



**Town of Paradise**  
**Public Council Meeting Minutes**

**October 19, 2021, 6:00 p.m.**  
**Council Chambers**

Council Present:      Dan Bobbett, Mayor, Chairperson  
                                 Kimberley Street, Deputy Mayor  
                                 Glen Carew, Councillor  
                                 Elizabeth Laurie, Councillor  
                                 Patrick Martin, Councillor  
                                 Deborah Quilty, Councillor  
                                 Larry Vaters, Councillor

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

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**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 to Council and residents.

**3.      Proclamation**

a.      International Stuttering Awareness Day

Mayor Bobbett proclaimed October 22, 2021 as International Stuttering Awareness Day in the Town of Paradise.

b. Small Business Week

Mayor Bobbett proclaimed October 17-23, 2021 as Small Business Week in the Town of Paradise.

**4. Adoption of Agenda and Minutes**

a. Adoption of Agenda

**Resolution No. M21-283**

**Moved by** Councillor Quilty

**Seconded by** Councillor Vaters

**To adopt the Agenda for the October 19, 2021 Public Meeting.**

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

b. Adoption of Minutes

**Resolution No. M21-284**

**Moved by** Councillor Martin

**Seconded by** Councillor Laurie

**To adopt the Minutes of the October 5, 2021 Public Meeting.**

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

**5. Business Arising from the Minutes**

Mayor Bobbett brought forward a correction from the last meeting. The Council representative on the Peter Barry Duff Commission is Councillor Carew, not Councillor Vaters as was stated in the previous meeting. This change was updated in the minutes presented for adoption.

**6. Planning and Protective Services Committee**

Deputy Mayor Street, Chair; Councillor Carew & Councillor Quilty

a. Permits

1. 25 Balsomwood Road - Development Approval

**Resolution No. M21-285**

**Moved by** Deputy Mayor Street

**Seconded by** Councillor Carew

**Be it resolved that Council approve an application for the construction of a wharf at 25 Balsomwood Road subject to no objections in response to the Notice of Discretionary Use and six (6) conditions. If objections are received, the application will be returned to Planning and Protective Services Committee and Council for consideration.**

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

b. Orders

1. 5 Clevedon Crescent

**Resolution No. M21-286**

**Moved by** Deputy Mayor Street

**Seconded by** Councillor Laurie

**Be it resolved that an Order requiring the complete removal of a hornet's nest located at #5 Clevedon Crescent, as per motion #M21-256, be rescinded, as the Order has been complied with.**

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

2. 69 Angels Road

**Resolution No. M21-287**

**Moved by** Deputy Mayor Street

**Seconded by** Councillor Martin

**Be it resolved that the Order, confirmed by Council on February 18, 2020, M20-034, concerning operation of a lodging house at civic #69 Angel's Road without a permit be rescinded.**

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

**7. Administration and Corporate Services Committee**

Councillor Laurie, Chair; Councillor Martin & Councillor Vaters

***There are no reports for this meeting.***

**8. Infrastructure and Engineering Committee**

Councillor Quilty, Chair; Councillor Martin & Councillor Vaters

a. 2021 Street Rehab – St. Anne’s Crescent (Email Poll Ratification)

**Resolution No. M21-288**

**Moved by** Councillor Quilty

**Seconded by** Deputy Mayor Street

**Be it resolved that the Town of Paradise ratify the E-poll decision to approve up to \$100,000 in asphalt resurfacing on St. Anne’s Crescent to repair the areas in the worst condition as part of the 2021 Street Rehab Project being completed by Weirs Construction.**

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

b. Squires Road Retaining Wall – Change Order No. 1

**Resolution No. M21-289**

**Moved by** Councillor Quilty

**Seconded by** Councillor Laurie

**Be it resolved that the Town of Paradise approve Change Order No. 1 for removal of USM and supply and install of blast rock in the amount of \$7,705.52 including HST to Eric Taylor Limited for the Squires Road Retaining Wall project.**

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

c. McNamara Drive School Access Road

**Resolution No. M21-290**

**Moved by** Councillor Quilty

**Seconded by** Councillor Vaters

**Be it resolved that the Town of Paradise expand the scope of the McNamara Drive School Access and Sidewalk project to include the paving of the temporary turning bulb, paving of the access road to Field #1 and the reinstatement of the Carpenter's Millwright College parking lot.**

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

**9. Public Works Committee**

Councillor Martin, Chair; Councillor Laurie & Deputy Mayor Street

a. Supply Protective Clothing 2021

**Resolution No. M21-291**

**Moved by** Councillor Martin

**Seconded by** Councillor Laurie

**Be it resolved that the Town of Paradise obtain Bellman's Industrial Supply to supply & deliver Protective Clothing for 2021/2022 season at a total combined cost of \$86,000 HST included.**

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

**10. Recreation and Community Services Committee**

Councillor Laurie, Chair; Councillor Carew & Councillor Vaters

***There are no reports for this meeting.***

**11. New/Unfinished Business**

a. Department of Administration & Corporate Services

Councillor Laurie brought forward an update from the Administration and Corporate Services Committee.

