

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Regular meeting #09 for 2024 of the Grand Bank Town Council was held on Monday, September 23, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. at the Council Chambers.

Mayor Rex C. Matthews, Deputy Mayor Stan Burt, Councillors Angela Blackwood, Roger Brooks, Jack Burfitt and Derrick Dunne, attended along with CAO Terry Fleming, Town Clerk Michelle Patten, and Director of Operations and Facilities Manager Joe Periera. Councillor Colin Clements was working.

Mayor Matthews welcomed Joe Periera as the new Director of Operations and Facilities Manager.

2. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

MOTION 2024-3795: J.BURFITT/S.BURT

Motioned that the agenda be adopted as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

3. **DELEGATION**

4. **ERRORS AND OMISSIONS**

5. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

MOTION 2024-3796: S.BURT/D.DUNNE

Motioned that the minutes for the Council Meeting held on August 28, 2024 be approved as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

6. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES – AUGUST 28, 2024**

a. **Collaboration Committee – Town of Fortune**

Deputy Mayor Burt advised he will take lead on the Committee and set up a meeting. Mayor Matthews advised that CAO Fleming is working on eight major projects now and if the committee needs to approach him for help or advice they may do so at that time.

b. **Bridge**

Councillor Dunne asked if there was an update on the bridge on Grandview Blvd. CAO to contact the Department of Transportation and Works.

7. **INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION**

a. **EverWind Project**

Received an email from the President of the Lance Aux Loup Trail Association advising she did not receive a response from Council regarding her presentation on July 15, 2024. She would like Council to take into consideration what effects this project would have on the country and the Burin Peninsula as a whole and would like the members of the Community have a say.

8. **INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION**

Administrative Clerk Michelle Osmond entered the meeting at this time.

9. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

a. **Finance Committee**

Deputy Mayor Burt, Committee Chairperson, presented a written report of a meeting the Committee held on August 21, 2024.

MOTION 2024-3797: S.BURT/J.BURFITT

Motioned that the Finance Committee report of August 21, 2024 be approved with changes to item #2: Donate \$500.00 to Lake Academy and John Burke High School for the Breakfast Program. Item #7: Deny paving the property and offer the portion of land for sale. Item #2: Accept the \$2000.00 agreement.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2024-3798: S.BURT/J.BURFITT

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank (Ultimate Receipt) accept Gas Tax funding for various Projects during the Period 2019-2024.

These Projects are complete and are either under-spent or were not started and \$103,120.58 in unspent funds that the Town of Grand Bank would like allocated for future projects.

Project #	Project Name	Gas Tax Funding Remaining
98-2011-1533	Municipal Plan	\$318.99
98-2016-5752	Water & Sewer Upgrades	\$4,119.59
98-2019-6790	Road Upgrades 2019	\$11,390.00
98-2021-7586	Chlorination Systems Upgrades	\$25,577.00
98-2022-7667	Road Upgrades 2022	\$61,715.00
Total Gas Tax Funds Remaining		<u>\$103,120.58</u>

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2024-3799: S.BURT/R.BROOKS

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank accept the Canada Community-Building Fund (Formerly Gas Tax) Agreement of \$566,113.00 over a five year period (2025-2029)

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

b. Development Committee

Councillor Derrick Dunne, Committee Member, presented a written report of a meeting the Committee held on August 21, 2024.

MOTION 2024-3800: D.DUNNE/R.BROOKS

Motioned that the Development Committee report of August 21, 2024 be approved as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

10. OLD BUSINESS

a. Partanna Building Update

Mayor Matthews advised there are two interested parties in the purchase of the building at this time.

b. Dog Park Committee

Received a letter advising the committee has dissolved and they would like to donate the raised money to the local SPCA. It was agreed to write the committee members and thank them.

c. Warming Center

Mayor Matthews advised everything is moving along well.

11. NEW BUSINESS

a. Capital Works 2025-2026

Mayor Matthews advised that the Water Tower and Pump House is a number one priority as critical work has to be done. Councillor Dunne advised that he would like to see a cost of an artesian well near the Pump House as well for good drinking water. Councillor Burfitt advised he has received complaints from residents in the area of very low water pressure.

12. COUNCILLORS FORUM**a. Grand Bank Lions Club**

Mayor Matthews advised that the Grand Bank Lions Club was recently broken into twice, and valuable items were stolen from the building including a new speaker system. This non-for profit organization do so much for the people of the community and surrounding area that the Town should support the Lions in getting back to normal.

MOTION 2024-3801: R.BROOKS/J.BURFITT

Councillor Blackwood, being a member of the Lions Club, excused herself from the discussion and the motion.

Motioned that the Town of Grand Bank donated \$1000.00 to the Grand Bank Lions Club to help recover the loss due to the recent break-ins.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

b. Water Supply System

Councillor Brooks advised he received a couple of calls regarding Fortune having a boil order and wanted to remind residents that Grand Bank has their own chlorination system. Service NL checks the water regularly and they determine if a boil order is issued.

c. Welcome Director of Operations and Facilities Manager Joe Periera

Deputy Mayor Burt welcomed Joe Periera to the staff.

d. Thank you

Deputy Mayor Burt advised the Fire Department wanted to thank Council for the investment of the SBCA's and the heat pump.

e. Fortune/Grand Bank Water Committee

Councillor Dunne advised he will set up a meeting with the committee. Councillor Dunne also welcomed Joe to the staff.

13. COMMUNICATIONS FROM TOWN OFFICIALS**a. Welcome Joe Periera**

Administrative Clerk Osmond welcomed Joe to the staff.

14. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2024-3802: S.BURT/A.BLACKWOOD

Motioned that the meeting adjourn at 5:30 p.m.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED