

**TOWN OF LOCKEPORT
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 9, 2018 AT 6:00 P.M.
LOCKEPORT LIBRARY AT 35 NORTH STREET
MINUTES**

**PRESENT: MAYOR GEORGE R. HARDING, DEPUTY MAYOR JOANN SWIMM,
COUNCILLOR DAWN DEMINGS-TAYLOR, COUNCILLOR KENT
BALISH, TOWN CLERK/TREASURER, JOYCE YOUNG AND
RECORDING SECRETARY, JUNE HARDING**

ABSENT WITH REGRETS: COUNCILLOR DAYLE ESHELBY

1. Call to order

The Meeting was called to order by Mayor Harding at 6:00 p.m.

2. Silence Electronic Devices

3. Approval of Agenda

07-09-18-01

It was duly moved and seconded that the agenda be approved with the following additions: Under Finance – Quotes for elevation of Calf Island Road and under Other Business – (a) Legal Advice re: Trestle Liability Issue, (b) Warm Line, (c) Region 6 and (d) Letter from the Town of Shelburne re: Amalgamation talks

Motion Passed

4. Approval of previous minutes

- *Regular Council Meeting Minutes, June 11, 2018*

07-09-18-02

It was duly moved and seconded that the Regular Council Meeting Minutes from June 11, 2018 be approved as presented.

Motion Passed

5. Open Mic

- ½ hour Maximum time allowed
- Each person is allowed a maximum of 5 minutes
- The individual is to speak directly to Council
- There will be no interaction by Council at this time
- If questions are posed by residents, the question will be recorded to be researched

6. Presentations

There were no presentations this evening.

7. Recommendations from Other Committees

- *Committee of the Whole, June 25, 2018*

- o *Recommendation to hire summer staff*

07-09-18-03

It was duly moved and seconded that as recommended by the Committee of the Whole, Connor MacIntosh and Emily Stewart be hired as Recreation summer staff for 2018.

Motion Passed

- o *West Green Harbour Property Lease*

07-09-18-04

It was duly moved and seconded that as recommended by the Committee of the Whole, Council execute the lease for the C&D site at the West Green Harbour property as drawn up by the lawyer.

Motion Passed

8. Finance

- *Councillor Eshelby – Mileage Claim for May, 2018 in the amount of 139.52*

07-09-18-05

It was duly moved and seconded that Councillor Eshelby’s mileage claim for May, 2018, in the amount of \$139.52 be approved for payment.

Motion Passed

- *Quotes for the elevation of Calf Island Road*

There were three quotes received for the elevation of Calf Island Road and are as follows:

- (a) Harlow Construction - \$15,000.00
- (b) Mark Williams Excavating - \$16,900.00
- (c) Tyler Harris Excavating - \$14,225.50

After much discussion and based on Council’s knowledge of past experiences with previous projects completed, the following motion was made:

07-09-18-06

It was duly moved and seconded that Harlow Construction be contracted to complete the elevation project on Calf Island Road.

Motion Passed

9. Other Business

- *Letter from Mayor Karen Mattatall re: Western REN*

Mayor Harding will respond to Mayor Mattahall’s letter regarding the Western REN. Council does not wish to commit to anything at this time but they are willing to enter into discussion on the subject.

- *Letter from Mayor Karen Mattatall re: Disaster Mitigation & Adaptation*

It was suggested that this item be submitted as a subject for discussion at the NSFM Fall Conference later this year.

Mayor Harding will send a reply to this letter and tell Mayor Mattahall that this Council is open for discussion and that we have completed stage 1 of this project and moving on to Stage 2.

- *Motion to terminate the SSREN Inter-Municipal agreement*

07-09-18-07

It was duly moved and seconded that, pursuant to Clause 14(b), the Clerk/Treasurer and Mayor be authorized to execute an Agreement to Terminate the Intermunicipal Agreement for a Framework for the Continued Operation of a Regional Enterprise Network with said termination being effective no later than September 30, 2018.

Motion Passed

Mayor Harding informed the rest of Council that Joyce has been assigned to work on the wind up team for the SSREN.

- *Request from Town of Shelburne to cost share a speaker on Drug Awareness*

It is the consensus of this Council that the Province of Nova Scotia should be the ones providing and paying for drug awareness training and this Council is not interested in cost sharing for this speaker. It was suggested that the Town of Lockeport representatives on the RCMP Advisory Board should broach this subject at their Meeting that is scheduled for later this week. Mayor Harding will reply to this email from the Town Of Shelburne.

- *Legal Advice regarding the trestle liability situation*

Joyce reported that she has spoken to the Town's Insurance Company regarding the vandalism that took place with the newly installed gates and "No Trespassing" signs at the ends of the trestles.

Joyce informed Council that she has been advised to get legal advice from the Town's lawyer on how to proceed from here.

The following motion was made:

07-09-18-08

It was duly moved and seconded that the Town Clerk/Treasurer be instructed to contact Donald G. Harding, Barrister & Solicitor, to make arrangements to meet with him to gain legal advice regarding the trestle liability issue, as suggested by the Town's Insurance Company.

Motion Passed

Joyce reviewed the engineer's report from 2013 at which time they had assessed the trestle. Joyce reported that a local group have asked John Wonnacott, engineer, to assess the trestle situation.

There was then a short discussion regarding the upcoming public meeting and Joyce was asked to be in attendance.

- *Warm Line request for letter of support*

07-09-18-09

It was duly moved and seconded that the Town of Lockeport provide a letter of support to the Shelburne County Mental Health & Wellness Association for a Warm Line Project for Shelburne County.

Motion Passed

- *Region 6*

There has been an ongoing issue with the bottle buy back service that is offered by Clyde Whynot in the Lockeport and Caledonia areas. Apparently customers are also having a problem at his depot in Liverpool.

Valda Walsh, Region 6 is going to address this issue and wants input from this Council.

Mayor Harding will respond to this email and let Valda know that this is a valuable service and we do not wish to lose it.

- *Letter from the Town of Shelburne re: Amalgamation*

Mayor Harding reported that he attended a meeting today that included representatives from the Province of Nova Scotia, Warden Penny Smith, Municipality of the District of Shelburne, Mayor Karen Mattahall, Town of Shelburne, Dylan Heide, CEO for the Town of Shelburne and Mayor George R. Harding, Town of Lockeport. The discussion included the recent shifts in CEO's across the Province and from that discussion rose the question as to whether this may be a good time to discuss amalgamation between the three units present.

All three units discussed the services and projects that they presently share with each other.

10. For Information

11. Council Reports - (Meetings attended for June, 2018)

- *Councillor Eshelby*
 - *LRHS- Lockeport*
 - *Lobster Festival Opening- Barrington*
 - *Municipal Climate Adaptation Initiative - Lockeport*
 - *Council Meeting - Lockeport*
 - *Municipal Climate Change Action Plan discussion- Lockeport*
 - *Committee of the Whole - Lockeport*
 - *Meeting with Mayor Harding - Lockeport*
 - *Clean Foundation - Lockeport*
- *Councillor DeMings-Taylor*
 - *Council Training - Lockeport*
 - *Shelburne County Housing Coalition - Shelburne*
 - *Shelburne's Fishermen's Memorial Service - Shelburne*
 - *Council Meeting - Lockeport*
 - *Dangerous & Unsanitary Premises Meeting - Lockeport*
 - *Recreation Meeting - Lockeport*
 - *Committee of the Whole Meeting - Lockeport*
- *Councillor Balish*
 - *Council Training - Lockeport*
 - *Relay for Life - Lockeport*
 - *Nova Scotia Health Crisis - Shelburne*

- *Western Counties Regional Library - Yarmouth
(Attached as Schedule "A")*
- *LRHS Awards Banquet - Lockeport*
- *Committee of the Whole Meeting - Lockeport*

Joyce reported that the CAP program has been eliminated and the money that was left in the account has been divided among the three partners – Town of Lockeport, Lockeport Library and the Ragged Islands Historical Society. The amount given to each partner was \$479.00. Council wishes this money to be earmarked to go towards the replacement of the floor at the Lockeport Library. The following motion was made:

07-09-18-10

It was duly moved and seconded that the Town’s portion of the bank account balance in the amount of \$479.00 be earmarked to go towards the replacement of the floor at the Lockeport Library.

