

**Municipality of Trinity Bay North
Regular Council Meeting February 24, 2025**

**Minutes of a regular meeting of the Council of the
Municipality of Trinity Bay North, held in the
Town Hall, February 24, 2025**

Members Present

Mayor	Dean Lodge
Deputy Mayor	Terence Stead
Councillors	Albert Johnson
	Doreen Rumbolt
	Pauline Stagg

Absent

Councillor	Kayla Hart
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Also Present

Town Clerk	Valerie Rogers
Town Manager	Darryl Johson

CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present Mayor Lodge called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion #2025-02-24-6991 – Stagg/Rumbolt

Be it resolved the agenda be adopted as presented.

In favour 5 {Mayor Lodge, Deputy Mayor Stead, Councillors Johnson, Rumbolt & Stagg} Opposed 0; Motion Carried

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting of February 11, 2025

Mayor Lodge asked if the minutes of the regular meeting of February 11, 2025, which had been circulated with the agenda, contained any errors or omissions.

- Remove the second opposed in Motions #6975, 6977, 6978
- Report under Health: “As we have had many discussions on various health concerns in our area, Mayor Lodge suggested that Deputy Mayor Stead write a draft letter for the council to the Minister of Health and Community Services to discuss regional health concerns.”

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Motion #2025-02-24-6992 – Johnson/Rumbolt

Be it resolved, the minutes of the February 11, 2025, regular council meeting be adopted with the above corrections.

In favour 5 {Mayor Lodge, Deputy Mayor Stead, Councillors Johnson, Rumbolt & Stagg} Opposed 0; Motion Carried

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Fire Inspections

The Town Manager advised that this was discussed at the finance meeting on February 19th, which raised some questions that must be addressed at the next fire department meeting.

Councillor Rumbolt declared herself in a conflict of interest as her son is the Fire Chief. She removed herself from the council table at 4:37 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Stead stated this is included in the finance meeting minutes.

Councillor Rumbolt returned to the table at 4:38 p.m.

Crown Lands (LTO)

Mayor Lodge reported that MHA Pardy contacted him advising that Crown Lands is now allowing some towns with historical significance to issue Crown Land certificates. He thinks that Trinity Bay North would qualify based on the age of Catalina Harbour; therefore, he should write a letter to the Minister of the Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture requesting Trinity Bay North be granted the right to issue Crown Land Certificates within its boundaries based on historical taxation records.

Motion #2025-02-24-6993 – Stead/Rumbolt

Be it resolved Mayor Lodge draft a letter to Gerry Bryne, Minister of the Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture, asking if we can be added to the group that will be granted the right to issue Crown Land certificates.

In favour 5 {Mayor Lodge, Deputy Mayor Stead, Councillors Johnson, Rumbolt & Stagg} Opposed 0; Motion Carried

Fire Protection Vehicle Application

Councillor Rumbolt declared herself in a conflict of interest as her son is the Fire Chief. She removed herself from the council table at 4:44 p.m.

Councillor Stagg advised that she received an email from the Fire Chief stating that he is still waiting on some estimates. Therefore, he will make every effort to have the application completed on February 25th.

Councillor Rumbolt returned to the table at 4:46 p.m.

Tomorrow's Towns

The Active Living application is being prepared by Councillor Hart & Mayor Lodge.

RCMP Meeting

Deputy Mayor Stead included notes from a meeting held at the Town Hall on December 10, 2024, with RCMP representatives in attendance.

Motion #2025-02-24-6994 – Stead/Rumbolt

Be it resolved that the Town Clerk post an ad on TBN News and Views and the Community Channel seeking any community members interested in joining a community RCMP consultant or advisory group.

In favour 5 {Mayor Lodge, Deputy Mayor Stead, Councillors Johnson, Rumbolt & Stagg} Opposed 0; Motion Carried

The council requested Mayor Lodge to send a letter thanking the RCMP for taking the time to meet with the council, requesting an update on the mayor's reports, and asking for any available governance for possible Community or Citizens Committee.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Bills

The Town Clerk presented the bills for payment of \$14,755.09 and opened the floor for any questions.

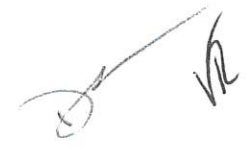
Motion #2025-02-24-6995 – Stead/Rumbolt

Be it resolved the bills submitted for payment of \$14,755.09 be approved on the recommendation of the Town Clerk.

In favour 5 {Mayor Lodge, Deputy Mayor Stead, Councillors Johnson, Rumbolt & Stagg} Opposed 0; Motion Carried

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

The Town Manager provided a written report on items he's been working on since the last meeting.



Crown Lands (LTO)

Motion #2025-02-24-6996 – Stead/Stagg

Be it resolved we apply for an LTO for the trail behind Sutton's Pond to the former Roman Catholic school site and from Duffett's Hill to 109 Discovery Trail.

In favour 5 {Mayor Lodge, Deputy Mayor Stead, Councillors Johnson, Rumbolt & Stagg} Opposed 0; Motion Carried

Catalina Main Street Water and Sewer Upgrades – Phase 1

Deputy Mayor Stead emphasized the critical importance of staff ensuring the project design stage for the Catalina Mainstreet Project is completed as soon as possible to ensure the contractor tender phase is complete with contract let no later than the end of April.

