

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Regular meeting #05 for 2024 of the Grand Bank Town Council was held on Tuesday, May 21, 2024 at 4:02 p.m. at the Council Chambers.

Mayor Rex C. Matthews, Deputy Mayor Stan Burt, Councillors Angela Blackwood, Jack Burfitt, Colin Clements, and Derrick Dunne, attended along with CAO Terry Fleming, Town Clerk Michelle Patten, Recreation/Operations/Maintenance Director Tom Burton and Administrative Clerk Michelle Osmond. Councillor Brooks was out of Town for work.

2. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

MOTION 2024-3762: S.BURT/A.BLACKWOOD

Motioned that the agenda be adopted as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

3. **DELEGATION**

4. **ERRORS AND OMISSIONS**

5. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

MOTION 2024-3763: D.DUNNE/J.BURFITT

Motioned that the minutes for the Council Meeting held on April 29, 2024 be approved as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2024-3764: J.BURFITT/S.BURT

Motioned that the minutes for the Special Meeting held on May 15, 2024 be approved as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

6. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES – APRIL 29, 2024**

a. **Noise Complaint**

Councillor Burfitt wanted to confirm that a letter was sent to a resident regarding a barking dog.

b. **Collaborative Meeting**

Deputy Mayor Burt suggested CAO Fleming be added to the committee.

c. **NL Health Care Meeting**

CAO Fleming advised he is expecting an update back this week.

7. **INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION**

a. **Burin Peninsula Supported Employment Board**

Received an email advising the Federal Government has announced they no longer provide “top up” money to the Labour Market Transfer Agreements. This will directly affect employed clients in the community and surrounding communities. They are requesting the Town write letters to applicable Government Departments concerning the employment of individuals with disabilities on the Burin Peninsula.

MOTION 2024-3765: S.BURT/A.BLACKWOOD

Motioned that the Town write a letter of support concerning the importance of employment of individuals with disabilities on the Burin Peninsula.

ALL IN FAVOUR MOTION CARRIED

8. INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION**a. Grand Bank Volunteer Fire Department**

Received a letter advising that Donald Crant and William Breon have completed their probationary period with the Department.

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS**a. Finance Committee**

Deputy Mayor Burt, Committee Chairperson, presented a written report of a meeting the Committee held on May 15, 2024.

MOTION 2024-3766: S.BURT/A.BLACKWOOD

Motioned that the Finance Committee report of May 15, 2024 be approved as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

b. Development Committee

Councillor Jack Burfitt, Committee Chairperson, presented a written report of a meeting the Committee held on May 15, 2024.

MOTION 2024-3767: J.BURFITT/C.CLEMENTS

Motioned that the Development Committee report of May 15, 2024 be approved as presented.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED

10. OLD BUSINESS**a. Bait Depot Policy and Guidelines**

Mayor Matthews advised a meeting was held with members from the Masonic Lodge, 50+ Club, Grand Bank Theatre and the Lions Club to discuss the usage of the Bait Depot for planned events, and weddings.

b. Riverside East - Plantline

CAO Fleming advised the project is expected to begin in the next week or so when the Contractor is ready.

11. NEW BUSINESS**a. Electrical Inspections/OHS**

Mayor Matthews advised that inspections are held up due to an inspector having to come from the Clarenville area. Mayor Matthews asked Joint Council member, Deputy Mayor Burt, to add this issue to the agenda of their next meeting.

b. Culvert Installation – Edwin Street

After some discussion it was agreed to have engineers inspect the culverts further to determine if it needs to be completely replaced or maybe replace liners.

12. COUNCILLORS FORUM**a. Thank you**

Mayor Matthews thanked the office staff for working with the Auditors to provide them with everything they requested. The Auditors advised Mayor Matthews they were more than pleased with our office.

b. Congratulations

Councillor Dunne congratulated the office staff on their audit week.

c. Scotiabank

Councillor Dunne advised residents are asking what the Town has done to date with regards the Scotiabank branch closure. Mayor Matthews advised that many letters were sent out to all possible departments, from the local branch to the top, MHA, MP's, Premiere, as well as in the process of having a representative from Scotiabank coming to Grand Bank to hold a public meeting.

d. Heritage Society/Mariners' Memorial

Councillor Clements advised the Harris House is due to open for another season on July 1st.

e. Former Radio Station

Deputy Mayor Burt advised there is a window out in the building. CAO Fleming will advise the property owner as it is a safety concern.

f. Ambulance BBQ/Social

Councillor Burfitt reminded everyone to advise the Town of Fortune if you plan to attend the BBQ/Social.

g. Legion Room Items

Councillor Burfitt advised the Legion Room items are coming along and should be completed soon.

13. COMMUNICATIONS FROM TOWN OFFICIALS**a. Email**

Administrative Clerk Osmond advised that a reply email was sent regarding the Autistic sign request.

b. Legion Room

Recreation/Operations/Maintenance Director Burton advised that the items being added to the Legion Room at the Harris House are items that were at Partanna in the former Legion Room.

14. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2024-3768: J.BURFITT/D.DUNNE

Motioned that the meeting adjourn at 5:10 p.m.

ALL IN FAVOUR

MOTION CARRIED