Motion Passed

- *Deputy Mayor Swimm*
 - *Council Training - Lockeport*
 - *July 1st Meeting X 3 - Lockeport*
 - *Relay for Life - Lockeport*
 - *Council Meeting - Lockeport*
 - *Health Crisis Working Group Report - Shelburne
(Attached as Schedule "B")*
 - *Nova Scotia Collaborative Family Practice Meeting - Shelburne*
 - *Committee of the Whole Meeting - Lockeport*
 - *July 1st events (Volunteer)- Lockeport*

Deputy Mayor Swimm reported that when she attended the NS Collaborative Family Practice Meeting in June, Dr. Keeler and Dr. DeLong were both in attendance.

The doctors assured those present that pregnant women and children under the age of 6 years will be accepted by appointment if they do not presently have a family Doctor or Nurse Practitioner.

- *Mayor Harding*
 - *Office Hours X 9 days*
 - *Council Training - Lockeport*
 - *Dangerous & Unsightly Premises Meeting - Lockeport*
 - *July 1st Meeting - Lockeport*
 - *Shelburne’s Fishermen’s Memorial Service - Shelburne*
 - *Council Meeting - Lockeport*
 - *Meeting re: Sea Level Rise – Clean Foundation - Lockeport*
 - *Dangerous & Unsightly Premises Meeting - Lockeport*
 - *LRHS Awards Ceremony - Lockeport*
 - *Early Years Partnership Meeting – Shelburne*
 - *Shelburne County Mental Health & Wellness Coalition Meeting -
Shelburne*
 - *SSREN Liaison & Oversight Meeting - Bridgewater*
 - *Interview with CJLS - Lockeport*
 - *Meeting with Assessment Authority - Lockeport*
 - *Meeting re: Home Share - Lockeport*
 - *Committee of the Whole Meeting - Lockeport*
 - *CBDC Annual General Meeting - Shelburne*
 - *Multicultural July 1st event - Lockeport*
 - *Teleconference Sea Level-Rise project - Lockeport*

- *LRHS Awards & Scholarship Grad Ceremony - Lockeport*
- *July 1st events (Volunteer)- Lockeport*

12. Correspondence

07-09-18-11

It was duly moved and seconded that the correspondence be accepted.

Motion Passed

- *Letter from Community Services re: appointment of Catherine MacIntosh to the Board of the Western Counties Regional Housing Authority*

Mayor Harding will be meeting with Ms. MacIntosh to ensure that she persists with the Housing Authority when repairs are needed at the Senior’s complex on John Street. Mayor Harding will also request that Ms. MacIntosh forward future minutes of the Western Counties Regional Housing Authority Board Meetings to Council of the Town of Lockeport for review.

- *Email from Kathleen Tudor*

All in attendance expressed how thoughtful it was of Kathleen to send this very nice email.

There was a discussion regarding the fall that Kathleen had on June 30, 2018 at SeaCaps Park and what can be done to fix the ramp to prevent this from happening again. Joyce will address the situation.

- *Thank you card from Abby Garren*

Council are always pleased when students acknowledge the Town for providing bursaries.

13. Date of next meeting

- *Monday, August 13, 2018*

14. “In Camera”

15. Adjournment

07-09-18-12

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

Time 8:10 p.m.

Motion Passed

**George R. Harding,
Mayor**

**Joyce Young,
Town Clerk/Treasurer**