

July 27, 2020
STELLARTON, NOVA SCOTIA

MEETING

A virtual regular meeting of the Stellarton Town Committee of the Whole was held on Monday, July 27, 2020 at 5:30 PM via the Zoom platform as directed by Honourable Chuck Porter, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing due to the State of Emergency declared on March 22, 2020.

PRESENT

Chair Deputy Mayor S. Campbell, Mayor D. MacGillivray, Couns.B. Knight, S.Lawand, and G. Pentz.

Also present, Town Clerk S. Higdon

AGENDA

Councillor G. Pentz approved the Agenda, seconded by Councillor S. Lawand with the addition of:

- Sidewalk options for Rundell St.
- Thank you from Mr. & Mrs. Jackson. **Motion Carried.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councillor B. Knight made a motion to accept the June 22, 2020 minutes seconded by Mayor MacGillivray as presetrned. **Motion Carried.**

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- a. Letter from Communities Cultrure & Hertiage RE; Heritage Property Act.

The Clerk noted as requested by Councillor Pentz, it was forwarded to the Heritage Committee where it was received for information.

- b. Seasonal Water Testing

The Clerk provided an update as per the Town Engineer's report that was previously submitted at the July 13 Council meeting. A Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) was prepared and put on the Town's website. The matter seems to have dissipated at this time.

There was no other business arising from the minutes.

CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Pictou Antigonish Regional Library Re: Financial Statements March 31, 2020
- b. Communities, Sport and Recreation Division Re; Provincial Volunteer Awards Ceremony.

The Clerk noted that the province will be holding their virtual celebration in September, it was suggested that the Town of Stellarton do something similar where all organizational representatives can be highlighted as well as the Town's Provincial Representative Mr. Bill Colbourne. Council agreed this was a good idea.

- c. Thank you from Mr. & Mrs. Jackson regarding their certificate received from the Town of Stellarton for their 60th wedding anniversary.

BIRCH HILL INTERPRETIVE PANEL

Councillor B.Knight was approached by Jim Swain regarding the status of the interpretive panel that was discussed years before. There was discussion regarding how it seemed to have been missed due to the election. Ashton Creative Design submitted a quote for \$3200.00 plus \$750.00 for the stand.

Moved by Councillor B. Knight, seconded by Councillor G. Pentz to move forward with the erection of an interpretive panel regarding the Birch Hill Orphanage.

ASPEN STREET PAVING OF EXTENSION

B. Murray submitted via email a request for council's consideration regarding the Town pave the small section of Aspen Street that was extended. This would require some prep work and some grading. The cost would be approximately 10k-12k.

The Clerk noted that there is room in the budget for this request as it has been requested previously.

Moved by Councillor G. Pentz and seconded by Councillor Lawand, to approve the extra costs for Aspen Street Paving of extension. Motion carried.

SIDEWALK OPTIONS FOR RUNDELL ST.

Town Engineer B. Murray submitted via email a sketch showing Rundell Street and the sidewalks that are currently in place. The Rundell project does not involve replacing any sidewalks in its entirety (except on Allan between Rundell and Foord because the sewer is under it) but simply replacing any sidewalk sections that are destroyed when the services are install to each property. The sidewalks on both sides and are in good shape except on the east side between Allan and Church Lane. This section is broken up in spots and replacing small sections of sidewalk here will look odd. He highlighted sections that are in good shape and what he recommends should be kept. There are 3 options:

1. Replace concrete as needed which is in the original contract. There will be bad sections in between reinstatements (no extra cost);
2. Replace the section in its entirety (approx. \$18,000 +/- + HST);
3. Remove that one section and sod (approx. \$4,000 +/- + HST);

There is already an extra to remove the remaining concrete under the street as it is in bad shape and it will make a better job. That extra is \$50k plus HST. There is enough budget for the 50k extra plus any one of the above options assuming no other unforeseen issues

Moved by Councillor G. Pentz and seconded by Councillor S. Lawand to proceed with option 3 adding that the residents in that section be notified that it is being removed and not replaced. Motion carried.

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NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting date is scheduled for Monday, September 28, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Councillor G. Pentz the meeting adjourned.

DEPUTY MAYOR

TOWN CLERK