

**Municipality of Grand Lake
Regular Council Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, September 6, 2023

7:00 p.m.

Minto Council Chambers

The regular meeting of the Municipality of Grand Lake was held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, September 6, 2023, with Mayor Nicklin presiding.

COUNCILLORS PRESENT: Michael Richardson
Mary-Faith Mazerolle
Crystal Boudreau
Gloria Hogg
Gary Glenn
Chanda Klassen

CAO: Michelle Dickinson

Councillor Smith sends his regrets.

Attendees: Kelly Bishop, Grand Lake Mirror; Alton Morrell; and Brad Robinson

Call To Order

Mayor Nicklin called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m.

Approval Of Agenda

Motion: Moved by Councillor Boudreau and seconded by Deputy Mayor Richardson to approve the September 6, 2023, regular council meeting agenda. **Motion carried.**

Approval Of Minutes

Motion: Moved by Councillor Klassen and seconded by Councillor Glenn to approve the August 14, regular council meeting minutes and the August 28, 2023 special council meeting minutes. **Motion Carried.**

Conflict Of Interest

There was no conflict of interest declared.

Correspondence Read

The clerk read the following correspondence:

- a thank you note from Silas Austin on receiving the Hank Daamen memorial bursary.
- a thank you note from Pioneer Lodge for supporting their annual ATV Rally.
- a note from Valerie Comeau concerning the installation and use of speedbumps and it slowing down emergency vehicles and who is entitled to received them.
- building permits issued by the Capital Region Service Commission with an estimated value of \$440,000.000 and fees paid of \$1800.00.

Consent Agenda

- **Breast Cancer Awareness Month**
 - Would like donation for this cause.**Recommendation:** To donate \$85.00 from the Bingo money for this cause
- **Resolution in Support of Rail Safety Week.**
Recommendation: Proclaim Rail Safety Week to be held across Canada from September 18-24, 2023
- **Municipality of Grand Lake – Sewer Operating Cheque Disbursement - \$26,970.99**
Recommendation – Accept the Sewer Operating Cheque Disbursement List at a cost of \$26,970.99.
- **Municipality of Grand Lake – General Operating Cheque Disbursement - \$580,525.55**
Recommendation – Accept the General Operating Cheque Disbursement List at a cost of \$580,525.55.
- **Camp Wegesegum – 7th Annual Spooktacular** – To claim a cabin to decorate and hand out candy. Also looking for monetary donations and candy to ensure that Camp Wegesegum can continue to offer this event free of charge for the community.
Recommendation – For council to claim a cabin to decorate and hand out treats on October 28th from 7:00 – 8:30p.m. for Camp Wegesegum’s 7th Annual Spooktacular event.

Motion – Moved by Councillor Mazerolle and seconded by Councillor Boudreau to accept all recommendations that fall under the Consent Agenda. **Motion carried.**

Council Reports

Mayor Nicklin

Week 1. – July 30th – Aug 5th

- Started the week off with a meeting in Chipman with the Chipman Housing Authority
- Aug 1st I attended a meeting with Al Sypher about the chimes
- Aug 1st I attended the Miss NB pageant. Congratulations to the girls who represented wonderfully.
- On the 3rd, I had a meeting with a composite wood manufacturer about potentially coming to the Municipality to open a new business
- Then in the afternoon on the 3rd I met with the province to clarify questions on the jail proposal.

Week 2 – Aug 6th – Aug 12th

- Aug 7th Met with a building developer to discuss the potential of building new units in the downtown Minto area.
- Aug 9th Interview with CBC
- Aug 10th traveled to Fredericton to attend a Pivot meeting. Our very own Dita was a guest speaker
- Aug 11th back to Fredericton for CRSC meeting on economic expansion
- Aug 11th met with contractor at the Minto Centennial arena for completion of the siding project.