FINANCE

Minutes of a meeting held on February 19, 2025 were enclosed for council's perusal.

Recreational Wharf Site Location Considerations

Motion #2025-02-24-6997 – Stead/Stagg

Be it resolved that the Town Manager seek to obtain town title to potential wharf sites in the area of Saltwater Pond East Point Road and Southside Port Union, as described in the potential wharf site PowerPoint presentation provided at the previous council meeting.

In favour 3 {Mayor Lodge, Deputy Mayor Stead & Councillor Stagg} Opposed 2 {Councillors Johnson & Rumbolt}; Motion Carried

Fire Department Safety Inspection Plan

Councillor Rumbolt declared herself in a conflict of interest as her son is the Fire Chief. She removed herself from the council table at 5:23 p.m.

The Town Manager stated that the Plan proposed to cover the cost of fire inspections by individuals or organizations. At the last finance meeting, the town and not-for-profit organizations being charged an inspection fee were discussed. The consensus of the committee was not to charge the town for the inspections, but for the not-for-profit organizations, the consensus was a split opinion.

The Town Manager said he would meet with the inspectors to review the Plan again.

Councillor Rumbolt returned to the table at 5:29 p.m.

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Former OCI Property

Motion #2025-02-24-6998 – Rumbolt/Stagg

Be it resolved we move into a closed meeting at 5:29 p.m.

In favour 5 {Mayor Lodge, Deputy Mayor Stead, Councillors Johnson, Rumbolt & Stagg} Opposed 0; Motion Carried

Motion #2025-02-24-6999 – Johnson/Rumbolt

Be it resolved we move back into the regular meeting at 5:44 p.m.

In favour 5 {Mayor Lodge, Deputy Mayor Stead, Councillors Johnson, Rumbolt & Stagg} Opposed 0; Motion Carried

Motion #2025-02-24-7000 – Rumbolt/Johnson

Be it resolved we draft another letter to the Trinity Bay Development Corporation regarding the condition of the building.

In favour 5 {Mayor Lodge, Deputy Mayor Stead, Councillors Johnson, Rumbolt & Stagg} Opposed 0; Motion Carried

Contracts

Councilor Rumbolt advised she is reviewing town Insurance renewal as the contract is up for renewal on April 21st.

The Town Manager advised that the garbage collection had lapsed. Council requested that he check with the Town of Bonavista to see if they would be interested in a shared service contract.

PUBLIC WORKS/WATER RESOURCES

No report.

RECREATION - PARKS/PLAYGROUNDS/TRAILS

Minutes of a meeting held on February 18, 2025, were enclosed for council's perusal.

Community Grants Program

Motion #2025-02-24-7000 – Stead/Rumbolt

Be it resolved that an application for membership to the Eastern Wellness Coalition be submitted on behalf of the TBN Recreation Commission.

In favour 5 {Mayor Lodge, Deputy Mayor Stead, Councillors Johnson, Rumbolt & Stagg} Opposed 0; Motion Carried

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Minutes of a meeting held on February 11, 2025 were enclosed for council's perusal.

Councillor Rumbolt declared herself in a conflict of interest as her son is the Fire Chief. She removed herself from the council table at 5:50 p.m.

Mayor Lodge advised that when he attended the MNL Symposium, it was stated that the government was supposed to allocate extra money for fire department training. The town manager will check to see if there is any money for fire department training.

Councillor Rumbolt returned to the table at 5:52 p.m.

TIDY TOWNS

No report

TOURISM/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/LANDS

No report

HEALTH

No report

HUMAN RESOURCES

Minutes of a meeting held on February 17, 2025 were emailed to council for information/discussion.

Councillor David Bartlett's resignation was tendered on February 11, 2025 via an email to Mayor Lodge.

Conflict of interest was a topic of discussion as Councillor Rumbolt expressed some concerns regarding council liaisons. Mayor Lodge sent conflict of interest information to all councillors via email. He asked whether or not everyone understood the difference between a "Common Interest and a Specific Interest." The Town Manager agreed to check if it is possible for training to be made available to councillors through the Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs.

LIAISON REPORTS

No reports



CORRESPONDENCE

1. A letter was received from the Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs advising that in the Fall 2024 sitting of the House of Assembly, legislative amendments (Bill 93) were made to the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000, which are now in legal effect.

Motion #2025-02-24-7001 – Stead/Rumbolt

Be it resolved the letter from the Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs be placed on file for future reference.

In favour 5 {Mayor Lodge, Deputy Mayor Stead, Councillors Johnson, Rumbolt & Stagg} Opposed 0; Motion Carried

NEW BUSINESS

None

NOTICES OF MOTION

None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion #2025-02-24-7002 – Stagg

Be it resolved the meeting adjourn.

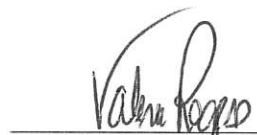
In favour 5 {Mayor Lodge, Deputy Mayor Stead, Councillors Johnson, Rumbolt & Stagg} Opposed 0; Motion Carried

The meeting adjourned at 6:21p.m.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 10, 2025 @ 4:30p.m.



DEAN LODGE
MAYOR



VALERIE ROGERS
TOWN CLERK