



Village of Blacks Harbour Council
 Council Chambers – 65 Wallace Cove Road

Present: Mayor John Craig, Deputy Mayor Adam Hatt, Councillors - Amber Libby, Ashley Ritchie, Gerald Welles, Jordan Thompson
 Staff: CAO – Stacey Frost, Assistant Clerk – Cara Hatt

Guests: CHCO - Florence Mitchell, Vicki Hogarth, Dale Welles, Regional Service Commission - Alex Henderson

1. Call to order	6:31 pm
2. Recording of Attendance	
3. Approval of Committee Minutes and Recommendations ** This is actually item 12 further down on the agenda**	
4. Business Arising – nil	
5. Approval of Agenda MOVED BY: Councillor Thompson SECONDED BY: Councillor Libby Be it resolved; That the agenda for April 20, 2022 Regular Meeting of Council be accepted as presented.	
	CARRIED 04202022-01
6. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest on Agenda Items 12.1 – Deputy Mayor Hatt	
7. Approval: Council Minutes <u>7.1 Regular Council Meeting – March 16 , 2022</u> MOVED BY: Councillor Libby SECONDED BY: Deputy Mayor Hatt Be it resolved; That the Minutes from the Regular Meeting of Council on March 16, 2022, as pre-circulated be approved and filed.	
	CARRIED 04202022-02

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<p><u>8. Staff Reports</u> <u>8.1 Fire Department Reports</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOVED BY: Councillor Ritchie SECONDED BY: Councillor Thompson</p> <p>Be it resolved: That the Fire Department Report for the month of March 2022 be approved and filed.</p>	
<p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> <p><u>8.2 Building Inspector's Report</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOVED BY: Councillor Thompson SECONDED BY: Councillor Ritchie</p> <p>Be it resolved: That the Building Inspector's Report for the month of March 2022 be approved and filed.</p>	04202022-03
<p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> <p><u>8.3 Public Works Report</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOVED BY: Councillor Thompson SECONDED BY: Councillor Libby</p> <p>Be it resolved: That the Public Works Report for the month of March 2022 be approved and filed.</p>	04202022-04
<p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> <p><u>8.4 CAO's Report</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOVED BY: Councillor Libby SECONDED BY: Councillor Ritchie</p> <p>Be it resolved: That the CAO's Report for the month of March 2022 & to date for April 2022 be approved and filed.</p>	04202022-05
<p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>	04202022-06

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<p>9. <u>Accounts</u> <u>9.1 Budget Figures</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOVED BY: Councillor Libby SECONDED BY: Councillor Thompson</p> <p>Be it resolved: That Council approve the Budget Figures for the period ending March 31, 2022.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">04202022-07</p>
<p><u>9.2 Accounts Payable</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOVED BY: Councillor Thompson SECONDED BY: Deputy Mayor Hatt</p> <p>Be it resolved: That Council approve the total of Accounts Payable paid and or payable for the Month of March 2022 in the amount of \$99,318.47 and Payables to date for the month of April 2022 in the amount of \$137,297.45.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">04202022-08</p>
<p>10. <u>Reading of Petitions/Presentations/Proclamations - nil</u></p>	
<p>11. <u>Communications – Correspondence, Community Contacts</u> 11.1 <u>Correspondence for Action</u> (a) <u>Email from Resident - Main Street Playground</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOVED BY: Deputy Mayor Hatt SECONDED BY: Councillor Ritchie</p> <p>Be it resolved; That the request be deferred to the recreation committee.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">04202022-09</p>
<p>(b) <u>Department of Transportations & Infrastructure-Municipal Kilometrage Maintenance Responsibility</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOVED BY: Councillor Thompson SECONDED BY: Councillor Libby</p> <p>Be it resolved; That council review and sign the Municipal Kilometrage maintenance responsibility agreement for 2022.</p>	

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Contrary Minded - Deputy Mayor Hatt – commented that he wants more information/details on the agreement.

CARRIED 04202022-10

11.2 Correspondence for Information - nil

12. Approval of Committee Minutes and Recommendations

12.1 Personnel Committee Recommendation

a. Ratify the hiring of Bambi Scott-Leavitt as Assistant Treasurer

MOVED BY: Councillor Ritchie
SECONDED BY: Councillor Libby

Be it resolved;
That council ratify the hiring of Bambi Scott-Leavitt as Assistant Treasurer for the Village of Blacks Harbour effective March 21, 2022, with a probationary period of three months.

CARRIED 04202022-11

b. Ratify appointment of Cara Hatt as Assistant Clerk

MOVED BY: Councillor Ritchie
SECONDED BY: Councillor Libby

Be it resolved:
That council ratify the decision to appoint Cara Hatt to the position of Assistant Clerk for the Village of Blacks Harbour effective March 21, 2022.

