

# Harvey Rural Community Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Location: Harvey Rural Community Fire Hall

Date: June 14, 2023

Present: Mayor Corey, Deputy Mayor McLean, Councillors Chessie, Pepin, Little and Chase.

CAO/Clerk, Katherine Henry and Assistant Clerk, Morgan Kotsovos.

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1. Call to Order- The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Corey.
2. Adoption of the Agenda - Mayor Corey requested to amend the Agenda to move item 13a and b ahead of item 7  
**The MOTION was made by Councillor Chessie to adopt the amended Agenda. Seconded by Councillor Little. MOTION carried.**
3. Approval of the Previous Meeting Minutes - Council Meeting May 10 and May 31. MOTION made by Councillor Chase to approve the previous Council Meeting minutes and Council in Committee meeting minutes. Seconded by Councillor McLean. MOTION carried.
4. Public Input (15 min max) - None to report.
5. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest –  
Councillor McLean – Business Arising By- Law 2023-08 A By-Law Respecting the Harvey Volunteer Fire Department 13 (a) + (b)  
Councillor Chase – Business Arising Fire By- Law 2023-08 A By-Law Respecting the Harvey Volunteer Fire Department 13 (a) + (b)
6. Presentations – RCMP Cpl Dupuis discussed with Council the role RCMP would like to obtain within the Community. Cpl Dupuis discussed if there is a special event within the Community an officer can be present providing advanced notice has been given. Cpl Dupuis states RCMP are doing the best they can based on resources they have and on calls they receive. Cpl. Dupuis gave recommendations to post speed signs and to install speed bumps on Hanselacker Road to help reduce the speeding. There is a possibility of bringing in a Tactical Unit to do a rotation on a specific target location to reduce speeding within the Village. Cpl. Dupuis does recommend residents to call in with any complaints to help drive the Community statistics higher to allocate more presence of RCMP.
7. Proclamations – None to report.
8. Correspondence – None to report.
9. Mayor’s Comments – Mayor Corey would like to thank everyone that worked on the Fire Bylaw. This document will form the foundation of the relationship between the Harvey Rural Community and the Harvey Volunteer Fire Department. While it has been carefully and thoughtfully crafted it will continue to evolve as we move forward. Over time the needs of

the community and the Fire Department will change, and this document will need to grow with those changes. Mayor Corey believes this will remain the most important responsibility we have to our community.

Mayor Corey shared with Council several events he has participated in over the last month.

- May 12<sup>th</sup> Attended Community Mental Health Action Day. The presentation was sponsored by the Harvey Community Hospital Foundation. The presentations provided a broad view of services we need to be aware of for those struggling with mental Health.
- May 16<sup>th</sup> Met with Principal of Harvey High School to discuss community issues of mutual interest. The principal will be invited to attend future Council meetings.
- May 17<sup>th</sup>, Met with Sargeant Luzon from the Oromocto Detachment to discuss community issues.
- May 17<sup>th</sup> Council and staff held our first public “Town Hall” at Prince William Hall. The event was well attended. Presentations were made on the tax bills, Council structure and function, and questions were taken from the audience. Other community meetings are scheduled for August and September.
- May 20<sup>th</sup> attended the Tweedside hall Breakfast, Richard Ames also attended.
- May 25<sup>th</sup> Made a presentation to the District Education Council regarding the “Junior High” Building to request that it be declared surplus. Our proposal was denied by the Council.
- May 26<sup>th</sup> Mayor Corey and CAO attended a strategic planning meeting workshop related to the CRSC Strategic Plan.
- May 26<sup>th</sup> Attended a volunteer recognition and networking event hosted by the Harvey Community Network.
- May 27<sup>th</sup> Volunteered at the Harvey Helps Breakfast
- May 29<sup>th</sup> Attended Forest Fire update session for Southwest NB
- May 30<sup>th</sup> Fire Service Contract with Nackawic-Millville
- May 31<sup>st</sup> Council in Committee Meeting
- June 3<sup>rd</sup> Community Walk ParticipACTION Grieve Trail
- June 4<sup>th</sup> Participaction Walk Tweedside
- June 5<sup>th</sup> Participaction Village Walkers
- June 5<sup>th</sup> Sent a letter to Minister of Public Safety regarding interest in discussing location of new Provincial Jail
- June 6<sup>th</sup> CRSC Board Meeting and Training.
- June 8<sup>th</sup> NB Municipal Working group regarding recycling changes
- June 8<sup>th</sup> CRSC special board meeting
- June 8<sup>th</sup> Community Walk Katherine Penderel Trail
- June 9<sup>th</sup> Agenda Review meeting
- June 12<sup>th</sup> Village walkers

