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MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

Tuesday, February 01st, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

VIA TELECONFERENCE

Members Present:

Mayor:

Curtis Roebotham

Deputy Mayor:

Michael Tiller

Councillors:

Stella Gale

Terry Oakley

Andy Best

Lorenzo Welcher

Barry Tucker

Dawn Stagg

Gordon White

Also Present:

Town Clerk:

Elizabeth Hall

Recording Secretary:

Christina Sullivan

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Roebotham called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m., and welcomed everyone. Mayor Roebotham then asked if there were any additions to the agenda, addition as follows:

1. Meeting with Mayor Farwell of Gander - *Mayor Roebotham*

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION 22/039 - ANDY BEST/BARRY TUCKER

Be it resolved to adopt the agenda as presented, with the addition of Meeting with Mayor Farwell of Gander.

In Favour 9: Mayor Roebotham

Opposed 0:

Abstaining 0:

Deputy Mayor Tiller

Councillors: L. Welcher, B. Tucker, S. Gale, G. White, T. Oakley, A. Best, D. Stagg

MOTION CARRIED

Councillor Welcher pointed out that the report from the AD Hoc Committee for ATV Advisory was not listed on the agenda.

Noted for addition.

Mayor Roebotham then stated a motion was required to appoint Christina Sullivan as recording secretary for the meeting.

MOTION 22/040 - BARRY TUCKER/STELLA GALE

Be it resolved to appoint Christina Sullivan as recording secretary for the meeting.

In Favour 9: Mayor Roebotham Opposed 0: Abstaining 0:
Deputy Mayor Tiller

Councillors: L. Welcher, B. Tucker, S. Gale, G. White, T. Oakley, A. Best, D. Stagg

MOTION CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Regular meeting of Council held January 18th, 2022.

Mayor Roebotham asked if there were any errors or omissions.

Councillor Welcher questioned *Motion 22/034*. He said that he is listed as moving for that motion and that was not his intent. He noted that there was quite an active discussion on that item and feels that there was a misunderstanding as he would not make the said motion. He also pointed out that we could not make that decision as the Town is not aware of what will actually happen to the pipe and it may not even be available to give away or sell.

MOTION 22/041 - LORENZO WELCHER/BARRY TUCKER

Be it resolved to rescind Motion 22/034 from January 18th, 2022 Regular Meeting of Council Minutes.

In Favour 9: Mayor Roebotham Opposed 0: Abstaining 0:
Deputy Mayor Tiller

Councillors: L. Welcher, B. Tucker, S. Gale, G. White, T. Oakley, A. Best, D. Stagg

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 22/042 - MICHAEL TILLER/LORENZO WELCHER

Be it resolved to adopt the minutes of Regular Meeting of Council held on January 18th, 2022 with the above noted rescinded Motion 22/034.

In Favour 9: Mayor Roebotham Opposed 0: Abstaining 0:
Deputy Mayor Tiller

Councillors: L. Welcher, B. Tucker, S. Gale, G. White, T. Oakley, A. Best, D. Stagg

MOTION CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

None.

REPORTS

AD HOC FOR ATV ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT: Councillor Welcher presented the report from the meeting held on January 24th, 2022.

MOTION 22/043 - LORENZO WELCHER/GORDON WHITE

Resolved to adopt the January 24th, 2022 Ad Hoc ATV Advisory Committee report as presented.

In Favour 9: Mayor Roebotham **Opposed 0:** **Abstaining 0:**
 Deputy Mayor Tiller

Councillors: L. Welcher, B. Tucker, S. Gale, G. White, T. Oakley, A. Best, D. Stagg

MOTION CARRIED

FINANCE and ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE REPORT: Councillor Andy Best presented the report from meeting held January 25th, 2022.

MOTION 22/044 - ANDY BEST/STELLA GALE

Resolved to purchase I pads or Tablets when Councillor laptops need to be replaced up to a maximum of three (3) per year except in the case of an emergency.

In Favour 9: Mayor Roebotham **Opposed 0:** **Abstaining 0:**
 Deputy Mayor Tiller

Councillors: L. Welcher, B. Tucker, S. Gale, G. White, T. Oakley, A. Best, D. Stagg

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 22/045 - ANDY BEST/LORENZO WELCHER

Resolved to purchase a 1/10th page (full colour) 3.375 x 1.735 ad in the Veterans Service Recognition Book at a cost of \$280.00 (HST included).

