

A Regular Meeting of Council was held at the Town Office on February 27, 2023, with the following in attendance.

Councilors Present:

Mayor Andrew Shea
Councillor Beverly Broders
Councillor David McKenna
Councillor Adam Young

Deputy Mayor Alexander Crawford
Councillor Mark Budden
Councillor Lary Roebbotham

Staff:

Pauline Payne, Chief Administrative Officer
Daphne Coles, Deputy Town Clerk

1. Call to Order:

- Mayor Shea welcomed everyone viewing the meeting on the ZOOM Platform, the public meeting was called to order at 7:15PM.

2. Agenda:

- Mayor reviewed the agenda for the public attending by ZOOM Platform.

2023-027

Crawford/Roebbotham

Resolved that the agenda be adopted as presented.

Resolution Carried. In favour – 7. Mayor Shea, Deputy Mayor Crawford, Councilor Broders, Councilor Budden, Councilor McKenna, Councilor Roebbotham and Councilor Young. Against - 0.

3. Minutes:

2023-028

Broders/McKenna

Resolved that the minutes of the Regular Public Meeting held on January 31, 2023, be adopted as presented.

Resolution Carried. In favour – 7. Mayor Shea, Deputy Mayor Crawford, Councilor Broders, Councilor Budden, Councilor McKenna, Councilor Roebbotham and Councilor Young. Against - 0.

4. Business Arising:

- No Business Arising from the adopted minutes of January 31, 2023.

5. Disclosure Statements

- All Councilors and Management Staff have submitted their Disclosure Statements for 2023 and they have been reviewed by Council.

6. Department Reports

6.1 Economic Development & Special Projects presented by Councilor Broders

A meeting of the Economic Development & Special Projects Committee was held in the Council Chambers on February 21, 2023, at 5:00 PM with the following present: Committee Chairperson Councilor Beverley Broders, Councilor Adam Young, Mayor Andrew Shea, CAO Pauline Payne, and EDO Cheryl Gardner.

The following items were discussed:

A. Economic development vision and strategic plan:

- I. Review of Economic Development Plan draft and Vision Statement**
- II. Discussed completion date for the first draft for review and approval by the end of March 2023.**

B. Small Business Supports & Community Capacity Building:

I. NLOWE – Newfoundland & Labrador Organization of Women Entrepreneurs

- a) Coordinating introduction, networking, and workshop series on Fogo Island from June 4th through 6th 2023

II. Murphy Centre Rural Outreach Pilot Project

- a) We have partnered with the Murphy Centre to create a digital literacy program on Fogo Island
- b) Information sessions and workshops scheduled for July 2023
- c) Setting up the Fogo Island Public Library as a digital literacy resource centre for ongoing remote participation in the program
- d) Currently working with the Director of the Murphy Centre and the Director of NL Public Library's on developing the program details
- e) We are currently seeking funding for a set of laptops and headsets for the library to facilitate the program.

III. Support Local Business Campaign

- a) Developing a Support Local Business/Shop Local Campaign to build community capacity around the importance of keeping our money in our local economy.

IV. Gander & Area Chamber of Commerce

- a) The Town of Fogo Island has been asked by the Gander & Area Chamber of Commerce to join as members.
- b) The Town of Fogo Island would like to start a Fogo Island Chapter of the Gander & Area Chamber of Commerce to better support the business community on Fogo Island
- c) This initiative will be socialized within the business community to gain support and expressions of interest in order to start to activate a Fogo Island Chapter.

2023-029

Broders/Young

Resolved that the Town of Fogo Island become a member of the Gander & Area Chamber of Commerce. Resolution Carried. In favour – 7. Mayor Shea, Deputy Mayor Crawford, Councilor Broders, Councilor Budden, Councilor McKenna, Councilor Roebottom and Councilor Young. Against - 0.

- d) Question for Council, should Change Islands be included in our chapter?
 - i) Council agreed that it would be good to inform the Town of Change Islands of the Town's plan to join the Gander and Area Chamber of Commerce and the benefits of becoming a member. Council plans to arrange a meeting with the Town of Change Islands soon and it can be added to the agenda for discussion at that time.

