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# The Municipality of Spaniard's Bay

December 16, 2019

A meeting of Council took place on the above date with the following members in attendance: Mayor Brazil, Deputy Mayor Stamp, Councillors Jewer, D Smith, T Smith, and Town Manager Tony Ryan. Visitors included John Drover and Dave Gosse. Mayor Brazil called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

## **2020 Budget**

### **2020 Tax and Fee Rates**

Deputy Mayor Stamp presented the Annual Operating Budget for 2020. All rates and fees from 2020 shall remain unchanged for the upcoming fiscal year.

It was moved by Councillor Jewer, seconded by Councillor David Smith, that Council adopt the following Basic Fee Structure setting tax rates and fees for service for the 2020 fiscal year.

## **2020 Annual Budget**

### **Basic Fee Structure**

<b>Item</b>	<b>2020</b>
Water/Sewer	<b>360.00</b>
Water/sewer Vacant Rate	<b>180.00</b>
Water Only	<b>180.00</b>
Water Only Vacant	<b>90.00</b>
Commercial Water/Sewer	<b>360.00</b>
Commercial Water Only	<b>180.00</b>
Veterans Commercial Park W/S	<b>2.3 mils</b>
Veterans Commercial Park W/S	<b>Minimum 600.00</b>
Water/Sewer School - Per Student/Staff Member	<b>9.75</b>
School Board Office	<b>n/a</b>
Private School	<b>1000.00</b>
Mil Rate	<b>6.0 mils</b>
Minimum Property Tax	<b>480.00</b>
Commercial Property Tax	<b>6.0 mils</b>
Commercial Property Tax Minimum	<b>480.00</b>

Basic Business Tax	10.5 mils
Minimum Business Tax	300.00
Utility Tax	2.5 %
Business Tax Aggregate Site	100 mils
Business Tax Bingo Operation	15.5 mils
Drug Store/Medical Clinic	12.5 mils
New Car Dealership	25.5 mils
Tax Certificates	100.00
Compliance Letter	100.00
Building Permit	100.00
Commercial Permit	\$9.00 per Thousand/ <i>Min</i> \$200.00
Addition / Shed	25.00
General Repairs	10.00
Water Turn on Arrears	50.00
NSF Charge	25.00
Water on/off After Hours	25.00 ea
Connection Fees Pavement	2000.00

Minimum Charge of \$2,000.00 plus the cost of asphalt repair if required. Fee must be paid before work commences.

Connection Fees on main thoroughfares shall be priced according to each job.

Carried

### **2020 Operating Budget**

Deputy Mayor Stamp summarized the operating budget for 2020 and fielded questions from Council.

It was moved by Councillor Jewer, seconded by Councillor Tracy Smith, to adopt the Balanced Operating Budget for 2020 with Revenues and Expenses totalling \$ 2,322,292.64.

Carried

### **5 Year Municipal Capital Works Plan**

The following are a list of items to make up the priority list for the Town's 5 year Municipal Capital Works Plan.

Items already approved and scheduled to be completed in 2020 include Paving and Road Reconstruction at Mint Cove Pond Road North, Lift Station Upgrade at Northern Cove adjacent the gazebo area and to install a backup generator system at the Town's Chlorination Plant. Further to this, we have applied to complete Paving and Road Reconstruction at Pondsides Road and are awaiting approval for this project. Financing involved with these projects are already included in the 2020 Operating Budget.

### **5 Year Municipal Capital Works Program (2020-2024)**

The following is a list of priorities recommended as a guide for Applying for Funding for Municipal Capital Works. Priorities are in order as listed.

1. **Pondsides Road, Tilton** - Area to include from intersection at Back Track to the Basketball Court near the last hydrant

2. **Rectory Avenue-Casey's Lane, Annie's Lane** - The area is commonly referred to as the loop.
3. **Cemetery Road, Tilton** - Road leading to the graveyard at Tilton. This Road intersects with Back Track at both ends.
4. **Wastewater Treatment** - This project may shift along the priority list depending on availability of provincial and/or federal funding. We are unable to provide an estimate at this time.

### **Gas Tax Eligible Projects**

The following is a list of projects recommended to be applied for under the Gas Tax Program. Priority order is as listed below. Please note that the year of completion is dependant on available gas tax funding for a particular year as it is not Council's intention to spend funding beyond the year eligible. (May take several years to complete dependant on cost)

- I. **Costello's Road**
- II. **Blandford's Road**
- III. **Delaney's Crescent** - Phase 2
- IV. **Chipman's Crescent**
- V. **Jones Road** - Plus extend approximately 150 feet beyond end of existing asphalt surface
- VI. **Collins Lane** - Back Cove
- VII. **Sheppard's Hill** - Up to Kennedy and across to Loveless
- VIII. **Sheppard's Lane** - Near Baccalieu Trail Pharmacy
- IX. **Meadow Road** - Near end of Valley Road
- X. **Smith's Road , Tilton** - To include to end of existing pavement then beyond to last 2 houses.
- XI. **Ryan's Road**
- XII. **Anthony's Road** from end of existing pavement to the turn around at the top of the road.

**5 Year Municipal Capital Works Plan and Gas Tax Projects were adopted at a meeting of Council held on October 07, 2019.**

### **Motion for Town of Spaniard's Bay Scotia Business Visa Card**

It was moved by Councillor Jewer, Seconded by Councillor Tracy Smith, that the Town borrow the sum of up to Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) from the Bank of Nova Scotia and that said funds to be used for the Town of Spaniard's Bay Scotia Business Visa Card.

Carried

### **Adjournment**

The next regular meeting of Council will be on Monday, January 13, 2020.

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Stamp, seconded by Councillor David Smith, and carried that the meeting adjourn at 7:20 pm.

Carried

Recorder

Andrea Sheppard

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Paul Brazil, Mayor