

**TOWN OF TRAYTOWN  
MINUTES  
September 9, 2019**

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Mayor	Shannon Carter
Deputy Mayor	John Baird
Councillors	David Janes
	Jason Patten
	Max Harmon
Town Clerk Manager	Sarah Patten

**ACCEPT AGENDA:** Deputy Mayor Baird accepted the agenda as presented with the addition of Garbage Schedules, seconded by Councillor Harmon all in favour, motion carried.

**ACCEPT MINUTES of August 5, 2019:** Moved by Councillor Patten, seconded by Councillor Harmon all in favour, motion carried.

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM August 5, 2019**

Financial Report –\$10,415.60 came in for the month of August. The invoices received and paid are as follows:

Central Newfoundland Waste - \$886.72

Station Road Contracting - \$3,250. July August \$3,200

Kim Ralph Garbage -843.53 July August \$843.00

Samatha Ralph – \$300. painting 5 picnic tables and patio

Eastlink - \$161 .July August \$164.68

D. Dyke - \$160 lawn mowing

Newfoundland Power - \$1,063.92

Glovertown H. Hardware - \$135.36

T. Hiscock \$75.00 – Hall cleaning

Traytown Recreation \$500.00 grant from Provincial Government

Newfoundland Exchequer - \$460.00 Permit for wells

MNL - \$130 refunded canceled

PMA - \$195.00 training for clerk manager as per gas tax agreement

Receiver General - \$1057.42 July August \$1,057.42

**Councillor Harmon move to accept invoices and payments up to and including September 9, 2019, seconded by Councillor Patten, all in favour, motion carried.**

**Capital Works – Discussion at the end of meeting.**

**Amendment to Town Plan - Pine Tree Stand – no further development**

**Rec Committee report – Councillor Harmon** – no further development except they are not pleased with having to pay the \$800.00 plus tax audit invoice that they never had to pay before.

**Audit** done on March 27, 2019 accept financial statements and discuss the amount charged to rec: The clerk will contact Lori Mercer, Chartered Accountant and discuss why she charged the recreation committee this year and not other years. The town's invoice in the amount of \$3,900.00 plus tax will be paid but the Recreation's account will be held until the council hears from Ms. Mercer.

**Septic Waste Treatment Facility TCH Feltham's Construction** – final word from environment passed, Councillor Harmon will contact Ms. Dorthea Handshar in the morning and discuss this issue with her.

**Picnic tables** can they be placed in the garage for the winter? The clerk will purchase some large tarps and have them placed out behind the garage for the winter. The signs have not been returned to the hall and I have not found anyone to erect them. The Mayor will contact MR. Wilfred Glover and ask him to return the signs asap and the clerk will see if anyone would like to earn a little money doing errands for the town. There are some signs that will need to be repaired due to destruction Council will have to place plywood on back of signs that are off the poles before replacing.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Audit from July 4, 2019 by the Department of Municipal Affairs** emailed to each council member for their input. Must read out the invoices paid and have a motion of council at each meeting. Must put water and sewer regulations in place and must purchase a fire proof safe to hold all of council's important documents and computer.

**Correspondence:** Budget for 2020 has arrived for council

**REDUCTION** – Councillor Harmon moved that a 45% reduction be given to 2019 #10 giving them a \$193.32 reduction in their 2019 property Tax, seconded by Councillor Patten all in favour, motion carried.

**GARBAGE DAYS** – Council will set up a meeting with Mr. Robert Ralph to discuss the option of changing garbage days due to the new structure of the Central Newfoundland Waste Transfer Site closed on all Saturdays that fall before a Monday holiday. The council will also set up a meeting with the small towns in the area that have to deal with this problem.

**Capital Works** – Approval for first phase approved and brought forward, Councillor Harmon and Deputy Mayor Baird meet with Wilf Maloney, P. Eng Municipal Affairs, who informed them that they will have to ask three engineering firms for prices. Deputy Mayor Baird sent out three request for prices and only two were returned one company wanted to do the estimates for free with the guarantee that they would get the work. The two other companies: Wood put in an

estimate but it was far more work detailed than the estimate required and DMG put in a bid to do the estimate. Deputy Mayor Baird will go back to Wood and request that they just give the figure for the estimate on design for the application as requested and to have it back by 4:00 pm on Tuesday September 10, 2019 as the application deadline is fast approaching. If Wood doesn't return with a second amount by 4:00pm the council will ask DMG to come and do the work so the work on the application can begin.

Councillor Harmon has talked to several banks about the interest rate charged to the town on their debt for the water sewer project and have found some information but will need more information from the clerk to follow up. Credit Union – 5.5% over prime, BMO needs more information, CIBC – 3.95%-5% over prime and Scotia reduced to 6.69% over prime.

Council Harmon will need three months of bank statements, three years of financial statements, from the office before he has the final outcome.

Survey – Council Harmon request that the council talk about a survey that he would like sent to each member of the town to respond to and return. A discussion took place on the need for such a survey and what it would add to the project and if someone needs water greater than another person in town the council cannot jump over the roads to put in the system it has to go in as designed. Councillor Harmon said he had talked about this idea with Wilfred Maloney, P. Eng for Municipal Affairs and Mr. Maloney said it was a good idea. **Councillor Harmon moved to send out a survey to each resident of Traytown on the water and sewer and request it be sent now for feedback on the project, seconded by Councillor Janes, Councillor Patten – against, Deputy Mayor Baird – against, Mayor Carter- not ready to vote – would like some time to talk to Mr. Wilf Maloney and why it would be a good idea at this time and what it would mean to the project at this point. Motion not carried Stalled pending advise from Municipal Affairs.**

Next Meeting October 7, 2019.

Meeting adjourned: Moved by Councillor Janes, seconded by Councillor Harmon, all in favour, motion carried.

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