C. Capital & Special Projects:

I. Fogo Island Growth Incorporated

- a) The not-for-profit economic development organization has been incorporated as Fogo Island Growth Incorporated
- b) The steering committee was formed, and the initial Directors are Andrew Shea, Beverley Broders and Cheryl Gardner
- c) The steering committee is currently recruiting the Board of Directors for this new community-led development organization. Application intake closes on February 28th, 2023.
- d) The first initiative for Fogo Island Growth Incorporated will be to seek sustainable and affordable housing solutions.
- e) The organization will conduct a community-wide housing needs assessment; funding is being sought through the Green Municipalities Fund

II. MIC Project - Seldom

- a) R&K Construction was awarded the contract for project Phase One Foundation Repair

- b) Contracted work to be completed by March 31, 2023.
- c) Currently seeking engineer quotes for a predesign assessment for Project Phase Two Marina Repair and Facilities Update

6.2 Recreation & Tourism presented by Councilor Young

A meeting was held in the office at the Stadium on February 16, 2023 at 1:30pm with the following present: Committee Chairperson, Deputy Mayor Alexander Crawford, Councillor Adam Young, Chief Administrative Officer, Pauline Payne, Director of Recreation & Tourism, Colette Wells- Coish

The following items were discussed:

A. Business Arising

- I. Young's Refrigeration installed a new oil separator on February 7th.

B. Recreation

- I. Curling sessions began on Thursday February 9th. Weekly sessions will be scheduled on Fridays for the remainder of this season.
- II. Funding in the amount of \$1,500.00 has been received for snowshoes and equipment which will be purchased locally. This will be another activity available Monday to Friday with a sign in/out system to allow additional physical activity at no cost to residents.
- III. The Annual Iceberg Cup on February 3-4 went well. At the opening ceremonies, the Stadium Committee and staff recognized the late Neville Penney, who was an active member of the committee and the Recreational Men's Hockey League. He was a dedicated volunteer. A jersey was unveiled that will later be hung in the stadium in his memory.
- IV. Planning has begun for World Ocean Day 2023. The stadium will be the venue and the theme this year is "Revitalization: Collective Action for the Ocean."
- V. Director of Recreation and Tourism, Colette Wells-Coish has been working closely with the Director of Economic Development and Special Projects, Cheryl Gardner and the various community groups discussing the "Murphy Center" which is a non- profit charitable organization, offering basic life skills. We are focusing on digital literacy for Fogo Island in a community capacity. Services are FREE and can be very beneficial for seniors.

C. Repairs and Maintenance

- I. The Stadium Committee are committed to working with the Town to install a new sound system in the stadium.
- II. An outside ammonia leak was detected on February 13th by staff. Due to the nature of the mechanical issue all activities were cancelled until repairs were completed..
- III. The main door automatic hinges have broken several times in high winds and is a safety concern. We are looking at options to eliminate this issue and will complete this work in the spring. We have discussed a wind break on both sides of the doors.
- IV. Staff are discussing options for the back of the stadium to prevent public access. This area will be looked at carefully in spring and determine if a gate or fence will be placed here.

D. Tourism

- I. Staff have registered to attend the annual Tourism conference in Gander from February 28- March 2, 2023.
- II. A pre-season planning session is being discussed for mid-late March for local businesses. It will outline how we can work together, why this is important, and what the process is to become Canada Select. It is a great incentive for businesses as we plan a new tourism season. This will include staff, and government officials, if possible, to explain the process.
- III. Discussion is ongoing to place a new sign in Farewell. A new 4' x 8 ' sign with a map of Fogo Island and Change Islands is planned for this spring.

- IV. Tender has been awarded to R & K Construction to complete the urgent repairs to the foundation at the F.U. Trading Company building in Seldom.

E. Other:

- I. Received correspondence from the Stag Harbour Recreation Commission requesting to extend on the parking lot area of Stag Harbour Pond.