#### **CRSC Activity**

- Strategic Planning has been the primary focus of the CRSC in the last month.
- Funding to assist with recruiting Health Care Professionals

- We have received notice that our Rural Plan is not on the schedule until 2026. That means that we will be following the existing Rural Plans where they exist. (Prince William and the Village of Harvey) and we will be without guidance for many issues in Manners Sutton and Kingsclear
- Deputy Mayor McLean will update Council on The Policing Priorities meeting and the Regional Public Safety Committee meeting.

### **Upcoming Community events**

- ParticipACTION Challenge Continues
- Community walks
- Colour Run June 15 Katherine Pendrel Lakeside Trail 6:30
- Relay around Harvey This Saturday Good participation from Council
- Check the ParticipACTION Calendar you received in the mail, continue recording in the app.
- June 17<sup>th</sup> Tweedside Hall Breakfast
- June 21<sup>st</sup> OG Ales Taproom opening.
- June 22 UMN Protective Services meeting
- June 24<sup>th</sup> Breakfast in Magaguadavic and Lakeside family day in Lake George
- June 28<sup>th</sup> Launch of Capital Region Service Commission Strategic Plan
- June 28<sup>th</sup> Committee in Council
- July 8<sup>th</sup> Grieve Trail opening

### 10. Comments by Members of Council

Ward 1 – Councillor Chase discussed some events he will be attending this month. The opening at OG Ales on June 21 and the breakfast in Magaguadavic on June 24. Councillor Chase attended the Department of Justice and Public Safety (JPS) with the topic of Outlaw Motorcycle Gangs.

Ward 2 – Deputy Mayor McLean discussed he will be attending the breakfast at the Tweedside Hall on June 17. Councillor McLean reported two High School events still to come in June. Prom on June 20 and Graduation on June 22. Deputy Mayor McLean attended the first CRSC Public Safety Committee meeting on May 31.

Ward 3 – Councillor Pepin had inquiries from community business members regarding their local tax bill and would like clarification on how the tax is distributed. A local business owner had some suggestions regarding shopping local and ideas on how to promote this. Councillor Pepin suggested to form a subcommittee with interested local business owners that could discuss these ideas and other ways to promote local business within the community. Mayor Corey will reach out to Ignite to see what they are able to suggest. You Matter Walk is a community walk to help support Mental Health. This walk is to be held on June 26 at 6:30 all are welcomed to meet at the fiddle and finish down at the lakeshore. Councillor Pepin will have the first meeting of Community Development with CRC next week, and Councillor Pepin will report back to council.

Ward 4 – Councillor Chessie has noticed a notable uptake in the community regarding Council and becoming more engaged. Councillor Chessie received numerous questions regarding private roads and water access within the Community. CAO states a member of CRSC will be attending a Council meeting and they can discuss and help assist with these questions.

Councillor at Large – Councillor Little discussed how the importance of ParticipACTION is for the Community and feels it is great to see the Community so involved. Councillor Little has attended many walks and events thus far and would like to continue for the ongoing months. Councillor Little discussed he would like some guidance on altercations between dogs and what is the formal protocol for the Community. CAO states the SPCA has been contracted to investigate this incident. CAO is working with the SPCA to have them cover our animal control by-law in the future. Councillor Little discussed the importance of road clarification with DTI for the residents of the Community. CAO states a member of DTI will attend a council meeting in the future and they will answer some questions regarding road safety.

#### 11. CAO Updates

- a) The website has been updated by David Watson. The website is currently fifty percent completed with more information added as it becomes available. The suggestion was made from a community resident to add the phone number of who to contact when garbage isn't collected at their residence. The CAO recommended that residents call the Community Office so that performance problems can be identified.
- b) Recreation Coordinator, Sydney Flower has been busy assisting in the ParticipACTION, soccer registration and an inventory of booking halls within the communities.
- c) St. Thomas Women's Rugby contacted the CAO regarding the Women's Rugby having a Scout camp at Yoho August 29<sup>th</sup>. They have offered to volunteer within the Community for the day.
- d) Grieve Family Trail opening is July 8, 2023 at 3 pm. The Grieve family is very excited and looking forward to the day. Consideration of carpooling is recommended as space is limited for parking.

