

**Town of Irishtown-Summerside
Minutes of Meeting
Wednesday, October 5, 2022**

In Attendance:

Mayor Wheeler, DM Parsons, Councilors McAuley, Taylor and Morgan. Also in attendance, Clerk – Bennett and assistant clerk Bursey. Minutes recorded by clerk - A. Bennett. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Wheeler. Moment of Silence for Mr. Hunt.

2. **Motion 2022 – 126 DM Parsons / Morgan**
Moved to adopt the agenda as circulated. All in favor. Carried.
3. **Motion 2022 – 127 DM Parsons /Morgan**
Errors/Omissions – no
Moved to adopt the Minutes of September 21, 2022. All in favor, carried.

Jump ahead to 5. – Delegate _____ for _____; office.
_____ talked about grants that are available

Grant 1 - New Horizons for Seniors Program

Community-based projects are eligible to receive up to \$25,000 in grant funding for 1 year.

- Promote volunteerism among seniors and other generations
- Engage seniors in the community through the mentoring of others
- Expand awareness of elder abuse, including financial abuse
- Support the social participation and inclusion of seniors
- Provide capital assistance for new and existing community projects and programs for seniors

Grant 2-Local Festivals- Building Communities Through Arts and Heritage

Building Communities Through Arts and Heritage – Local Festivals component provides funding to local groups for recurring festivals that present the work of local artists, artisans or heritage performers. This includes the celebration of LGBTQ2+ communities and Indigenous cultural celebrations. Eligible applicants must represent one of the following community-based groups:

- a local non-profit organization or group;
- a local band council, local tribal council or other local Aboriginal government or organization (First Nations, Inuit or Métis).

Applicants must encourage local community engagement through activities that promote, celebrate and preserve local performing and visual arts or local heritage; and have successfully organized a prior edition of the festival, within the last two years, that met all eligibility requirements of this component.

Innovative Communities Fund

Through the ICF, the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency (ACOA) works with communities to find opportunities for growth. We invest in initiatives that lead to long-term employment and a stronger local economy.

The fund enables communities to:

- develop thriving industry sectors
- strengthen infrastructure in rural areas
- invest in projects to help communities overcome economic issues and take advantage of new opportunities

Government of Canada to invest in Green and inclusive community Buildings.

The program will invest in projects that meet a minimum threshold for energy efficiency improvements and that increase social inclusion in under-served and high-needs communities across Canada. Projects could include: the installation of energy efficient windows in public libraries; the construction of an Indigenous cultural centre built to green specifications; and, other such projects that would reduce energy waste, improve ventilation and contribute to inclusive community spaces.

Celebrate Canada

- providing access to celebrations across Canada, to enable all Canadians to appreciate Canada's cultural, ethnic, linguistic and geographic diversity
- creating opportunities for Canadians to participate in celebrations that create a sense of pride and belonging to Canada

Enabling Accessibility Fund

The small projects component provides grant funding for small-scale construction and communication technology projects that improve accessibility in communities and workplaces. Grants can be up to \$100,000 per project.

Project examples may include:

- building ramps, accessible doors and accessible washrooms
- installing screen reader devices and hearing loop systems
- constructing a universally designed office
- creating an accessible playground

The mid-sized projects component

The mid-sized projects component gives funding for larger construction projects. These projects must offer a holistic suite of programs and services to include persons with disabilities in:

- their communities, and
- the labour market

Contributions can be up to \$3 million per project.

Eligible projects may include:

- constructing or renovating centres or hubs that offer programming and services for persons with disabilities in their communities
- expanding existing centres or hubs that offer programming and services for persons with disabilities in their communities

The EAF has introduced flat rate costing to the small and mid-sized projects components. Flat rate costing determines the amount of funding for constructing:

- ramps
- accessible doors
- accessible washrooms
- elevators
- lifts
- pool lifts
- multi-sensory rooms/stations
- accessible playgrounds

is also going to look into green idea grants that E-stations for electric vehicles and also an electric Rescue to see if they any grants available.

is also going to look into what information and how she can help with getting into the CRA account.

7:55 Delegate left

8:05 Delegate Chief Parsons and Assistant Chief Bennett arrived

Advised Chief Parsons and Assistant Chief Bennett council was looking into an Honuromin for the Department to give incentive to the members. Chief thinks it be a great idea. DM Parsons told what other communities were doing for Honuromin

Steady Brook - \$10.00 for training, \$15 for calls

Pasadena – starting at \$1,100.00/year. Increases by position held.
\$175.00 for missed wages

Massey Drive - \$100.00 / year
\$5 per call and training night
\$500 tax reimbursement

South Shore
\$5.00 /call plus gift card
Include in Budget, pass out at end of Year

Chief Parsons was very thankful for this idea, Chief Parson said they have 26 members right now and they have 10 regular members that show up to calls, some members don't like to show for medical calls but are there for fire calls, feels this is a good incentive to get more members taking part in all calls and training.

Assistant Chief Bennett had some questions on if they were given amount toward taxes how that would work if you're not from the community and what if it was paid though the bank.

Told assistant chief Bennett if this was what the department agreed to them, we would send the amount to the community the member lived in and if the bank paid the taxes the member would have to contact their bank for reimbursement.

