

MINUTES
TOWN OF TRAYTOWN
JUNE 1, 2015

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mayor	John Baird
Deputy Mayor	Shannon Carter
Councillors	Colleen Denty
	Jason Patten
	Wilfred Janes (arrived at 7:10pm)
Town Clerk	Sarah Patten
Gallery	Daniel Garrett, Melvin Arnold, Todd Holloway

Mayor Baird called the meeting to order at 7:05pm

Deputy Mayor Carter moved to approve June 1, 2015 agenda as presented, seconded by Councillor Patten, all in favour, motion carried.

Councillor Denty moved to accept minutes of May 4, 2015 as presented, seconded by Deputy Mayor Carter, all in favour, motion carried.

Councillor Denty moved to carry forward and approve minutes of May 4 Special Meeting as presented, seconded by Deputy Mayor Carter, all in favour, motion carried.

Deputy Mayor Carter moved to adopt motion of Privilege Meeting May 28, 2015, as presented, seconded by Councillor Denty, all in favour, motion carried.

Deputy Mayor Carter declared a Conflict of Interest and removed herself from the room at 7:07pm

AIM SERVICES – Mr. Todd Holloway presented a document to council showing the purchase of K&K Ready Mix to Aim Services. Mr. Holloway would like council to give permission for Aim Services to use the Pit Road to access a quarry pit. Mr. Holloway feels that the document shows that K & K Ready Mix was a part of the committee that put in the road when the company belonged to Robert Kean, who sold the company to Adam's Enterprises Limited (another committee member) and later to Mr. Gordon Genge and then to Mr. Holloway. The K & K Company had rights to the road when it was sold and should therefore give Aim Services the same rights. Mr. Holloway also informed council that he has an agreement with Mr. David Hiscock, Station Road Contracting Limited to use his pit for material and therefore has use of the road, through Mr. Hiscock. All assets belonging to K&K Ready Mix including the building in the pit was part of the purchase agreement.

Council – Through a previous council a motion was made that states - all new contractors must have permission from the Pit Road Committee to use their road before any referrals are approved for Natural Resources from Traytown Council, it is not possible for the council to approve or give permission for use of that road. All companies must meet with the Pit Road

Committee to gain access. Council suggest that Mr. Holloway meet with the Pit Road Committee, the members on the committee: David Hiscock, Pleman Oram, Robert Kean, Elvis Feltham, Jerry Adams.

Mr. Holloway – The committee has not met in seven years and some of the members do not want to let others in there.

Council – When Pine Tree Road was closed to heavy equipment and the contractors who had pits were forced to put in their own road, it was an agreement of council to provide them with access to that road and they were given permission to gate it, if they wanted. Council has no control over that private road. But suggest Mr. Holloway meet with the committee and or see a lawyer about his legal rights to use the road.

Mr. Holloway left at 7:15 pm

Deputy Mayor Carter returned to the council table at 7:16pm

Business arising from May 4, 2015

FINANCE REPORT - Council Income for May 4 – June 1, 2015

Municipal Operating Grant	\$15,953.83
Property Tax	\$ 4878.09
Commercial Tax	\$ 1,196.00
Sewer Residential	\$ 1,250.00
Garbage Tax	\$ 528.00
Rent	\$ 40.00
Arrears Poll	\$ 200.00
Total	<u>\$24,045.92</u>

Council Expenses for May 4 – June 1, 2015

Road Contract Third Quarter	\$ 6,748.78
Newfoundland Power Lift station, Hall & Street Lights	\$ 1,336.12
Fire Protection for January – December – 2015	\$ 4,170.00
Garbage collection	\$ 477.99
Garbage drop off	\$ 455.06
Municipal Assessment Agency First Quarter	\$ 1,722.00
Road cleaning sweeping	\$ 565.00
General Gov't Cable, salaries, receiver general, supplies, etc	<u>\$ 4,382.75</u>
Total	<u>\$19,857.70</u>

SEWER MAINTENANCE REPORT – The Town Clerk will work on Tuesday June 2, 2015 to finish the work from last week. She will contact Wayne Hodder and get a price to locate and the manholes for the town.

ROAD MAINTENANCE REPORT – The three year road maintenance tender documents are ready for faxing to the local contractors as well as putting in on the Traytown site (traytown.tk) and advertising on the local ad channel for one month. There is a problem with a culvert on Aspen

Drive that will have to be looked at by council before the next meeting. If it is a council issue it would be cheaper to have it put in with the Capital Works Project than doing it on its own.

Question from gallery – Will the Garbage Contractor be picking up garbage twice a week for the summer?

Answer – There has been no change to the garbage contract – garbage will be picked up twice per week for June, July and August.

AMALGAMATION STUDY – Councillor Patten was informed that the agreement with the amalgamation study gives the Provincial Government a deadline of June 15, 2015 to talk to the towns on the issue. Council has not heard any news on this issue at this time.