CARRIED 04202022-12

12.2 Recommendations from Regional Service Commission

a. Give first reading to Rural Plan By-law Z.2

As per the pre-circulated planning report entitled: ‘Z.2 Planning Report,’ which outlines the purposes for consolidating past changes to the Blacks Harbour Rural Plan into a new by-law adopted under the current Community Planning Act;

MOVED BY: Councillor Thompson
SECONDED BY: Councillor Libby

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<p>Be it resolved;</p> <p>That Council give the 1st reading, by title, to By-law No. Z.2., a By-law to Adopt the Village of Blacks Harbour Rural Plan.</p>	
<p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> <p><u>b. Give first reading of Amending By-law Z.2.1</u></p> <p>As per the pre-circulated report entitled: ‘Z.2.1 Planning Report,’ which outlines the considerations for rezoning a portion of PID 15152374, Willow Court, from Commercial (C) Zone to a Multi-unit Residential (R-3) Zone, under the Village of Blacks Harbour Rural Plan, to accommodate a 12-unit apartment development proposal;</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOVED BY: Councillor Libby SECONDED BY: Councillor Ritchie</p> <p>Be it resolved;</p> <p>That council give the 1st reading, by title, to By-law No. Z.2.1., a By-law to Amend By-law No. Z.2, being the Village of Blacks Harbour Rural Plan.</p>	<p>04202022-13</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> <p><u>c. Give first reading to PAC repeal by-law A.1.1</u></p> <p>Through the signing of a planning and development services contract with the Southwest New Brunswick Service Commission, the Village of Blacks Harbour has agreed to work with the Planning Review & Adjustment Committee (PRAC). Once Council repeals its Planning Advisory Committee By-law A.1, the Village’s effective committee for planning and development matters will automatically default to PRAC, per the Regional Services Delivery Act;</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOVED BY: Councillor Thompson SECONDED BY: Councillor Ritchie</p> <p>Be it resolved;</p> <p>That Council give the 1st reading, by title, to By-law No. A.1.1., a By-law to Repeal the Planning Advisory Committee By-Law.</p>	<p>04202022-14</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>	<p>04202022-15</p>

d. Request the written views of the PAC on the Rural Plan By-law Z-2., the Amending By-law Z-2.1., and the PAC repeal By-law A.1.1.

MOVED BY: Councillor Ritchie
 SECONDED BY: Councillor Thompson

Be it resolved;
 That Council requests the written views of the Planning Advisory Committee on By-law No. Z.2., a By-law to Adopt the Village of Blacks Harbour Rural Plan.

CARRIED 04202022-16

MOVED BY: Councillor Thompson
 SECONDED BY: Councillor Ritchie

Be it resolved;
 That Council requests the written views of the Planning Advisory Committee on By-law No. Z.2.1., a By-law to Amend By-law No. Z.2, being the Village of Blacks Harbour Rural Plan.

CARRIED 04202022-17

MOVED BY: Councillor Thompson
 SECONDED BY: Councillor Ritchie

Be it resolved;
 That Council requests the written views of the Planning Advisory Committee on a By-law A.1.1., a By-law to Repeal the Village of Blacks Harbour Rural Plan.

CARRIED 04202022-18

e. Set a date of the public hearing of objections for May 18, 2022 for both rural plan by-laws, Rural Plan By-law Z-2., the Amending By-law Z-2.1

MOVED BY: Councillor Libby
 SECONDED BY: Councillor Thompson

Be it resolved;
 That Council sets May 18th, 2022, as the date for a public hearing of objections on By-law Z.2, a By-law to Adopt the Village of Blacks Harbour Rural Plan.

CARRIED 04202022-19

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<p style="text-align: right;">MOVED BY: Councillor Ritchie SECONDED BY: Councillor Libby</p> <p>Be it resolved; That Council sets May 18th, 2022, as the date for a public hearing of objections on By-law Z.2.1, a By-law to Amend By-law No. Z.2, being the Village of Blacks Harbour Rural Plan.</p>	
<p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> <p><u>13. Business arising from minutes - nil</u></p>	04202022-20
<p><u>14. Unfinished Business - nil</u></p>	
<p><u>15. New Business, Motions and Notices of Motion</u> <u>15.1 Purchase of Surplus Property</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOVED BY: Councillor Libby SECONDED BY: Deputy Mayor Hatt</p> <p>Be it resolved; That council move forward in the process of purchasing surplus property as offered by the Province of New Brunswick.</p>	
<p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> <p><u>16. Councillor’s Concerns</u></p> <p>Mayor John Craig – Happy Birthday to Councillor Thompson this week.</p> <p>Incorporated in 1972, the Village of Blacks Harbour is celebrating 50 years in 2022! As part of our 50th celebration the Village of Blacks Harbour will be donating 50 pounds of food to “Hillary’s Hope for Hunger”. The 2nd Annual “Hillary’s Hope for Hunger” food drive is on Saturday April 30th. Like last year, all proceeds will be donated directly to our local food bank – St. George and Area Food Bank. Last year, food donations equalled over 7200 pounds and almost \$26,000.00 in cash donations. We hope this year can be just as successful, but even helping one family makes a world of a difference. If you would like to contribute to a cause dear to our hearts, we will be seated at the food bank pantry on Main Street in St. George and accepting food/cash donations from 11am-2pm. We hope that if you can, you will take a few minutes out of your Saturday and prove again that we are a community strong. Especially in times like these, we need to take care of each other.</p>	04202022-21

The Village of Blacks Harbour Municipal office also has a food donation box, which will remain in the office until Saturday, April 30th at which point will be delivered. We also challenge other Municipalities and Businesses to do the same and donate.

