

A regular meeting of Clarke's Beach Town Council was held on Tuesday, December 5, 2023 in the C.R. Dawe Memorial Chambers, Clarke's Beach Town Hall.

In attendance:

Mayor Betty Moore
Deputy Mayor Danielle Bussey
Councillor June Batten
Councillor Crystal Bradbury
Councillor Kelly Kavanagh
Councillor David Penney
Town Clerk: Joan Wilcox

Absent: Councillor Alice Russell

Others present:

Delegate Amin Lalani
Otterbury Road

Also in attendance: Jacqueline Holmes

Mayor Moore welcomed all to the meeting.
Meeting opened at 7 pm.

Minutes for adoption: Regular meeting November 7, 2023
Mayor Moore asked if there was any errors or omissions to the minutes of November 7, 2023 as circulated with the agenda.

Motion #_____ Danielle Bussey/June Batten

Be it resolved that the minutes of November 7, 2023 meeting be adopted as circulated. Motion Carried All in favour

Business arising reviewed as was outlined on agenda.

- Councillor Batten advised that her and Clerk have done preliminary work on the Accessibility Plan. Any councillors wishing to contribute ideas please forward.

Delegate

Mayor Moore welcomed Mr. Lalani

Mr. Lalani addressed the Council. He gave Council a brief background regarding his Automotive Dealers Licensing which is currently registered in Ontario.

His desire is to use his Automotive Dealers License here in Newfoundland using 182-186 Otterbury Road as the address. He further explained that there will not be any signage or vehicles on display at his property.

Mr. Lalani is asking the Town to provide correspondence for Service NL (Motor Registration) which will indicate that the Town of Clarke's Beach is in compliance with his request.

Mr. Lalani was advised to speak with Motor Registration and obtain exactly what is required from the Town and to advise the Town Council accordingly.

Mr. Lalani thanked Council for the opportunity to meet.

FINANCIAL

● Bank Balance provided

Bills for payment: \$ 18,453.81

Motion # _____ David Penney/Crystal Bradbury

Resolved that the Town of Clarke's Beach pay the bills totaling \$18,452.81

Motion Carried All in favour

Note: Councillor June Batten abstained from voting on the reimbursement provided to her for supplies picked up for the Seniors Party.

BUDGET 2024

Council met today at 6 p.m. to finalize the revenue/expenditures items for the 2024 Budget.

Motion to adopt 2024 Budget - Town of Clarke's Beach

Motion # _____ David Penney/June Batten

Be it resolved that the 2024 Budget with all budgeted expenses and revenue be hereby adopted. Minimum property tax to go from \$495.00 up to \$520.

Tax agreement to go from \$31,000. to \$32,000.

Property tax to go from 5.1 mils down to 4.6 mils

Expenses including remuneration, wages and all other expenditure items to be adjusted as per Council approval re budgeted figures.

Total revenue: \$ 1,183,528.83

Total expenditure: \$ 1,183,528.83

Tax Structure for 2024

Property tax (residential)	4.6 mils
Minimum property tax	\$520.00
Property tax (commercial)	4.6 mils (minimum \$520.)
Vacant land tax	\$450.00
Water/Sewer taxes	
RV Parks	\$ 35.00 per site
Water/Sewer tax	\$330. Per unit
Water tax only	\$165. Per unit
W/S tax vacant lots	\$ 80.00
Distilleries	\$1000.00
Business tax	
Public Utilities	2.5% of gross turnover
Cable Companies	2.5% of gross turnover
Business where no fixed place of business	1.5% of gross turnover
Minimum business tax	\$150.
Banks	176 mils
Doctor clinic	16 mils
Funeral Homes	11 mils
Drug Stores	11 mils
Gas Bar/Convenience	11 mils
All other general commercial	10 mils

TAX AGREEMENTS AS PER COUNCIL BUDGET ADOPTION

FOR 2024

PERMITS & FEES

General Repair permit	\$10.00	
Shed/Garages building permits	10.00	
Building permits		50.00
Tax Certificates	80.00	
Dog Licenses		10.00
Copying		20 cents per sheet
Faxing		\$2.00
Water/Sewer connection permit	\$75.00 plus all other related costs	
Water turned on fee after being shut off due to tax arrears: \$100.		

