

# Town of Badger

Minutes of the regular public meeting of the Badger Town Council held  
Tuesday, September 13th, 2022 at 6:30pm in Council Chambers.

Members present: Mayor: Dennis Butt  
Deputy Mayor: Michelle Noseworthy  
Councillors: Jazmin Eddy  
Ann Marie Young  
Jessica George  
Nicholas Blackwood

Also, present: Relief Clerk Carol Ann Roberts  
Superintendent of Works: Scott Luscombe  
Director, Qalipu First Nation Kellie Kerpan

Absent: Councillor: Natasha Beaton

Meeting called to order and chaired by Mayor Butt at 6:30pm

## **Discussion:**

1. Mayor Butt welcomed Mr Scott Luscombe, Superintendent of Works to the meeting. Mr Luscombe gave his report.  
Scott stated that the pump house is working good. The main pump by J & E on Main Street was clogged by two rocks but he has it repaired and its working again.  
Scott informed Council that Mr. Robert Hewlett's well is completed and up an running. Mr. Hewlett is very pleased with the new well and the water pressure he is getting from the new well.  
Scott said that they are now in the process of getting equipment ready for the upcoming winter season and will be checking the equipment to ensure its ready when needed. Discussion took place regarding the lift station on Badger Drive. Scott will be looking at a way to secure the manholes so that in future debris will not make its way into the manholes.  
Discussion took place about having a vac truck company

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come in to clean the debris from the lines. Further discussion will take place regarding this matter.

There being no further discussion Mr Luscombe left the meeting at 6:55pm

2. Fire Chief Gordon White was unable to attend tonight's meeting.

3. Mayor Butt welcomed Kellie Kerpan, Director of Culture, Tourism and Development, Qalipu First Nation. Discussion regarding the lease for Popes Point took place. Ms. Kerpan informed Council that the deadline to proceed with this project is drawing near. Discussion about the lease term took place and Ms. Kerpan stated that Qalipu First Nation was hoping that the town would agree to a fifty year ( 50 year) lease rather than a ten year (10 year) lease. Ms. Kerpan stated that other towns are considering or have already considered a fifty year lease and for this reason Qalipu would like to see the Town of Badger do the same whereby then all towns involved in this project will be on the same lease renewal time frames in coming years. Ms. Kerpan showed Council a drawing of what the site will look like when it is developed and stated that the site plan will not likely change once it is completed according to the plan. Council decided that they would discuss Ms. Kerpan's suggestions further during the meeting.

Ms. Kerpan spoke with Council regarding National Day of Truth and Reconciliation which will take place on September 30, 2022. This event will be presented by Qalipu First Nation , Marathon Gold, MOWI, Badger Brook First Nation. She invited the Town of Badger to also partner and take part in this event.

Council agreed that they would like to take part in this event and will be providing the use of the Community Center for this event.

Mayor Butt thanked Ms. Kerpan for attending tonight's meeting. Ms Kerpan left the meeting at 7:45 pm.



## **Business arising:**

1. There has been no response from the Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs regarding our request to lease land to Qalipu First Nations.

## **Correspondence:**

1. Discussion on Fire Prevention Week Webinar took place. Councillors wishing to take part will email the Fire Protection Officer listed on the flyer they received for tonight's meeting.
2. Discussion was held regarding the new Municipal Conduct Act and it was decided that it would be tabled for the next meeting. Deadline date to be adopted is by March 1, 2023.
3. Discussion was held regarding the response sent from Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs to Trudy Parsons. Discussion was had on whether Council would respond to Trudy Parsons regarding this issue. Discussion took place.
4. Discussion took place regarding a letter from Mason Kerpan, Stakeholder & Indigenous Relations Coordinator from Marathon Gold regarding the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation event. The Town has decided that they will partner with Marathon to run this event. The event will take place at the Badger Community Center and members of Council will help out with the event. The event will be open to one hundred guests. A registration process will be done through Kellie Kerpan, Director of Culture, Tourism and Development.
5. Correspondence from Fire Chief Gord White enquiring about the Firemen's Ball dinner and if the Town would be contributing toward the cost of the meal. Discussion held.

## Correspondence (con't)

**Motion #065-2022**                      **J. Eddy/ J. George**

Resolved that Council will contribute \$1200.00 toward a catered meal of Hot Roast Beef for the Firemen's Annual Firemen's Ball being held on October 22, 2022

**Vote:**

**In Favor 6: D. Butt; M. Noseworthy; J. Eddy;  
N. Blackwood; A. Young; J. George**

**Opposed 0;**

**Abstained 0.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

## Finances:

1. The Town Clerk/Manager presented the accounts payable journal dated September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022 in the amount of \$77,002.19 for disbursement as presented. Discussion held.

**Motion # 066-2022**                      **A. Young/J. Eddy**

Resolved that Council approve the accounts payable journal dated September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022 in the amount of \$ 77,002.19 for disbursement as presented:

**Vote:**

**In Favor 6: D. Butt; M. Noseworthy; J. Eddy;  
N. Blackwood; A. Young; J. George**

**Opposed 0;**

**Abstained 0.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

2. Reimbursement of Petty Cash. Discussion held

**Motion # 067-2022**                      **N. Blackwood/A. Young**

Resolved that Petty Cash be reimbursed by \$64.65 (Office Expense-Notice to residents) and \$91.85 (Office Expense)

**Vote:**

**In Favor 6: D. Butt; M. Noseworthy; J. Eddy;  
N. Blackwood; A. Young; J. George**

**Opposed 0;**

**Abstained 0.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

## **Other Business:**

1. Discussion took place regarding the upcoming National Truth and Reconciliation Day which will take place September 30, 2022. Councillors who are available on that day will join in the event which will take place at the Badger Community Center. The Community center will be offered for use as part of the town's partnership with the event.
2. Discussion was held regarding the construction of the Gazebo which is being built by contractor Chris Maher at the Ted Patey Memorial Park. Discussion was held on the location of where the Gazebo would be placed. Councillor Blackwood stated that even though Council discussed this matter at the last meeting he felt that the last council meeting was rushed.
3. Discussion continued and it was decided that Council would visit the site following tonight's meeting and a decision will be made shortly thereafter regarding the construction of the Gazebo.
4. Discussion was held regarding the lease of land to Qalipu First Nation at Pope's Point. Councillor Jessica George will speak with Lawrence Ducey, with Grand Falls-Windsor to see what their plans are for the terms of leasing. Mayor Butt will make contact with a lawyer to seek their legal opinion. Director of Tourism, Culture and Development Kellie Kerpan will forward the Lease Agreement which Corner Brook has and Mayor Butt will then forward it on to the other Councillors. Once they have received the required information regarding this matter a special meeting will be held to make a decision on the lease.

## Adjournment

**Motion #068-2022**

**A. Young/J. Eddy**

Resolved that there being no further discussion Council will now adjourn to meet again on Tuesday, Oct 11, 2022 at 6:30 pm in Council Chambers

**Vote:**

**In Favor 6: D. Butt; M. Noseworthy; J. Eddy;  
N. Blackwood; A. Young; J. George**

**Opposed 0;**

**Abstained 0.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

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Mayor

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Town Clerk/Manager