

Public Meeting of Witless Bay Council  
Town Hall  
January 08, 2019

Attending: Mayor Rene Estrada, Deputy Mayor Maureen Murphy, Councillors Lucy Carew, Vince Swain, Chris Brinston and Neil Stratton

Absent: Councillor Fraser Paul

Recording: Barb Harrigan

1. Mayor Rene Estrada called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.
2. **2019-01** Deputy Mayor Maureen Murphy/Councillor Lucy Carew  
Be it resolved that Council adopt the Agenda of January 8, 2019 as amended to include:  
5 g) Special Assistance Grant – Harbour Road Erosion  
**Motion carried unanimously as amended.**
3. **2019-02** Councillor Lucy Carew/Deputy Mayor Maureen Murphy  
Be it resolved Council adopt the Minutes of December 11, 2018 with the following change:  
Motion # 2018-291 should have read motion was made by Councillor Lucy Carew/Deputy Mayor Maureen Murphy.  
**Motion carried unanimously as amended.**
4. Business Arising from Minutes:
  - a. Suitable placement of washrooms – ballfield/playground area  
  
**2019-03** Councillor Chris Brinston/Councillor Vince Swain  
Be it resolved Council defer until suitable location is determined.  
**Motion carried unanimously.**
5. Finance & Economic Development
  - a. FCM – Membership for 2019-2020  
  
**2019-04** Councillor Lucy Carew/Councillor Vince Swain

Be it resolved Council approve payment of \$577.00 membership of Federation of Canadian Municipalities.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

- b. Snow clearing logs for period December 10-December 31, 2018 & Invoice #WB-22-  
Mixing of 1200 tons sand and 300 tons of salt.

**2019-05** Deputy Mayor Maureen Murphy/Councillor Vince Swain

Be it resolved Council pay snow clearing logs and mixing of salt and sand for the above dates in the amount of \$32,921.59.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

- c. Tax Agreements for 2019

**2019-06** Deputy Mayor Maureen Murphy/Councillor Neil Stratton

Be it resolved Council go in camera to review item 5c. (a, b, c, & d)

**Motion carried unanimously.**

Members of the public left council chambers at 7:34 and returned at 7:38

Public meeting convened at 7:39.

**2019-07** Deputy Mayor Maureen Murphy/Councillor Lucy Carew

Be it resolved that Council grant tax agreements to the following four business.

1. Armstrong's B & B
2. Hair It Is
3. Witless Bay Suites
4. Witless Bay Hardware

**Motion carried unanimously.**

- d. Payable Chart for approval, and Income Statement

**2019-08** Deputy Mayor Maureen Murphy/Councillor Lucy Carew

Be it resolved Council approve payments of monthly invoices as presented.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

- e. Purchase of new tanker for Fire Dept.

**2019-09** Councillor Lucy Carew/Councillor Vince Swain

Be it resolved Council approve the continuance of the process for the purchase of new fire tanker for Witless Bay Fire Dept.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

- f. **2019-10** Deputy Mayor Maureen Murphy/Councillor Vince Swain

Be it resolved Council apply for funding to Municipal Affairs and Environment for new fire tanker for the Town of Witless Bay Fire Department, and to request approval to borrow from the Minister of MAE for the Town's share of the tanker (total approximate full cost of tanker \$320,000.)

**Motion carried unanimously.**

g. Special Assistance Grant – Harbour Road Erosion

Deputy Mayor Maureen Murphy stated the Town received a Special Assistance Grant from the Dept. of Municipal Affairs and Environment in the amount of \$20,642.50 on a 50/50 Provincial/Municipal cost-shared basis to assist with the disaster mitigation on Harbour Road. The Municipal share less GST/partial HST rebate received will be \$9359.67.

6. **2019-11** Councillor Lucy Carew/Deputy Mayor Maureen Murphy

Be it resolved Council adjourn the public meeting at 7:43 p.m.

**Motion carried unanimously.**