

Town of Winterland
Regular Council Meeting, June 7, 2022

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council
Of the Town of Winterland,
Held in the Town Office, June 7, 2022 @ 7 pm.

- Members Present** Mayor D. Pittman
Deputy Mayor D. Cribb
Councilors: K. Stapleton, A. Dodge & C. Kenway
- Also Present** Town Clerk/Manager M. Simms
Admin Asst. G. Walsh
- Call to Order** Mayor D. Pittman called the regular meeting to order @ 7:05 pm.
- Agenda** **Motion 2022-56** Cribb/Stapleton
Council approved the agenda for the June 7 meeting as presented.
All in Favor. Motion Carried.
- Minutes** **Motion 2022-57** Kenway/Dodge
Council approved the minutes of the May 10 council meeting as presented with no errors or omissions.
All in Favor. Motion Carried.
- Student Applications** Council received 3 applications for the summer student laborer position, Spencer Collins, James Mitchell and Morgan Hackett. Council reviewed the applications and took a secret ballot to vote for the applicant. The result of the secret ballot was to hire James. Should James not accept the position, Morgan will be offered the position.
- New signage** Discussion was had to the location of the new signage on the municipal grounds. It was also suggested to get some lighting for the sign. Power may be an issue.

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Tasks	It was suggested lines be painted on the floor of the fire hall to guide in the fire truck. Council will get the maintenance person to complete this. As well, the additional gravel from the paving job will be used to fill in any/all potholes on the Northwest Brook Rd.
Street Light	Council discussed the relocating of the street light on the Burin Pen highway by Kavanagh's residents again. NL Power suggested moving it will not make a difference to lighting the road. Council will ask if the old poles will be removed.
Solar Lights	Council reviewed the information received from the various solar light options and it was decided no additional lights will be needed.
N.W. Brook Rd.	Council will fill the potholes with the additional gravel from the paving project (as noted above).
Paving	Motion 2022-58 Cribb/Dodge Council approved to hire Provincial Paving at a cost of \$19,412.08 +HST to cut asphalt, remove asphalt swale & repave and pave 4,276 square feet. All in Favor. Motion Carried.
Service gifts	Council will get years of service gifts for past councilors as per the adopted policy. Council will defer planning of a staff social until August and plan for September and invite the past Councilors as well.
Speed Bumps	Council reviewed the information gathered concerning putting speed bumps in the area and found it will not be approved through the Department of Transportation.
BP Joint Council	Council discussed/reviewed topics to be discussed at the next BP Joint Council Meeting: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. BP Ground Search & Rescue – they mostly fundraise and encourage municipalities to contribute.2. Emergency preparedness on a Regional level3. Health Care training in the region.4. Mental Health & Addictions – lack of resources in the area

Donation **Motion 2022-59** Kenway/Cribb
Council approved to donate \$500 to the BP Ground Search & Rescue.
All in Favor. Motion Carried.

******Councilor K. Stapleton left the meeting due to conflict of interest*****

Quarry Permit Council received a request from Brian Hutchings to develop a quarry within the town’s boundaries. Council discussed issues with quarries in the past. Council will defer any decision on this topic for now until Dave explains to Brian about the negative history of quarries in the community.

******Councilor K. Stapleton returned to the meeting*****

Donation **Motion 2022-60** Cribb/Stapleton
Council agreed to donate \$25 to the Make-A-Wish Foundation.
All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Water Tower Quote Council received a quote to install a new system in the water tower to regulate water pressure to hoses. The quote came in at over \$40,000 so council has declined this quote as the system is working fine.

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Poster Contest Council received 2 entries for the poster contest of “What my community means to me”. Council awarded the prize to Spencer Collins with a \$50 cheque and his poster to be turned into a sign to go on the Municipal grounds. As there were only 2 entries, council awarded a prize to Brooks Murphy with a cheque for \$25 and his poster made into a “Don’t Litter” sign to be erected in the town.

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MAA Council received the 2023 Assessment roll and there was an increase in values of a little over \$3,000,000. Council will discuss this further closer to budget time.

- Parking lot sealing** **Motion 2022-61** Kenway/Dodge
Council accepted the quote from SDS Contracting for \$1,700 +HST to seal the municipal parking lot and paint the lines.
All in Favor. Motion Carried.
- Cleaning** **Motion 2022-62** Cribb/Stapleton
Council approved the quote of \$40 per cleaning from Catherine to clean the fire hall once a month.
All in Favor. Motion Carried.
- Dumpsters** Council has secured a green bin from Waste Management for July 5-8 but will get a quote from Hoopers in the mean time.
- Agriculture Sign** Dora gave council an update on replacing the sign on the agriculture building. The original sign was painted and there are no copies of it so it can't be replicated. BP Signs and Graphics suggested 3 optional templates to choose from whereby other items can be added. Council suggested meeting with the Agriculture Society before going any further.
- Recreation inquiries** It was suggested by the Recreation Board that they could rent out time slots for the use of the tennis court as another source of revenue. Council suggested they submit a detailed proposal of what this would look like (who would take care of rentals, etc) before any decision can be made.
It was also asked if the Town's summer student could paint or stain the benches and it will be added to the work order.
The kitchen will remain open for rentals however the cupboards (dishes and utensils) will remain locked up for now.
Council will get Jody to look at the broken shelf in the fridge.
Council agreed to donate \$700 again this year towards a recreation coordinator to oversee the summer program.
- Winterland Day** The date has been set for July 30 as Winterland Day. Council will get all interested groups gathered to meet to hash out details of the event.

- Glue residue** Dora will check for options to remove the glue residue from the garage door.
- Water Pressure** Council discussed further options to investigate the water pressure issue on Branch Rd. Council reviewed the information gathered from Municipal Affairs. It was suggested to check the water pressure from the hydrant in the area or to dig up the curb stop and check the pressure at that point. It was also suggested to ask Dale to check the pressure inside the resident's home.
- Land Lease** The land lease (old dumpsite with S&R Holdings) originally in place has been terminated due to contract details.
A new lease will have to be drawn up with the new operator. There will be a 6 month probation period put in place with rental details to be discussed as more details of the sale need to be known.
- Municipal shingles** It was noted there are some shingles that need replacing on the municipal building as well as eave trough hooks to be replaced. Council will ask Jody to take care of these items.
- Washroom & Garage** These items will be defer until the next council meeting.
- Trees on KFD** With the brush getting cut back from the roadside on KFD, it left some trees looking mangled. It was suggested the town cut them down. When it was looked into further, it was noted someone was already in the process of cutting some trees. If those particular trees don't get cut down, Jody will take care of them.
- Radon Gas** Council will look into getting radon gas test kits from Health Canada (about 100) and implement a program for residents to test in their homes. The kits will be left in the homes for about 3-4 months and council will distribute and retrieve them to be sent back for results.
- MNL Convention** The Annual MNL Convention will take place November 2-5 in Gander this year. No details are out yet but councilors can keep these dates in mind.

Grubbings It was noted that a new build was grubbing off their land and putting the grubbing in by the wood lot but the agreement put in place was not signed prior to this.

Audit Council asked the status of the 2021 Audit. Ginger will inquire on Monday.

New Business The Trail Association will be extending the trail over towards Snow Hill. The question of the state of a resident's property was in question and discussion continued.

Adjournment **Motion 2022-63** Stapleton
Council adjourned the council meeting at 10:40 pm with the next council meeting for Tuesday, July 5 @ 7 pm.
All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Mayor _____

Town Clerk/Manager _____