Week 3 Aug 13th – Aug 19th

- Aug 14th Regular council meeting
- Aug 15th I attended the Bingo in Chipman
- Aug 17 I attended the CRSC finance meeting
- August 18th Met with Mark the contractor for Minto arena.
- Aug 18th met with landowner on potential swap of land

Week 4 Aug 20th – Aug 26th

- August 21 met with My ignite in Chipman
- August 21 special meeting with council
- Aug 22 Met with Minister Austin and Deputy ministers Mike Comeau and Deputy Minister Mike Johnston about the site for the jail
- Aug 23 CRSC teams meeting to ratify a motion.
- Aug 23rd Meet in Chipman to discuss the potential of repurposing arena.
- Aug 24th Met in person for CRSC finance meeting
- Aug 24th Met with arena staff about openings procedure
- Aug 24th Met on the housing accelerator fund

Week 5 August 27th – September 2nd

- Aug 28th special meeting
- Aug 30th Jail information session with Minister Kris Austin and Deputy Ministers Mike Comeau and Mike Johnston
- Sept 1st attended year end celebrations at Grand Lake Campground / Fireworks.
- Sept 2nd Attended the fireworks at Dana Langin's year end celebrations.
- September 3rd attended the Ripples Little River Convenience store Labor Day event

Crime Report

2 sudden death – no criminality suspected

1 theft of motorcycle

1 individual in Mental distress

1 individual uttering threats.

Councillor Smith

- Attended all regular and special meeting of council.
- August 14 delivered meals on wheels.
- August 21 attended an information meeting on the arena in Chipman.
- August 23 attended the public meeting in Chipman on the arena.
- August 30 we had a information meeting on the new correctional facility that is being built in Minto.
- August 31 attended a barbeque and meet and greet at the Minto Elementary Middle School with the Mayor and Councillors Hogg and Mazerolle - cooked and served over 400 hotdogs. This was a wonderful time - thank you Tammy Best and all the staff at the school for the invitation.

Grand Lake Fire Department Report

Chipman Area

2 vehicle fires

3 motor vehicle collisions

1 false alarm at JDI
1 false alarm at a residence
1 tractor trailer tangled in hydro lines
1 structure fire at a residence
1 mutual aid call to the Minto detachment

Minto Area

2 911 calls
1 motor vehicle accident
1 rubbish fire
2 house fires
1 fire alarm

Councillor Mazerolle

- Attended all regular and special council meetings.
- Attended the Miss NB pageant.
- Took part in the Public meeting at the Chipman Heritage Centre regarding the arena.
- Attended the information session regarding the new jail being built in our community.
- Attended the first Miss Grand Lake Pageant congratulations to Miss Grand Lake- Allison Nearing, 1st Princess Alia Caissie, 2nd Princess and Miss Talent Isadora Santa Maria, Miss Congeniality Brianne Hutchins.
- Attended the MEMS Meet Greet'n Eat where we barbequed for students, parents and staff as they came to meet each other for the new school year.

Councillor Boudreau

- I have attended all special and regular meetings for the month.
- I attended the two public meetings we hosted for the jail and the arena.
- Councillor Glenn and I had a meeting about Stewart McLeod Park and future plans for the area.
- Finished designing the veteran's flags for Remembrance Day.
- Worked on municipality week projects for the upcoming celebration.
- Did some planning for our strategic planning meeting on October 14th, for the five-year plan.
- Reviewed roads and what I thought was priority for my ward.
- Worked on the Community Halloween Trick or Treat with Monique Brown. We will be doing this event again this year.

Councillor Hogg

- August 19 – attended the 1st Miss Grand Lake pageant at the Minto Senior's Hall. Congratulations Allison Nearing on becoming the 1st Miss Grand Lake; 1st Princess Alia Caissie; 2nd Princess and Miss Talent Isadora Santa Maria; and, Miss Congeniality Brianne Hutchins. Thank you to all contestants who put forth their names. You all have represented our community well. Thank you to all organizers.
- August 23 – attended the Chipman Public Meeting regarding the Arena in Chipman.
- August 30 – attended the information session on Grand Lake Correctional Facility.
- August 31 – Mayor and council dished up some bbq delights for students and families attending a Meet, Greet and Eat at the Minto Elementary and Middle School.

Councillor Glenn

- August 4th – Met with Bucky Madore and Adam re: Rte 10 property.
- August 5th – attended Hook and Paddle.
- August 7th – August 19th – Vacation.
- August 21st Unsightly premises and inspected road conditions on Rte 123.
- August 21 – Attended a meeting with council re Public meeting on Arenas.
- August 23 – Met with Adam and State Chemical.
- Attended the Public Meeting in Chipman concerning the arenas.
- August 28 – Attended Special Council meeting.
- August 30 – Attended Public Information Session concerning the jail.

