

**The Town of Gambo**

A Regular Meeting of the Town Council of Gambo was held on March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at the Gambo Town Hall, Gambo, NL.

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Town of Gambo held on March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at the Gambo Town Hall, Gambo, NL.

**Members in Attendance**

**Members Absent**

- Mayor Craig Lush
- Deputy Mayor Darren Dyke
- Councillor Desiree Hopkins
- Councillor Lori Moss
- Councillor Peter Lush
- Councillor Mark Stockley
- Councillor Nathan Philp (via telephone)
- Town Clerk/Manager, Lorne Greene
- Admin Clerk, Cindy Collins
- Student Rep, Colby Parsons

**Visitors**

**Mayor Lush called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.**

Lorne requested to add the following two items to the Agenda:

- Crown Land Application
- Revised Taxi Regulations

**Motion: 2020-03-09-061 (D. Dyke & P. Lush)** to approve the Agenda of March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020 with the addition of the above noted items.

In Favor: Mayor C. Lush  
 Deputy Mayor D. Dyke  
 Councillors L. Moss, D. Hopkins, P. Lush, N. Philp & M. Stockley

Opposed: 0

Abstaining: 0

Motion Carried

**Motion: 2020-03-09-062 (D. Hopkins & L. Moss)** to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020 as presented.

Councillor Stockley noted that he was absent at the last meeting but that the minutes state that he was present.

In Favor: Mayor C. Lush  
 Deputy Mayor D. Dyke  
 Councillors L. Moss, D. Hopkins, P. Lush, N. Philp & M. Stockley

Opposed: 0

Abstaining: 0

Motion Carried

**Business Arising From The Minutes:**

- Grooming of Middle Brook Trail – Mayor Lush and Lorne met with the individual who had groomed the trail. He advised that he has not groomed the trail again since receiving the correspondence from Lorne requesting that he stop. He is suggesting that Council consider allowing the use of a snow blower if they are adverse to the idea of using a small snowmobile.
- Treatment Plant Update – Lorne advised that our Public Works employees have pumped the area 3 or 4 days to-date. They have completed some of the dredging as well. There is an issue with the pump and an employee from Xylem will be out to discuss the issue. It is estimated that half of the required work has been completed.
- Update on the Booster Pump Tender – Lorne advised that he has not received an update on this yet.
- Update on the Annual Audit – Lorne advised that our auditor has been in to complete the required on-site work but our Financial Statements have not been received yet.

Mayor Lush expressed a thank you to Colby for volunteering as the Student Representative.

**New Business:**

No new business.

**Correspondence:**

Council Meeting Correspondence			
Received from	Received on	I / A.	Details
Municipal Assessment Agency	Feb 26	I	Update on the Municipal Assessment Agency
Crown Land	Feb 26	I	Acknowledgement Letter
Gas Tax Administration	Mar 2	I	Gas Tax Allocation
Central Newfoundland Waste Management	Mar 2	I	Curb Side Collection - Garbage Containers
Glovertown RCMP	Mar 3	I	Monthly Policing Report
Crown Land	Mar 3	I	Licence to Occupy - Gambo Pond

Fire & Emergency Services	Mar 3	I	COVID 19 (Coronavirus) Outbreak
Quarry Review Board	Mar 6	I	Quarry Review Submission Acknowledgement
SAM	Feb 27	A	SAM Environmental Steward Acknowledgement Program
Glovertown RCMP	Mar 4	A	Glovertown RCMP Annual Performance Plan Consultation Meeting

**Item: SAM; Acknowledgement Program** – There was a round table discussion on a couple of individuals to possibly nominate, if they qualify.

**Item: RCMP Annual Performance Plan Consultation** – Craig will attend; weather permitting.

It was questioned as to whether or not a contingency plan is included in our Emergency Plan to cover emergency events such as COVID-19. It was noted that a health crisis is not in our plan.

**Finance:**

**Item: Bell Aliant Interest Charge** – Deputy Mayor Dyke advised that the Financial Officer contacted the company on this charge and the fee has been adjusted off our account by Bell.