#### 12. Committee Reports – None to report.

#### 13. Business Arising

- a) Second Reading by Title: By-Law 2023-08 A By-Law Respecting the Harvey Volunteer Fire Department. **MOTION made by Councillor Little to request Mayor Corey to read the By-Law in full. Seconded by Councillor Chessie. MOTION carried.**

Mayor Corey read the By-Law in full. Councillor Mclean requested the requirement of Firefighter 1 training achievement from the probation status to be removed for the Junior Firefighter.

- b) Third Reading by Title: By-Law 2023-08 A By-Law Respecting the Harvey Volunteer Fire Department. **MOTION made by Councillor Chessie to have Mayor Corey read the By-Law for the third reading by title. Seconded by Councillor Pepin. MOTION carried.**

Mayor Corey read the By-Law in full reading, thereby enacting the By-law.

- c) Municipal Building – Land Acquisition - Motion made by Councillor Chessie to move forward with the Land Acquisition. Seconded by Councillor Mclean. Motion carried.

The motion was made to proceed with schematic drawings for a municipal office and to be ready for funding opportunities. Motion failed. Council discussed they would like to wait for a piece of land before advancing with the land acquisition. A needs analysis could be started.

- d) Canada Community Building Fund - **MOTION to move forward with the proposal for three dry hydrants in the Community made by Councillor Chessie. Seconded by Councillor Little. MOTION carried.**
- e) Community Meetings- Motion to move forward with the Community meetings for July 26 at Tweedside Hall and September 20 at Kelly Hill Farms made by Councillor Little. Seconded by Councillor Pepin. Motion carried. Suggestion of Tweedside Hall being deemed too small to support the Community Meeting allowing another date and location will be given from CAO.

#### 14. New Business

- a) Speed Signs – The Mayor suggested that speed signs and speed bumps on the Hanselacker could help reduce speeding. The CAO presented the costs for purchasing speed signs. **The MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor McLean to purchase speed signs and have them installed on Hanselacker Road. Seconded by Councillor Little. MOTION Carried.** Mayor Corey requested the CAO come back with a recommendation to Council with budget for the speed bumps.

- b) Strategic Planning Workshop – Motion to move forward with the planning session during the week of August 21. **MOTION made by Councillor Little to hold a strategic planning session on August 21, 2023. Seconded by Councillor Pepin. MOTION carried.**

Direction from Mayor Corey that on the upcoming CIC agenda to discuss who from the Community will attend the workshop.

- c) Lakeland Board – CAO presented the guidelines regarding this Board. Mayor Corey states the importance of having a Council member on this board to provide leadership and bring compelling information to Council. Concerns of being able to commit to this board and the interest is there. **Councillor Pepin made the MOTION to nominate Mayor Corey to sit on the Lakeland Board. Seconded by Councillor McLean. MOTION carried.**
- d) CAO Evaluation – Mayor Corey discussed the CAO evaluation process and asked Council for assistance. Councillor Chessie, Deputy Mayor McLean, and Mayor Corey offered to form a sub-committee to define the process and conduct the evaluation in November. The CAO presented two guideline documents prepared by CAMA for use.

15. Action List Review

- a) Community Promotion- Social Media Policy - CAO will bring forward at the next CIC meeting a blended draft of the two policies that are suggested.

16. Financial Reports

- a) Bank account Listings- CAO presented the financial reports. Motion was made to accept the financial report as presented. Motion made by Councillor McLean. Seconded by Councillor Little. Motion Carried.
- b) Transaction Report- CAO discussed the transaction reports with Council.

17. Upcoming Activities

- a) Grieve Family Trail opening on July 8<sup>th</sup> @ 3pm

18. Date, Time, and Location of Next Meeting Council Meeting on July 12<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm at HMCC

19. Motion for Adjournment - **MOVED BY Councillor McLean to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Councillor Pepin. MOTION CARRIED.**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:16 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Morgan Kotsovos  
Assistant Clerk

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Richard Corey  
Mayor

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Katherine Henry  
CAO/Clerk