Tonight, I wish to send out sympathies to the family of Vivian Irene (Peters) Comeau who passed away on Wednesday, March 16. Survived by sons Phil of Saint John, Steven Comeau of Blacks Harbour, John Comeau of Moncton. Brothers Andy, Bob, Gerry, Wayne and her only sister Bettie Stuart from here in Blacks Harbour.

On behalf of the Village Council, we wish to extend our sympathies to the family of the late Reynaldo Tovera Almojuela who passed away March 26, 2022. Reynaldo is the father of Joy Almojuela (Gerald Bernard) of Blacks Harbour.

Deputy Mayor Hatt – There has been a couple homes and a business that have gotten egged in Blacks Harbour in the last month. I would ask if anyone sees this happening to please call the RCMP. It is not acceptable or fair to the home and business owners to have to clean that mess up and thankfully it has only been a mess, there has been no damage yet.

Councillor Libby – I would like to do a Chase the Ace update, this will be our final Chase the Ace update as the ace was found. Nick Lawson won \$733,000.00. It was a huge effort and huge success for the community. Our group for the arena managed to raise \$88 840.00 totals. I just want to mention all of the sellers-Charlotte County Sports Group, Geoff and Sandra Cunningham who have organized and done a tremendous amount of work and it's done so much for the community, thanks to them. Thanks to Cara Hatt and the Village Office, Boyd Bros. Home Hardware, Mary Chevarie, Lindsay Craig, Kristy Blanchard, Shelli Hatt, Alexa Wilcox, Rose Wilcox, Councillor Ritchie and Deputy Mayor Hatt and everybody involved in selling tickets, I hope I didn't miss anyone. Also, everyone who bought tickets we had a lot of people who bought regularly based on the fact we were raising money for the arena, It's really great to see everyone come together. I know a lot of people are asking what we are going to do with the funds and I would like to give you that information today but we are still working on a plan and this is a lot of money and we have opportunities maybe to leverage it for funding and do bigger things than just with the \$88,000. Give us a little time to prepare and plan around that money and we

will get something out. We have received suggestions from the community, from local teams and coaches for some upgrades they would like to see and we plan to move forward with those. Also, we have a group who raised money specifically for girls changing rooms and we plan to complete that project for next season.

I also want to mention that Friday is Earth Day so if you have some spare time on Friday or over the weekend and you want to go out and clean up the community there is lots of remnants from this winter if you want to take some time to clean up, whether it's just your yard or litter that is around the village.

Councillor Ritchie – Just wanted to say thanks to everybody for the Chase the Ace. Thanks to Amber for spearheading it up, it was a tremendous effort locally and around the province as a whole. I was really amazing to see people through our individual networks outside of Charlotte County contributed every week to buying tickets and supporting the arena. Everybody can certainly come together when it's supporting activities that kids, seniors and everybody in the community can do and it was great to see. The other thing I wanted to talk about was the transition committee. So, people had received flyers in their mail and I wanted to remind people to look at those. I also want to bring forward that I wish we would have talked more as a council about how we selected people to represent the Village on that committee.

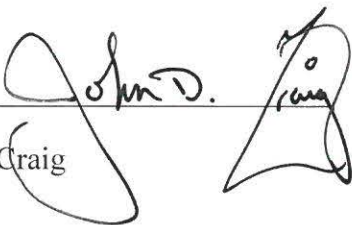
Councillor Thompson – Great work to everybody on the Chase the Ace, I am really looking forward to see how we can make that work for the community such a good success story there and hopefully it will continue to drive good things moving forward.

I have a couple things. We talked about the YMCA at our last meeting. I am really excited to continue that conversation and understand a little bit better on how we are going to get things rolling with the Y in the harbour. It's a great organization and I am really excited to get them set up here so we have programming for all ages that we can use to build in the broader community as well.


Also, we started some initiatives at the school last year so I am excited to get the ball courts finished up; I know we have been talking about that for a little bit. We will be partnering with the school to get the lines on and the nets up.

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17. Question Period - nil	
18. Next Meeting/s : Hearing of Objections – May 18, 2022 at 6:00pm Regular Meeting – May 18, 2022 at 6:30pm	
19. Adjournment Be it resolved: That the meeting be adjourned at 7:18pm.	MOVED BY: Councillor Libby SECONDED BY: Deputy Mayor Hatt
	CARRIED 04202022-22



Mayor John Craig



CAO Stacey Frost