

## Town of Paradise

### **Public Council Meeting Minutes**

# September 21, 2021, 6:00 p.m. Council Chambers

- Council Present: Dan Bobbett, Mayor, Chairperson Elizabeth Laurie, Deputy Mayor Patrick Martin, Councillor Deborah Quilty, Councillor Kimberley Street, Councillor Sterling Willis, Councillor
- Council Absent Allan English, Councillor

Staff Present:Lisa Niblock, CAO<br/>Conrad Freake, Director, Recreation & Community Services<br/>Alton Glenn, Director, Planning & Protective Services<br/>Chris Milley, Director, Infrastructure & Engineering<br/>Nelson Whalen, Director of Public Works<br/>Terrilynn Smith, Director, Corporate Services<br/>Angelina Richards, Administrative Assistant

## 1. Calling of Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Bobbett at 6:00 pm.

#### 2. Safety Moment

Mayor Bobbett brought forward a safety moment for Council and residents.

## 3. Presentations

## a. <u>Councillor English</u>

Councillor English was unable to attend the meeting, but Mayor Bobbett acknowledged his 12 years of service on Council.

Members of Council thanked Councillor English and wished him well in his retirement from Council.

b. Councillor Willis

Mayor Bobbett presented Councillor Willis with a certificate and gift from the Town and acknowledged his 32 years of service on Town Council.

Members of Council and CAO Niblock thanked Councillor Willis and wished him well in his retirement from Council.

### 4. Adoption of Agenda and Minutes

a. Adoption of Agenda

**Resolution No. M21-265** 

Moved by Councillor Quilty Seconded by Councillor Willis

To adopt the Agenda for the September 21, 2021 Public Meeting.

**Motion Carried Unanimously** 

### b. <u>Adoption of Minutes</u>

Resolution No. M21-266

Moved by Councillor Martin Seconded by Councillor Willis

To adopt the Minutes of the September 7, 2021 Public Meeting.

## **Motion Carried Unanimously**

## 5. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

#### 6. Planning and Protective Services Committee

Councillor Willis, Chair; Councillor Martin & Councillor Street

- a. <u>Permits</u>
  - 1. 252 Paradise Road Approval in Principle

Council discussed the application, and it is being refused because the proposed development will exceed the maximum building line setback, lacks adequate access and does not front on a publicly maintained street.

**Resolution No. M21-267** 

Moved by Councillor Willis Seconded by Deputy Mayor Laurie

Be it resolved that the application for Approval in Principle for the development of a row dwelling at 252 Paradise Road be refused as the proposed development is contrary to Sections 3.1, 3.5 and 4.9 of the Town of Paradise Development Regulations, 2016.

**Motion Carried Unanimously** 

- b. Orders
  - 1. 1764 Topsail Road

**Resolution No. M21-268** 

Moved by Councillor Willis Seconded by Councillor Quilty

Be it resolved that the Order made by motion #M21-242 to have fill levelled off at 1764 Topsail Road, be rescinded.

**Motion Carried Unanimously** 

2. 4 Christopher Street (Formerly 1766 Topsail Road)

**Resolution No. M21-269** 

Moved by Councillor Willis Seconded by Deputy Mayor Laurie

Be it resolved that an Order issued requiring the demolition of the building located at #4 Christopher Street (formerly 1766 Topsail Road) and the removal of all demolition debris, as per motion #M21-241, be rescinded.

**Motion Carried Unanimously** 

3. New Order for 4 Christopher Street (Formerly 1766 Topsail Road)

**Resolution No. M21-270** 

Moved by Councillor Willis Seconded by Councillor Martin

Be it resolved that an Order issued requiring the demolition of the building located at #4 Christopher Street (formerly 1766 Topsail Road) and the removal of all demolition debris be confirmed by Council.

**Motion Carried Unanimously** 

- c. <u>Memos</u>
  - 1. Updated Traffic Regulations 2021

**Resolution No. M21-271** 

Moved by Councillor Willis Seconded by Deputy Mayor Laurie

Be it resolved that as per authority granted under Section 189 of the Highway Traffic Act, M.S.N. 1990, c. H-3 and Section 413 of the Municipalities Act, 1999, Paradise Town Council adopt the 2021 Town of Paradise Traffic Regulations.