2023-030

Young/Crawford

Resolved to defer the request from Stag Harbour Recreation Commission to extend on the parking area of Stag Harbour Pond to the Planning and Public Works Committee for further discussion at the March meeting.

Resolution Carried. In favour – 7. Mayor Shea, Deputy Mayor Crawford, Councilor Broders, Councilor Budden, Councilor McKenna, Councilor Roebbotham and Councilor Young. Against - 0.

- II. The committee discussed the current rate of town buildings for community groups who use Town owned space to fundraise and have community events. The current daily rental is \$150.00. Committee suggested charging community groups who are non-profit and incorporated a 50% discount off the rental rate on town buildings.

2023-031

Young/Broders

Resolved to defer the decision on reduced building rental rates to community groups who are non-profit and incorporated to the Finance and Administration Committee for further discussion at the March meeting.

Resolution Carried. In favour – 7. Mayor Shea, Deputy Mayor Crawford, Councilor Broders, Councilor Budden, Councilor McKenna, Councilor Roebbotham and Councilor Young. Against - 0.

- III. Attended the Community Advisory Committee Meeting at the Health Care Center on February 7th. Some of the topics discussed were the new doctor coming, a possible career fair, and wellness opportunities for various sectors in our community.
- IV. The Community Enhancement Project has ended for this year. There were new benches made to place in the communities in the spring and upgrades to the washrooms on Sandy Cove Beach.

6.3 Fire Services/Public Safety presented by Councilor McKenna

A meeting of the Fire Services Committee was held on February 22nd at 6:30pm at the Town Office. In attendance; Chairperson Councilor David McKenna, Councilor Mark Budden, Station Chiefs Paul Torraville, Dion Harnett, Bobby Parsons, and CAO Pauline Payne.

A. Fire Calls

- I. Chimney Fire – Seldom

B. Training Update

- I. Driver and pumper training is ongoing.
- II. Regular training is ongoing whenever possible.
- III. Cold Water Rescue Training – Update – Committee reviewed quote submitted for \$5,569.05 to train 10 members in Cold Water Rescue.

2023-032

McKenna/Young

Resolved to approve for cold water training to go ahead with the quote provided for \$5,569.05 as soon as can be arranged.

Resolution Carried. In favour – 7. Mayor Shea, Deputy Mayor Crawford, Councilor Broders, Councilor Budden, Councilor McKenna, Councilor Roebbotham and Councilor Young. Against - 0.

IV. Basic First Aid Training

2023-033

McKenna/Budden

Resolved that the CAO proceeds with confirming First Aid training for as many Fire Fighters as we can fit in the training that is planned in April.

Resolution Carried. In favour – 7. Mayor Shea, Deputy Mayor Crawford, Councilor Broders, Councilor Budden, Councilor McKenna, Councilor Roebbotham and Councilor Young. Against - 0.

C. Equipment Update

I. Early Response Firefighting

- a) A recommendation previously put forward by the former Fire Chief was to purchase an “Skid Pack” to fit into a ¾ ton pick-up for the Fogo Station to replace the Ram Pick-up for early response firefighting. This “Skid Pack” slides into a pick-up and is complete with pump.
- b) Our CAO has obtained a price quote for a new Skid Unit at \$24,795.00 plus freight of \$1,800.00 with a 24-week delivery time.
- c) Former Fire Chief Tommy Simpson has sourced a used Skid Unit in Nova Scotia for \$10,500.00 that he is willing to assist us in purchasing and he has volunteered to bring it to the island when he comes in April.

2023-034

McKenna/Budden

Resolved to purchase a used Skid Pack for \$10,500.00 plus HST from Maritime Safety Equipment in Nova Scotia for early response firefighting.

Resolution Defeated. In favour – 2., Councilor Budden and Councilor McKenna. Against – 5, Mayor Shea, Deputy Mayor Crawford, Councilor Broders, Councilor Roebbotham and Councilor Young.

II. Jordair C1-1E Breathing Air Compressor

- a) This compressor is no longer being used by Fire Services and was put out for bids last year with no bids received.
- b) We have since received interest from the company that services our new compressor that they are willing to pay \$2,000.00 for the older unit. This is \$800.00 less than the minimum bid we were asking on our call for bids.

2023-035

McKenna/Crawford

Resolved to approve selling the Jordair Air Compressor for \$2,000.00 plus applicable HST Newfoundland & Labrador Breathing Air Inc .

Resolution Carried. In favour – 7. Mayor Shea, Deputy Mayor Crawford, Councilor Broders, Councilor Budden, Councilor McKenna, Councilor Roebbotham and Councilor Young. Against - 0.

III. Four Portable Water Pumps

- a) Fire Services has 4 very old pumps that were put up for bids last year with no bids received. These pumps are beyond repair and of no further use by Fire Services. Basically, taking up valuable space.

2023-036

McKenna/Young

Resolved to dispose of the four (4) pumps to the garbage or by recycling.

Resolution Carried. In favour – 7. Mayor Shea, Deputy Mayor Crawford, Councilor Broders, Councilor Budden, Councilor McKenna, Councilor Roebbotham and Councilor Young. Against - 0.

D. Items for Discussion

I. Fundraising & Bank Accounts

- a) Discussion was had regarding fundraising by Fire Stations and if proceeds would go back to the Town. It was determined that Fire Stations do have some minor expenses each year when hosting events such as the Christmas Parade and when having meetings or training. It was suggested that all Fire Stations' bank accounts be capped at \$2,500.00 with any funds beyond that amount turned over to the Town to help offset the costs associated with providing Fire Services for the Island. In addition, it was recommended that each Station must submit financials and bank statements each year.

2023-037

McKenna/Broders

Resolved that Fire Stations 1, 2 & 3 bank accounts be capped at \$2,500.00 with Statements of Money raised and Expenses along with bank statement at the end of each year Dec. 31st.

Resolution Carried. In favour – 7. Mayor Shea, Deputy Mayor Alexander Crawford, Councilor Broders, Councilor Budden, Councilor McKenna, Councilor Roebottom and Councilor Young. Against - 0.

II. Winter Carnival

- a) Discussion was had regarding organizing an island wide Winter Carnival, further discussions will be had with Fogo Island Firettes to see if they will help organize.

III. Dedication of New Pumper

- a) Discussion was had regarding the previously planned and delayed dedication of Fire Services New Pumper. Three options were tabled for the Committee to discuss.
 - 1) No dedication
 - 2) Dedicate in Memory of Mr. Bursey
 - 3) Dedicate to all 1st Chiefs of Fogo Island

2023-038

McKenna/Broders

Resolved to dedicating the new Pumper in Memory of Mr. Raymond Bursey.

- ❖ After much discussion Council felt that it is necessary to defer voting on this motion until all Council members can meet with the three (3) Station Chiefs for further discussion.
- ❖ Councilor Budden and Councilor McKenna were against deferring the decision on the motion.

6.4 Planning & Public Works presented by Councilor Broders

A meeting of the Planning and Public Works Committee was held in the Council Chambers on February 16, 2023, at 6 PM with the following present: Committee Chairperson, Councilor Beverley Broders, Councilor Mark Budden, Enforcement Officer Germaine Morgan, Superintendent/Foreman of Public Works Sheldon Hoffe, and CAO Pauline Payne.

The following items were discussed.

A. Maintenance:

I. Preventative Maintenance

- a) All routine maintenance in the pump houses have been completed for the month of January and intake screens have been cleaned in Fogo, Seldom and Tilting.
 - i) The flowmeter for Tilting pumphouse has been ordered and will be installed as soon as it arrives. The community of Tilting has been placed on a boil water advisory in the meantime. Update: Flowmeter arrived on Monday, February 27th.
- b) All lift stations have been inspected.
 - An issue was found with a pump in the Sandy Cove lift station, and it was sent to Xylem for servicing. Cost estimates for repairs are \$8795.33 plus HST.

2023-039

Broders/Budden

Resolved to approve for Xylem to proceed with repairing the pump from the Sandy Cove Lift Station at the estimated cost of \$8795.33 plus HST.

Resolution Carried. In favour – 7. Mayor Shea, Deputy Mayor Alexander Crawford, Councilor Broders, Councilor Budden, Councilor McKenna, Councilor Roebotham and Councilor Young. Against - 0.

- An issue was also found with a pump in the Greens Point lift station, it was also sent to Xylem, but no estimated cost for repairs has been received at this time.

II. Vehicle Maintenance/Inspections

- a) KMR Transport has been maintaining our vehicles as needed and has started completing the 2023 inspections as they expire.
- b) The Freightliner dump truck is back from St. John's with the trailer for the new excavator.

B. Other:

I. Permit Applications

- a) Field visits are ongoing to determine compliance, as requested.

II. Water turn on/turn-off

- a) Water turn on/turn-offs being requested intermittently.

III. Advanced Drinking Water System:

- a) Both units are fully operational.

IV. 2023 Komatsu Loader

- a) The new loader arrived on February 7, 2023, and will be stationed in Seldom for the remainder of this winter.

- Cao Pauline Payne left the meeting at 8:20PM due to a conflict of interest.

V. Gates for Pump House Roads

- a) Two price quotes were received from businesses here on the Island to construct the gates. The lowest was from Fogo Island Metal Works.

2023-040

Broders/Budden

Resolved to hire Fogo Island Metal Works to construct gates to replace chains on pump house roads at a cost of \$6313.14 plus HST with a 50% deposit of \$3156.57 plus HST payable when the order is placed.

Resolution Carried. In favour – 7. Mayor Shea, Deputy Mayor Alexander Crawford, Councilor Broders, Councilor Budden, Councilor McKenna, Councilor Roebotham and Councilor Young. Against - 0.

- Cao Pauline Payne returned to the meeting at 8:24PM.

VI. Speed Bumps

Research is being done to see the different types of speed bumps and what will be suitable for our needs. A call has also been made to the Dept. of Transportation regarding regulations for placing these speed bumps on their roads.

6.5 Municipal Enforcement & Permitting presented by Councilor Broders

Municipal Enforcement met with the Planning and Public Works Committee on February 16th, 2023, at 6 PM with the following present: Committee Chairperson, Councillor Beverly Broders, Councillor Mark Budden, Superintendent/Foreman of Public Works Sheldon Hoffe, CAO Pauline Payne and Enforcement Officer Germaine Morgan.

Listed below are property owners that have been sent letters or orders and have not provided the Town with a plan and timeline or has not followed through with their suggested plan of action. The Enforcement Officer is recommending that Council provide direction on these properties going forward.

A. 90 Main Street, Fogo

2023-041

Broders/Budden

Resolved to send the owner an order to remove or repair the trailer located at 90 Main Street, Fogo by May 31st, 2023, or the Town will hire a contractor on behalf of the resident to complete the work and charge it to the owner's account. The Town will receive contractor pricing to complete the job and send it with the order.

Resolution Carried. In favour – 6. Mayor Shea, Deputy Mayor Alexander Crawford, Councillor Broders, Councillor Budden, Councilor Roebbotham and Councillor Young. Against – 1., Councillor McKenna

B. 7 Hewitt's Point Road, Barr'd Islands

- I. Council discussed the correspondence that was sent to the Property Owner in 2022 and there was no proof that the owner received the mailed letter or the Order as it wasn't picked up at the post office and the second Order was left in the door.

2023-042

Broders/Crawford

Resolved to send the owner an order to remove or repair the trailer located at 7 Hewitt's Point Road by May 31st, 2023, or the Town will hire a contractor on behalf of the resident to complete the work and charge it to the owner's account. The Town will receive contractor pricing to complete the job and send it with the order.

