

Town of Winterland
Regular Council Meeting, December 2, 2025

Minutes of the regular meeting of council
Of the Town of Winterland, held in the
Town Office, December 2, 2025 @ 7 pm.

Members Present	Mayor D. Pittman Deputy Mayor A. Dodge Councilors K. Stapleton & L. Keating
Absent	Councilor F. Collins
Also Present	Town Clerk/Manager M. Simms Deputy Town Clerk/Manager G. Walsh
 Call to Order	 Mayor D. Pittman called the meeting to order @ 7 pm.
 Agenda	 Motion 2025-94 Dodge/Keating Council approved the agenda for the December 2 meeting as presented. All in Favor. Motion Carried.
 Minutes	 Motion 2025-95 Stapleton/Keating Council approved the minutes of the November 4 meeting as presented with no errors or omissions. All in Favor. Motion Carried.
 Caterer	 Motion 2025-96 Dodge/Stapleton Council made the motion to hire Bonnie's Banquet and Catering Ltd. for the annual volunteer dinner and stuffed chicken breast was selected as the meal to be served. All in Favor. Motion Carried.
 Light Purchase	 Motion 2025-97 Keating/Stapleton Council approved the purchase of a set of Govee lights to be permanently installed on the municipal building at a cost of \$599 plus tax. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

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Roof Repairs Council looked at pictures submitted by the maintenance person of the state of the shingles on the municipal building. The question was asked if the roof should be re-shingled in the New Year. Council deferred further discussion until closer to the spring.

Office Door Discussion was had concerning providing privacy to the office with regards to the window in the main door. Council looked at the cost of replacing the window with one that has a built in blind. It was decided to use self adhesive film to cover the window for now. If that does not work, council will look into other alternatives later.

AED Supplies **Motion 2025-98 Dodge/Keating**
Council approved the purchase of supplies for the AED machine from St. John Ambulance at a cost of \$754.
All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Large tree Council discussed the very large tree that is on the neighboring property with regards to all the wind we have been getting lately. Council will speak to the resident to come up with a solution.

Volunteer Dinner Council discussed the list of supplies needed for the annual volunteer dinner.

Property Tidiness New members were given information from previous actions taken concerning residents property issues. As there are no regulations or bi-laws in the Town plan, council may look at getting the Town Plan updated in the New Year.

******Mayor D. Pittman left the meeting @ 7:40 pm due to conflict of interest******

Building Application **Motion 2025-99 Keating/Stapleton**
Council approved the building application for new home construction for 115-119 Branch Rd. subject to all other government approvals.
All in Favor. Motion Carried.

******Mayor D. Pittman returned to the meeting @ 7:45 pm.******

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Cut Pavement ask the until council can	Council discussed who is responsible for the cut pavement across a resident's driveway as a result of a water extension. Council will maintenance person to fill in the area with Class A stone decide what needs to be done.
Snow Clearing hour still be fill our nobody	Council had some discussion on the announcement concerning 24 hour snow clearing in the Province. Although there has never been 24 snow clearing on the Burin Peninsula, council feels a letter should be written to the Minister with regards to the lack of employees to positions for regular shifts; there are currently no job postings for local depot even though they are short staffed and there is assigned to clear the airport.
2026 Budget	Motion 2025-100 Keating/Dodge Council approved the 2026 Budget as presented as balanced at \$342,238.02. All in Favor. Motion Carried.
Tax Structure at 7.5%	Motion 2025-101 Stapleton/Keating Council approved the 2026 tax structure as presented with no changes in mil rate, water rates or minimum fees. The discount will remain and the discount date is set at March 31, 2026. All in Favor. Motion Carried.
Conduct Training	Council has set the date for the mandatory Code of Conduct training for Tuesday, December 9 at 7pm.
Board Seat our	Motion 2025-102 Keating/Stapleton Council approved, in writing, to allow Mayor D. Pittman to sit on the Board on the Burin Peninsula Regional Service Board to represent region. All in Favor. Motion Carried.
Amend Policies	Council amended all policies written to reflect the new Towns & Local Service Districts Act, formerly known as the Municipalities Act.

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Office Hours

Council agreed on the following office hours for the holidays:
Closing at 5 pm December 19 and re-opening @ 12 pm on Monday,
January 5, 2026.

New Business

More

person

A Council member suggested looking into costs of zippered folders for council members to keep all pertinent information in one place. discussion will take place in the New Year.
A Council member asked about the status of a water issue brought forth by a resident. The issue was passed on to the water maintenance person and he looked into it.

Adjournment

Motion 2025-103 Dodge/Stapleton

Council adjourned the regular council meeting at 8:50 pm with the next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, January 6 at 7pm.

All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Mayor_____

Town Clerk/Manager_____