring Workshop or Fall Conference. They should also discuss possibilities of updating what Municipalities are permitted to spend money on. The following motion was made:

01-27-20-09

It was duly moved and seconded that the Town Clerk/Treasurer contact the NSF to indicate Council's request to have the following items placed on the agenda for discussion at either the NSF Spring Workshop or the Fall Conference, 2020: Possible alternative means of Municipalities generating revenue and review what Municipalities are permitted to spend money on.

Motion Passed.

- *Set a date for Town EMO Meeting*

The EMO Meeting was set for February 11, 2020 at 3:00 p.m.

- *Shelburne County Mental Health & Wellness Association*

Mayor Harding encouraged any Council that wish to attend to go.

- *Irving Parking Lot*

The Town Clerk/Treasurer explained to Council that there have been complaints about vehicles sitting in this Parking Lot blaring loud music, possibly drug dealing, squealing tires, drag racing etc. The RCMP has been alerted about the situation and it seems to already be on their radar. They have received several complaints also. Mayor Harding was approached by a rate payer earlier today as well.

The Town Clerk/Treasurer also asked the Town of Lockeport representatives on the Shelburne County East RCMP Advisory Board (Deputy Mayor DeMings-Taylor & Councillor Balish) to make sure this item gets on the agenda for the next meeting.

The recording secretary will find out after this meeting if the Municipality of the District of Shelburne plan to appoint a new Council member to this Board to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of the Deputy Warden – David Levy, at their Council Meeting this evening so a meeting of the Board can be scheduled.

11. Information Only

- *Nova Scotia Power Customer Communications Program*

Council feel that this bulletin should be shared via FaceBook, Town of Lockeport website, Mayor's newsletter and the SCEEMO website.

It was also suggested that we find out how other Municipalities find out what residents need to be checked on during power outages while maintaining the resident's privacy.

12. Date of next meeting

- *February 10, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.*

01-27-20-10

It was duly moved and seconded that the Committee go "In Camera" to discuss a Personnel issue.

Motion Passed

13. “In Camera”

- *Personnel*

The Committee returned to Regular session.

14. Adjournment

01-27-20-11

**There being no further business to discuss, the Meeting was adjourned. Time
3:24 p.m.**

Motion Passed

**George R. Harding,
Mayor**

**Joyce Young,
Town Clerk/Treasurer**

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