Resolution Defeated: In favour – 0. Against – 7. Mayor Shea, Deputy Mayor Alexander Crawford, Councillor Broders, Councillor Budden, Councillor McKenna, Councilor Roebbotham and Councillor Young

- II. Council agreed that the properties below should be referred back to the Enforcement Officer and Planning and Public Works Committee for further review as there wasn't proof that the orders were received. It is recommended by Council that if the Orders are mailed out, they are to go by registered mail and if they are hand delivered, they have to be placed in the property owners hands to ensure delivery and that the timeline for repair or removal should be changed to reflect a three (3) month period from the date of delivery.
 - a) 7 Hewitt's Point Road, Barr'd Islands
 - b) 63 Brown's Point Road, Joe Batt's Arm
 - c) 101 Stag Harbour Road South, Stag Harbour

C. Tobin's Lane, Joe Batt's Arm

2023-043

Broders/Young

Resolved to send the owner an order to remove or repair the shed located at 7 Tobin's Lane in Joe Batt's Arm by May 31st, 2023, or the Town will hire a contractor to complete the work on behalf of the resident and charge it to the owner's account. The Town has received the contractor's price to complete this job and will send it with the order.

Resolution Carried. In favour – 6. Mayor Shea, Deputy Mayor Alexander Crawford, Councillor Broders, Councillor Budden, Councilor Roebbotham and Councillor Young. Against – 1., Councillor McKenna

6.6 Finance and Administration presented by Councilor Roebbotham

No Committee meeting was held during February. Councilor Young reviewed the following items for Council's approval:

A. Approval for Payment of Invoices

- I. Young's Industrial Refrigeration Ltd

2023-044

Crawford/Roebotham

Resolved to approve payment of invoice to Young's Industrial Refrigeration Ltd in the amount of \$12,541.96, HST included.

Resolution Carried. In favour – 7. Mayor Shea, Deputy Mayor Alexander Crawford, Councillor Broders, Councillor Budden, Councillor McKenna, and Councillor Young. Against - 0.

II. Island Mechanical & Repair

2023-045

Broders/Young

Resolved to approve payment of invoice to Island Mechanical & Repair in the amount of \$6049.30, HST included.

Resolution Carried. In favour – 7. Mayor Shea, Deputy Mayor Alexander Crawford, Councillor Broders, Councillor Budden, Councillor McKenna, and Councillor Young. Against - 0.

III. K & D Pratt

2023-046

Roebotham/Broders

Resolved to approve payment of invoice to K & D Pratt in the amount of \$6096.15, HST included.

Resolution Carried. In favour – 7. Mayor Shea, Deputy Mayor Alexander Crawford, Councillor Broders, Councillor Budden, Councillor McKenna, and Councillor Young. Against - 0.

B. Approval of Municipal Code of Conduct – Municipal Officials

- I. The purpose of this Code of Conduct is to establish rules of conduct for municipal officials. Part III of the Municipal Conduct Act, 2022 (the Act), requires that municipalities establish a Code of Conduct to govern the conduct of municipal officials and sets out minimum requirements for the Code of Conduct.
- II. Municipal officials are expected to conduct themselves ethically and professionally, and in accordance with this Code of Conduct. The principles underlying the Code of Conduct are integrity, honesty, impartiality, responsibility, and accountability. This Code of Conduct applies to **municipal officials** acting in their official capacity as municipal officials, as well as a municipal official's off-duty conduct that is sufficiently connected to their position or that could reasonably discredit the reputation of the Municipality.
- III. For the purpose of this Code of Conduct, Municipal Official is defined to mean a chief administrative officer, an employee of a municipality, or any person acting with or without remuneration, under the direction of a municipality, including fire chiefs and fire fighters providing services for or to a municipality.

2023-047

Roebotham/Crawford

Resolved to adopt the Code of Conduct for Municipal Officials as outlined in the Municipal Code of Conduct Act, 2022.

Resolution Carried. In favour – 7. Mayor Shea, Deputy Mayor Alexander Crawford, Councillor Broders, Councillor Budden, Councillor McKenna, and Councillor Young. Against - 0.

