

**Town of St. George's  
Regular Council Meeting**

**Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Council of  
The Town of St. George's held in  
Town Hall, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019**

*Members*

Mayor	D. Conway
Deputy Mayor	T. Messervey

Councillors	C. White M. Fleming A. Tobin R. Blanchard R. Williams
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*Also, present*

Town Clerk	J. Butt
Assistant Town Clerk	T. Garnier

*Public in Attendance*

Two residents in attendance.

*Call to Order*

Mayor Conway called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.  
The Mayor welcomed the general public.

*Adoption of Agenda*

Motion # 19 – 189 Messervey/ White  
Resolve to adopt the agenda. All in favor. Motion carried.

*Delegations &  
Proclamations*

**a) Resident #1- Load Limits Shore Road/ Issue Turf Point Resources/ Local Phone Charge**

Resident discussed the road limits on Shore Road and the conditions of the surrounding area that is caused by the haul trucks. Resident would like the Town to investigate the regulations to see if there is anything in the regulations regarding dust control and if not, if the Town could possibly implement one.

Resident also discussed the local phone charge with Bell and that people of the Town should participate in a survey to state whether they agree with this charge or not. Mayor Conway explained to her that this would be the phone company's matter and that the Town does not have a written agreement with respect to this with the phone company.

**b) Resident #2- Senior Housing/ Transportation of moving goods and material for export through Town**

Resident discussed that the Development Plan Amendment for the land at Diamond Court had been published in the Western Star which are requirements, however, would like to see it made more public around town for the public to view. Also, resident mentioned that the Town should offer an incentive for this Senior Housing proposal to perhaps get more interest.

Resident also discussed the transportation of moving goods and material for export through Town. Resident mentioned the damages and traffic interference this caused. Resident went on to explain that if the Town took ownership of Main Street then there would be more control of this matter.

*Adoption of Minutes  
Reg. Mtg. Nov. 4, 2019*

Motion # 19 – 190 Williams/ White  
Resolve to adopt the minutes from regular meeting, November 4, 2019. All in favor. Motion carried.

*Business Arising  
from Minutes*

N/A

*Committee Reports  
Finances*

1) Motion # 19 – 191 White/ Tobin  
Resolved that general invoices of \$27,471.62 be approved for payment. All in favor. Motion carried.

2) Motion # 19 – 192 Fleming/ Messervey  
Be it resolved to pay DMG Consulting Limited for Invoice CB0072 Progress Billing 8 Project 17-MCW-10-00043 Fire Hall Extension in the amount of \$621.00 from Projects Account upon payment from DMAE. All in favor. Motion carried.

3) Motion # 19 – 193 Tobin/ Messervey  
Be it resolved to pay DMG Consulting Limited for Invoice CB0073 Progress Billing 5 Project 17-SCF-18-00018 Chlorination Building Upgrade in the amount of \$1,373.10 from Projects Account upon payment from DMAE. All in favor. Motion carried.

4) Current Bank Balance were given.

5) Aged Receivables report shows as of Nov. 29<sup>th</sup>, 2019 property taxes at 97.24% collected, water and sewer taxes at 93.87% and business at 99.61%.

6) Expense report shows 80.50% of the budget has been used.

*b) Projects*

**Chlorination Building Upgrade/ New Water Storage Tank Replacement**

The Chlorination Building Upgrade has been completed, however, there are deficiencies- a portion of the road & some inside work does not meet the required standards.

The new water storage tank replacement RFP is now being written for the fabrication and installation of the tank.

*c) Fire Department  
November Report*

1) There were three incidents for the month of November. On November 3<sup>rd</sup> there was a mutual aid incident on Muise's lane. On November 19<sup>th</sup> there was an alarm set off at the Siki Memorial Stadium which the Firemen attended. On November 20<sup>th</sup> a mutual aid non-fire incident

occurred on Church Street, the ambulance was also present.

2) Annual Donation to Firefighter's Ball

Be it resolved to donate \$1,000.00 to the St. George's Fire Department for the Firefighter's Ball. All in favor.  
Motion carried.

3) **Rescind Motion # 19 – 57**

Motion # 19 – 195 Tobin/ White

Be it resolved that the Town of St. George's requests a loan from the Leading-Edge Credit Union located in St. George's for:

Municipal Share of Project No. FES-NL190013 2019/2020 Fire Protection Vehicles Infrastructure Program in the amount of \$65,292.10 for a term of 12 months/ 20 year amortization period at an interest rate of 5.95%. All in favor.  
Motion carried.

4) **Rescind Motion # 19 – 58**

Motion # 19 – 196 Blanchard/ White

Be it resolved that the Town of St. George's requests a loan from the Leading- Edge Credit Union located in St. George's for:

GST/ HST rebate portion for Project No. FES-NL190013 2019/2020 Fire Protection Vehicles Infrastructure Program in the amount of \$33,359.48 for term 12-month amortization period at an interest rate of 5.95%. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion # 19 – 197 Tobin/ White

Be it resolved that the Town of St. George's requests a loan from the Leading- Edge Credit Union located in St. George's for:

Municipal Share of Project No. FES-NL190013 2019/2020 Fire Protection Vehicles Infrastructure Program in the amount of \$68,870.47 for a term of 12 months/ 20 year amortization period at an interest rate of 5.95%. All in favor.  
Motion carried.

