

**MINUTES
PUBLIC COUNCIL MEETING
Sept 22, 2022**

A public council meeting was held on September 22, 2022. The meeting was also live streamed.

Present	Susan Fowlow	Deputy Mayor, Chairperson
	Laura Aylward	Councillor
	Tracy Boland	Councillor
	Tristan Hulan	Councillor
	Lenny Tiller	Councillor
	Myra White	Councillor (online)

Regrets:	Tom Rose	Mayor
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Staff:	Colin Maddock, Town Manager
	Jennifer Brake, Town Clerk

CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Fowlow called the meeting to order at 7:04pm

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

22-284 Tiller/Aylward

Be it resolved that the agenda of September 22 be accepted as presented.

In Favor: 6

Opposed: 0

Motion Carried Unanimously

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

22-285 Aylward/Boland

Be it resolved that the minutes of September 8, 2022, be approved as presented.

In Favor: 6

Opposed: 0

Motion Carried Unanimously

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

None

PROCLAMATIONS AND DELEGATIONS

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Councillor Tiller presented the recommendations from the finance committee meeting held on September 20, 2022.

Accounts Payable Listing August 2022

22-286 Tiller/Aylward
Be it resolved to pay Accounts Payable Listing for August 2022 totaling \$287,537.84.
In Favor: 6
Opposed: 0 Motion Carried Unanimously

Remission of Tax

22-287 Tiller/Hulan
Be it resolved to approve Remission of Tax in the amount of \$1204.12 and refunds of \$98.35.
In Favor: 6
Opposed: 0 Motion Carried Unanimously

Business Tax

22-288 Tiller/Hulan
Be it resolved to approve Business tax adjustments in the amount of \$343.30.
In Favor: 6
Opposed: 0 Motion Carried Unanimously

Request for Grant-Stephenville Dome

22-289 Tiller/Aylward
Be it resolved that a grant be approved to the Stephenville Dome in the amount of \$3105.15 for operations.
In Favor: 6
Opposed: 0 Motion Carried Unanimously

Permission to Tender, Winter Sand

22-290 Tiller/Boland
Be it resolved that the Town of Stephenville purchase supply/delivery of 2,200 tonnes winter sand as per the Public Procurement Act.
In Favor: 6
Opposed: 0 Motion Carried Unanimously

Amend Motion 22-77 – NAWN Land Transfer

22-291

Tiller/Hulan

Be it resolved that the Town of Stephenville amend motion No. 22-77 to remove “it was the recommendation of the Planning and Traffic Committee that the Town of Stephenville will provide a parcel of land on Minnesota Drive to support Newfoundland Aboriginal Women’s Network application to construct a Wellness Centre”, and change it to “be it resolved, that the Town of Stephenville will provide a parcel of land on 2 Iowa Drive to the Newfoundland Aboriginal Women’s Network to construct Transitional House, and Cultural Healing and Wellness Centre.

The Land transfer is subject to Ministerial approval and with the condition a Memorandum of Understanding to return the land back to the Town if not used as intended.

In Favor: 6

Opposed: 0

Motion Carried Unanimously

NAWN – Land for Housing Initiative & Financial Donation Alabama Drive

22-292

Tiller/Boland

Be it resolved that the Town of Stephenville will provide a parcel of land on Alabama Drive to support NAWN application to construct five semi-detached units, and a financial donation of \$300,000 and a \$ 25,000 donation for solar lighting if the project is approved.

In Favor: 6

Opposed: 0

Motion Carried Unanimously

Approval to Sign MOU between Word Energy GH2 Inc and the Town of Stephenville

22-293

Tiller/Hulan

Be it resolved approval that the Town of Stephenville enter into a MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (“MOU”), with World Energy GH2 Inc. Relating to the implementation of the proposed Wind Energy and Hydrogen facility, with the intention of the Parties to work in cooperation in the spirit of partnership to move forward the proposed Wind Energy and Hydrogen facility. GH2 would provide support to the Town of Stephenville on infrastructure projects as mutually agreed upon. Confidentiality clauses are included in the MOU.

In Favor: 6

Opposed: 0

Motion Carried Unanimously

Stephenville Airport Corporation – Taxes

22-294

Tiller/Aylward

Be it resolved that the Town of Stephenville, upon the sale of the airport properties, will write-off & pro-rate property and business tax to the date of sale and all outstanding interest related to the annual property and business tax for the Stephenville Airport Corporation.