C. Approval of Municipal Code of Conduct - Councillors

- I. "Councillor" includes Mayor, Deputy Mayor, and Councillor.
- II. The purpose of this Code of Conduct is to establish standards of conduct for councillors. Part III of the Municipal Conduct Act, 2022 (the Act), requires that municipalities establish a Code of Conduct to govern the conduct of members of council, and sets out minimum requirements for the Code of Conduct.

- III. Councillors are expected to conduct themselves ethically and professionally, and in accordance with this Code of Conduct. The principles underlying the Code of Conduct are integrity, honesty, impartiality, responsibility, and accountability.
- IV. This Code of Conduct applies to councillors acting in their official capacity as councillors, as well as a councillor off duty conduct that is sufficiently connected to the office of councillor or that could reasonably discredit the reputation of the Municipality.

2023-048

Roebbotham/Crawford

Resolved to adopt the Code of Conduct for Councilors as outlined in the Municipal Code of Conduct Act, 2022.

Resolution Carried. In favour – 5. Mayor Shea, Deputy Mayor Alexander Crawford, Councillor Broders, Councillor Budden, Councillor McKenna, and Councillor Young. Against - 0.

7. Correspondence

7.1 MNL Symposium – Gander, May 4 – 6, 2023

- Mayor Shea and Councilor Broders will be attending the 2023 MNL Symposium on behalf of the Town.

7.2 Department of Municipal & Provincial Affairs – International Women’s Day – March 8, 2023

- A global day to celebrate the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women.
- This year, the Honorable Krista Lynn Howell, Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs would like to showcase on social media some of the dedicated women who are working in cities and towns across the province as well as serving on municipal councils.
- CAO requested and Council agreed to submit Daphne Coles, Deputy Town Clerk and Tracy Torraville, Accounting Clerk for all their years of service for working with Fogo Island Councils. Tracy Torraville has 20 plus years full time combined with the former Town of Fogo and the Town of Fogo Island and Daphne Coles has 14 years full time with the former Town of JBS and Town of Fogo Island and 5 years part-time with the Fogo Island Regional Council.

8. New Business

8.1 Building Age-Friendly Community Grant

- New funding opportunity has been announced to help municipalities make necessary upgrades to their communities to accommodate the needs of seniors and all individuals as they age.

2023-049

Crawford/Broders

Resolved that the Town of Fogo Island apply for a grant under the Building Age-Friendly Communities Fund in the amount of \$20,000.00 under a 90/10 cost-shared basis to further upgrade the Park Pond Recreation Area to create a wheelchair accessible walkway to Park Pond with a wharf platform that has accessible seating. Town’s cost-shared portion will be \$2000.00.

Resolution Carried. In favour – 7. Mayor Shea, Deputy Mayor Alexander Crawford, Councillor Broders, Councillor Budden, Councillor McKenna, Councilor Roebbotham and Councillor Young. Against - 0.

8.2 Update on New Bank

- Mayor, CAO and Justin Hearn met with representatives from the Atlantic Edge on Monday, February 27th by telephone.
- The Board is quite busy now with setting up a new board of directors as they have taken over four (4) banks in 2022.
- They are still very interested in Fogo Island and the new Board plan to arrange an in-person meeting in April with some answers on their decision.

8.3 Update on New Doctor

- One female doctor confirmed to come to Fogo Island in late April.

- A second doctor is still very interested in coming to Fogo Island and is still working on getting her work visa approved and hopes to be here by mid-summer.

9. Date of Next Regular Meeting:

- Public Council Meeting – Tuesday, March 28, 2023 @ 7:00pm.

10. Adjournment:

2023-050

Crawford/McKenna

Resolved the public council meeting of February 27, 2023, be adjourned at 8:37PM.

Resolution Carried. In favour – 7. Mayor Shea, Deputy Mayor Alexander Crawford, Councillor Broders, Councillor Budden, Councillor McKenna, Councilor Roebbotham and Councillor Young. Against - 0.

Pauline Payne
CAO

Andrew Shea
Mayor
