

Special Public Meeting  
November 24, 2022  
7:30 p.m.

Attending: Mayor Trevor Croft (via Telephone), Councillor Alex Troake, Councillor Ralph Carey, Councillor Gerard Dunne, Councillor Nancy Burke

Staff: Katherine Doyle, Town Clerk (Acting)

Regrets: Deputy Mayor Lorna Yard, Councillor Jacob Hayden

1. Councillor Alex Troake called the Special Public meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.
2. Adoption of the Agenda of November 24, 2022

**2022-354** Councillor Carey/Councillor Dunne  
Moved to adopt the Agenda of October 28, 2022.  
Motion carried.

3. Issue Tender for Trail Upgrades

Councillor Dunne declared a conflict of interest because the company he works for will be bidding on this work. Councillor Dunne left the meeting Chambers at 7:32 p.m.

**2022-355** Councillor Carey/Councillor Burke  
Moved to issue tender for trail upgrades to trail system between South Side track road and Upper Pond.  
Discussion: Councillor Carey reported we were waiting for input from our engineer for this project, we have received the report and are ready to proceed with tender for the completion of the work.  
Motion Carried.

Councillor Dunne returned to the meeting Chambers at 7:33 p.m.

4. Lundrigan's Road Site work for electrical wires – Awarding of Tender

Councillor Dunne declared a conflict of interest because the company he works for have a bid in on this work. Councillor Dunne left the meeting Chambers at 7:33 p.m.

**2022-356** Councillor Carey/Councillor Burke  
Moved to award tender for \$3705.00 to Harbour Construction.  
Discussion: Councillor Carey noted this was a tender call that closed on Wednesday November, 23, 2022 and was for electrical work to take place on Lundrigan's Road for a permanent power source to be installed and needs to take place very soon.

Motion carried.

Councillor Dunne returned to the meeting Chambers at 7:35 p.m.

5. Loan for HST on Fire hall Project

**2022-357** Councillor Carey/Councillor Burke

Moved that Council request approval from the Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs to Borrow the GST portion of a structured loan for one year in the amount of \$279,323.00 at a rate of 4.7% in relation to Capital works Project #17-MCW-22-00016 Regional Fire Department. Move further that Council request this loan from the Community Credit Union.

Discussion: Councilor Carey noted this is a loan to cover the GST Portion of the Regional Fire Hall project and is standard practice when dealing with such large projects and is a requirement from the province.

Motion carried.

6. MOU with BBBAA

**2022-358** Councillor Burke/Councillor Carey

Moved that Council enter into negotiations with the BBBAA to update the current Memorandum of Understanding for the upcoming year with a requested deadline for discussions to conclude prior to December 9<sup>th</sup> to allow for the 2023 Budget.

Motion carried.

7. Annual Stabilization Fund payment – Ken Williams Arena

**2022-359** Councillor Carey/ Councillor Dunne

Moved that Council Issue a payment in the amount of \$10,000.00 to the Ken Williams Arena for the Annual Stabilization Fund Payment.

Discussion: Councillor Carrey Noted this is an annual payment issued to the Ken Williams Arena to assist with its annual operating costs. Although the Ken Williams Arena is not located in Witless Bay it is a shared Arena and utilized by many residents in the area, it is the responsibility of the local communities to help them with the annual running and maintenance costs to allow for future enjoyment of residents.

Motion Carried

8. Adjournment

**2022-360** Councillor Dunne/Councillor Carey

Moved to adjourn the Special Public Meeting at 7:38 p.m.

Motion Carried.