

**TOWN OF LOCKEPORT
COUNCIL MEETING VIA CONFERENCE CALL
MAY 11, 2020
MINUTES**

PRESENT: Mayor George R. Harding, Deputy Mayor Dawn DeMings-Taylor, Councillor Kent Balish, Councillor Dayle Eshelby, Town Clerk/Treasurer-Joyce Young and Recording Secretary-June Harding

Councillor Cory Nickerson joined the Meeting at 10:32 a.m.

1. Call to order

The Meeting was called to order by Mayor Harding at 10:05 a.m.

2. Silence Electronic Devices

Mayor Harding asked for silence of all electronic devices at this time.

3. Approval of Agenda

05-11-20-01

It was duly moved and seconded that the agenda be approved with the following additions: Under Finance (a) Application to ICIP and (b) Beech Street Studios Town Maintenance and under Other Business after Canada Day discussion – Clearwater Community Projects.

Motion Passed

4. Approval of minutes

- *Regular Council Minutes April 27, 2020*

05-11-20-02

It was duly moved and seconded that the Regular Council Minutes from April 27, 2020 be approved.

Motion Passed

5. Finance

- *List of bills already paid for March, 2020 in the amount of \$350.47*

The list of bills already paid for March, 2020 was reviewed with no questions arising.

- *List of current bills already paid in the amount of \$25,279.34*

The list of current bills already paid was reviewed with no questions arising.

- *Motion required for Bank Transfer re: Gas Tax Projects 2019/2020*

05-11-20-03

It was duly moved and seconded that Council approve a transfer of \$26,276.64 from the General Operating Account to the Gas Tax Reserves account. This amount represents the residual funds left over from the Federal Gas tax.

Motion Passed

- *Fire Services Budget approval*

This letter indicates that the Municipality of the District of Shelburne approves the Town of Lockeport's Fire Department budget for 2020-2021.

- *Beech Street Studios Annual Town Maintenance*

05-11-20-04

It was duly moved and seconded that Council approve hiring Beech Street Studios to perform Town Core Cleanup as they have done in past years.

Motion Passed

- *Motion to make application for funding under the Investment & Capital Infrastructure Program*

The Town Clerk/Treasurer explained to Council why this application for funding is necessary and the following motion was made:

05-11-20-05

It was duly moved and seconded that Council instruct the Town Clerk/Treasurer to make application for funding under the Investment and Capital Infrastructure Program for the Surge Tank/Concrete work that is required for the Wastewater system.

Motion Passed

6. Other Business

- *Council Code of Conduct*

05-11-20-06

It was duly moved and seconded that Council adopt the "Council Code of Conduct" as presented.

Motion Passed

- *Canada Day 2020 discussion*

The July 1st Committee is modifying and postponing events this year because of the COVID-19 pandemic. Wednesday, July 1st will be reorganized to take place in two stages with virtual events and a few small local events taking place on Canada Day and a number of our more typical events being postponed to a later date. This will depend on what regulations allow at the time.

- *Clearwater Community Projects*

Mayor Harding reported that Clearwater, the Town of Lockeport, the Town of Shelburne and the Municipality of the District of Shelburne all participated in a conference call on Friday, May 8, 2020 at which time the following was discussed:

Clearwater has had to make some production adjustments at the Lockeport plant and would like to continue to pay some of their staff to work in conjunction with the Towns and Municipality on Community projects.

Some of the suggestions for Community Projects in the Town of Lockeport are as follows:

Gardening, Beautification;

Painting Park Benches, picnic tables, wooden bleachers at the soccer field;

Painting walls and floors in the auditorium section of the fire hall including washrooms and lobby;

Painting the Green Room at Seacaps stage facility; and

The possibility of some trail work at Roods Head Park. The following motion was made:

05-11-20-07

It was duly moved and seconded that Council approves working with Clearwater as requested by having some of their employees work on Community Projects in the Town of Lockeport.

Motion Passed

7. Council Reports

- *Councillor Dayle Eshelby*

- *April 2, 2020 – Roseway Manor Board Mtg. re: conference call – Lockeport*
- *April 14, 2020 – Council Meeting via Conference call – Lockeport*
- *April 27, 2020 - Council Meeting via Conference call – Lockeport*

- *Deputy Mayor Dawn DeMings-Taylor*

- *April 14, 2020 – Council Meeting via Conference call – Lockeport*
- *April 27, 2020 - Council Meeting via Conference call – Lockeport*

- *Councillor Kent Balish*

- *April 14, 2020 – Council Meeting via Conference call – Lockeport*
- *April 27, 2020 - Council Meeting via Conference call – Lockeport*

- *Councillor Cory Nickerson*

- *April 14, 2020 – Council Meeting via Conference call – Lockeport*
- *April 27, 2020 - Council Meeting via Conference call – Lockeport*

- *Mayor George R. Harding*

- *April 2, 2020 – Five Shelburne County Municipal Units via conference call – Lockeport*
- *April 2, 2020 – Roseway Manor Board Mtg. re: conference call – Lockeport*
- *April 7, 2020 – Office work at home – Lockeport*
- *April 8, 2020 – NS Federation of Municipalities Zoom Mtg. – Lockeport*
- *April 9, 2020 – July 1st Meeting via conference call – Lockeport*
- *April 14, 2020 - Council Meeting via Conference call – Lockeport*
- *April 15, 2020 – Office work at home – Lockeport*
- *April 17, 2020 – Telephone interview Coastal Community Engagement, St Mary's University – Lockeport*
- *April 17, 2020 - Office work at home – Lockeport*
- *April 20, 2020 – Telephone Call with N.S. Lt. Governor - Lockeport*

- *April 21, 2020 - Roseway Manor Board Mtg. re: conference call – Lockeport*
- *April 23, 2020 – Roseway Manor Business Mtg. – Shelburne*
- *April 23, 2020 - Office work at home – Lockeport*
- *April 27, 2020 - Council Meeting via Conference call – Lockeport*
- *April 30, 2020 – Roseway Manor Business Mtg. - Shelburne*

8. Correspondence

There was no correspondence to present at this meeting.

9. Information Only

There were no information items for this meeting.

10. Date of next meeting

- *May 25, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.*

11. “In Camera”

There was nothing to be discussed “In Camera” today.

12. Adjournment

05-11-20-08

There being no further business to discuss, it was duly moved and seconded that the Meeting be adjourned. Time 10:46 a.m.

Motion Passed

George R. Harding,
Mayor

Joyce Young,
Town Clerk/Treasurer