New Business

- Old Lunney Property – subdivide and survey
 - **Motion:** Moved by Councillor Glenn and seconded by Councillor Hogg to proceed with the survey and get land ready for sale. **Motion carried.**
- Quote for New Metal Roof at the WWTP and Upton Street Lift Station
There was one quote received from Dale Gilbert at a total price of \$9,027.50 HST incl.
 - **Motion:** Moved by Deputy Mayor Richardson and seconded by Councillor Mazerolle to proceed with the quote from for the new roof at the WWTP and Upton Street Lift Station received from Dale Gilbert for a price of \$9,027.50 HST incl. after we confirm that he has insurance and an HST number. **Motion carried.**
- Property located at 20 Route 116, Fowlers Corner, Queens County (PID 45073228)
 - **Motion:** Moved Councillor Mazerolle and seconded by Councillor Boudreau to decline the provinces offer for the Municipality to acquire PID 45073228 at a cost of \$8000. **Motion carried.**
- Stewart McLeod Park
 - **Motion:** Moved by Councillor Glenn and seconded by Councillor Klassen to proceed with making Stewart McLeod Park more usable and provide council with a quote for the scope of work included in the \$15,000.00 that will be spent on fixing up the park with the money being taken from Parks to cover the cost. **Motion carried.**
- Bernie Sisk Memorial International Soccer Tournament
Motion: Moved by Councillor Klassen and seconded by Councillor Mazerolle to donate \$500 to the Bernie Sisk Memorial International Soccer Tournament with \$250 coming out of the BINGO fund and the other \$250 being taken out of donations. **Motion carried.**
- Thrive
Motion: Moved by Councillor Klassen and seconded by Councillor Glenn to continue to support our own food banks at this time instead of giving to the Thrive capital campaign and Greener village at this time. **Motion carried.**

➤ Arena Rates

- **Motion:** Moved by Councillor Glenn and seconded by Councillor Mazerolle to accept the proposed changes to the arena rates (see below). **Motion carried.**

**Municipality of Grand Lake
Arena Ice Rates**

User Groups	Hourly Rates
Grand Lake Minor Hockey	\$65
Figure Skating	\$65
Ringette	\$75
Old Timers	\$135
Pickup Hockey	\$10/person
Outside Teams	\$135
Public Skating/Tiny Tots	Free
Schools	\$50
Church Groups/Not-for-Profits	\$75
Organizations/ Businesses	\$75
Birthday Parties	\$75

➤ Online Booking System

Motion: Moved by Councillor Mazerolle and seconded by Councillor Hogg to have the office research and purchase what they feel is in the best interest of the village in terms of an online booking system at a cost of approximately \$100/month. **Motion carried.**

➤ Debenture

Motion: Moved by Deputy Mayor Richardson and seconded by Councillor Boudreau that it be resolved that the Clerk and/or Treasurer and/or Mayor be authorized to issue and sell to the New Brunswick Municipal Finance Corporation a Municipality of Grand Lake debenture in the principal amount of \$388,000.00 on such terms and conditions as are recommended by the New Brunswick Municipal Finance Corporation, and be it resolved that the Municipality of Grand Lake agree to issue post-dated cheques payable to the New Brunswick Municipal Finance Corporation as and when they are requested in payment of principal and interest charges on the above debenture. **Motion carried.**

Calendar Check


- September 16 – Bernie Sisk Memorial International Soccer Tournament
- September 9 – Fall Brawl
- September 25 – Council Meeting
- October 2 – Regular Council Meeting
- October 14 Strategic Planning with Jihad
- October 28 – Camp Wegesegum Spooktacular
- October 29 – Camp Rotary – Haunted Secrets

Open to the Floor


- Alton Morrell extended congratulations to Mayor and Council on bringing the correctional facility to the Municipality.
- Brad Robinson asked if there was any way to get an agreement in place to use the workout gym at Minto Memorial High School. He said he was advised that currently it is not being used. The Municipality will contact the school/district to see if an agreement could be put in place for the public to use the facilities at MMHS.
- Brad Robinson spoke on the trophy cabinets at the Minto arena. They have been refinished and he is looking for some help in getting the rest of the work finished and having them reinstalled at the arena.
- Mayor Nicklin stated that he has a project for the Minto arena and asked any councillors that wanted to help with the project to let him know – Councillor Boudreau offered her help with the project.
- Mayor Nicklin asked Councillor Richardson to examine the insurance that the Municipality has currently, to match things up and to see where we might be over insured and might be able to save some money.

Adjournment

Motion: Moved by Councillor Glenn and seconded by Councillor Boudreau to adjourn the meeting at 8:40. **Motion carried.**



Mayor, Kevin Nicklin



Clerk, Andrea Mazerolle