

Town of Irishtown-Summerside

Minutes of Meeting Tuesday, January 7, 2025

In Attendance:

Mayor Parsons, Deputy Mayor Morgan, Councilors, McAuley, Hackett, Taylor, Bursey and Gushue. Also in attendance, Town Manager/Clerk Bennett, Assistant Town Clerk Bursey and Planner Cox. Minutes recorded by Assistant Town Clerk Bursey. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Parsons.

2. **Motion 2025 – 445 Councilor McAuley / Councilor Bursey**

Moved to adopt the agenda as circulated. All in favor. Carried.

3. **Motion 2025 – 446 Councilor Taylor / DM Morgan**

Moved to adopt the Minutes of December 10, 2024. All in favor, carried.

4. **Business from December 10, 2024**

- Password for Pynn’s Pond Hall the password was sent to all heads of each group
- Millview snow clearing is all good
- Rezoning for 63 Main Street is being worked on by Planner

6. **Committees:**

(a) Public Works

- Cox and Parsons have had meetings over the Crown Land Application for the land in the area of the Chlorine Booster station. This application has come back not approved because we have Black Ash in this area, and it has been on the endangered list since 2022. We will get our money back for the application. They are looking into working with us by giving a license to operate so we can put walking trails in the area.
- Compton got a guy coming to help with a bolt at the Summerside Chlorine building that needs to be removed and repaired.

7:25 : and arrived at chambers

McAuley spoke about how a resident wanted to pass along that was a great help when they had a water leak over Christmas.

5. Delegations

7:30 was given the floor as a delegation

: told council that he received a letter from the Chief December 23, 2024.

explains to council that back when he was in the hospital in St. John’s, he was away from the Department and the Chief had given Mr. : his assistant chief position, while he was

away. [redacted] didn't feel the chief could do this. When [redacted] was back home and the Doctor gave [redacted], a note saying he was able to come back to the department and carry on with his department duties, [redacted] explained to council that the Chief would not expect his letter. Then when the elections took place that year [redacted] got voted in as Assistant Chief. [redacted] did say, yes people have to move up in the Department, but he heard that people were called to vote for [redacted]. [redacted] mentions that he feels that he is always put somewhere like around the corner of a building if there is a fire call. [redacted] told council that he was called into the office in regards of the garage door that broke while he was responding to a call. He explained to council that the pager went off for a medical call, second page said cardiac arrest, no one had said they were coming, there were members doing training in another community from the department. Seen on app that [redacted] was on the way, move the truck out of garage and the door wouldn't go down, then door wouldn't go up. The garage door had come down on the rescue back door, they got the door up enough to be able to respond to the call and said they would look at the garage door when they got back. [redacted] had mentioned that the chief is the one that wanted to have the back door on the rescue keep open so there would be no moisture inside the back of the truck. [redacted] said he didn't think this was a good idea because of dust and fumes, the chief said that it was protocol. [redacted] said that he felt that the chief was accusing him of breaking the doors and when the other bay door broke, the day he came to look at the new rescue because he couldn't make it to the truck unveiling due to family commitments. [redacted] said that he has contacted Fire and Emergency services and the Fire associations about the letter he received December 23, 2024. [redacted] would like council to revoke the letter given to him by the Chief.

Step Down at 7:46

6. Committees:

(a) Public Works

Salt and sand piles are out for residents, one is by the main hall and the other is located at the Pynn's Pond Hall, it is posted on Facebook for the residents. More sandbags were ordered also.

Discussion took place on delegation. Council honors and supports the chiefs letter. Will send a letter to delegation and advise of this along with having to return his key and pager until the date noted on the letter from the chief.

(b) H.I.S

- Spoke about information from insurance on fire department members, will contact insurance for more information.

c) Recreation/Halls

- New walking trail from the ball field and the trail comes out by the nesting trail. Got to get a mini tractor to remove some tree stumps. Recreation is looking at doing a snowshoe walk, no date set.
- Discussion on the floor at the main hall.

Motion 2025-447 DM Morgan / Councillor Gushue

Motion to have Amanda contact the flooring companies and get updated quotes for flooring for the main hall.

d) Building Inspections

- N/A

e) Beautification

- N/A

f) GHJC-N/A

- N/A

g) H/R had discussion on Town Manger position for Clerk Bennett.

h) Public Relation

- Message answered on page, everything looking good.

7. **Correspondence**

8. **Financial Update**

Motion 2025-448 DM Morgan / Councillor Taylor

Motion to accept financials as presented and pay outstanding bills. All in favor. Carried.

9. **Unfinished Business**

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a) Discussion on the South Side Sewer Project. Looked at the list that was brought forward to the office on issues that 3 residents had. Council had discussion on completed the work the resident at listed at the time.
Send letters to residents to let residents know the spring and the town will fix what is on the original letter.

10. **New Business**

a)

11. **Late Items**

a) Cox spoke about the Community Capacity grant that she was applying for which if approved it could be up to \$5,000.00.

12. **Deferred Items**

Date and time of next meeting: January 21, 2025

Meeting Adjourned

Motion 2024 – 444 Councilor McAuley / DM Morgan

Moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:12 p.m. All in favor. Carried.



Peter Parsons – Mayor

Date Adopted: January 21, 2025

Feb 4, 2025



Jenelle Bursey – Assistant Town Clerk