

**COUNCIL MEETING  
FEBRUARY 6, 2024 MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING**

Mayor Jim Bedford called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm with Deputy Mayor Cairns, Councillor George Cyr, Jeanette Spearing, Shawn Brown, Brad Brown, and Gregory Moran present. Also present was CAO Brian Baker.

**Approval of Agenda**

A motion was made by Councillor Cyr, seconded by Councillor Spearing, and passed unanimously to approve the February 6, 2024 agenda.

**Disclosure of Conflict of Interest:** None

**Delegations:**

**Sgt. Luc Samson, RCMP:** Sgt Luc Samson attended his first council meeting since taking over in his new role. He introduced himself and explained to the Council and audience that he is a believer in Community Policing. He looks forward to working in the community. Mayor and Council congratulated him on his new position.

**Chief Brian Hunter, Simonds Fire Dept:** Chief Hunter was able to attend the meeting and his report was read into the Minutes.

**Chief Carey Gray, St. Martins Fire Dept:** Chief Gray attended the meeting and read his 2023 Report into the minutes. He also presented Council with a list of repairs that needs to be addressed.

**Bette Ann Chatterton, Old Home Week:** Ms. Chatterton asked the Council for the continued support for the 2024 OHW. Council agreed to support the OHW by providing facilities at no cost. The Council did table a motion to provide insurance costs for the OHW until a quote was received from Gallagher Insurance

**Grant Grills – Sea Shanty Update:** Mr. Grills provided an update on the progress of the 2024 Sea Shanty Festival including mentioning that the Barra MacNeils will be performing. Mr. Grills inquired if the amphitheatre will be completed. Last year, the Village of Fundy-St. Martins was a silver sponsor.

**Councillor Shawn Brown, seconded by Councillor Cyr made a motion to sponsor the Sea Shanty Festival for \$1000 and passed unanimously.**

**Motion carried.**

**Grant Grills – EMO update:** Mr. Grills mentioned that the EMO is in the process of creating an EMO Facebook page. Also, they are considering creating a Vulnerable People Registry.

**Correspondence:** None

**Approval of Open Meeting, January 9 , Closed Meeting, January 16 and Open Meeting of January 30, 2024**

A motion was made by Councillor Cyr, seconded by Councillor Brad Brown, and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the meetings.

**Motion Carried**

**Old Business:**

**Development Officer  
Amphitheatre & Harbour Park:  
Survey for Water/Waste Water**

**CAO Brian Baker read his report into the Minutes. The report has been filed and received.**

**New Business:**

**Commissions & Committees:**

- 1) **Financial** – Councillor Moran reported that a quarterly report ending in March will be the next meeting.
- 2) **Human Resources:** Nothing to report.
- 3) **Administration – By-Laws** – Nothing to report
- 4) **Communications & Active Living** – Councillor Shawn Brown reported that the Active Living Committee was now responsible for the bi-weekly Bingo.
- 5) **Emergency Management & Public Safety** – George Cyr. Grant Grills had already made a report for this committee.

**Winterfest 2024:** It was reported that Winterfest will be in St. Martins on Mar 9 to 10<sup>th</sup>. There will be a hockey tournament and a polar dip. There was a request from the St. Martins Chamber of Commerce to use the 4 Seasons Complex at no charge.

**A motion was made by Councillor Shawn Brown, seconded by Councillor Spearing and passed unanimously to waive the fee for the 4 Seasons Complex for the Winterfest Hockey Tournament on March 9 to 10th.**

**Motion Carried**

**Soccer Field Fencing**

**A motion was made by Councillor Moran, seconded by Councillor Cyr, and passed unanimously to table the motion to approve the Soccer Field Fencing until funding can be put in place.**

**Motion Carried**

**ATV By-Law #10 – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading:**

**A Motion was made by Councillor Cyr and seconded by Councillor Spearing and passed unanimously that the ATV By-Law #10 was read by title for the first reading.**

**Motion Carried**

**Rural Plan Open Houses: Feb 13 and Feb 15:** It was discussed that Dillon Consulting and Nick Cameron from FRSC would be conducting Open Houses in St. Martins on Feb 13 and at Simonds Fire Hall on Feb 15. All were welcome to attend.

