

**TOWN OF LOCKEPORT
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING VIA CONFERENCE CALL
APRIL 14, 2020
MINUTES**

PRESENT: MAYOR GEORGE R. HARDING, DEPUTY MAYOR DAWN DEMINGS-TAYLOR, COUNCILLOR DAYLE ESHELBY, COUNCILLOR KENT BALISH AND COUNCILLOR CORY NICKERSON

1. Call to order

The Regular Council Meeting of Tuesday, April 14, 2020 was called to order by Mayor Harding at 2:00 p.m.

2. Silence Electronic Devices

Electronic devices that were not being used for this Council meeting via conference call were silenced at this time.

3. Approval of Agenda

04-14-20-01

It was duly moved and seconded that the agenda be approved with the addition of a review of the Town's Burning By-Law and Vending By-Law.

Motion Passed

4. Approval of minutes

- *Regular Council Meeting, March 9, 2020*

04-14-20-02

It was duly moved and seconded that the Regular Council Meeting Minutes from March 9, 2020 be approved.

Motion Passed

- *Special Council meeting, March 11, 2020*

04-14-20-03

It was duly moved and seconded that the Special Council Minutes from April 11, 2020 be approved.

Motion Passed

- *Emergency Council Meeting, March 17, 2020*

04-14-20-04

It was duly moved and seconded that the Emergency Council Minutes from March 17, 2020 be approved.

Motion Passed

- *Special Council Meeting via Conference Call, March 25, 2020*

04-14-20-05

It was duly moved and seconded that the Special Council Minutes from March 25, 2020 be approved.

Motion Passed

5. Finance

- *List of invoices for March, 2020 in the amount of \$290,744.49*
- *List of current invoices in the amount of \$16,644.20*
- *Interest for the month of April, 2020*

04-14-20-06

It was duly moved and seconded that Interest for the month of April, 2020 be waived on all tax accounts.

Motion Passed

- *Invoice for 1/3 of Legal Fees for Roseway Manor*

04-14-20-07

It was duly moved and seconded that Council approve the Town of Lockeport paying the invoice for 1/3 of the legal fees for Roseway Manor in the amount of \$97.95.

Motion Passed

- *Year end transfer to Operating Reserve based on Final Audit for 2018/2019*

04-14-20-08

It was duly moved and seconded that Council approve the year end transfer in the amount of \$9600.15 to the Operating Reserve based on the Final Audit for the 2018/2019 fiscal year.

Motion Passed

- *Motion to reapply to Provincial Grant Programs for Berm & Concrete repairs at Wastewater Plant*

04-14-20-09

It was duly moved and seconded that Council authorize the Town Clerk/Treasurer to make application under the Provincial Capital Assistance Program for the required repairs to the concrete infrastructure at the Wastewater Treatment Plant and also to make application under the Provincial Flood Risk Infrastructure Investment Program for the required replacement of the berm at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Motion Passed

6. Other Business

- *Motion for the Town Office to be closed to the Public until further notice*

04-14-20-10

It was duly moved and seconded that due to the Provincial State of Emergency pertaining to the Coronavirus (COVID-19), Council instruct the Clerk/Treasurer to continue keeping the Town Hall, as well as all Town owned facilities closed to the public until further notice. Town events are also cancelled until further notice.

Motion Passed

- *Appointment of Auditor for 2020/2021*

04-14-20-11

It was duly moved and seconded that Council appoint the Accounting firm of Belliveau Veinotte Inc. to conduct the town's 2019/2020 fiscal year audit at a cost not to exceed last year's cost.

Motion Passed

- *Request from Mayor Karen Mattatall for a joint Council Meeting*

04-14-20-12

It was duly moved and seconded that Council of the Town of Lockeport participate in a joint Council meeting, including the Councils of the Town of Shelburne and the Municipality of the District of Shelburne, to work towards addressing Minister Porter's suggestion to develop a process for determining infrastructure priorities prior to re-engaging with the Province in consolidation discussions.

Motion Passed

- *Motion for review of Town of Lockeport Public Sewer By-Law*

04-14-20-13

It was duly moved and seconded that Council make notice that it is their intention to review and possibly amend the Town of Lockeport's Public Sewer By-Law, Burning By-Law and Vending By-Law.

Motion Passed

- *Request for a letter of Support from the Municipality of the District of Barrington*

04-14-20-14

It was duly moved and seconded that Council support, in principle, the Municipality of Barrington's proposal to host the 2021 World Championships of Double-bitted Axe Throwing and to provide a letter of support to this effect.

Motion Passed

7. Council Reports

- *Councillor Dayle Eshelby*
 - Recreation Committee Meeting
 - Regular Council Meeting
 - Budget Meeting
 - Special Council Meeting
 - Roseway Manor Board Meeting
 - Special Council Meeting via teleconference
- *Deputy Mayor Dawn DeMings-Taylor*
 - Municipality of the District of Shelburne Public Meeting Re: New Fire Truck
 - Dog Park Meeting
 - Council Meeting
 - Special Council Meeting
 - Emergency Council Meeting
 - Special Council Meeting via teleconference

- *Councillor Kent Balish*
 - Regular Council Meeting
 - School Advisory Committee
 - Special Council Meeting

- *Councillor Cory Nickerson*
 - Regular Council Meeting
 - Special Council Meeting
 - Emergency Council Meeting
 - Special Council Meeting via teleconference

- *Mayor George Harding*
 - 2 Roseway Manor Board Meetings
 - Municipality of the District of Shelburne Public Meeting Re; New Fire Truck
 - Meeting with Eastern Fence
 - 7 days of Office Hours
 - Dog Park Committee Meeting
 - Opening remarks at the ceremony of Basketball Tournament
 - Regular Council Meeting
 - Meeting with our new Municipal Advisor
 - 3 business meetings at Roseway Manor
 - Audit/Budget Meeting
 - Special Council Meeting
 - Meeting with Clearwater representatives
 - July 1st Committee Meeting
 - Region 6 Workshop meeting
 - Nova Scotia Health Authority Public Engagement Meeting
 - EMO Teleconference
 - Teleconference with all Councils within Shelburne County
 - Special Council Meeting via teleconference

8. Information Only

- *Letter to the Chair of Roseway Manor Board from the Honourable Chuck Porter, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing*
- *Letter from Service Nova Scotia and Internal Services re: Emergency Repairs to Main Water line*
- *Invitation to participate in a Community Coastal Study*

9. Date of next meeting

- *April 27, 2020*

10. Adjournment

There being no further business, **It was duly moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Time 2:37 p.m.**

Mayor George R. Harding

Clerk/Treasurer Joyce Young