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**SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 27, 2024**

In Attendance:

V.J. Nolan, Deputy Mayor
Gerard Linehan, Councillor
Loretta Nash, Councillor
Paula Linehan, Councillor
Don Corrigan, Councillor
Brenda Pike, Town Clerk

The meeting was called to order at 4:02 p.m.

The Clerk informed Council that she had been speaking with an Engineer with Government of NL, Capital Works funding, regarding applying for funding under a Capital Works grant for the repairs to the shed, town hall and fire hall. Due to the minimal work and cost, he suggested the Town should apply for Special Assistance Funding, as Capital Works funds are usually designated for larger projects, such as water, sewer, and large infrastructure.

Motion #2024-65: Joan Nolan; Loretta Nash

Council will apply for Special Assistance funding to carry out repairs to the shed, town hall and fire hall, as per quotes provided by Fort Property Construction. Estimate #EST0918 refers.

All in Favor; None Opposed

Motion Carried

Motion #2024-62: Joan Nolan; Gerard Linehan

Town Council, Colinet, hereby adopts the Ultimate Recipient Canada Community Building Fund Administrative Agreement for 2024-2034 between the Province of NL, Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs and the Town of Colinet.

All in Favor; None Opposed

Motion Carried

Budget

There was considerable discussion regarding the draft budget, as presented by the Clerk. The Clerk broke down the draft budget by each category, with an explanation for the designated budget figures.

Councillor Nash left the meeting at 5:00 p.m.

Council decided to reduce travel expenses from \$1,500 to \$500 for 2025.

Councillor Don Corrigan excused himself from the meeting during discussions of business tax.

Council decided that in light of allowable exemptions for not-for-profits and the remaining minimal revenue from businesses, that businesses will be charged the minimum business tax of \$350 for 2025. Businesses are required to pay the 4.5% mil rate or \$500 minimum on their business properties.

Councillor Corrigan left the meeting at 5:10 p.m.

The Clerk will make the recommended changes to the budget for presentation and approval at the December 3, 2025, meeting.

Motion #2024-66: Gerard Linehan; Joan Nolan

The meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

All in Favor; None Opposed

Motion Carried