



SOURIS TOWN COUNCIL AND  
SOURIS SEWER AND WATER UTILITY CORPORATION

MINUTES

Regular Monthly Meeting

**MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 2017 @ 7:00pm**

Town Hall ~ Council Chambers  
75 Main Street, Souris, PEI

**PLEASE NOTE – SPECIAL IN-CAMERA MEETING AT 6:45PM TO DISCUSS  
CONFIDENTIAL REQUEST from Island Wide Hospital Access for All**

**A. Call the regular monthly meeting of Council to Order 7:00PM**

Mayor MacDonald called the meeting to order with a quorum at 7:10pm. All Council present.

**B. Agenda**

**2.1 Approval of Agenda**

**MOTION** by C. Peters and seconded by C. Cheverie to approve the Agenda as circulated prior to the meeting. All in favour. Motion carried.

**2.2 Additions to Agenda**

No additions.

**C. Conflict of Interest Declaration**

Part VI, Section 23 of the Municipalities Act, which maintains that no member of Council shall derive any profit or financial advantage from his/her position as a member of Council and, where a member of Council has any pecuniary interest in or is affected by any matter before the Council, shall declare his/her interest therein and abstain from voting and discussion thereon.

No conflict declared.

**D. Approval of Minutes – December 19, 2016.**

**MOTION** by C. MacDonald and seconded by C. Thibodeau to approve the minutes of December 19, 2016 Council meeting with no errors or omissions. All in favour. Motion carried.

Presentations:

**E. Monthly RCMP Report (December)**

No representation at meeting.

Financial Information:

**F. General Account Budget Update** – as of December 31, 2016 (*keep in mind that there will be more expenses added as not all bills for December are in yet*)

C. Thibodeau passed out working sheets to Councillors for them to work on their 2017 Budgets.

**Our Budget must be complete and submitted to the Province prior to March 30, 2017.**

**G. Water & Sewer Utility Account Budget update** – as of December 31, 2016

**H. Town of Souris – General Account Invoices (\$55,410.63) for Approval as at Jan 6, 2016**

MOTION by C. Thibodeau and seconded by C. Peters to approve the payables as listed less the holdback for Chapman Bros. for Anniversary Ave until such time concerns of drainage are addressed and landscaping shows improvement. All in favour. Motion carried.

**I. Town of Souris – Sewer & Water Utility Corp Invoices (\$6,017.75) for Approval as at Jan 6, 2016**

MOTION by C. Thibodeau and seconded by C. Cheverie to approve the payables as listed less the holdback to Chapman Bros. Const. All in favour. Motion carried.

**J. General Account & Water Sewer Account Cheques Issued during the month of December 2016 –**

For review only.

**Planning/Development:****K. New Signage for MacPhee's Market**

Proposal for new signage at MacPhee's Market was presented to Council. Council agrees that this signage will fit within their signage bylaw guidelines and also agree that it will improve the exterior of the Main Street Mall.

**Business arising from previous meetings:****L. Proposal from Eastern Media to lease Matthew McLean 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Office Space**

Councillors T MacDonald and J Cheverie are negotiating terms of Lease.

**New Business, Correspondence, Requests and/or Additions:****M. REMINDER ~ Invitation to ALL Council to participate in a workshop January 17, 2017 Re Community Inclusion in partnership with PEI Newcomers & Souris Rural Action Centre.**

Joanne Roche and CAO have been actively participating in workshops and meetings across PEI for some time now and both feel this workshop would be beneficial to ALL of Town Council. Especially if we want to welcome and keep newcomers in our community.

C. Thibodeau will not be in attendance as he will be out of the country on holidays.

**N. Council Reports:****Mayor David MacDonald**

- Attended New Year's Day Family event at the rink
- Met with Senator Griffin and her assistant Lyle Skinner
- Advised Council that he plans to put his name forth for Vice President of the FPEIM
- Met with FPEIM Drug committee
- Gateway park Phase II planning meeting Jan 6th

**Deputy Mayor Denis Thibodeau**

- Attended New Year's Day Family event at the rink
- Gateway park Phase II planning meeting Jan 6<sup>th</sup>
- Meetings with Admin staff to prepare for year end and 2017 Budget

**Wanda Bailey**

- Sunday, January 1st, 2017, attended the town's new year's celebration at the eastern kings sportsplex
- volunteering for the Souris striders ski club, getting ready for the elimination draw tickets, ads, etc.

**JoAnne Dunphy**

- Meetings with Events Coordinator
- Attended New Year's Day Family Event. Wishes to express Thanks to the Staff who helped to organize. Event was well attended.
- Meetings with Administration
- Gateway park Phase II planning meeting Jan 6th

**Jim Cheverie**

- Regular meetings with Admin & Maintenance staff to discuss issues.
- Gateway park Phase II planning meeting Jan 6th

**Kenny Peters**

- New storage building at Fire Hall has been started.

**Thelma MacDonald**

- Currently helping to organize 55+ Games for Sours & Area January 18-21
- Reminded Council of Reception to be held Jan 21<sup>st</sup> at 11:30 for wrap of 55+ games.
- Feels Town Maintenance crew deserves credit for great job done during recent snow events in getting everything cleaned up quickly and efficiently.
- Regular visits to Town Hall

Administrator plans to set up a meeting with AOR Web Solutions re presentation for proposed new Website for the Town. Will advise time and date as soon as it is known.

**O. Adjournment @ 8:15pm**

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