Chief Parsons and Assistant Chief Bennett had talked about bringing this information back to the other executive members and coming up with the stipulation for the Honuromin and what the other executive thoughts on this are.

Mayor Wheeler had told Chief Parsons and Assistant Chief Bennett they would still get there budget the amount would just show in a different way do to the Honuromin.

Mayor Wheeler told the Chief and Assistant Chief there is a letter sent in on getting a new rescue and was told that they are at the top of the list. Also, spoke about the showers and washroom in the hall and that they will get the plumber back so he knows where they will be placed.

Fire Prevention week is October 13, 2022

Chief Parsons had asked how the watercraft would work and DM Parsons explain about a federal grant that is available for watercraft and training that would be beneficial for the North Shore.

Chief Parsons spoke about the hydrant flushing and that it would be great training for the dept, but they would not be able to complete it all in one night and then the next week they would have to start all over again. Mayor Wheeler had mention if Maintenance was to start an area on Wednesday and the Fire Dept pick up where maintenance left on Thursday and then Maintenance could pick back up Friday where the dept had left off Thursday night. Chief Parsons agreed this would work if Council wanted to go ahead.

The Hydrant on Pynn's Pond Road is not working so it will need to be bagged.

Chief Parsons and Assistant Chief Bennett left meeting at 8:45

4. Business arising from September 21, 2022 the Marina

- Meet with _____ on October 4, 2022
- They are in support of turning the Marina back to the town
- They wanted to know what council plan was to do with the Marina and they are in support with it.
- They wanted to know if they could still have 3 spots at the Marina

South Side Sewer Project

DMG- Made a point to DMG we are not paying.

- DMG sent a letter to sue the letter is gone to Lawyer
- Have all bases covered we have emails saying they have the easements.
- Asked to leave the road by Larry Antle's they first said it cost \$13,000.00 then when to \$49,000.00. Spoke to _____ on this matter, _____ advises to tell them to take it back and they may come back with a better price.
- P. McAuley asked about the keys to the Hall, she was informed some groups are changing their night and going into the hall when they feel like it. Council would like the locks changed on the doors to both Halls.
- P. McAuley also asked about the _____ matter and was told that she a resident that was targeted with the fund email on taxes.

6. **Committees:**

a) **Public Works** - Many little things

- a) Ditching is completed on Pynn's Pond Road. If Rico owes money should be talking from what he owes town.

- b) **H.I.S** – Work almost completed and there will be 2 showers and 2 washrooms put in downstairs.
- c) **Recreation/Halls**- Damage to the wall from the last wedding rental, they will not get their damage deposit back.
- d) **Building Inspection** – main street is all good to go.
- e) **Beautification** – Anderson’s property is still looking good, going to get started on 2 other properties Gordon George and Wayne Green
- f) **GHJC**- No meeting
- g) **H/R** – Performance review will be rescheduled
- \$250.00 a day for training and 75.00 for meals and 55 cents a km is what Massey drive pays for out-of-town training. Clerk Bennett asked if the clerks would get the same amount as the council members, it was said they would get their hourly pay. Will table for the next meeting once we have the agenda for the conference. Also, will see what communities are doing.
- h) **Public Relation** – Place signs on mailboxes to inform residents the bulk is cancelled till spring.
- i) **Correspondence**
 - 1. Update on Information on Municipal Assessment
 - 2. Resident looking to take over Shamrock, council said no as it is a right of way to future development.
 - 3. Resident emailed a offer to purchase the 3 blocks of land that have been up for sale for 7 years that would require a lot of work to develop and they are planning to do the work and develop the land with housing units, the resident would like to purchase for \$10,000.00. DM parsons made motion to put the 5 blocks of land up for bid starting at \$50,000.00 with stipulation to be building ready in 2 years.

Motion 2022-128 DM Parsons/Taylor

motion to put the 5 blocks of land up for bid starting at \$50,000.00 with stipulation to be building ready in 2 years. All in favor.

7. Motion 2022 – 129 Morgan/DM Parsons

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

8. Unfinished Business

a) Mayor's meeting- October 11, 2022

b) **Motion 2022-130 Morgan/Taylor**

Montion to make Dm Parsons voting delegate. All in favor.

c) Any council member attending the Gander conference must let Amanda know if they are attending.

9. New Business

DM Parson suggested looking into have an awards night for people in the community Example would be like senior of the year and volunteer of the year. Will discuss at later date.

10. Late Items – No late items

11. Deferred Items

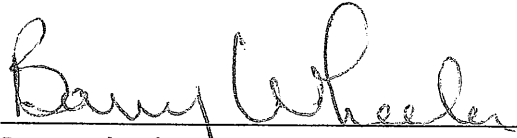
Date and time of next meeting: 7:00 pm, Wednesday, October 19, 2022

Meeting Adjourned

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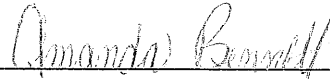
Motion 2022 – 131 DM Parsons / Hackett

Moved to adjourn meeting at 10:36 p.m. All in favor. Carried.



Barry Wheeler – Mayor

Date Adopted: October 19, 2022



Amanda Bennett - Clerk