**Item: Smallwood Academy Kids Eat Smart Program –**

**Motion: 2020-03-09-063 (D. Dyke & P. Lush)** to approve a donation in the amount of \$100 to the Kids Eat Smart Program at Smallwood Academy.

In Favor: Mayor C. Lush  
Deputy Mayor D. Dyke  
Councillors L. Moss, D. Hopkins, P. Lush, N. Philp & M. Stockley

Opposed: 0  
Abstaining: 0  
Motion Carried

**Item: David Smallwood Park Advertising –**

**Motion: 2020-03-09-064 (D. Dyke & P. Lush)** to proceed with advertising the Park in the Downhome Magazine at a cost of \$79.00.

In Favor: Mayor C. Lush  
Deputy Mayor D. Dyke  
Councillors L. Moss, D. Hopkins, P. Lush, N. Philp & M. Stockley

Opposed: 0  
Abstaining: 0  
Motion Carried

Councillor Lush requested that Lorne give an overview of the process of procurement and the safeguards that are in place to oversee the expenditure process. Councillor Hopkins enquired as to why this explanation was requested. Councillor Lush advised that he wanted to ensure that all of Council had a good understanding of what they were voting on when they approved the Vendor Aged Trial Balance and the Accounts Payable Cheque Register.

**Item: Vendor Aged Trial Balance** – In the amount of \$26,930.36.

**Motion: 2020-03-09-065 (D. Dyke & P. Lush)** to approve the Vendor Aged Trial Balance in the amount of \$26,930.36.

In Favor: Mayor C. Lush  
Deputy Mayor D. Dyke  
Councillors L. Moss, D. Hopkins, P. Lush, N. Philp & M. Stockley

Opposed: 0

Abstaining: 0

Motion Carried

**Item: Accounts Payable Cheque Register** – In the amount of \$33,490.67.

**Motion: 2020-03-09-066 (D. Dyke & P. Lush)** to approve the Accounts Payable Cheque Register in the amount of \$33,490.67.

In Favor: Mayor C. Lush  
Deputy Mayor D. Dyke  
Councillors L. Moss, D. Hopkins, P. Lush, N. Philp & M. Stockley

Opposed: 0

Abstaining: 0

Motion Carried

#### **Public Works:**

**Item: Crown Land Referral; Traverse Pond** – Councillor Philp left the meeting at 6:49 pm due to conflict. A round table discussion was held on the application. It was noted that the agricultural portion of the application would be a permitted use in the Rural Zone but that the livestock portion of the application would be at the discretion of Council. It was suggested to approve the referral but stipulate that an application for a business of this type would have to be advertised as per the Town Plan.

**Motion: 2020-03-09-067 (D. Dyke & P. Lush)** to recommend approval on the Crown Land Referral and stipulate that a business application would have to go through the application process and be advertised as per the Town Plan.

In Favor: Mayor C. Lush  
Deputy Mayor D. Dyke  
Councillors L. Moss, D. Hopkins, P. Lush & M. Stockley

Opposed: 0

Abstaining: 0

Motion Carried

Councillor Philp returned to the meeting at 6:57 pm.

**Item: Road at 15 Gambo Pond** – Public Works will resume the basic road maintenance operations at this location.

**Item: Quarry Legislation Review** – Lorne has received a confirmation of the Departments receipt of our correspondence relating to the Review.

**Item: Traffic Concern; Beothuck Crescent** – Public Works is suggesting to make this road a one way street due to safety concerns in the area. Correspondence will be sent to residents in the area to gather input.

**Item: Crown Land Application; Middle Brook Trail** – Lorne has received an acknowledgement from Crown Land of their receipt of our application.

**Administration:**

**Item: Union Negotiations** – Waiting for a response back from the Union regarding negotiations.

**OHS:**

A meeting is scheduled for Wednesday night.

**Emergency Planning:**

Lorne has scheduled a meeting with Ned of Traverse Electrical to complete an inspection and review of the Lions Club to determine what size generator would be required for the building to operate as an Emergency Warming Shelter.

