

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF BREADALBANE

Minutes of a regular Meeting of Council

Monday, May 15, 2023 held at the Community Center

Present:

Mayor Irene Novaczek, Councillors , Toby Hill, Lisa MacLellan, Kent MacLellan and Bev Fowler. CAO Michelle Pineau took the minutes. There were several members of the public in attendance.

Call to Order:

There being a quorum, Mayor Novaczek called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Agenda:

On motion duly made and seconded the draft agenda circulated, was unanimously approved.

Conflict of Interest:

At the Town Hall Meeting on May 2, Rebecca Longuepee had suggested that Bev Fowler has a conflict of interest with respect to field parties and the proposed Noise Bylaw. Councillor Fowler disagrees and is of the opinion that he has an interest in common with all persons adversely affected by noise from the field parties. To save Council the necessity of obtaining a legal opinion, he will excuse himself from the discussion and vote on the Noise Bylaw.

Previous Minutes:

On motion duly made and seconded, the minutes of March 14, 2023 were unanimously approved.

Business Arising From the Minutes:

Community Meeting Regarding Field Parties, May 2, 2023:

Attended by local residents, organizing committees, DJ from last year's events. RCMP and security guards were unable to attend. Refer to Mayor's Report for more details.

Housing Project:

The developer from Hunter River is not prepared to undertake another large project. We should explore the possibility of a provincial facility or housing co-operative; bring consultants together to discuss options; develop funding proposals.

E-car charger:

CAO and Mayor to meet with Ernie Hudson to discuss funding.

New Business:

Hall equipment:

Council unanimously approved the purchase of a coffee maker and a small vacuum (library).

Breadalbane Day event:

Lisa MacLellan has asked Brad Trivers to play music in the park on Sunday, July 9 from 3:00 to 6:00 PM. Lisa will ask the community for volunteers to organize games and races for the children, cook hot dogs and set up stands for face painting and crafts.

Community Garden:

There may be funding available for community garden development. Mayor Novaczek will contact Rebecca Longuepee to see if a group can be organized to develop a project. Intergenerational gardening activities could be supported by the Seniors' Secretariat grant our CAO has applied for.

Future community events could include a potluck in the fall and planting a tree beside the Hall to be our Christmas tree.

CAO Report:

Seniors' Secretariat funding applied for. E-car options, FLOW is best. Municipal training available online. Disaster mitigation/adaptation funding available. Quotes requested for floor project.

Mayor's Report:

Seed Bank is operational. Art show opening. Library gardening talks. Review of public meeting on field parties. Update on housing project development.

Committee reports:

Capital Projects:

The committee will meet next week to review the Shed Project progress and budget. We will seek quotes for the basement floor removal. CAO to follow up on solar panel project, funded by Gas Tax.

Finance:

Statements for the year ended March 31, 2023 have been drafted and are ready for submission to our auditors once our CAO has gathered the various documents and files they have requested.

We have re-filed three HST claims to March 31, 2022 and filed two claims for the year to March 31, 2023. No response yet from CRA.

There is a liability to CRA for unremitted employee deductions for 2021 and 2022 estimated to be \$ 322. There will be penalties and interest charges and we have provided \$1,000 in the year end accounting to cover these costs.

Bylaws:

Our draft Event Bylaw was abandoned after consultation with our lawyer on April 20.

Bylaw Readings:

Procedural Bylaw:

The draft bylaw had been circulated to Council prior to the meeting. On motion duly made and seconded, the bylaw was approved for first reading.

Emergency Management Bylaw:

The draft bylaw had been circulated to Council prior to the meeting. On motion duly made and seconded, the bylaw was approved for first reading.

Noise Bylaw:

Councillor Fowler exited the meeting, leaving a quorum of four. Councillor Kent MacLennan introduced the draft bylaw. After discussion and public comment, the bylaw was unanimously approved for first reading, the vote being two in favour and Councillor Hill abstaining. (A non-vote is counted as a vote in favour under our Procedural Bylaw.) Councillor Fowler rejoined the meeting.

Next Meeting:

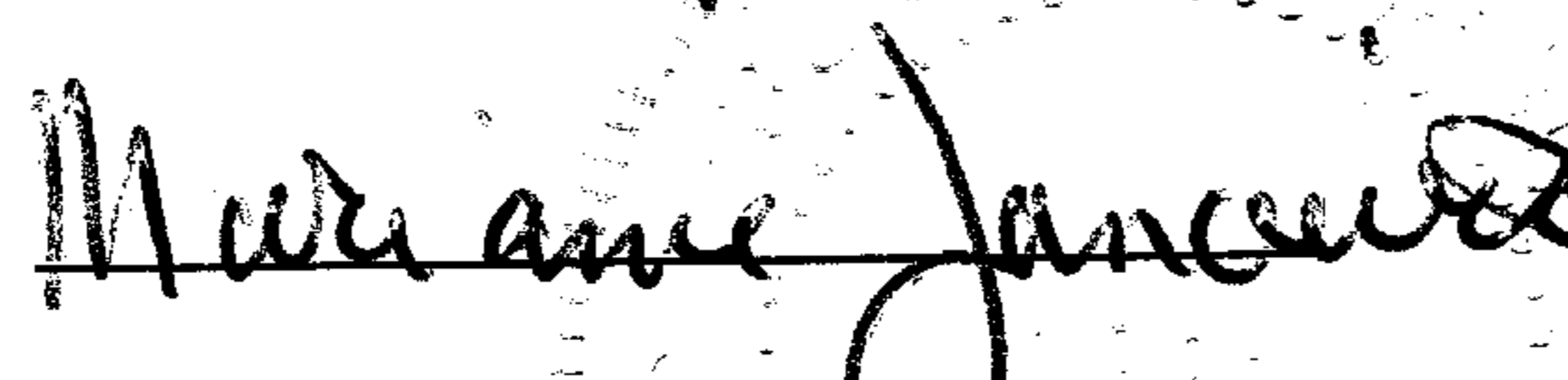
The next meeting is scheduled for July 10, 2023.

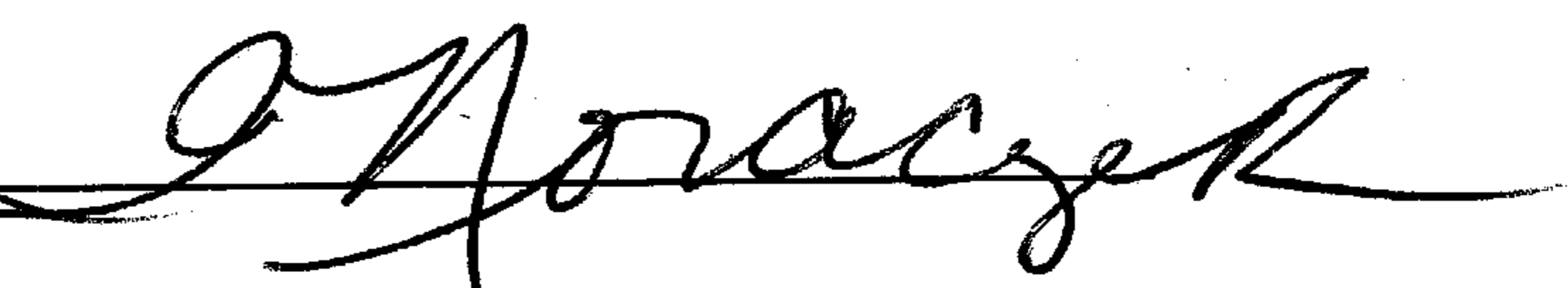
Adjournment:

On motion, duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Minutes approved

11 Sept. 2023


CAO (interim)


Mayor