Pro-rated Property Tax and Business Tax write-off up to October 31, 2022
\$168,821.75

In Favor: 5 Fowlow, Aylward, Boland, Hulan, White

Opposed: 1 Tiller Motion Carried

PERMITS AND MUNICIPAL PLAN

Councillor Aylward presented the recommendations from the Planning and Traffic committee meeting held on September 20, 2022.

25 Prince Rupert Drive- Soulstice Counselling Services

22-295

Aylward/Tiller

Be it resolved to amend address change and approve to issue a permit to operate psychological service practice and install exterior business signage on the building located at 25 Prince Rupert Drive subject to compliance with all Town Regulations and approval of Service NL.

In Favor: 6

Opposed: 0 Motion Carried Unanimously

Moved by Councillor Aylward, seconded by Councillor Boland

Be it resolved to issue to issue a permit to operate psychological service practice and install exterior business signage on the building located from 125 Prince Rupert Drive subject to compliance with all Town Regulations and approval of Service NL.

In Favor: 6

Opposed: 0 Motion Carried Unanimously

13 Tennessee Drive- World Energy GH2

22-296

Aylward/Boland

Be it resolved to issue a permit to utilize space and install business decal on windows in the building located at 13 Tennessee Drive to accommodate a community engagement office. subject to compliance with all Town Regulations and approval of Service NL.

In Favor: 6

Opposed: 0 Motion Carried Unanimously

18 New Haven Lane- New Haven Lane AirBNB

22-297

Aylward/Boland

Be it resolved to issue a permit to operate an Airbnb from the residence located at 18 New Haven Lane, subject to compliance with all Town Regulations.

In Favor: 6

Opposed: 0

Motion Carried Unanimously

Municipal Plan Amendment No. 8, 2020 and Development Regulation Amendment No. 14, 2020 - Stephenville Urban Hen and Quail Regulations

22-298

Aylward/Tiller

Be it resolved Under authority of section 16, section 17 and section 18 of the Urban and Rural Planning Act, the Town Council of Stephenville approve Municipal Plan Amendment No. 8, 2020 and Stephenville Development Regulation Amendment No. 14, 2020.

In Favor: 6

Opposed: 0

Motion Carried Unanimously

1 O'Brien's Drive- Joshua Cormier

22-299

Aylward/White

Be it resolved to issue a permit to replace shingles on four-plex located at 1 O'Brien's Drive, subject to compliance with all Town Regulations.

In Favor: 6

Opposed: 0

Motion Carried Unanimously

221 Carolina Drive-Department of Transportation & Infrastructure

22-300

Aylward/Boland

Be it resolved to issue a permit to excavate to install new oil-water separator tank on the property located at 221 Carolina Drive, subject to compliance with all Town Regulations.

In Favor: 6

Opposed: 0

Motion Carried Unanimously

Fall Clean-up Period

22-301

Hulan/Hulan

Be it resolved that the Town of Stephenville will commence Fall Clean-up from October 3 to October 16, 2022.

In Favor: 6

Opposed: 0

Motion Carried Unanimously

Approval to Submit-National Infrastructure Fund (NIF) Project, Rain Garden

22-302

Aylward/White

Be it resolved that the Town of Stephenville will submit Application under National Infrastructure Fund for the Massachusetts Drive Rain Garden Project. The NIF would provide a grant for the completion of the project estimated at \$1,000,000.

In Favor: 6

Opposed: 0

Motion Carried Unanimously

BY-LAWS AND REGULATIONS

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Councillor Aylward

Councillor Aylward noted

Sir Thomas Roddick Radiothon will be held on Wednesday September 28, 2022

She congratulated the Sir Thomas Roddick Auxiliary celebrating their 50th year

Acknowledged her granddaughter completing her masters in Kinesiology and she has been awarded a PHD and working in Ottawa.

Councillor Tiller

Urged residents to stay safe and be prepared for the impending weather that is expected.

Deputy Mayor Fowlow

Deputy Mayor stated she attended Urban Municipalities Caucus Meeting held in Grand Falls Windsor from September 15 – 17 and she noted some important issues that was discussed.

- affordable housing and the negative impact of Airbnb's.
- cost shared funding - The Federal government funding that was provided to the provincial government for approved municipal projects has not been disbursed to the municipalities. The provincial government is not in a financial position to provide their cost share to assist with the projects. It was discussed to lobby to have the federal funding provided directly to the municipalities.
- lobby about Marine Atlantic fees increases due to federal government mandates of cost recovery.

She acknowledged staff members that was involved in completing the blanche brook playground.

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NOTICE OF MOTION

None

ADJOURNMENT

22- 303

Tiller/Boland

Resolved that since there is no further business the meeting adjourned at

7:46pm

Carried Unanimously