**Amendment to By-Law #4: A procedural By-Law for the Council of St. Martins:**

**A motion was made by Councillor Cyr and seconded by Councillor Shawn Brown and passed unanimously to add a line to Section 4 c): These regular monthly meetings will be at this location unless an alternate location is specified by the Council. Notice of any location change will be posted at least one week prior to the change.**

**Motion Carried**

**ATV By-Law #10 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:**

**A motion was made by Councillor Shawn Brown and seconded by Councillor Cyr and passed unanimously that the ATV By-Law #10 was read by title for the second reading.**

**Motion Carried**

**Approval of the Bills**

The bills listed with these minutes were presented for payment and were formally approved at this time and are attached to the original Minutes.

**A motion was made by Councillor Shawn Brown, seconded by Councillor Cyr, and passed unanimously.**

**Motion Carried**


**Call for next meeting.**

The next meeting will be held on March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 7:30 pm.

**Motion to Adjourn**

With no further business to be discussed, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm.

  
James Bedford, Mayor

  
Jean McCumber, Clerk



**COUNCIL OF ST. MARTINS  
FEBRUARY 8, 2024  
CLOSED MEETING**

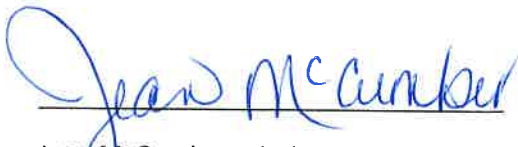
Mayor Bedford opened the meeting at 6:32 pm with Deputy Mayor John Cairns, Councillors Shawn Brown, Cyr, Jeanette Spearing, Brad Brown, and Greg Moran present.

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss labour issues.

**Adjournment:**

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm

  
James Bedford, Mayor

  
Jean McCumber, Clerk



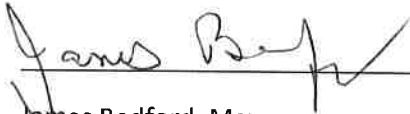
**COUNCIL OF ST. MARTINS  
FEBRUARY 20, 2024  
CLOSED MEETING**

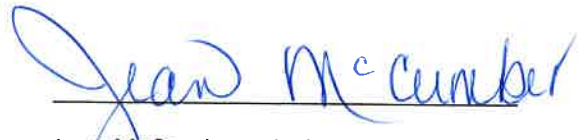
Mayor Bedford opened the meeting at 6:40 pm with Councillors Shawn Brown, Cyr, Jeanette Spearing, Brad Brown, and Greg Moran present. Absent was Deputy Mayor John Cairns

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss land issues.

**Adjournment:**

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm

  
James Bedford, Mayor

  
Jean McCumber, Clerk



**COUNCIL OF ST. MARTINS  
FEBRUARY 207, 2024  
CLOSED ZOOM MEETING**

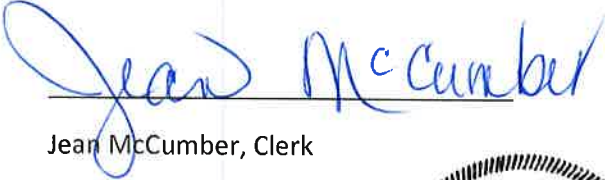
Mayor Bedford opened the meeting at 7:04 pm with Deputy Mayor John Cairns, Councillors Shawn Brown, Cyr, Jeanette Spearing, Brad Brown, and Greg Moran present.

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss labour issues.

**Adjournment:**

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm

  
James Bedford, Mayor

  
Jean McCumber, Clerk

