

Minutes

A public council meeting held at the Massey Drive Town Hall on Tuesday January 10th, 2023 with the following in attendance:

Mayor: Don Brown
Deputy Mayor: Penny Piercey

Councilors: Dianne Wiseman
Gary Warren
Elizabeth Chaulk
Kerry Ryland
Roger Targett

Clerk/Manager: Rodger Hunt
Assistant Town Clerk: Pennie Oke
Residents:

Mayor Brown called the meeting to order at 7PM.

Mayor Brown welcomed everyone and wished them all a Happy New Year.

Council reviewed the minutes from the previous meeting

Wiseman/Piercey

01-23 Be it resolved that council will accept the minutes of the December 14, 2022 public council meeting as presented.

Motion Carried Un

Mayor Brown presented the labor and safety report.

Piecey/Ryland

02-23 Be it resolved that council will accept the labor and safety reports with the change of 0 for incidents and near misses to start 2023 in the safety report.

Motion Carried UN

Council reviewed the accounts payables.

Piercey/Chaulk

03-23 Be it resolved that the clerk will pay the bills in the amount of \$ 58,414.29 as presented and council will ratify the bills paid since the last meeting in the amount of \$18,207.95 as identified.

Motion Carried Un

Council discussed the 2023 budget.

Councilor Ryland stated that \$25000.00 for recreational events seemed a little high to him when water taxes had just increased \$20 per unit.

Piercey/Chaulk

04-23 Be it resolved that council will accept the 2023 municipal budget as presented with the following tax structure:

Residential property tax	6.75mils
Minimum residential property tax	\$250.00
Commercial property tax	15mils
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Residential water and sewer	\$605.00
Residential water only	\$312.50
Commercial water and sewer	\$605.00
Commercial water only	\$312.50
Business tax	15mils
Minimum business tax	\$250.00
Utility tax	2.5%

Permits and License	
Commercial building	\$2500.00*
Residential building	\$2500.00*
Development	\$25.00
Apartment	\$50.00
Garage	\$30.00
Shed	\$30.00
Business	\$50.00
Patio/Deck	\$20.00
Fence	\$20.00
Repairs	\$20.00
Animal license	\$20.00

*Includes \$1000.00 landscape deposit and water meter

Motion Carried Un

Councilor Warren informed council that he had attended the last recreation meeting and that the committee has a lot of events planned from now until August.

Councilor Targett thanked the recreation Committee, Council and staff for all the wonderful holiday events that had taken place in the town.

Councilor Ryland told council that he has been approached by a number of residents about the snow clearing not being as good as previous years. Council discussed and Rodger H. told council that he has been holding staff back some if there has been snow but roads are not slippery to try and conserve on costs of snow clearing. He informed council that here is equipment that can be installed in the town's vehicles that would tell where , when and speed of vehicles.

Councilor Chaulk asked about the big pothole at the bottom of Massey Drive and who to contact about getting it fixed. Rodger H. told her it was DOT road and that he didn't expect them to do anything about it but he would make sure it got properly marked so people would know it is there.

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Councilor Wiseman no new business

Deputy Mayor Piercey informed council that she had a letter requesting a donation from the Corner Brook Royals Minor Hockey program. Council discussed and decided that they did not know what they were planning to do with their donation budget for 2023 and that maybe the next time they would be able to help out.

She informed council that the recreation committee has set up their own facebook page.

She asked all council members that were available to be at the Young at Heart Dinner to be there by 4:30pm.

Rodger H. no new business

Mayor Brown set the next meeting for Tuesday January 24th, 2023 at 7PM

Targett/Chaulk

05-23 Be it resolved that the meeting adjourn at 8:10PM

Motion Carried Un

Mayor

Assistant Town Clerk