Preparations have started for Budget 2022 and that includes our annual Budget Talks public engagement. We want meaningful input from our residents, community groups and businesses as we begin our budget deliberations so we can find the right balance for our services, programs, and infrastructure.

There are several ways you can participate in Budget Talks 2022:

- We'll be launching our online survey this week. It will be available on the website later this week at [paradise.ca/budgettalks](https://paradise.ca/budgettalks) and we'll also share it on our social media channels.
- Council Pop-ups at the Paradise Double Ice Complex on Thursday evening and Saturday afternoon. You can drop by and chat with us. Participants will also be able to access the Budget Talks online survey during those times as well.
- Twitter Town Hall with the Mayor – on Monday, November 1, Mayor Bobbett will be hosting a Twitter Town Hall from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. and he'll be responding to suggestions and answering questions as part of our Budget 2022 preparations. For those who want to participate, be sure tag us @townofparadise.
- And email us your ideas, comments, and suggestions to [engagement@paradise.ca](mailto:engagement@paradise.ca).

The Town encourages residents, businesses, and community groups to get involved in Budget Talks 2022. We value this input and it's an important part of our annual budget preparations.

b. Department of Infrastructure and Engineering

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

At the end of 2020 Newfoundland Power initiated a program to install a network of high-speed chargers for vehicles or superchargers as more commonly known. The chargers would be installed free of charge in suitable areas with no cost to the landowner except typical parking lot maintenance and snow clearing. In December 2020 the department developed rationale for a proposed location at the Town Hall parking lot and submitted it with an application. The department just received confirmation that the Town will be receiving one of these superchargers on the Town Hall parking lot. We are very happy to be receiving one at this location as it aligns with several strategic priorities of Council. It aligns with the strategy for developing a community centre and amenities in this area. It supports the investment in new infrastructure and will be attractive to new and existing businesses of the immediate area. It aligns well with a number of environmental stewardship strategies as well as being a great

example of regional collaboration which is another pillar of the strategic plan.

Construction on the charging station should begin in the new year.

Under the strategic plan banner of Regional Collaboration, the department staff participated in a multi-Municipality committee set up by Newfoundland Power to discuss standards, guidelines, cooperation, and collaboration of efforts when integrating municipal and power delivery infrastructure projects. The committee is expected to make the process of specifying, scheduling, and completing new and maintenance projects on respective infrastructure more efficient. This was the committee's kick-off meeting with the next two currently being planned.

c. Department of Planning and Protective Services

Deputy Mayor Street brought forward an update from the Planning and Protective Services Committee.

The initial meeting of a newly appointed Planning and Protective Services Committee was held on October 7<sup>th</sup>. The Committee structure was announced at the October 5<sup>th</sup> Council meeting. Deputy Mayor Kimberley Street is the new Committee Chair. The other two members are long serving Councillor Deborah Quilty and first time Councillor Glen Carew.

The Committee discussed potential amendments to the Municipal Plan and Regulations which are currently at either the discussion or draft stage.

Ridership statistics for Metrobus Route 30 were received and reviewed by the Committee. Route 30 runs between Paradise and St. John's. It was noted that ridership continues to climb back toward pre- COVID levels. It was also noted that a Metrobus representative will soon be attending a meeting with Council to discuss matters of shared interest.

The Committee dealt with applications and orders and sent recommendations forward for Council to consider.

Other matters discussed at the meeting included:

- an inquiry from a property owner on Atlantic Drive concerning a piece of adjacent property
- potential pedestrian connectivity in the Trenton Drive area
- a development question from a resident on Whelan's Crescent
- pest control concerns from residents in the Christopher Street area

- Occupancy and Maintenance Regulations matters in Elizabeth Park and on Lanark Drive

The Committee received a brief overview of the Town's economic development efforts from Economic Development Officer Jennifer Penney.

The next meeting of the Planning and Protective Services Committee is scheduled for October 21<sup>st</sup>.

d. Department of Public Works

Councillor Martin brought forward an update from the Public Works Committee.

