Special Public Meeting of Witless Bay Council July 7, 2023 7:30 pm

Attending:

Mayor Trevor Croft, Deputy Mayor Lorna Yard, Councillor Gerard Dunne, Councillor Ralph Carey, Councillor Nancy Burke

Regrets:

Councillor Jacob Hayden

Staff:

Sandy Hounsell, Acting Town Clerk

- Mayor Croft called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm
- 2. Adoption of the agenda of July 7 special meeting, 2023

2023-79 Councillor Carey/Deputy Mayor Yard Moved to adopt the agenda of July 7, 2023

Motion carried unanimously

3. Appointment of acting town clerk for meeting

2023-80 Councillor Burke/Councillor Carey
Moved to appoint Sandy Hounsell as town clerk for the meeting
Discussion: Deputy Mayor Yard expressed her appreciation for Sandy for his help
and support in a difficult transitional time

Motion carried unanimously

- 4. Correspondence and other new business
 - a. Appointment of CAO/Town Clerk

2023-81 Deputy Mayor Yard/Councillor Carey

Moved that Council, in accordance with subsection 53(1) of the Municipalities Act, 1999, appoint Jennifer Aspell as Chief Administrative officer for the Town of Witless Bay, effective July 11, 2023, and, in accordance with subsection 53(3) of the Municipalities Act, 1999, appoint Jennifer Aspell as Acting Town Clerk for the Town of Witless Bay, effective July 11, 2023

Discussion: Deputy Mayor Yard indicated council is very happy that Jennifer has agreed to take on this role. She said that Jennifer is a capable and committed individual who has a strong track record in municipal and business administration. Under her tenure the town of Bay Bulls made great strides including the beautiful walking trail at long pond, as well as instituting processes

and work plans that proved very beneficial to the efficient operation of the Town of Bay Bulls. Jennifer has built great working relationships with government departments and funding agencies that will prove greatly beneficial to the Town of Witless Bay. Jennifer and her family are from the community and have a long history of contributions and volunteering for the town of Witless Bay. She has a passion for the town and is eager to put her energy and experience into moving the Town of Witless Bay forward in a positive manner. Deputy Mayor Yard said she is very much looking forward to working with Jennifer and seeing what we can all do together to move the town forward in the best possible way. She joins with the rest of council in welcoming Jennifer to her role as CAO, Town of Witless Bay. Mayor Croft and Councillors Dunne, Carey and Burk all welcomed Jennifer to the Town and indicated they are looking forward to working with her.

Motion carried unanimously

5. Adjournment

2023-82 Councillor Dunne/Councillor Burke Moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 pm

Motion carried unanimously

Trevor Croft, Mayor

Jennifer Aspell, CAO

Date