

August 12, 2025

Minutes of a regular meeting of the council, for the Town of Brigus in the Town Hall, August 12, 2025 at 7:06pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Shears Mercer Jr., Deputy Mayor Paul Matthews, Councilors Byron Rodway, Greg Hiscock, Tim Gushue, John brown (7:11pm), Fraser Drover;

ABSENT: NIL

ALSO PRESENT: Town Clerk/ Manger Lisa Hickey, Delegates and members of the general public;

AGENDA: Motion 2025-101: Councilor Hiscock/Drover that the Agenda for the August 12, 2025 be adopted with additions. (in Favor 7; Opposed 0; Carried)

MINUTES: Motion 2025-102: Councilor Rodway/Hiscock that July 8, 2025 Minutes be adopted with corrections. (In Favor 7: opposed 0; Carried)

ARISING FROM MINUTES:

Holes on Jackson's Quay to be filled
Graffiti in Tunnel to be removed
Red hand rails on Beach to be repaired

ACTION REPORTS: NIL

DELEGATION:

Yvonne Thompson addressed Council regarding the poor lighting conditions while walking at night, as well as the sides of the road, both safety concerns. She was requesting speed bumps and repair of sides of the road. Council will cut brush back on sides of the road as well as place gravel on areas where its needed.

Jim Hiscock – Did not show

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Development Committee:

Motion 2025-103: Councilor Rodway/Brown to approve the Business Permit Application for a home-based business located at 5 Chapel Lane subject to public notice for discretionary use to be published for 14 days with no opposition; (In Favor 7; Opposed 0; Carried).

Motion 2025-104: Councilor Rodway/Brown approve the Application for Development for the construction of a house located on 60a Keatings Road, subject to approval from Digital Government and Service NL (In Favor 7; Opposed 0; Carried).

Motion 2025-105: Councilor Drover/Hiscock to approve the Application for Development *“in principle”* for the construction of a home located on 57 Irishtown Road; (In Favor 7; Opposed 0; Carried).

Councilor Rodway excused himself at 7:27pm

Motion 2025-106: Councilor Drover/Brown to approve the Application for Development of a residential garage located at 30 Harbour Drive; (In Favor 6; Opposed 0; Carried).

Councilor Rodway returned at 7:32 pm

Motion 2025-107: Councilor Drover/Rodway to approve the verification of measurements for development of a house on 12-14 Magistrates Hill; (In Favor 7; Opposed 0; Carried).

Public Works Committee:

Motion 2025-108: Councilor Hiscock/Brown to accept quote for 30pcs of Hemlock to repair the bridge to chlorination building; Public Works employees to restore the bridge. (In Favor 7; Opposed 0; Carried).

Council discussed numerous roads to be made as one-way streets, further discussion is needed, subject to be deferred until a later date.

Public Works department to commence ditching and replace culverts throughout town.

Mayor Shears Mercer Jr. and Councilor Rodway to assist with the Effie M. Morrissey visit.

CPWA Fall Conference for Public Works employees – no attendance at this time, correspondence has been filed

Motion 2025-109: Councilor Hiscock/Rodway to accept and sign PCA Amendment with respect to Conception Bay Highway Phase 1. (In Favor 7; Opposed 0; Carried).

Project Status Report for Phase 1 – reviewed and filed

Motion 2025-110: Councilor Rodway/Hiscock to erect a stop sign at the end of Curtis Lane. (In Favor 7; Opposed 0; Carried).

Public Works department with help of Mayor Shears Mercer Jr. and Councilor Rodway to measure and record all roads that require maintenance/paving. Once completed a quote will be requested.

Bleachers at ball field to be levelled and secured.

Finance Committee:

Councilor Rodway excused himself 8:08pm

Motion 2025-111: Councilor Hiscock/Brown to approve payables in the amount of \$150356.80 (In Favor 7; Opposed 0; Carried).

Councilor Rodway returned 8:10pm

Blueberry Festival Committee:

Recreation:

Town Clerk/Manager to find an alternate to move the shed from South Street to Station Road

HR Committee:

Policy Committee

CORRESPONDENCE:

FROM	REGARDING	ACTION
Resident of Blueberry Place	Request road improved on corner of intersection of Station Road and Blueberry Place. Section has worn away	Section to be filed with class A
Resident of 5 Lobster Factory Road	Email regarding the rescinding of notice, previously forwarded.	Council has approved the rescinding of notice; See Motion 2025-112
Resident at 20 Harbour Drive	Regarding the disrepair of Jackson's Quay and possible development that would impede the view	Public Works department to fill in holes at Jackson's Quay. No discussion held regarding possible development as there is no application submitted.
Resident on Farm Road	Email regarding speeding and suggestion of speed bumps	Council will cut back additional brush on Farm Road for increased visibility; discussion held regarding speed bumps, no speed bumps to be installed.
Email from Consulate General of Canada in Boston, MA	Sister City opportunity	Council agrees to proceed with opportunity; Mayor

		Shears Mercer Jr. to contact those involved.
Targa	Rally through Brigus on September 18, 2025	Town Clerk/Manger to send notice to public regarding rally.

Motion 2025-112: Councilor Drover/Brown to rescind Motion 2025-90 [**Motion 2025-90:** Councilor Hiscock/Drover to inform resident on Lobster Factory Road to remove any and all material from the breakwater that is encroaching on land that is not registered to resident]. (In Favor 7; Opposed 0; Carried).

Motion 2025-113: Councilor Hiscock/Drover to approve the date of September 4th 2025 from 8am to 8pm for the nomination of candidates to be received at the Town Office, for the Oct 2 Municipal Elections. (In Favor 7; Opposed 0; Carried).

Motion 2025-114: Councilor Hiscock/Drover to approve the date of September 27th 2025 from 8am to 8pm for the Advanced Poll to be located at the Town Office, for the Oct 2 Municipal Elections. (In Favor 7; Opposed 0; Carried).

Motion 2025-115: Deputy Mayor Matthews/Councilor Hiscock to set and approve the rates for the following Election Officials;

Returning Officer - \$325.00

Deputy Returning Officer - \$275.00

Poll Clerk - \$225.00

(In Favor 7; Opposed 0; Carried).

Town Clerk/Manager along with council to update Emergency Management Plan.

Motion 2025-116: Councilor Hiscock/Brown for the meeting to adjourn at 8:44 pm. Next meeting scheduled for September 9, 2025 at 7:00pm (In Favor 7; Opposed 0; Carried).

Dated in the Town of Brigus,
Newfoundland and Labrador on
the 9 Day of Sept . . . , 2025

Shears Mercer Jr.

Mayor
Shears Mercer Jr.

Lisa Hickey
Town Clerk/Manager
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