

**TOWN OF TRAYTOWN  
MINUTES  
May 5, 2025**

**In attendance:**

<b>Mayor:</b>	<b>Shannon Carter</b>
<b>Deputy Mayor:</b>	<b>Maxwell Harmon</b>
<b>Councillors:</b>	<b>Lorne Denty</b>
	<b>Roy Higdon</b>
<b>Absent</b>	<b>Jason Patten</b>
<b>Town Clerk Manager</b>	<b>Sarah Skinner</b>
<b>Gallery:</b>	<b>Donald Henke, Wilfred Wyatt</b>

**ACCEPT AGENDA:** May 5, 2025 – Moved by Councillor Denty, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Harmon, Mayor Carter and Councillor Higdon in favour, motion carried.

**ACCEPT MINUTES:** March 31, 2025 Moved by Councillor Higdon, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Harmon, Mayor Carter and Councillor Denty in favour, motion carried.

**BUSINESS ARISING:** March 31, 2025

**Capital Works** – Nothing back from government with regards for the second phase of the water and sewer project. There was a payment for Allnorth from government, the invoice was in the amount of \$2,892.28, which has been paid in full, the government check arrived in the amount of \$2,360.54. Deputy Mayor Harmon talked to Doug Short, Allnorth, the asphalt pavement for Juniper has been kept back by the government in an amount that will not be made public at this time. (due to bids) Deputy Mayor Harmon will talk to Mr. Wilfred Maloney, Municipal Affairs regarding the repairing of Juniper.

**Water** - Some residents have purchased enough water hose to attach to the fire hydrant at the bottom of tower hill to access water on Aspen drive. These people will be charged by the month for water usage at a price of 16.65 per month which is the cost to all residents at \$200.00 per year the pipe will only be used during the spring summer and fall to provide water needed to the residents that have paid for the pipe.

**Financial Report** — Clerk's financial report: Amount is bank accounts as of today Scotiabank - \$33,642.71, MCW - \$2,564.51 Gas Tax - \$90,261.65 and regular account \$104,544.32 for a total of - \$231,013.19

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Total
	\$ -	\$ -	\$429.20	\$460.60	\$492.00	\$2,367.00	\$4,439.56	\$7,879.25	\$13,789.47	\$ 29,857.08

**Post Office** – Postal boxes are in operation some seniors having a few problems with having two different addresses to deal with.

**Street Light** – No word back from Newfoundland Power on Pine Tree Road, street light, Balsam Lane Newfoundland Power was down to check out the light but left without repairing it.

**Flag Pole** – Purchased flag for Head Nose Park – Darren Dyke will place it later.

**Spring Clean up** Kimberly Ralph has decided on May 12 – 17, 2025 for clean up week.

**Water** – Department of Environment Gander Office has passed the water supply for April 22, 2025. Floyd Sharpe has emailed the report to the town.

**Road Contract** – Roads are being graded and Class A ordered for some areas, Ditching and culvert will be needed in Maple Lane, water over flowing the road and going into residents' property and shed. Culvert totally

blocked if unable to clear will be removed and replaced. Contractor would like to have Council specify where they want the class A needed spread.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Permit – Council Higdon moved to approve the building of a garage at 11 Aspen Drive, seconded by Councillor Denty all in favour, motion carried.**

**Deduction – Councillor Higdon moved to approve two deductions Income of #2 - 2025 /2024 – income \$25,031 - deduction - \$203.85, #3 – income of # 3 \$10,896.00 – deduction - \$214.05 seconded by Councillor Denty all in favour, motion carried.**

**Town Hall Sign** Deputy Mayor Harmon and Mr. John Denty will cut the branches around the town hall sign and Deputy Mayor will order another sign to place on the other side of the road so it can be seen by traffic on both sides of Main Street.

**Fence –** Councillor Higdon will see to having the fence placed around the pumphouse and well as soon as weather permits.

**Cutting Trees –** Councillor Patten will have the trees on the roads of Traytown cut back and the debris taken away as soon as weather permits.

**Saw mill –** Deputy Mayor Harmon will talk to Ms. Megan Frost about an interview with Ms. Gerti Abbott on the sawmill and history of Traytown.

**Grants –** A recreational grant in the amount of \$1,000 was received for May 31, 2025 a sports day competition will be held at a later date with prizes as well as a BBQ of hamburgers and hot dogs for the kids. An email as arrived informing council that they will receive 2025-26 Active NL Fund grant totaling \$1,350.00, Councillor Denty will order games for the town, corn hole, washer toss and pickleball to have residents' avail of the outdoor activities.

**Councillor's Input – (1)** Mr. Glenn Abbott has donated a bench for the wharf which will be placed at a later date. **(2)** The clerk manager will inform Department of Transportation Eastport Depot about the large dip in the road in front of Deborah Arnold's house across from Cull's Harbour causeway. **(3)** With the dry weather council will have to watch for fires into the pits. **(4)** the clerk will contact Department of Mines and Energy on the pits and have them inspected. **(5)** there are several unsightly areas around town that need to be fixed, abandoned houses that are falling down, vehicles parked making the town look very untidy. Letters will be written to property owners requesting they clean up their property. **(6)** The "Outdoor Guys" You Tube channel requested a guide into the town's rolling stone, which can be seen on their You Tube channel. **(7)** Recreation Committee will be asked if they would like to help with replacing all the equipment at the playground as it is very old and some of it has been removed due to safety concerns. If the committee would rather just be in charge of their vegetable gardens maybe more people could be asked to come forward to help raise funds for the playground.

**Next Meeting June 2, 2025**

**Meeting adjourned – Moved by Councillor Higdon seconded by Councillor Denty all in favour, motion carried.**

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Mayor

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Town Clerk Manager