

A regular meeting of the Botwood Town Council was held on Wednesday,
August 11, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

Members present: Mayor S. Sceviour, presided
Deputy Mayor D. Woolridge
Councillors: B. Parsons
B. Gill
M. Roberts
T. White
R. Byrne

Also attending: S. Jerrett, Town Manager
A. Rowsell, Town Clerk
C. Yates, Office Administrator

CALL TO ORDER

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION - Moved by Councillor Parsons, seconded by Deputy Mayor
21-077 Woolridge to adopt the agenda as presented.
- Motion carried. Votes in favor - 7 Councillors.

ADOPTION OF
AGENDA

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

MOTION - Moved by Councillor Roberts, seconded by Councillor White
21-078 that Council adopt the minutes of regular Council Meeting held
July 14, 2021 as circulated.
- Motion carried. Votes in favor - 7 Councillors.

ADOPTION OF
MINUTES

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor's Report

Mayor Sceviour attended the opening ceremony of the Mural Arts Street
Festival on July 28th.

MURAL ARTS
STREET FESTIVAL

Heritage, Seniors, and Community Services Committee

The Heritage Building Project is presently waiting for siding.

HERITAGE
BUILDING

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Recreation and Youth Committee

An application has been submitted to ACOA for funding towards installation of the Splash Park.

SPLASH PARK

The Kiosk project application is in process.

KIOSK PROJECT

Finance and Human Resources Committee

MOTION - 21-079 Moved by Councillor Parsons, seconded by Councillor White that Council ratify payment of routine expenditures in accordance with the Town's Accounts Payable Policy and Procedure. The amount of \$16,549.10 has been paid for July 14-27, 2021.

A/P ROUTINE
EXPENDITURES

- Motion carried. Votes in favor - 7 Councillors.

MOTION - 21-080 Moved by Councillor Parsons, seconded by Deputy Mayor Woolridge that Council approve the Accounts Payable Transaction Journal dated July 27 to August 11, 2021 in the amount of \$92,838.07.

A/P
TRANSACTION
JOURNAL

- Motion carried. Votes in favor - 7 Councillors.

Old Town Hall Building/Land for Sale. Agreed Council ask for EOI for the old town hall building. This will be included in the notice of land for sale.

SALE - TOWN
HALL & LAND

Terms of reference for operational/organizational review. The Town Manager and Councillor Parsons have been compiling information regarding a review.

OPER/ORGAN
REVIEW

Agreed this process be a decision for the incoming Council.

Jubilee Pentecostal Temple request for donation to a youth softball tournament. Agreed to give items for prizes.

JPT DONATION
TO YOUTH
TOURNAMENT

Kids Eat Smart Radiothon request for donation. Agreed Council will donate to the local organization in September

KIDS EAT SMART
DONATION

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MOTION - Moved by Councillor Parsons, seconded by Councillor
21-081 Roberts that Council accept the Ultimate Recipient Gas Tax
Amendment dated August 6, 2021 on the Federal Gas Tax
Funding for 2019-2024 and forward the signed letter and
supporting resolution.
- Motion carried. Votes in favor - 7 Councillors.

ULTIMATE
RECIPIENT
GAS TAX
AMENDMENT

Councillor Parsons mentioned the River Gold Fundraiser Loto in the Central
NL Area. He suggests Council consider requesting this organization make a
donation to some local group(s), as the Town support to the fundraiser is
great.

RIVER GILD
FUNDRAISER

MOTION - Moved by Deputy Mayor Woolridge, seconded by Councillor
21-082 Parsons that Council register two people for attendance at the
MNL 2021 Annual Conference, Trade Show and General
Meeting to be held in Corner Brook November 3-6.
- Motion carried. Votes in favor - 7 Councillors.

MNL 2021
ANNUAL
CONFERENCE

Municipal Works Committee

MOTION - Moved by Deputy Mayor Woolridge, seconded by Councillor
21-083 Byrne that Council give approval for to fill in the ditch
in front of property located at 15 Water Street with rocks to
make a french drain. be advised , should this work
create a problem, he will be required to restore the ditch to its
original condition.
- Motion carried. Votes in favor - 7 Councillors.

re French Drain

Complaint from a person requesting better walker/wheelchair access to the
sidewalk at the corner of Commonwealth Drive and Water Street. The
Committee has looked at the area and recommends the request be considered
in the Spring.

