

# Minutes

A public meeting held at the Town of St. George's Town Hall on Thursday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023, with the following in attendance.

Mayor: Conrad White  
Deputy Mayor: Andy Tobin  
Parsons

William Vincent

Councillors: Joe Blanchard  
Sharon O'Neill

Jean Legge

Rhonda Sheppard- Absent

Also present: Manager- Danny Conway  
Town Clerk- Mary Spicer

1 Member of the public

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## 1.Call to Order:

Mayor Conrad White called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., and welcomed all members of council, staff & public.

## 2.Adoption of the agenda:

### Motion #156/23 Deputy Mayor Tobin 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councillor Legge

Be it resolved that the council of the town of St. George's does adopt the agenda dated December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Deputy Mayor: Andy Tobin Councillors O'Neill Parsons, W Vincent, J. Legge, J. Blanchard

**All in Favor Motion passed.**

## 3.Adoption of the November 9th Minutes:

### Motion #157/23 Councillor O'Neill Parsons by 2<sup>nd</sup> Councillor Legge

Mayor White, Deputy Mayor: Andy Tobin Councillors O'Neill Parsons, W Vincent, J. Legge, J. Blanchard

**All in Favor Motion Passed**

#### **4. Proclamation- Nothing to Report**

#### **5. Action Report:**

**Residence Property clean up-** registered Letters were sent to residents. 1 homeowner has done some clean up. Was in to get the dump card. Still more to clean up there.

**Discussion on Blanket Permit** – Permit can be picked up at any time at highway Depot.

**Forest Drive Issue-** Safety issue for garbage truck and snowplows with turning around. There has not been any documentation brought into us to show ownership of the land. The town has built this turnaround including 4 others. There is also a manhole at the end of the turnaround. Right away should not be put on private land.

**Lead Hand Assistant.** Interviews are completed. Date of Hire is 9 January 2024.

**Bowling Alley Assistant-** Job advertised and closing on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December. 2 Applications so far.

**Water leak near Boyds Lane** – Repair is completed. Pavement to be replaced in Spring.

Dave Callahan has so graciously offered the town cold patch (free of charge) to fix the pavement cut out just passed the garage.

**Issue with farm animals on Court House Road-** Animals still there. Registered letter sent to occupying resident. It was never picked up from post office. It was suggested that the letter be served by the Sherrif. Mary to contact Jennifer Hobbs to get information on if a Sherrif available to serve papers.

#### **6. General Business**

Councilor Vincent has stated that an agenda would need to be sent out for a privileged meeting.

##### **(A) Correspondence**

All correspondence regarding letters looking for donations were not approved by council as they do not benefit our residents.

(b) **Permits.** No permits

(c) **Payables**

**Motion #158/23** Councillor Vincent by 2<sup>nd</sup> Councillor O’Neill Parsons

Be it resolved that the list of accounts for payment be accepted as presented in the amount of \$34,064.05.

Deputy Mayor: Andy Tobin Councillors O’Neill Parsons, W Vincent, J. Legge,

**5 in Favor 1 Abstained Councilor Blanchard because of conflict of Interest-** on the sale of Salt dog, Slide in Sander.

**Motion Passed**

**(D) Committee Reports**

(a) **Finances**

(1) **Bank/ Loan Balances-**

Balances were given effective 30 November,2023.

(2) **Aged Receivables**

Balance was given effective 30 November 2023.

(b) **Stadium/ Recreation**

(c) **Fire Department**

4 Calls for month of November 1 Vehicle,1 vehicle fire,2 medical calls

**8.Unfinished business**

**a) Lead Hand Assistant-** Jim Dwyer is the candidate that has been hired to fill this position. He will begin work 9 January 2024.

**9. Round Table**

Councillor Legge inquired about plaques for the school regarding the student that is in recipient of the Town of St. George’s Scholarship. One plaque will be stay at the school and each year a name plate be added to it. A separate plaque would be presented each year to the qualifying student.

**Motion #159/23 Councilor Legge 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilor O’Neill -Parsons**

Be it resolved to purchase a plaque at no more then \$500.00 to be left in school and a smaller one for student. The plaque will be for the student of St. George’s attending Bayview Academy.

**All in Favor Motion Carried**

Councilor O’Neill -Parsons inquired about the sign for Shallop Cove.

**Motion #160/23 Councilor O’Neill-Parsons 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilor Legge**

Be it resolved that sign for both Seal Rocks and Shallop Cove to be purchased.

All in Favor Motion passed

Councilor Vincent would like the PMA newsletter sent to him. The Newsletter will be sent to all Councilors.

He also wants all packing slips attached to the invoices and have them signed received.

**10. New Business**

a) **ATTIPA-** There was much discussion on this subject. It was determined that when requests come in and it would take away from the daily work of the office that Jocelyn would be called in to do that daily office work to allow the clerk to process the ATTIP.