The Public Works department is currently preparing for upcoming winter season along with budget discussions for 2022.

The snow clearing fleet is being inspected, road salt and sand inventory is being restocked.

The department is also preparing to recall its seasonal Heavy Equipment Operators along with recruiting additional staff. All necessary information along with the detailed job description can be found on the Town's website at [www.paradise.ca](http://www.paradise.ca) under current opportunities or contact our Human Resources Division at 709-782-1400.

At the most recent Public Works Committee meeting held on October 18, 2021, committee discussed drainage issues along Topsail Road in front of 1878. A proposal prepared by both Public Works staff in collaboration with Infrastructure Engineering staff was presented to committee and was recommended to meet with property owners in the area to discuss.

e. Department of Recreation and Community Services

Councillor Laurie brought forward an update from the Recreation and Community Services Committee.

The Government of Newfoundland and Labrador recently announced "The NLVaxPass App" the app is for residents to securely store their COVID-19 vaccination record. You can also store your family members' COVID-19 vaccination records in NLVaxPass.App. Businesses and Organizations will be required to check a person's COVID-19 vaccination record for access to their venue or space starting on October 22, 2021, these requirements are made by the Chief Medical Officer of Health.



Proof of vaccinations that are required relating to the Town of Paradise are Hockey Arenas, Indoor Gyms, Fitness Centres, Yoga Studios, Community Centres and places where group music, art, dance, and drama activities are practiced indoors, including bands, choirs, dance, and music classes.

Interdepartmental meetings are ongoing to roll out the Towns' plans to ensure all public health guidelines are followed. Proof of vaccination and ID's will be required at all Recreation Facilities starting on October 22, 2021. For more information visit [paradise.ca/covid](http://paradise.ca/covid).

f. Other

- Councillor Martin asked for further clarification regarding the vaccine passport for private rentals in the Towns recreation facilities starting October 22. CAO Niblock responded that it will be required for private rentals and public programming. Councillor Martin responded that the public are not being given much notice for these changes. CAO Niblock responded that the Town has been working diligently since the announcement came from the Provincial Government and that the Town only found out about this when the public did. Mayor Bobbett stated that this is mandated from the Province and the Town must comply with these timelines. Councillor Carew asked if there would be someone at the entrances of the facilities checking the passports. CAO Niblock responded that there will be at the Paradise Double Ice Complex and the other facilities are being reviewed. It is a large undertaking to put things in place for this implementation and CAO Niblock commended staff for their extra efforts.
- Councillor Martin had a resident inquire if a permit is required to make repairs to a fence that had damages during Hurricane Larry. CAO Niblock responded that they should have a permit for any home improvements.
- Councillor Vaters expressed congratulations to the Town's Economic Development Officer, Jennifer Penney, on her recent election to the Economic Developer's Association of Canada Board as Secretary.

He also congratulated the following residents: Ellis Coles and Jamie Tobin on being named members of Team Newfoundland and Labradors Mission Staff for the 2022 Summer Games, Keith Glynn on his recent induction to the Newfoundland and Labrador Athletics Hall of Fame and Chantal McDonald and Brooke Andrews who recently

attended the Canadas Soccer Women's Referee Symposium in Toronto.

- Councillor Vaters inquired about additional speed signage on Topsail Road, St. Thomas Line and Clearview Heights. CAO Niblock responded that there is a signage review being completed and an update on this review can be provided at the next Infrastructure and Engineering Committee meeting.
- Councillor Laurie congratulated Jennifer Penney and Keith Glynn.
- Councillor Laurie encouraged residents that have speeding concerns to bring these concerns forward during budget discussions as the Town are looking for more innovative traffic calming measures.
- Deputy Mayor Street congratulated Jennifer Penney on her election.
- Deputy Mayor Street thanked small business owners in the Town and encouraged residents support local small businesses within the Town.
- Councillor Carew informed Council and residents that he had the opportunity to visit CE23 Basketball Academy yesterday in observation of Small Business Week and congratulated Carl English on the development of a great facility. Mayor Bobbett said it was a great visit and that the facility will be employing 26 people.
- Councillor Quilty congratulated Jennifer Penney on her election to the National Economic Development Board.
- Councillor Quilty informed Council and residents that the goal to have the paving completed on Paradise Road is the end of the month.

## **12. Adjournment**

### **Resolution No. M21-292**

**Moved by** Councillor Quilty

**Seconded by** Councillor Vaters

To adjourn the meeting at 6:50 pm.

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

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Dan Bobbett, Mayor

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Terrilynn Smith, Town Clerk