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# **Minutes of Council Meeting**

## Town Hall February 4, 2020 7 p.m.

Present: Mayor Betty Clarke

Councillors: Stephen Hollett

Brian Hooper Kenneth Tucker Perry Pond Derek White

Town Manager Brian Peckford
Town Clerk Elaine Bursey
Deputy Mayor Krista Freake

Regrets: Deputy Mayor Krista Freake
Supt. Public Works Todd Champion

#### 1. Call to Order

Mayor Clarke called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

#### 2. Agenda

20-032 Hooper/White

Resolved to adopt the agenda as presented.

In favour: Mayor Clarke, Councillors Hooper, Hollett, Pond, Tucker and White. None opposed. Motion carried.

#### 3. Minutes

# 3.1 Council Meeting January 28, 2020

20-033 Hollett/Pond

Resolved to adopt minutes of the January 28, 2020 regular Council meeting as circulated.

In favour: Mayor Clarke, Councillors Hooper, Hollett, Pond, Tucker and White. None opposed. Motion carried.

- **4. Action Sheet** Tabled.
- **5. Recreation/Tourism** No report.
- 6. Economic Development

#### 6.1 Updates by Councillor Pond

- Meetings scheduled for Feb 12 with Ministers Osbourne and Crocker.
- Meetings may be requested with Opposition Leader Ches Crosbie and Leader of the NDP Allison Coffin.
- Letters will be forwarded to Minister Osbourne and Opposition Leader Ches Crosbie.

### 6.2 Provincial Budget 2020

20-034 Pond/Tucker

Resolved to provide correspondence to our MHA Derek Bennett to vote against the budget if, upon the conclusion of next Wednesday's meeting, we feel that we are not going to receive a favourable response, a favourable response being a commitment that any and all required wharf improvements so that we can improve our economic diversification strategy – whatever it takes to ensure that work can start this fiscal year, will be implemented in this year's budget 2020, an allocation that will permit the project to proceed in this calendar year.

In favour: Councillors Hooper, Hollett, Pond and Tucker.

Opposed: Mayor Clarke and Councillor White.

Motion carried.

- 7. Lands No report.
- **8. Public Works** No report.
- **9. Protective Services** No report.
- 10. Finance

## 10.1 Cheque Register

20-035 Hollett/Hooper

Resolved to approve cheques 39126 to 39149, excluding cheque 39141.

In favour: Mayor Clarke, Councillors Hooper, Hollett, Pond, Tucker and White. None opposed. Motion carried.

#### 10.2 Cheque 39141

Councillor Tucker declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting.

20-036 Hollett/Hooper

Resolved to approve cheque 39141.

In favour: Mayor Clarke, Councillors Hooper, Hollett, Pond and White. None opposed. Motion carried.

Councillor Tucker returned to the meeting.

## 10.3 Borrowing Resolution / CIBC Loan Payout

20-037 Hollett/Hooper

Resolved the Town of Lewisporte borrow from the Bank of Nova Scotia the sum of \$2,525,888 repayable in 3 equal annual installments of principal of \$525,988 plus interest for the first three years; \$370,223 plus interest for the 4<sup>th</sup> year; \$209,547 plus interest for the 5<sup>th</sup> year; and \$184,077 plus interest for each of the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> years, commencing within a year after drawdown. The term of the loan is up to 2 years and the amortization is 7 years.

The purpose of the loan is to payout 24 individual CIBC term loans into one loan. Through 'step-payments', the loan will be paid down in the same timeframe as the 24 individual CIBC loans with no overall change to the amortization; and will be paid off in the same timeframe with a lower interest rate.

In favour: Mayor Clarke, Councillors Hooper, Hollett, Pond, Tucker and White. None opposed. Motion carried.

## 11. Adjournment

20-038	Hollett/Hooper	
Resolved the meeting adjourn.		
Time: 7:54 p.m.		
In favour: Mayor Clarke, Councillors Hooper, Hollett, Pond, Tucker and White. None opposed. Motion carried.		
Betty Clarke,	Mayor	Elaine Bursey, Town Clerk/Treasurer