GAS TAX – Mayor Baird and Eric Watton from Dept. of Environment has completed the water testing on 20 wells in Traytown. Twelve of the wells were drilled and eight were dug. The testing results are back and each well owner has a copy of the results of his well. They are private documents and only the overall document are for public viewing. The findings are:

1. Mercury – no wells exceeded the guideline of 1.0 ug (micrograms) / litre.
2. pH – 3 wells tested outside the Aesthetic Objective guideline of 6.5-8.5 pH
3. Fluoride – 1 well exceeded the guideline of 1.5 mg (milligrams)/litre.
4. True Colour – 4 wells exceeded the Aesthetic Objective guideline of 15 TCH (True Turbidity Units)
5. Turbidity – 6 wells exceeded the guideline of 0.1-1 NTU (Nephelometric Turbidity Units)
6. Total Aluminum – 3 wells exceeded the Aesthetic Objective Guideline of 100ug/litre.
7. Total Iron – 3 wells exceeded the Aesthetic Objective guideline of 300ug/litre.
8. Total Manganese – 5 wells exceeded the Aesthetic Objective guideline of 50ug/litre.
9. Total Uranium – 1 well exceeded the guideline of 20ug/litre.
10. Dissolved Organic Carbon (DOC) – The federal guidelines provide no standard for DOC, however the Ontario Drinking Water Standards provide an Aesthetic Objective guideline of 5mg/litre. 5 wells exceeded this guideline.
11. Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (TKN) – TKN is the sum of organic and inorganic nitrogen found in water. The tested samples showed a range from less than 0.4mg/litre in 11 wells to a high of 2.4 mg/litre

Traytown council will meet with the Department of Environment to discuss the results as well as obtaining a water source for Traytown. This meeting will have to take place in St. John's and a delegate of the council will attend this meeting.

Gallery – I have a question about Pissamare Pond

Mayor – We are trying to follow procedure here and avoid interruption

Gallery – You got to be able to ask questions to the council on issues.

Mayor – Really you are not supposed to speak

Gallery – What's the use of having a meeting if the public can't get questions answered?

Gallery – It don't make any sense to anyone that we can't speak

Mayor – Fine ask your question, sit down and ask your question.

Gallery – When the Department of Environment turned down the Pissamare Pond for a water resource what testing was done?

Mayor – There was a study done that showed that in a years' time the leakage from the old dump site will be affecting the Pissamare Pond. The study shows the time line.

The former council received a letter from the Dept of Environment explaining this. They stated that they would not be able to give the okay for this area due to the dump location.

GAS TAX con't – Permit requested to build a Recreation Building for the town to replace the old structure. **Deputy Mayor Carter moved to approve the building of a 12 x 20 Recreation Building next to the rink on Poplar Lane, seconded by Councillor Patten, all in favour, motion carried.**

Gallery - I see that the building is started without a permit in place.

CAPITAL WORKS FUNDING – Angela Chatman, Assistant to Sandy Collins, MHA Terra Nova District, telephoned to inform council that the Capital Works Project is approved in the amount of \$50,870.00. Council will have to decide where the work needs to be done and if they will borrow the \$4,862 they need or use funds they have budgeted for road work and bank payments. **Deputy Mayor Carter moved to approve the funding of the road upgrades in the amount of \$50,870.00 seconded by Councillor Patten all in favour, motion carried.** (Resolution attached to minutes)

The clerk has not heard from MHA, Sandy Collins on the decision of Traytown Access Road, she will call Ms. Angela Chatman on Tuesday June 2, 2015 to see if a decision has been made.

RECREATION COMMITTEE- Due to work commitments, Traytown Recreation has not had time to meet. They did schedule a cleanup of Traytown Road. Thanks to Councillor Colleen Denty, Suzanne Denty, Julie Tucker and Jessie Tucker for the great job done.

NEW BUSINESS

CULVERT - A request for the town to replace a culvert at 26 Aspen Drive Traytown. Council will look at this issue and decide if it can be put in with the Capital Works project this year. The council placed a culvert across Aspen Lane leading into this culvert and may be responsible for replacing this culvert. The Works Committee will look at this before the next meeting. The clerk will write the individual a letter informing that the issue is being looked at.

COMPLAINTS – 1. Garbage and debris on property on Traytown Access Road, the clerk will write the owner a letter requesting that it be cleaned up.

2. 2 Juniper Crescent – Snow removal done by town's contractor causing problems for resident – Councillor Patten looked into this and a guide wire has been purchased and placed where the resident wants the contractor to avoid placing snow on his property. The second complaint was sand built up on Juniper Crescent – this has been taken care of by hiring the contractor to sweep the roads to remove all sand. A letter will be sent to this resident to let them know the council has taken care of their problems.

Councillor Patten also purchased Cold Patch on the Town's account to fill in the holes on Juniper Crescent to prevent any damage to cars using the road.

ALEXANDER BAY LION'S 41st ANNUAL DINNER – Mayor Baird will attend on June 6, 2015.

DISCOUNT – Deputy Mayor Carter moved to approve the 40% discount for Female Resident With total income of \$19,457.61, seconded by Councillor Janes all in favour, motion carried.

MOTION – Mayor Baird would like council to introduce a motion that would require residence to have a demolition permit to remove any structure from their premises. The permit would be free of cost but would give the council the knowledge when a structure is removed. After discussing this issue council did not bring forward a motion for a demolition permit.

EXEMPTION – Home owner request an exemption of Garbage Tax due to the house not being used and garbage is not picked up from the residence. After careful discussion on the different homes in the town that are not used or only used for a short period per year that would be qualified for a garbage tax exemption council is not in favour of giving exemptions for garbage based on the houses being unoccupied.

TRAINING – The schedule for training as arrived and council is encouraged by the Department of Municipal Affairs to avail of all training Council Patten, Councillor Denty and Deputy Mayor Carter will take the Councillor Orientation course in October and Town Clerk will take Cash Handling course being offered the same time.

NEXT MEETING – Monday - July 6, 2015

MEETING ADJOURNED – Councillor Patten moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Deputy Mayor Carter, all in favour, motion carried.

Mayor

Town Clerk