

Town of Heart's Content Regular Meeting. Jan. 23/25

An information Session and update on UNESCO was held on Jan 23rd, 2025 prior to the regular meeting of Council. This started at 6: 15 P.M. Present: Scott Andrews and Colleen Souilere from Dept. of Historic Sites. Present from Council: Mayor Doug Piercey, Deputy Mayor: Glenda Hiscock and Councillors Valerie Whelan, Clarence Brown, Tolson Rendell.

Scott gave an overview of the progress of the UNESCO designation. Both sides; Historic sites and Valentia have been working on a preliminary assessment which has to be submitted by September 2025. Both sides are also working on a Management Plan for the nomination. Historic sites have sent their Management Plan to Kerry County Council and they will edit same and send it back. The nomination could be as early as Feb, 2026. It will be 3 to 5 years before the final designation is approved but its full speed ahead; Parks Canada, and the National Monument Service of Ireland, will be working together on this project.

Mayor Piercey thanked Scott and Colleen for the very interesting presentation. This presentation concluded at 7:07 P.M.

At this point in the meeting Council met with residents of 132 Point Road re dirty water and dirt in their water lines and presented pictures of proof to that effect. After further discussion, it was suggested they have a water hose connected to the sewer line and running all the time. If this does not work, in the spring they will have to bring the line further up the road. At this point, the residents left the meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Piercey; Councillor Hank Whelan joined the meeting.

Motion #4-2025- Proposed by Councillor Hank Whelan, seconded by Council Clarence Brown that the minutes of Dec. 3/24 be approved with the following corrections: Motion #311-24- Vote missing. Voted 7 AG-0 AB-0. Motion carried.

Motion # 5-2025- Proposed by Hank Whelan, seconded by Tolson Rendell that the minutes of Dec. 5/24 Be adopted as read. Voted 7 AG-0 AB-0 Motion carried.

Motion #6-2025 Proposed by Glenda Hiscock, seconded by Clarence Brown that the minutes of Dec. 16/24 . be adopted as read. Motion carried. V-7 AG-0 AB-0

Motion #7-2025- Proposed by Hank Whelan, seconded by Tolson Rendell that the minutes of Dec. 23/24

Be adopted as read. Voted -7 AG-0 AB-0

Motion #8-2025- Proposed by Glenda Hiscock, seconded by Hank Whelan that the minutes of January 8/25 be adopted as read with the understanding that the clerk take out the candidates' names and use initials or other identification instead. Voted 7 AG-0 AB-0 Motion carried.

Motion #9-2025- Proposed by Hank Whelan, seconded by Glenda Hiscock, that we approve the building permit for the house, for the residents of 202 Main Road according to recommendations of the Heritage Advisory Committee and in accordance with our Development Regulations. Voted -7 AG-0 AB-0 Motion carried.

Residents of 21-25 Parish Hall Hill –Be advised that upon recommendation of the Heritage Advisory Committee they would like review the application with more details especially to meet the requirements of the Heritage Regulations Sections 7.1 and 7.2 and if they had another option for construction.

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Town of Heart's Desire - Advising that they will be using the Fire Protection Services of the Town of Heart's Delight –Islington for 2025.

Eleanor and Barry Parsons-Access for water and sewer services to their property on Maxie's Lane
Mayor said there was no problem with the connection and advises them to let us know when they need the connection in the spring. Installation will be at their expense but we will do the connection to the main lines.

Ed Arnott- requesting a meeting to open up the S.U. F. Hall and offering to help anyway they can.
Date for the meeting was set for January 30,2025 at 7:30 P.M. Meeting with Council and Mizzen Heritage Board of Directors. Clarence requested Council come at 7 p.m. so he could give an overview of All the things that are happening with respect to UNESCO and improving Tourism in the community.

Council Hank Whelan suggested it was a good idea for Council to meet with all community organizations once a year.

Municipal Affairs- Mandatory Training- Clerk requested to call Dawn Chaplin of Municipal Affairs to get more information and if this is a new training or one our councilors have already done.

Motion #10-2025- Proposed by Hank Whelan, seconded by Glenda Hiscock that we approve our audited financial statements for 2023. V-7 AG-0 AB-0 Motion carried.

Consultant Agreement - Phase 2 – Water installation system- and the new consultant agreement.
Requesting a virtual meeting with Council to discuss the agreement. Tentative date set was Jan. 30/23 10 a.m.

Lighthouse Wedding inquiry from Destiny having her wedding on the Lighthouse grounds in Aug. of 2026. All felt it was not too much of a problem since it was public grounds but we would like further information.

Amateur Radio Group using lighthouse a couple of weekends this summer for broadcasting. Clerk was requested to call Barry Harris to see if he could come to next meeting

Councillors Concerns- Deputy Mayor Glenda said Shauna at the Royal Bank would like to partner with Council and have an information session on wills and other financial matters. Clerk will contact the Bank Manager, Shauna Walsh to set up a date.

LW Consulting Services Proposal- It was the decision not to accept this proposal. Clerk to contact Municipal Affairs to see when hiring is the total compensation package included in the motion for To elect a Town Clerk Manager with a 2/3 majority vote.

Motion #11-2025- Proposed by Tolson Rendell, seconded by Hank Whelan that invoices as presented were approved for payment. Voted-7 AG-0 Ab-0 Motion carried.

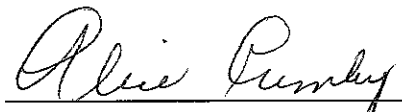
Deputy Mayor Glenda Hiscock presented council with her plans for Town Clerk- Managers Retirement Party. Open House on Friday Feb, 28/25 at the Town Hall and a sit down dinner catered by Legges Restaurant at the Rec Centre on Sat. March 1/25

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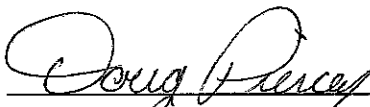
Motion #12-2025- Proposed by Hank Whelan and seconded by Tolson Rendell that we approve Glenda's Plans as discussed for the Town Clerk/Managers Retirement. Voted: 7 AG-0 AB-0 Motion carried.

Next Meeting- Feb 27, 2025.

Motion #13 – 2025 – Moved by Hank Whelan and seconded by Valerie Whelan that the meeting was adjourned at 10:15pm Voted: 7 AG-0 AB-0 Motion Carried.



Alice Cumby, Town Clerk/Manager



Doug Piercey, Mayor