

Town of Irishtown-Summerside

Minutes of Meeting Tuesday, July 22, 2025

In Attendance:

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

In the gallery: Brittany Chubbs – Recreation President

Added to late Items Closed HR meeting and Taxes.

2. **Motion 2025 – 499 DM Morgan/ Councillor Gushue**
Moved to adopt the agenda as circulated. All in favor. Carried.
3. **Motion 2025 – 500 Councilor McAuley/ Councilor Taylor**
Moved to adopt the Minutes of July 8, 2025. All in favor, carried.
4. **Business from July 8, 2025**
 - K & D Pratt is coming back again with more parts next week.
 - The change was made with Biomax for the WSER Transitional Authorization (TA)
5. **Delegations - None**
6. **Committees:**
 - (a) **Public Works**

There are 2 beavers in the Irishtown water supply, and they have a big dam built that is interfering with the water supply. Boil order remains in effect, reminder to be sent out to residents, advise residents of beavers is in the water supply. Waiting for NL Power to check and make sure there is no underground wire before we can do the hydrant repair on Colson's Road.
 - (b) **H.I.S**
 - Nothing to report for the Fire Department
 - (c) **Recreation/Halls**
 - Ball field currently waiting for invoice, still need more fill for the outfield and the back stop.
 - Received another quote for the fence for \$36,000.00
 - Work on the ball field is on hold for now until recreation can get figures determined on where they are with costs.
 - Dog park- there are a couple of concerned residents in the area. Recreation will look further into concerns and regulations.

- If the council were to obtain a loan to complete the ball field, recreation is open to repay loan by having council reduce their budget annually by \$10,000.00 until balance has been paid.

d) Building Inspections

- No inspections to date

e) Beautification

- N/A

f) GHJC

- N/A

g) H/R

- All good

h) Public Relation

- Going well, good feedback from social media and events.

7. Correspondence
N/A

8. Financial Update
Motion 2025-501 Councillor Bursey / Councillor Gushue
Motion to accept financials as presented and pay outstanding bills. All in favor. Carried.

7:35pm and on behalf of arrived at Council
Chambers

9. Unfinished Business

- a) The engineered drawings for subdivision infrastructure are in the final stage of being complete. Once completed council agreed to purchase those plans for future use. Office staff advised council of the details of the meeting they had with the lawyer from Stewart McKelvey on the subdivision RFP and Development opportunities.

Motion 2025-502 Councillor Taylor / DM Morgan

- Motion to have Stewart McKelvey act as legal counsel in support of the Town's intention to hire a developer to complete the subdivision through a Request for Proposals (RFP)

process. Council and staff to have an evening appointment with the lawyer to discuss details. All in favor. Carried

Mayor asked council if they would like to discuss resident who would like to purchase land in the subdivision - council denied due to the fact that the land is going to be put on RFP for a developer.

10. **New Business**
a) N/A

11. **Late Items**

a) Clerk Bursey gave information to council regarding tax arrears and the advice that was received from Stewart McKelvey law on tax arrears and new legislation.

Motion 2025-503 Councillor Taylor / DM Morgan

Motion to have Stewart McKelvey proceed with tax collections/sales for properties with outstanding taxes greater than 6 years, as per legislation. All in favor. Carried

Councilor Gushue claimed conflict of interest, and moved to gallery at 8:12 pm

Went back to 6 (c)

6.(c) Floor given to and at 8:12

informed council of different times meet with Cox, Chubbs, Councillor Bursey and Clerk Bursey. She stated that quotes were given based on the information that was given. In one meeting at the field, the fill was not out to the marker, which was put in place as a guide, when it was sized up new measurements were taken, and was given the ok to proceed. spoke about the last meeting on the field in which Mayor Parson's attended. During discussions, the mayor stated to that this council is not afraid to take you to Court, they have taken west coast. Mayor denied saying this and informed Mayor Parson's that it was also heard by their employee. Deputy Mayor Morgan also told Mayor Parson's, he heard him say this.

8:24 Councillor Taylor stepped up and chaired the meeting due to conflict for both the Mayor and Deputy Mayor. Councillor Taylor thanked the for attending the meeting and

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advised that Council would discuss further amongst themselves. Much chatter and discussions continued.

Chubbs (Recreation President) had a conversation with the _____ regarding what was on the quote and completed work. _____ explained to Chubbs that the job ended up being much bigger than anticipated and that recreation will not be charged for the first lot of sand because the field was not ready at the time, it was an error on their part so recreation will not get billed. Discussion continued to discuss what different ballfield projects that have recently taken place across the Island and the prices of those projects. Everyone agreed there needs to be a little more communication on this project.

_____ and _____ left the meeting at 8:56 PM

Councillor Gushue returned to Council table 8:56 PM

Compton and Chubbs left meeting 8:59pm

Councilor Bursey left the meeting at 9:02 pm

HR Committee called a Closed Meeting to address HR Issue at 9:04pm

Motion 2025-504 Councilor Hackett/ Councillor Taylor


Motion to return back to the public meeting at 9:50pm All in favor. Carried

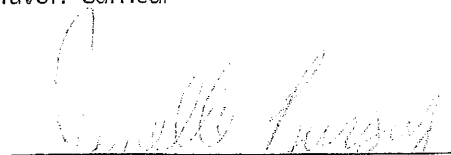
Date and time of next meeting: August 5, 2025, 7:00pm

Meeting Adjourned

Motion 2025 – 505 Councilor Taylor / Councilor Hackett

Moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:51 p.m. All in favor. Carried.


Peter Parsons – Mayor Shannon Morgan DM
Date Adopted:


Jenelle Bursey – Assistant Town Clerk