**Motion #161/23 Councilor O’Neill Parsons 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilor Legge**

Be it resolved that Jocelyn would be called in when needed to work doing the daily office work.

Deputy Mayor: Andy Tobin Councilors O’Neill Parsons, W Vincent, J. Legge, J. Blanchard

**All in Favor Motion Passed**

b) Email from Jens Jensens regarding a motion for the accommodation of the mine project proposed by Atlas Salt.

**Motion #162/23 Councilor O’Neill-Parsons 2<sup>nd</sup> Deputy Mayor Tobin**

Whereas Council is desirous of accommodating a mine project as proposed by Atlas Salt Inc., it is moved that the draft of the amendments to the Municipal Plan and development Regulations which have been prepared by planner Jens Jensen be publicized for public comment, including a presentation by the planner to the public to be held as soon as possible, and also including an invitation to the public to submit their comments for Council's consideration.

In Favor 5 Against 1

Councillor Vincent stated that he was not given enough time to review the documents.

**Motion #163/23 Councillor O'Neil Parsons 2<sup>nd</sup> Councillor Legge**

Be it resolved to adjourn the public meeting at 7:30 to go into a privileged meeting.  
Deputy Mayor: Andy Tobin Councillors O'Neill Parsons, W Vincent, J. Legge, J. Blanchard

**All in Favor Motion Passed**

Back into an open public council meeting at 8:25pm

Discussions on the Code Of Conduct complaints.

#1. Against Town Manager regarding outside workers moving the trees etc on Forest Drive. This is not a Code of Conduct, it is a complaint.

**Motion #164/23 Councilor O'Neill-Parsons 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilor Blanchard.**

Be it resolved to dismiss the Code of Conduct.

Deputy Mayor: Andy Tobin Councillors O'Neill Parsons, J. Legge, J. Blanchard  
5 in favor 1 Abstained- Councilor Vincent due to Conflict of Interest as he is the complainant.

Motion Carried

#2. Against Town Manager regarding Town website not up to date. This is not a Code of Conduct but a complaint.

**Motion # 165/23 Councilor Blanchard 2<sup>nd</sup> Deputy Mayor Tobin.**

Be it resolved that the Code of Conduct complaint be removed.

Deputy Mayor: Andy Tobin Councillors O'Neill Parsons, J. Legge, J. Blanchard  
5 in favor 1 Abstained- Councilor Vincent due to Conflict of Interest as he is the complainant.

Motion Carried

#3 Against Town Manager regarding complaint of Rose Bushes and lack of respect of Rose Bushes. Not a Code of Conduct complaint but a performance issue.

**Motion #166/23 Deputy Mayor Tobin 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilor O’Neill -Parsons.**

Be it resolved that the Code of Conduct be removed.

Deputy Mayor: Andy Tobin Councillors O’Neill Parsons, J. Legge, J. Blanchard  
5 in favor 1 Abstained- Councilor Vincent due to Conflict of Interest as he is the complainant.

Motion Carried

#4 Against Town Manager regarding the missing funds. Town Manager was never blamed for the missing funds.

**Motion #167/23 Councilor Legge 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilor O’Neil Parsons**

Be it resolved that the complaint against town Manager be dismissed for criminal behaviour regarding the missing funds.

Deputy Mayor: Andy Tobin Councillors O’Neill Parsons, J. Legge, J. Blanchard  
5 in favor 1 Abstained- Councilor Vincent due to Conflict of Interest as he is the complainant.

Motion Carried

#5 Code of Conducts made by Town Clerk

**Motion #168/23 Councilor Blanchard 2<sup>nd</sup> Deputy Mayor Tobin**

Be it resolved to dismiss the first Code of Conduct.

Deputy Mayor: Andy Tobin Councillors O’Neill Parsons, J. Legge, J. Blanchard  
5 in favor 1 Abstained- Councilor Vincent due to Conflict of Interest as he is the recipient.

Motion Carried

**Motion #169/23 Councilor Blanchard 2<sup>nd</sup> Deputy Mayor Tobin**

Be it resolved to dismiss the second Code of Conduct.

Deputy Mayor: Andy Tobin Councillors O’Neill Parsons, J. Legge, J. Blanchard  
5 in favor 1 Abstained- Councilor Vincent due to Conflict of Interest as he is the recipient.

Motion Carried

**All in Favor Motion Carried**

**Motion#170/23 Councillor O’Neill Parsons 2<sup>nd</sup> by Deputy Mayor Tobin**

Be it resolved that the meeting will now adjourn @ 8:50p.m. Next Meeting January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

Deputy Mayor: Andy Tobin Councillors O'Neill Parsons, W Vincent, J. Legge, J. Blanchard

**All in Favor Motion Carried**

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Mayor- Conrad White

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Town Clerk- Mary Spicer