Motion # 19 – 198 White/ Blanchard

Be it resolved that the Town of St. George's requests a loan from the Leading- Edge Credit Union located in St. George's for:

GST/ HST rebate portion for Project No. FES- NL190013 2019/2020 Fire Protection Vehicles Infrastructure Program in the amount of \$35,377.63 for a term 12 months/ 12 month amortization period at an interest rate of 5.95%. All in favor. Motion carried.

*d) Stadium/ Recreation*

**Financial Statement**

Financial statement was presented.

The CO detector was calibrated, and this will have to be completed annually.

*e) Roads*

**Plowing of Roads**

It was brought to councils' attention that a review of road/laneway plowing was conducted and there are several roads/laneways where there is no right of way on file, much of which appears to be private property. It is recommended that letters be sent to those affected requesting signing of a liability waiver to continue plowing the affected areas.

Councillor M. Fleming requested the town to not plow the lane in front of his driveway and that he will take responsibility of keeping it cleared.

Motion # 19 – 199 White/ Williams

Be it resolved that letters be sent to the affected residents stipulating that plowing will continue providing the liability waiver is signed. All in favor. Motion carried.

*f) Divestiture  
Committee*

The Marina's gangways have been pulled, the floating dock chains has been let go which remains in the water and the walkway has been blocked off.

There were no divers required for this work, the Town's Public Works employees completed this job. There has been signage ordered to let the public know it has been closed for the season.

*g) Permits*

1) Building/ General Repair

Motion # 19 – 200 Messervey/ Tobin

Be it resolved that we accept the 2 General Repair Permits as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion # 19 – 201 White/ Messervey

Be it resolved that we accept the 1 Building as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.

2) Request for Approval in Principle

Motion # 19 – 202 White/ Fleming

Be it resolved that Approval in Principle be granted regarding the Building Application for 361 Main Street. All in favor. Motion carried.

*Unfinished  
Business*

a) Crown Lands- Grant Amendment

An application was submitted for a parking lot for the Marina. The application was cancelled by the Regional Manager as when the grant was initially provided it was assumed that a parking lot would be required. A letter will be sent requesting reimbursement of application fees as Crown Lands advised that an amendment application had to be submitted.

Mayor Conway asked to have information forwarded to MP Gudie Hutchings for financial support regarding the parking lot.

*New Business*

**a) Budget 2020**

Motion # 19 – 203 White/ Williams

Be it resolved that we do accept the budget as presented of \$1,286,803.40 for Budget 2020.

In favor: Mayor D. Conway, Deputy Mayor T. Messervey,  
Councillors- C. White, R. Williams, A. Tobin, R. Blanchard  
Opposed: Councillor M. Fleming  
Motion Carried.

**b) Municipal Tax Structure 2020**

Motion # 19 – 204 White/ Messervey

Be it resolved that we do accept the Municipal Tax Structure for 2020 as presented.

In favor: Mayor D. Conway, Deputy Mayor T. Messervey,  
Councillors- C. White, R. Williams, A. Tobin, R. Blanchard  
Opposed: Councillor M. Fleming  
Motion Carried.

**c) Municipal Plan Amendment No. 1, 2019**

Motion # 19 – 205 White/ Messervey

Whereas the Council of the Town of St. George's adopted the proposed Amendment No. 1, 2019 to the Municipal Plan for 2011-2021 on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of October 2019, gave notices of their intention to so do by advertisements in the *Western Star*, a newspaper circulating in the planning area, on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of October and on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of November 2019. appointed a commissioner to hold the required public hearing on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of November 2019, and whereas no submissions were received by the deadline so notified, the public hearing was cancelled,

**Therefore, under the authority of Sections 16, 17, 18 and 23 of the *Urban and Rural Planning Act 2000*, the Town Council of St. George's approves Amendment No. 1, 2019 to the Municipal Plan for 2011-2021, exactly as released by the Department of Municipal Affairs and Environment.**

All in favor. Motion carried.

**d) Development Regulations Amendment No, 1, 2019**

Motion # 19 – 206 Tobin/ Messervey

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All in favor. Motion carried.

*Other Business*

N/A

*Incoming Correspondence*

a) Email- Affordable Gulf Ferry Service  
An email was received to update Municipal leaders on Port Aux Basques' advocacy effort to get the federal government to respect a 2015 commitment to return affordability to the Gulf service.

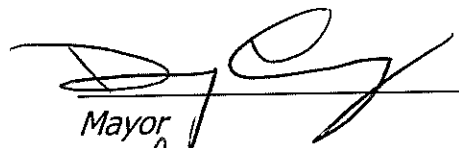
b) Letter- MAA 2020 Assessment Service Fee  
Municipal Assessment Agency Inc. sent a letter regarding the fee for assessment service for the Town of St. George's. Year 2020 assessment fee will be \$21,788.


c) Email- MAA 2018 Minutes Stakeholder's Meeting  
An email was received from Municipal Assessment Agency Inc. with an attached copy of the 2018 Minutes.

Motion # 19 – 207 White/ Messervey  
Be it resolved that meeting do now adjourn to meet again, on January 6, 2019. All in favor. Motion carried.

*Adjournment*

Meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

  
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Mayor

  
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Town Clerk