



Board Meeting – Zoom/Teleconference

Date and Time: January 28, 2020, 7:00pm

Zoom: Gerry Gros (Chair), Darlene Newman, Garcien Plowman, Dale Colbourne, Brad Johannessen, Della Demoss, and Brendan Fitzpatrick

Teleconference: Gloria Barrett, Guy Hurley, Jackie Randell, Maggie Chambers,

Regrets: Donald Spence, and Tony Ryan

1. **Welcome:** Chair welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order.

2. **Adoption of Agenda - Motion 210128-01**

- Moved by Tony, seconded by Brad to adopt the Agenda. For 10. Against 0. Motion carried

3. **Adoption of Fire Service Minutes:**

- The Terms of Reference provides complete direction to the Straits Fire Department in providing Fire and Emergency services to the Straits area. The members expressed concerns relating to liability and would like clarification on a couple of items. The Chair recommended that questions be emailed to Darlene, and the Board will address them.

4. **Business Arising:**

➤ **Landfill Rehabilitation Work:**

The manager advised that all funding requests will put on hold until after the elections.

Delinquent Accounts (Collection)

- As discussed at the last meeting, we would research to retain a Law Firm to address delinquent accounts. They advise that the cost will be approximately \$200 per letter, which is equivalent to small claims. Whatever the cost, we can add to customers outstanding balance. All members agreed this is certainly worth trying and proceed with this process.

➤ **Accounts Payable**

- The manager reviewed and requested approval to pay expenditures incurred in December for Waste Management.

Motion: 210128-02 moved by Gloria, seconded by Guy to pay accounts payable in the amount of \$31,882.11. For: 10. Against: 0

Motion Carried.

➤ **Revenue Breakdown**

- The manager advised that November revenue increased by \$3822.47 compared to 2019.

➤ **Other**

- Chair stated the number of inquiries received regarding the \$35.00 charged after first visit to the landfill site has been enormous. It would be relatively simple if we had scales on every site. After a lengthy discussion, all members agreed that it was best to waive this fee until scales are on all sites.

Motion: 210128-03 moved by Garcien, seconded by Della to remove the \$35 charges to residents for additional waste delivered to the landfill sites. For: 10. Against: 0 Motion Carried.

New Business:

a. 2021 Financial update

- The manager reviewed the report for January.

Correspondence:

- a. Response from Minister Sarah Stoodley regarding the board's request to meet to discuss illegal dumping issues.
 - All members agreed it is due time to send an invite to Minister Stoodley to attend a Board meeting.
- b. Email from Dwayne Cull regarding the most recent changes in regulations.
 - Addressed under New Business.
- c. Email from Curtis Richards regarding the most recent changes in regulations.
 - Addressed under New Business.
- d. Letter from Town of Roddickton regarding three issues.
 - A letter will be sent acknowledging the submission of NorPen's late Budget. Regarding reimbursement, this will place on the Agenda for the next Finance Meeting.
- e. Letter from cabin owner Robert Best regarding the most recent changes.
 - Addressed under New Business.
- f. Email from Gary Newell regarding new policy.
 - Addressed under New Business.
- g. Email from President of Sacred Heart Church to put their invoice on hold due to ongoing Covid19 restrictions.
 - To be added to the Agenda for the next Finance Meeting.

- h. Email from Bethel Pentecostal Tabernacle to put their invoice on hold due to ongoing Covid19 restrictions.
 - To be added to the Agenda for the next Finance Meeting.

Next Meeting:

Finance meeting scheduled for 7:00pm on February 11, 2021, at Anchor Point municipal building.

Board meeting scheduled for 7:00pm on February 15, 2021, at Plum Point Motel.

Darlene advised the Chair that cheques are ready for signing at the office. Brad stated he is available at any time.

Adjournment: *Motion 210128-03 Moved by Brad to adjourn the meeting at 8:45pm. Seconded by Guy. For 10. Against 0. Motion carried.*

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'GUY', is written in a cursive style.