WALKER/WHEEL
CHAIR
ACCESSABILITY

Request from the Mural Arts Assoc. for Council to purchase a system to deter
sea gulls from perching on the old paper shed which creates bird dropping on
the mural.

MURAL ARTS
Re Sea Gulls

They supplied cost price on some deterrent device for Council consideration.
Grass & moss growing on the roof was also mentioned. The Town Manager
will contact a roofing company for ways to clean a roof.

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Mayor Sceviour left the meeting at 7:40 p.m. due to a possible conflict of interest.

Deputy Mayor Woolridge assumed the Chair.

Council received a letter from _____ in response to Council's letter dated July 23, 2021 and concerning land at Confederation Place.

CONFEDERATION
PLACE

MOTION - Moved by Councillor White, seconded by Councillor Gill that
21-084 Council will stand by the decision made in MOTION #21-069
as offered to _____ in a letter dated August 4, 2021.
- Motion carried. Votes in favor - 6 Councillors.

Deputy Mayor Woolridge vacated the Chair at 7:45 p.m. Mayor Sceviour returned to the meeting and assumed the Chair.

Sacrey's Road watermain replacements project. Stellar Storm Industries have advised they are presently waiting for arrival of materials for this job. Due to supplier problems, the items may not arrive until September.

SACREY'S ROAD
WATERMAIN
PROJECT

Public Protection Committee

Councillor Roberts noted the number of additional requests for speed bumps. Agreed to advise residents the Town's supply of speed bumps has been allocated to other areas. Their requests will be considered next year, should the Town purchase additional speed bumps and/or relocate existing ones.

REQUEST FOR
SPEED BUMPS

Notice from Fire and Emergency Services Division re Training School October 2-8, 2021. Agreed to follow up this information with the Fire Chief.

Councillor Roberts noted there has been multi street light outages reported. New street lights have been installed on Pumphouse Road and Randells Lane.

STREET LIGHT
OUTAGES

Agreed a work order be written to have the brush obstruction cut on Valley Road, Water Street and Fernwood Drive in areas required for traffic and pedestrian safety.

REMOVAL OF
BRUSH
OBSTRUCTION

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Trestle Bridge across Peter's River. Council is not able to be engaged in repairs to this bridge.

TRESTLE BRIDGE

ADMINISTRATION

The Town Manager has drafted two letters re the beehive issue, one to the owner and one to the complainant. Agreed letters be forwarded.

BEEHIVE ISSUE

MOTION - Moved by Councillor White, seconded by Councillor Gill that
21-085 the 2021 Municipal Election will revert to a general election of seven persons being elected from one ballot format.
- Motion carried. Votes in favor - 5 Councillors.
Votes against - 2 Councillors.

2021 MUNICIPAL
ELECTION

PERMITS/DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

MOTION - Moved by Deputy Mayor Woolridge, seconded by Councillor
21-086 Roberts that Council ratify permits issued to August 11, 2021.
- Motion carried. Votes in favor - 7 Councillors.

RATIFY PERMITS

Crown Lands referral application from _____ to obtain land for a recreational cabin within the Town planning area. Council has no objection to this application.

CROWN LANDS

Crown Land referral application for _____ to obtain land for agriculture use within the Towns planning area. The application indicates access will be close to the Town's waterline from New Bay to Botwood.

Agreed Council respond to Crown Lands, requesting a delay on this application until the Town has an official survey and easement for the waterline.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Central Health - re wayfinding survey.
2. Municipal Assessment Agency - re taxpayer representative.
3. MP Peter Julian - re Climate Change.

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MOTION - Moved by Deputy Mayor Woolridge, seconded by Councillor
21-087 White the meeting adjourn at 8:20 p.m.
- Motion carried. Votes in favor - 7 Councillors.

ADJOURNMENT

 MAYOR  SECRETARY