DUE DATES:

Business tax	April 30, 2024
Property/water/sewer	May 31, 2024

Motion Carried All in favour

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

1. Mr. X - personal usage shed 6-8 Wilsonville Avenue
 Site assessed for compliance by Ron Laracy
 Motion # _____ Kelly Kavanagh/June Batten
 Be it resolved that the Town of Clarke's Beach issue a permit for construction of a personal usage shed at civic address 6-8 Wilsonville Avenue. Motion Carried
 All in favour
2. Mr. X - application for construction of six (6) residential townhomes, 17-23 Dawes Avenue
 Motion # _____ June Batten/David Penney
 Be it resolved that the Town of Clarke's Beach consider the application for six (6) residential townhomes on property at 17-23 Dawes Avenue. Town Council is considering this application as a Discretionary usage in a Residential Medium Density zone. Notice to be published in the Shoreline Newspaper and the notice to be put on the Town website. Town Council will issue an approval in principle pending the the proposed development meets the requirements under the Town plan & Development Regulations, the approval of all other governing bodies involved with the application and also, pending Council's consideration of any objections or representations which may have been received on the matter.

Motion Carried All in favour!

3. Mr. X - application for two single detached dwellings both with subsidiary apartments - civic address 31-39 Harbour View Road

Motion #_____ David Penney/Kelly Kavanagh
Resolved that the Town of Clarke's Beach issue an approval in principle for construction of two(2) single detached dwellings with subsidiary apartments at civic address 31-39 Harbour View Road pending development meets approval of Town of Clarke's Beach Municipal Plan & Development Regulations. Also, approval from Service Nl re water/septic systems. Motion Carried All in favour!

Correspondence:

1. Letter from BIOMAXX re price WSER contract
Motion #_____ Kelly Kavanagh/Crystal Bradbury
Be it resolved that the Town of Clarke's Beach agree to new three year contract (2024-2027)with BIOMAXX re outfall sampling federal database report, flow meter lease, monitoring and maintenance.
Motion Carried All in favour
2. Quote from Feaver's Lane Enterprises re Civic 911 mapping for all commercial buildings and residences within the Town Boundary
Motion #_____ June Batten/Danielle Bussey
Resolved that the Town of Clarke's Beach engage Feaver's Lane Enterprises to undertake the civic 911 mapping as per the quote received. Motion Carried All in favour
3. Correspondence from Mr. X re Otterbury land issues
 - Council will invite Mr. X to attend a future meeting

OTHER BUSINESS

1. TriNL and Nl aa - Councillor Penney
 - TriNL and NLAA are trying to coordinate times for the events scheduled in Clarke's Beach. The times for the TRI events in the Games are August 15 & August 16th in Clarke's Beach. August 25th for the Clarke's Beach Tri 2024Council is in agreement with these dates.

2. Crown Land - Hill Avenue

Deputy Mayor Bussey & Councillor Kavanagh spoke on the Crown Land on Hill Avenue . Deputy Mayor did explore funding available for projects however, the timeframe for applying has passed for 2023 but will seek out funding for proposals in 2024

MOMENT OF SILENCE

At this point in the meeting a Moment of Silence was held for the late Eldon Snow, past Councillor with the Town of Clarke's Beach who passed away on Saturday, November 25, 2023.

Condolence to late Mr. Snow's family on his passing.

Council meetings:

Mayor Moore suggested that hopefully in January and February , Town can hold its meetings earlier than 7 p.m.

Motion to Adjourn

Motion # _____ David Penney/Kelly Kavanagh

Being no further business, be it hereby resolved that the meeting do now adjourn. Motion Carried All in favour Time: 8:30 p.m.

MAYOR

Town Clerk

Date minutes adopted by Town Council