



SOURIS TOWN COUNCIL AND
SOURIS SEWER AND WATER UTILITY CORPORATION

MINUTES

Regular Monthly Meeting

MONDAY, November 13, 2017 @ 7:00pm

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

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

Mayor O'Brien called the meeting to order with a quorum.

B. Agenda

2.1 Approval of Agenda

2.2 Additions to Agenda

MOTION by C. Thibodeau and seconded by C. Peters to approve the agenda as prepared and circulated prior to meeting with no additions. 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.

D. Approval of Minutes – October 9, 2017.

MOTION by C. MacDonald and seconded by C. Bailey to approve the minutes of October 9, 2017 as prepared by our CAO without any errors or omissions. All in favour. Motion carried.

Presentations:

E. Monthly RCMP Report (October 2017)

Edison Smith represented the RCMP with a report to Council. For all Halloween 2017 was relatively quiet with no serious issues.

MOTION by C. MacDonald and seconded by C. Bailey to adopt the RCMP report as presented. All in favour. Motion carried.

F. Recreation PEI “Tobacco Free” Presentation by Frank Morrison

Frank Morrison and Gary MacDougal presented their strategy for a Smoke Free PEI. Non-smoking public spaces are becoming the new normal. They are working with municipalities across PEI to promote Smoke Free towns & cities. Presently the Town of Stratford is working on a Bylaw.

Business arising from previous meetings:

Financial Information:**G. General Account Budget Update** – as of October 31, 2017

C. Thibodeau reviewed the Budget to date. So far things look to be on par with our budget. We are nearing our year end and will have to start working on our 15 month budget for 2018-19 to bring our year end in line with the Province as per the new Municipal Act.

H. Water & Sewer Utility Account Budget update – as of October 31, 2017

Also, reviewed by C. Thibodeau.

I. Town of Souris – General Account Invoices (\$99,348.56) for Approval as at November 9, 2017

MOTION by C. Thibodeau and seconded by C. MacDonald to pay the bills listed in the amount of \$99,348.56. All in favour. Motion carried.

J. Town of Souris – Sewer & Water Utility Corp Invoices (\$14,553.81) for Approval as at November 9, 2017.

MOTION by C. Thibodeau and seconded by C. Cheverie to pay the bills listed in the amount of \$14,553.81. All in favour. Motion carried.

K. General Account & Water Sewer Account Cheques Issued during the month of October 2017 –

For review only.

Planning/Development:

No new development.

New Business, Correspondence, Requests and/or Additions:**L. Snow Plowing and Sanding prices for 2017-2018 {Chapman's & Province of PEI}**

MOTION by C. Cheverie and seconded by C. Thibodeau to accept the proposals from Chapman Bros. for snow plowing and sanding in the amount of \$91,712.18(includes HST) and from the Province of PEI for the supply of sand in the amount of \$8,525.16(includes HST). All in favour. Motion carried.

M. Request for funding from Eastern Kings Sports Council.

MOTION by C. MacDonald and seconded by C. Thibodeau to contribute \$2,000 to the EK Sports Council. There was \$12,000 in the recreation budget however Council felt that since they gave \$10,000 to the rink for their major fundraising campaign that they could only contribute the balance of \$2,000 to the EK Sports Council for 2017. A list was provided with names of participants from the Town for some of the programming. Participant information is not available for all programs that EK Sports Council facilitates. Council will re-consider for 2018-19. All in favour. Motion carried.

N. Request for financial support from Souris Legion – carried forward from October meeting.

Council will consider this request either at year end, once our final numbers are in, or possibly in their 2018-19 Budget.

O. Request for donation to Lions Club Christmas Box Campaign

MOTION by C. MacDonald and seconded by C. Thibodeau to contribute \$350 towards the Souris Lions Club Christmas Box Campaign. All in favour. Motion carried.

P. Council Reports:**Mayor Stephen O'Brien**

- October 12- Rural & Regional Development
- October 16- Funding for Rural & Regional Development
- October 18- Meeting with the Deputy of Innovation & Advanced Learning
- October 22- Firefighter Retirement
- October 24- Eastern Kings Sportsplex AGM
- October 26- Police Act Amendment (Hunter River)
- October 28- Souris Beach Cleanup
- November 3- Immigrant Partnering & Organizations (Summerside)
- November 4- Semi-Annual Municipalities Meeting (Montague)
- November 5- Legion & Monument Opening
- November 7- Health Board
- November 10- Asset Management (Montague)
- November 11- Remembrance Day

Deputy Mayor Denis Thibodeau

- Met with CAO and Admin staff at various times
- Attended meeting on 2019 Acadian Congress Nov 6th (we need to engage our local Acadian community, CAFÉ, etc in the planning for this event, we should consider putting some \$\$ in the 2019 Budget)
- Attended meeting on new Municipal Capital Expenditure Grant Nov 6th
- Attended FPEIM Semi-Annual Meeting Nov 4th

Wanda Bailey

- October 24th, EK Sportsplex AGM
- October 28th, Souris Beach Cleanup
- November 4th, FPEIM Semi-Annual Meeting in Montague
- November 7th, Souris Striders AGM
- November 11th, Remembrance Day Services
- Prepared notice to go in Mousetales for Ski Club

JoAnne Dunphy

- Meeting with Gateway park beach Committee
- Meeting with B.I.T. Decorations for Christmas decorating
- Our new Christmas decorations will be put up soon (also some new banners to replace worn and damaged ones)
- Meetings with Administrator
- Meetings with Event Co-ordinator
- Meeting with Councillor Cheverie and Construction team re Beach Project
- Monitoring beach for signs of erosion damage, etc.
- Beach cleanup was a success. We will plan another one in spring. Thank you to everyone who continues to help keep our beach clean.
- We were successful in receiving a \$1,000 grant to host a Canada 150 Skate at EK Sportsplex

Jim Cheverie

- Ongoing meetings regarding the beach seawall, beach project and erosions issues. Requested an update on the offshore intertidal reefs to be built. Province is still committed to building them this year.
- Met with CAO re space for lease in MM Bldg.
- Regular meetings with project consultant for beach project. Splash pad is pretty much complete. Starting the process to tender out the next phase of the project early in 2018.

Kenny Peters

- Attended Firemen Association monthly meeting.
- Review of EMO is still ongoing. PEI Public Safety Office is reviewing now
- No new planning applications.

Thelma MacDonald

- Visited RCMP detachment
- Attended Policing meeting in Hunter River with Mayor
- Attended Seniors meeting
- Attended dedication of new monument and grand reopening of Legion home

Q. Adjournment.

MOTION by C. Cheverie to adjourn at 8:25pm

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