**Regulations:**

**Item: Taxi and Limousine Regulations** – There was one concern received from the taxi operators in town regarding the proposed regulations; the requirement of vehicle inspections twice a year. It was noted that Government Regulations only require the businesses to have their vehicles inspected annually. It is recommended to change our Regulations to require annual vehicle inspections.

**Motion: 2020-03-09-068 (D. Hopkins & L. Moss)** to approve the Taxi and Limousine Regulations with the above noted change of requiring annual vehicle inspections.

In Favor: Mayor C. Lush  
Deputy Mayor D. Dyke  
Councillors L. Moss, D. Hopkins, P. Lush, N. Philp & M. Stockley

Opposed: 0

Abstaining: 0

Motion Carried

**Age Friendly:**

No report.

**Communications:**

No report. No further response from the developer regarding the new site.

## **Liaison Reports**

### **Recreation:**

- Meeting scheduled for Tuesday.
- Colby advised that he thought they would be flooding the rink tonight.

### **Fire Dept:**

No report.

### **Festivals:**

- There was a great turnout for the meeting for possible volunteers.
- Miranda, Receptionist/Festival Administrator, is currently looking at bands.

### **SEDCOR:**

- They are moving ahead with the plans for the Dinner Theatre this year but they are looking for more actors.

### **Dover & Area Family Coalition:**

- Meeting held Tuesday night. Numbers for the area are fair.

### **Smallwood Academy:**

- Currently discussing a possible walk/fundraiser.

### **Gambo Public Library:**

No report.

### **Town Clerk/Manager Report:**

- The RFP for ACOA is complete. The next meeting is scheduled for March 18<sup>th</sup>.
- Still waiting to hear back from Wilf Maloney regarding the Wastewater RFP.
- Our lawyer has sent correspondence to the purchaser of 73 Pine Tree Road. He is seeking his own independent legal advice in this matter.
- Meeting with Mr. Beck; spoke on other issues as well:
  - i) Requesting to remove the 150ft bridge and replace with culverts,
  - ii) Several retaining walls are in need of repairs,
  - iii) Concerns regarding the walkway from the parking lot to the playground area of the Fun-N-Sun,
  - iv) Would like to see a viewing area on the salmon ladder,
  - v) Would like to see more advertising on the ski trails.
- The next Regular Scheduled Meeting is set for March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020.

### **Mayor's Report:**

- Thank you to Colby for volunteering.
- Thank you to Councillor Philp for arranging to attend the meeting via telephone.
- There have been issues with snow clearing due to the amount of snow this winter but it's an ongoing process that we have to continue to work through.
- Regarding the recent correspondence from CNWM; direct any

discussions/questions/concerns to Central Newfoundland Waste Management for them to answer.

Colby left the meeting at 7:12 pm.

**Motion: 2020-03-09-069 (D. Hopkins & D. Dyke) to move into a Privileged Meeting at 7:12 pm.**

In Favor: Mayor C. Lush  
Deputy Mayor D. Dyke  
Councillors L. Moss, D. Hopkins, P. Lush, N. Philp & M. Stockley

Opposed: 0

Abstaining: 0

Motion Carried

**Motion: 2020-03-09-070 (P. Lush & D. Dyke) to move into a Regular Meeting at 7:15 pm.**

In Favor: Mayor C. Lush  
Deputy Mayor D. Dyke  
Councillors L. Moss, D. Hopkins, P. Lush, N. Philp & M. Stockley

Opposed: 0

Abstaining: 0

Motion Carried

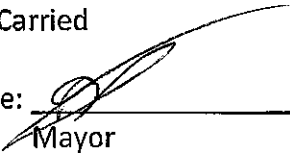
**Motion: 2020-03-09-071 (P. Lush & D. Hopkins) to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 pm.**

In Favor: Mayor C. Lush  
Deputy Mayor D. Dyke  
Councillors L. Moss, D. Hopkins, P. Lush, N. Philp & M. Stockley

Opposed: 0

Abstaining: 0

Motion Carried

Signature:   
Mayor

Signature:   
Town Clerk/Manager