The Town of Gambo

A Special Meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Gambo was held on August 10th, 2023 at the Gambo Town Hall, Gambo, NL.

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Gambo held on August 10th, 2023 at the Gambo Town Hall, Gambo, NL.

Members in Attendance:

Mayor Darren Dyke Deputy Mayor Lori Moss

Councillor Craig Lush

Councillor Peter Lush

Councillor Michael Paul

Councillor Russell Stockley

Town Clerk Lorne Greene

Members Absent:

Councillor Yvonne Oram

Mayor Dyke called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

New Business:

Item: Financial Officer Position

Motion: 2023-08-10-229 (R. Stockley & C. Lush) to offer Cindy Lambert the Financial Officer

position on a permanent basis.

In Favor: Mayor D. Dyke, Deputy Mayor L. Moss

Councillors C. Lush, P. Lush, M. Paul, R. Stockley

Opposed: 0

Conflict of Interest: 0

Motion Carried

Item: Animal Control Complaint

A recent animal control concern received was discussed. It was decided that we would place an ad to the town reminding residents of the importance of keeping dogs leashed in all public spaces. Further, a letter will be sent regarding this concern.

Item: Smallwood Interpretation Centre

A discussion was held on the daily operations of the Centre. Based on the daily financial activity and staffing, it was decided to close for the season on August 19th, 2023 with the staff finishing on August 25th, 2023. It was noted to inform Woodrow Mullett, SEDCOR Chair, of this decision.

Motion: 2023-08-10-230 (R. Stockley & P. Lush) to close the Smallwood Interpretation Centre for the season as of August 19th, 2023.

In Favor: Mayor D. Dyke, Deputy Mayor L. Moss

Councillors C. Lush, P. Lush, M. Paul, R. Stockley

Opposed: 0

Conflict of Interest: 0

Motion Carried

Item: SEDCOR Engineering Study

SEDCOR has been awarded \$10,000.00 for an engineered design to replace a wooden bridge on the Middle Brook Trail. Lorne, Town Clerk, was advised to contact Allnorth Consultants Ltd. to discuss a fee for the engineering design.

Item: Smallwood Days Festival 2023

Councillor Paul noted that the festival went well. Nevertheless, it was also noted that there were very few volunteers this year. It was discussed that if the Festival is unable to attract volunteers, there is no point in continuing with future Smallwood Days. Council was heavily involved in putting of the festival, but it was suggested that Council's role should be overseeing things without direct involvement. It was indicated that the festival began to go downhill when the Town began hiring paid employees to run it. Considering this, Council will review the Smallwood Days Festival Financial Report upon completion with a decision on the future of the festival to be made in January 2024.

Motion: 2023-08-10-231 (P. Lush & C. Lush) to move into a Privileged Meeting at 7:28pm.

In Favor: Mayor D. Dyke, Deputy Mayor L. Moss

Councillors P. Lush, M. Paul, C. Lush, R. Stockley

Opposed: 0

Conflict of Interest: 0 Motion Carried

Motion: 2023-08-10-232 (P. Lush & M. Paul) to return to a Regular Meeting at 7:32pm.

In Favor: Mayor D. Dyke, Deputy Mayor L. Moss

Councillors P. Lush, C. Lush, M. Paul, R. Stockley

Opposed: 0

Conflict of Interest: 0
Motion Carried

Motion: 2023-08-10-233 (P. Lush & C. Lush) to start the process of purchasing the land of

David Smallwood Park.

In Favor: Mayor D. Dyke, Deputy Mayor L. Moss

Councillors P. Lush, C. Lush, M. Paul, R. Stockley

Opposed: 0

Conflict of Interest: 0

Motion Carried

Motion: 2023-08-10-234 (R. Stockley & C. Lush) to issue an ROE to Festival Coordinator

Nikki Hounsell on August 25th, 2023.

In Favor: Mayor D. Dyke, Deputy Mayor L. Moss

Councillors P. Lush, C. Lush, M. Paul, R. Stockley

Opposed: 0

Conflict of Interest: 0

Motion Carried

Motion: 2032-08-10-235 (P. Lush & C. Lush) to extend the period of employment for Utility

Worker, Joe Nadon until October 6th, 2023.

In Favor: Mayor D. Dyke, Deputy Mayor L. Moss

Councillors P. Lush, C. Lush, M. Paul, R. Stockley

Opposed: 0

Conflict of Interest: 0
Motion Carried

Councillor C. Lush left the meeting at 7:35pm.

Item: Update on Capital Projects

Town Clerk Lorne Greene gave an update on the Waste Water Treatment Plant, Water Intake Extension and Pine Tree Road Paving Project as well as the consultant fee request for the next three lift stations.

Motion: 2023-08-10-236 (R. Stockley & L. Moss) to adjourn the meeting at 7:41pm.

In Favor: Mayor D. Dyke, Deputy Mayor L. Moss

Councillors P. Lush, C. Lush, M. Paul, R. Stockley

Opposed: 0

Conflict of Interest: 0

Motion Carried

Signature:

Mayor

Signature:

Town Clerk