

SOURIS TOWN COUNCIL AND SOURIS SEWER AND WATER UTILITY CORPORATION

MINUTES

SPECIAL COUNCIL Meeting MONDAY, MARCH 22, 2017 @ 7:00pm

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

A. Call the meeting of Council to Order 7:OOPM

Deputy Mayor Denis Thibodeau called the meeting to order with a quorum in the Mayor's absence. *Mayor arrived about 10 minutes late due to other committments*.

B. Agenda

2.1 Approval of Agenda

MOTION by C. Peters and seconded by C. Bailey to approve the Agenda as presented. All in favour. Motion carried.

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.

Presentations & Approval:

D. Presentation of 2016 Audited Financial Statements (by MRSB)

Michelle Burge of MRSB presented the 2016 Audited Consolidated Financial Statement for the Town of Souris. Once again presenting a very positive outcome with a surplus.

MOTION by C. Thibodeau and seconded by C. Peters to approve the financial statements as prepared by MRSB. All in favour. Motion carried.

E. Presentation of 2017 Town of Souris & Water & Sewer Utility Budgets (by Finance Chair Denis Thibodeau)

Finance Chair Denis Thibodeau presented the 2017 Town of Souris and Water & Sewer Utility Budget. Budget was reviewed in summary. Council met previous to this evening to review in detail. **MOTION** by C. Thibodeau and seconded by C. Dunphy to adopt and approve the 2017 Budget as

presented. All in favour. Motion carried.

New Business:

F. Appointment of 2017 Auditors

MOTION by C. Peters and seconded by C. Thibodeau to re-appoint MRSB as the Town official auditors for 2017. They seem to work very well with staff and present out statements in a timely and efficient manner. Making it very easy for everyone to understand. All in favour. Motion carried.

G. Review and decision of RFP received for Summer Garden/Flower Maintenance

MOTION by C. Dunphy and seconded by C. Thibodeau to hire Naburrs Gardens from Montague to Maintain the Town's flower beds for the summer season of 2017 as per proposal submitted by request of Admin and Chairperson of Community Improvements. Three were requested, two were received. It is recommended that we take the lower of the two which is Naburrs. All in favour. Motion carried.

**Mayor has been speaking to reps at DOT about lack of signage at the new Charlottetown Bypass Roundabout. Currently there is only a temporary sign directly people to Souris and the CTMA Ferry but plenty of signage for Wood Islands. He feels this needs to be corrected as several thousand travelers will pass through there trying to find their way to Souris, especially for the Ferry. He will be following up.

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