In Favour 9: Mayor Roebotham **Opposed 0:** **Abstaining 0:**
 Deputy Mayor Tiller

Councillors: L. Welcher, B. Tucker, S. Gale, G. White, T. Oakley, A. Best, D. Stagg

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 22/046 - ANDY BEST/STELLA GALE

Resolved to donate to Pearson Academy's-Scholarship program for two (2) years (2020-2021), total donation will be \$900.00.

In Favour 9: Mayor Roebotham **Opposed 0:** **Abstaining 0:**
 Deputy Mayor Tiller

Councillors: L. Welcher, B. Tucker, S. Gale, G. White, T. Oakley, A. Best, D. Stagg

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 22/047 - ANDY BEST/LORENZO WELCHER

Resolved to decline CFDA's request for exemption from 2021 Business Tax for the Happy Kids Childcare Centre as there is no proof of non-profit for the childcare centre.

In Favour 9: Mayor Roebotham **Opposed 0:** **Abstaining 0:**
 Deputy Mayor Tiller

Councillors: L. Welcher, B. Tucker, S. Gale, G. White, T. Oakley, A. Best, D. Stagg

MOTION CARRIED

Councillor Best declared conflict on the next item and removed himself from making the motion and from voting on it. Councillor Gale assumed responsibility for presenting the Finance and Administration Committee report.

MOTION 22/048 - STELLA GALE/BARRY TUCKER

Resolved to approve Oceanview Visions' request to operate a business at 18 Oceanview Avenue, Wesleyville subject to meeting Municipal regulations and Service NL approvals. Business tax will be set as Non-Assessed Business Tax-Other at \$250.00 per year.

In Favour 8: Mayor Roebotham Opposed 0: Abstaining 0:
Deputy Mayor Tiller

Councillors: L. Welcher, B. Tucker, S. Gale, G. White, T. Oakley, D. Stagg

MOTION CARRIED

Councillor Best resumed the presentation of the Finance and Administration Committee report.

MOTION 22/049 - ANDY BEST/STELLA GALE

Resolved to approve the revised monthly insurance premium of \$6,813.40, the Town Clerk is to advise the Committee of any changes to this premium.

In Favour 9: Mayor Roebotham Opposed 0: Abstaining 0:
Deputy Mayor Tiller

Councillors: L. Welcher, B. Tucker, S. Gale, G. White, T. Oakley, A. Best, D. Stagg

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 22/050 - ANDY BEST/LORENZO WELCHER

Resolved to contact Nails by Jess informing them to request permission from Council to operate, and to provide details of the business location, nature of business, designated area, etc. A supplementary request will be submitted to Municipal Assessment Agency, upon receipt of the assessment business tax will be set at 30 mils Beauty & Nails Salons with a minimum of \$250.00 per year. The business will now be invoiced \$250.00 minimum tax which may be adjusted upon receipt of the assessed value.

In Favour 9: Mayor Roebotham Opposed 0: Abstaining 0:
Deputy Mayor Tiller

Councillors: L. Welcher, B. Tucker, S. Gale, G. White, T. Oakley, A. Best, D. Stagg

MOTION CARRIED

Councillor Best pointed out that all Councillors should report to the administration if they see or hear of a business operating in Town that has not been registered with the Town.

MOTION 22/051 - ANDY BEST/STELLA GALE

Resolved to contact the business owner in Newtown informing them to request permission from Council to operate, and provide business details on name, location, nature of business, designated area, etc. A minimum business tax invoice will now be issued in the amount of \$250.00.

In Favour 9: Mayor Roebotham Opposed 0: Abstaining 0:
Deputy Mayor Tiller

Councillors: L. Welcher, B. Tucker, S. Gale, G. White, T. Oakley, A. Best, D. Stagg

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 22/052 - ANDY BEST/BARRY TUCKER

Resolved to approve account adjustments in the amount of \$2,683.72.

