

Town of Winterland
Regular Council Meeting, June 1, 2021

Minutes Overview of the regular meeting of council
Of the Town of Winterland, held in the
Town Office, telephone & FB messenger, June 1, 2021 @ 7 pm.

- Members Present** Mayor C. Kenway
Deputy Mayor J. Manning
Councilors: D. Pittman & J. Hynes via FB Messenger & D. Cribb via telephone
- Also Present** Town Clerk/Manager M. Simms
Admin. Asst. G. Walsh
- Call to Order** Mayor C. Kenway called the meeting to order @ 7 pm.
- Agenda** **Motion 2021-50** Cribb/Manning
Council approved the agenda for the June 1 meeting as presented.
All in Favor. Motion Carried.
- Minutes** **Motion 2021-51** Hynes/Pittman
Council approved the minutes from the June 1 council meeting as presented with no errors or omissions.
All in Favor. Motion Carried.
- Vote by Mail** **Motion 2021-52** Manning/Cribb
Council made the motion to ask for the Ministers permission, in writing, to conduct mail in voting for the 2021 Municipal Election if needed.
All in Favor. Motion Carried.
- Donations** **Motion 2021-53** Cribb/Pittman
Council approved the following donations:
Children's Wish (Run the Rock) - \$25
BPHCF Golf Tournament (Submit a team) - \$500
All in Favor. Motion Carried.

- Leave Request** **Motion 2021-54** Manning/Cribb
Council approved leave request for the office to close @ 3 pm June 4 and close June 18 & July 2.
All in Favor. Motion Carried.
- Winterhill Prop** Council discussed the request for a break on water taxes. Council reached out to surrounding communities to see what they do in these situations. Both Burin & Garnish charge water rates per unit, and no tax break. Council will respond in writing stating this. Council will also extend an invite to meet should they have further questions or concerns or wish to discuss further.
- Pole Installation** **Motion 2021-55** Cribb/Pittman
Council approved the changes to pole installation, located in the vicinity of the new fire hall, as proposed by NL Power.
All in Favor. Motion Carried.
- New Business** **Motion 2021-56** Manning/Pittman
Council received a request to open a foot care, home based business, to be located at 87 Branch Rd. Council approved this request subject to all other government approvals.
All in Favor. Motion Carried.
- Land Use** Discussion was had again on what piece of land would be best for the fire department's training grounds. No decision has been made.
- Rec Program** **Motion 2021-57** Cribb/Hynes
Council reviewed the proposal submitted by the recreation board with details of how they would like to see the summer rec program run this summer. Council agreed, with all the regulations the rec board has put into place, there is no reason the summer program should not go ahead this summer. Council will purchase any cleaning supplies needed. There will be no outside rentals during the summer program. Council also agrees to support the rec board decision with registering only those children who are full time residents of Winterland.
All in Favor. Motion Carried.

- Coordinator** **Motion 2021-58** Pittman/Cribb
Council will donate \$700 towards the summer rec program to hire a coordinator to oversee the students hired. The program will run for 7 weeks. Rec will hire a coordinator of their choice.
All in Favor. Motion Carried.
- Request** Council received a request from a resident to be able to walk their dog on the Eco trail as the resident uses a walker. Council reviewed the Stewardship agreement and as the dog is not a registered service dog, they will deny this request.
- Concerns/Inquiry** A resident requested clarifications of some concerns brought to their attention. Access cut off to old roads was one concern. They feel this is a public road and access should remain open. The resident also suggested putting cameras in the area instead of using a blockade. Council's response was that in these 2 particular areas in question, the town had trouble with illegal trailers and environmental concerns. Council's best solution at the time was to prevent this from happening again by putting up a barrier. The bridge removal on Old Highroad was the other concern. Council's understanding is that this bridge is owned by the Department of Highways and therefore their responsibility in terms of maintenance and annual inspections.
Council will respond in writing to this resident's concerns.
- 2020 Financials** Council reviewed the 2020 Financial Statement as submitted by the auditor. There were some errors found in the document. Council will ask the auditor to edit and send back for further review. Council will defer any motion until they get the edited document back.
- BPRSB Request** **Motion 2021-59** Pittman/Manning
Council received a request for a letter of support with regards to having kilometer markers placed along the Burin Peninsula to denote position and help travelers and first aid responders. Council felt this was a good idea and will submit a letter of support to the BPRSB on the Town's behalf.
All in Favor. Motion Carried.

New Business

Council received a request from a resident applying for crown land, to have council expand the towns planning boundary. They applied for a piece of crown land but according to the town plan map, the land they applied for goes outside the towns planning boundary but nothing was surveyed. If the planning boundary could be extended to 15 meters from the closest water, the application could potentially be approved. Council will contact Municipal Affairs and MHA Paul Pike's office to see what can be done to rectify this.

Dora spoke with Greg Rogers about planting a Christmas tree and he said it would be best to do this in September.

Discussion was had on methods available to residents to pay property tax. Council agreed to check into setting up a payment plan.

Brush cutting was addressed again. Council will speak with the owner of the property in question to ask if they would mind having the trees cut back to make walking in the area safer for residents.

Adjournment

Motion 2021-60 Hynes

Council adjourned the council meeting at 9:05 pm with the next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, July 6 @ 7 pm.

All in Favor. Motion Carried.