

**TOWN OF LOCKEPORT  
COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2019  
MINUTES**

**Present:** Mayor George R. Harding, Councillor Dawn DeMings-Taylor, Councillor Kent Balish, Town Clerk/Treasurer – Joyce Young, Community Coordinator – Frances Scott, Working Streets Foreman – Kevin Snow and Recording Secretary – June Harding

**Also in attendance was Ryan Jamieson – Waste Diversion Officer**

**1. Call to order**

The Meeting was called to order by Mayor Harding at 1:00 p.m.

**2. Silence Electronic Devices**

All electronic devices were silenced at this time.

**3. Approval of Agenda**

**10-28-19-01**

**It was duly moved and seconded that the agenda be approved with the following additions under Other Business: (a) LRHS request (b) Nova Scotia Federation of Municipalities Fall Conference reminder.**

**Motion Passed**

**4. Approval of minutes**

- *Council meeting October 15, 2019*

**10-28-19-02**

**It was duly moved and seconded that the Council Meeting Minutes from October 15, 2019 be approved.**

**Motion Passed**

**5. “Open Mic”**

**6. Department Reports**

- *Fire Department*

There was no one present from the Fire Department today.

- *Ryan Jamieson - Waste Diversion Officer Update (Attached as Schedule “A”)*

Ryan went over the different aspects of his report and highlighted the key areas. Ryan expressed the importance of education on the subject of Waste Diversion and of networking with other Municipalities. There is a huge difference between the waste diversion rules in Queens County versus the rules in Shelburne County. There was a general consensus that Shelburne County is a leader in the management of waste diversion.

Council thanked Ryan for this update on his activities since taking on this position approximately four months ago and congratulated him on a job well done.

- *Public Works (Attached as Schedule "B")*

Kevin invited questions from the Committee and there were none. Mayor Harding expressed pleasure that there has been ongoing discussion between the Public Works Department and the Town Clerk/Treasurer regarding the issues at Chetwynd's Lane.

There was a short discussion regarding the quote received from Road Savers Maritime for filling the cracks in the streets within the Town. It was decided that filling the cracks will be put off until Spring, 2020 when it will be less expensive per meter and we will be able to get more done with our money.

- *Joel D'Entremont - MPAL Report — Physical Activity Strategy*

Joel sent his regrets for the meeting today. This report will be postponed to the November 25, 2019 Council Meeting.

- *Recreation Report (Attached as Schedule "C")*

The Community Coordinator reported that there are several Community activities scheduled over the next few weeks and invited questions from the Committee. There were no questions at this time.

The Community Coordinator reported that the Trestle Trail Fundraiser has been doing very well in the short time since it began and feels that something like this builds Community Spirit.

The Community Coordinator has spoken to members of the business Community and is under the impression that they are hoping to leverage government funds with their promised pledges.

- *Administration Report (Attached as Schedule "D")*

The Town Clerk/Treasurer reviewed her report and invited questions. There were no questions at this time.

There was a discussion regarding an Accessibility Advisory Coordinator and Committee. The Community Coordinator is interested in participating on this Committee.

There needs to be a less public discussion forum to determine those people with accessibility issues that may want to serve on this Committee.

## **7. Presentations**

There were no presentations scheduled for this afternoon.

## **8. Finance**

- *List of bills already paid in the amount of \$23,317.02*

There were no questions or concerns arising from the list of invoices already paid in the amount of \$23,317.02.

**9. Other Business**

- *Council Vacancy*
  - *Acceptance of Councillor resignation*

**10-28-19-03**

**It was duly moved and seconded that Council accept the resignation of Council Member Joann Swimm with regrets, effective October 9, 2019.**

**Motion Passed**

- *Call to Set Special Election*

**10-28-19-04**

**It was duly moved and seconded that Council set the date of December 21, 2019 for a Special Election to address the vacancy created by the resignation of Council Member Joann Swimm. Nomination day is set as November 26, 2019 and Advance Polls will be held on December 12 and 17, 2019.**

**Motion Passed**

- *Appointment of Signing Officer*

**10-28-19-05**

**It was duly moved and seconded that Councillor Balish be appointed as Signing Officer to replace former Council Member - Joann Swimm,**

**Motion Passed**

- *Appointment of Deputy Mayor*

Nominations -

Mayor Harding called for nominations.

Councillor Balish nominated Councillor DeMings-Taylor and Councillor Eshelby seconded the nomination.

The nomination was accepted by Councillor DeMings-Taylor and the following motion was made:

**10-28-19-06**

**It was duly moved and seconded that Councillor Dawn DeMings-Taylor be appointed as Deputy Mayor.**

**Motion Passed**

- *Lockeport Regional High School Remembrance Day Service*

Mayor Harding will attend the Remembrance Day Service at the High School on Friday, November 8, 2019 to lay the wreath. The recording secretary was asked to call the school to let them know that Mayor Harding will attend the Service and lay the wreath.

- *Nova Scotia Federation of Municipalities (NSFM) Fall Conference*

The Town received a reminder from the CEO of the NSFM of the upcoming Fall conference due to the fact that there were no registrations from the Town of Lockeport. It was previously decided that no Council members would be available to attend. Mayor Harding has already replied to this email to let them know that no members of Council are available to attend this year's conference.

**10. Information Only**

There were no items for Information Only today.

**11. Date of next meeting**

- *Tuesday, November 12, 2019 at 1:00 p.m.*

**12. "In Camera"**

**10-28-19-07**

**It was duly moved and seconded that the Committee go "In Camera" to discuss the Tax Exemption Applications.**

**Motion Passed**

- *Tax Exemption applications*

There was only one Tax Exemption application and it did not qualify.

The Committee returned to regular session and the following motion was made:

**13. Adjournment**

**10-28-19-08**

**There being no further business to discuss, it was duly moved and seconded that the Meeting be adjourned. Time 2:18 p.m.**

**Motion Passed**

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**George R. Harding,**  
**Mayor**

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**Joyce Young,**  
**Town Clerk/Treasurer**