In Favour 9: Mayor Roebotham Opposed 0: Abstaining 0:
Deputy Mayor Tiller

Councillors: L. Welcher, B. Tucker, S. Gale, G. White, T. Oakley, A. Best, D. Stagg

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 22/053 - ANDY BEST/GORDON WHITE

Resolved to approve accounts payable in the amount of \$38,853.95.

In Favour 9: Mayor Roebotham Opposed 0: Abstaining 0:
Deputy Mayor Tiller

Councillors: L. Welcher, B. Tucker, S. Gale, G. White, T. Oakley, A. Best, D. Stagg

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 22/054 - ANDY BEST/LORENZO WELCHER

Resolved to adopt the January 25th, 2022 Finance and Administration Committee report as presented.

In Favour 9: Mayor Roebotham Opposed 0: Abstaining 0:
Deputy Mayor Tiller

Councillors: L. Welcher, B. Tucker, S. Gale, G. White, T. Oakley, A. Best, D. Stagg

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC WORKS AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT: No meeting.

RECREATION, TOURISM AND HERITAGE COMMITTEE REPORT: No meeting.

MUNICIPAL POLICIES, PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT: No meeting.

EVENTS PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT: No Meeting.

TOWN CLERK REPORT:

1. Update on CAO.

Consensus of Council to have fruit basket delivered to CAO's house.

2. Rate of Pay - Electrical Work

Discussion ensued on situation and how it should be treated. Appropriate rate of pay was discussed.

MOTION 22/055 - LORENZO WELCHER/DAWN STAGG

Resolved to pay employee for the electrical work completed at Newtown pump house and Town Depot at the general maintenance rate of pay as was done in a similar situation.

In Favour 9: Mayor Roebotham Opposed 0: Abstaining 0:

Deputy Mayor Tiller

Councillors: L. Welcher, B. Tucker, S. Gale, G. White, T. Oakley, A. Best, D. Stagg

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 22/056 - MICHAEL TILLER/BARRY TUCKER

Resolved to refer the item of pay for specialty/retainer work to the Public Works Committee for further review and recommendation.

In Favour 9: Mayor Roebotham Opposed 0: Abstaining 0:

Deputy Mayor Tiller

Councillors: L. Welcher, B. Tucker, S. Gale, G. White, T. Oakley, A. Best, D. Stagg

MOTION CARRIED

3. COVID-19 Update

Consensus to leave meetings and office closure at status quo until Government Update on Thursday, February 3rd, 2022. After the update a call around of Councillors will be completed to decide if changes are to be implemented.

4. Disclosure Statements

Disclosure statements are due March 01st, 2022. Each Councillor noted their preferred method to receive the form so it could be prepared for presentation at the next meeting of Council on February 15th, 2022.

CORRESPONDENCE

Consensus of Council for Administration to forward a letter of congratulations/thank you to Derek Tilley, Emergency Services Division upon his retirement after 40 years of service.

MOTION 22/057 - DAWN STAGG/MICHAEL TILLER

Resolved to adopt the Correspondence Summary for February 01st, 2022 as presented.

In Favour 9: Mayor Roebotham Opposed 0: Abstaining 0:

Deputy Mayor Tiller

Councillors: L. Welcher, B. Tucker, S. Gale, G. White, T. Oakley, A. Best, D. Stagg

MOTION CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

1. Meeting with Mayor Farwell of Gander - *Mayor Roebotham*

Mayor Roebotham explained that he first met Mayor Farwell at the GIAA meeting in Gander last year. Mayor Farwell had a lot of positive things to say about our area. He reached out recently to invite Mayor Roebotham to a meeting on February 3rd, 2022. The Mayor then asked Council if there were any items they would like discussed at the meeting. Councillor Welcher asked that the ATV Committee we have be brought up so we can work with the Town of Gander to make our area more accessible to recreational traffic. He feels it is imperative to open communications with Town of Gander for a regional approach to our trail systems.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 22/058 - MICHAEL TILLER/DAWN STAGG

Resolved to adjourn the meeting.

In Favour 9: Mayor Roebotham Opposed 0: Abstaining 0:
Deputy Mayor Tiller

Councillors: L. Welcher, B. Tucker, S. Gale, G. White, T. Oakley, A. Best, D. Stagg

MOTION CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

**ELIZABTH HALL
TOWN CLERK**

**CURTIS ROEBOTHAM
MAYOR**