**Motion Carried Unanimously** 

2. 8 Bernard Drive - Email Poll Ratification

**Resolution No. M21-272** 

Moved by Councillor Willis Seconded by Councillor Quilty

Be it resolved that Council ratify the decision made via an email poll of Council of September 14, 2021 to approve the application to construct an extension to the existing dwelling at 8 Bernard Drive with a building line setback of 12.5 meters subject to ten (10) conditions.

**Motion Carried Unanimously** 

## 7. Corporate Services Committee

Deputy Mayor Laurie, Chair; Councillor Quilty & Councillor Willis

There were no reports for this meeting.

### 8. Infrastructure and Engineering Committee

Councillor Quilty, Chair; Councillor English & Councillor Willis

#### a. <u>Street Rehab Additions - Email Poll Ratification</u>

**Resolution No. M21-273** 

Moved by Councillor Quilty Seconded by Councillor Willis

Be it resolved that council ratify the September 10, 2021 E-poll decision to proceed with adding Kipawa Drive and Meadow Road to the 2021 Street Rehab project

**Motion Carried Unanimously** 

### b. <u>Archibald Drive Storm Sewer – Engineering Services Award</u>

#### **Resolution No. M21-274**

Moved by Councillor Quilty Seconded by Councillor Street

Be it resolved that the Town of Paradise award the Archibald Drive Storm Sewer Project to Progressive Engineering & Consulting Inc. in the amount of \$122,569.30 including HST on the basis of being the highest ranked proposal.

## **Motion Carried Unanimously**

#### 9. Public Works Committee

Councillor English, Chair; Deputy Mayor Laurie & Councillor Quilty

## There were no reports for this meeting.

## 10. Recreation and Community Services Committee

Councillor Martin, Chair; Deputy Mayor Laurie & Councillor Street

a. RFP T'Railway Education and Signage Plan

Resolution No. M21-275

Moved by Councillor Martin Seconded by Deputy Mayor Laurie

Be it resolved that the Town of Paradise Award RFP# TOP-21-15 Request for Proposals (RFP) Multi-use T'railway Signage to Mills and Wright Landscaping Architecture in the Amount of \$31,924.00 HST Included.

**Motion Carried Unanimously** 

#### 11. New/Unfinished Business

a. <u>Department of Corporate Services</u>

Deputy Mayor Laurie brought forward an update from the Corporate Services Department.

Election reminders:

There are 3 options to return your mail in ballot:

- Return by Mail this must be done by September 23 to ensure it is received by the Returning Officer by 8:00pm, September 28, 2021. Mail in ballots received after this date will not be counted, regardless of postmark.
- 2. Drop if off at the drop box located at the Town Hall.
- 3. Return it on Election Day at one of the designated polling stations from 8:00am to 8:00 pm.

For those electors planning to vote in person, there are still 2 options available:

Advance Poll – Saturday, September25, 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Paradise Double Ice Complex or on Election Day – Tuesday, September 28, 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Electors must vote at their designated polling station, as determined by their street address.

Polling stations will be held at both the Paradise Double Ice Complex and St. Thomas Community Center.

Voters can check the website to find out where to vote, by entering their street address. The street listing will also be posted in this week's Shoreline.

### b. Department of Infrastructure and Engineering

Councillor Quilty brought forward an update from the Infrastructure and Engineering Department.

The Infrastructure & Engineering Department have agreed recently to support the Newfoundland and Labrador Environmental Industry Association in an application to the Climate Action and Awareness Fund. This is a federal fund offered over a five-year span to help Canada reduce greenhouse gas emissions, with the ultimate goal to have net-zero emissions by 2050. The proposed project is to conduct community level greenhouse gas inventories for Newfoundland and Labrador and identify opportunities to lower emissions. The Engineering staff of the Town of Paradise have conducted corporate greenhouse inventories for several years which focused on emissions caused directly by Town operations. The proposed project will go a step further and quantify all emissions community-wide, from residential to commercial to industrial activities.

By agreeing to participate, the Town will join NEIA and other communities to fully comprehend the baseline greenhouse gas emissions province-wide. There is no upfront cost to the Town to participate; the commitment from the Town is for staff participation, aid in promotion and public engagement, and access to Town facilities. It is estimated that over the proposed three-year span, the Town would contribute roughly 80 hours of in-kind time, valued at \$7200.

The Infrastructure & Engineering department is excited to be a part of this project, which clearly aligns with the Town's strategic goals to strive for a carbon neutral footprint, as well as pursuing opportunities for collaboration with regional partners. The application will be submitted by NEIA by September 29, 2021 and it is anticipated that project award will be in the new year.

## c. Department of Planning and Protective Services

Councillor Willis brought forward an update from the Planning and Protective Services Department.

Hurricane Larry provided headaches for the population of Eastern Newfoundland recently. Downed fences, powerlines, trees and signs made for a weekend of cleaning and repairs. As usual, the Town's Public Works staff did a great job of getting our facilities back to operational status.

Larry also provided an opportunity to observe the excellent regional emergency services of this area in action once again.

Officials from Provincial Public Safety and Emergency Services were in constant contact with municipal partners including Paradise as well as representatives from other organizations set to provide emergency services should the need arise. The Provincial Emergency Operations Centre in St. John's was staffed and operational. Conference calls from staff of the Centre with a group of more than 30 regional partner municipalities and agencies kept everyone aware of Larry's progress throughout the region. A representative from Environment Canada's National Hurricane Centre provided the group with interpretation of their hurricane tracking models.

While storms such as Hurricane Larry can pose problems, they are also an opportunity to exercise emergency operational procedures to assure things are ready the next time such an event comes our way.

#### d. Department of Public Works

Councillor Quilty brought forward an update from the Public Works Department.

On September 10, 2021, the remnants of Hurricane Larry battered the east coast of Newfoundland including Paradise. Over the past week, our Public Works department have been extremely busy clearing debris and falling trees that have impacted our walking trails and road infrastructure.

Along with the Town's infrastructure, many residents had to deal with fallen trees and branches on their own properties. The Town offered a free Yard Debris Drop-off at 619 St. Thomas Line (by the St. Thomas Line Treatment Plant). The drop off location was available 24 hours a day from September 10 to September 17, 2021. However, there were some residents who could not take advantage of this drop off, therefore a special yard debris collection was offered by appointment only. These appointments were coordinated through the department and approximately 50 residents took advantage of this service last week.

During the clean up, some trails and roadways had to be closed temporary to ensure the safety of both the public and our employees. The

department appreciates the cooperation and understanding from residents over the past week.

e. <u>Department of Recreation and Community Services</u>

Councillor Martin brought forward an update from the Recreation and Community Services Department.

This year the Town of Paradise has a series of fun all-ages programs to make your fall the best ever! Programs include:

- Senior & Adult Pickleball
- o Adult Walking
- o Beanbag
- Tot Time
- o Shuffleboard

Registration opens on September 20, 2021 12:00 pm.

To learn more about Adult/Seniors Programming, visit: <u>www.paradise.ca/seniors</u>To learn more about Tot Time, visit: <u>www.paradise.ca/tottime</u>

- f. <u>Other</u>
  - Deputy Mayor Laurie noted that this is the last night of the current Council and she said that it has been an incredible four (4) years. She thanked CAO Niblock, the Directors and all staff for their hard work and noted that it has been tremendous to see the coming together of the staff. Also, Deputy Mayor thanked Mayor Bobbett, Council and residents for their support. She wished good luck to those running for a seat on Council and to Councillor Willis and Councillor English on their retirement.
  - Councillor Quilty also stated that it has been an incredible four (4) years serving on Council. She sent a big shout out to the incredible staff for keeping Council on the ball and a special thank you to CAO Niblock. She also thanked all of Council and looks forward to another term if she gets the pleasure of being elected. Councillor Quilty also congratulated all those who put their name forward.

- Councillor Willis thanked CAO Niblock and all the staff for their professionalism and knowledge. Also, he wanted to thank Councillor English and he wished him well in his future endeavors.
- Councillor Street expressed appreciation to the Directors and employees for being patient and kind as she was new to Council and acknowledged the leadership of CAO Niblock. Councillor Street stated that it's been an honor to represent the residents of Paradise and wished all the candidate's good luck.
- Councillor Martin thanked the staff and CAO Niblock and gave a special thank you to Councillor Willis and Councillor English for their years of service. Councillor Martin wished everyone good luck.
- Mayor Bobbett stated that it's been a busy four years and is looking forward to the next term and the swearing in of the new Council. He states that we will be hitting the ground running and all the best to all the candidates.

# 12. Adjournment

# Resolution No. M21-276

Moved by Councillor Quilty Seconded by Deputy Mayor Laurie

To adjourn the meeting at 6:52 pm.

Dan Bobbett, Mayor

Terrilynn Smith, Town Clerk