



SOURIS TOWN COUNCIL AND
SOURIS SEWER AND WATER UTILITY CORPORATION

MINUTES

Regular Monthly Meeting
MONDAY, July 9, 2018 @ 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. All Council were present.

B. Agenda

2.1 Approval of Agenda

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

2.2 Additions to Agenda

MOTION by C. Peters and seconded by C. Cheverie to add: Brian Deveau to update on Boardwalk Extension project. 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 – June 11, 2018.

MOTION by C. Thibodeau and seconded by C. Dunphy to approve the minutes of June 11, 2018 as prepared and distributed by CAO prior to this meeting without errors or omissions. All in favour. Motion carried.

Presentations:

E. Monthly RCMP Report (June 2018)

Representing the RCMP was Cst. Jeremy Johnson. Report included: increased activity during summer months, participated in East Point Lighthouse Run, kindergarten children were at department for a tour, Canada Day Flag raising and Fireworks, two impaired drivers, 54 call all together during the month of June.

C. Cheverie questioned the crosswalk at the Beach. Did the RCMP feel the signage was sufficient? Are there set regulations? Cst. Johnson will look into it, but felt it may be more of a provincial highway safety issue.

MOTION by C. MacDonald and seconded by C. Peters to adopt the monthly RCMP report as presented. Summary of calls report was provided to Council. All in favour. Motion carried.

ADDITION: Brian Deveau was present to update Council Boardwalk project and ask for financial support from the Town.

The committee found out that plans prepared by David MacAulay with Cahill's construction can be signed off by an engineer. The Province will give \$7,500 to hire a planner/designer in order to acquire permits, funding, etc. We would have to contribute 15% (\$1,125).

MOTION by C. Dunphy and seconded by C. Cheverie that we agree to contribute the 15%. All in favour. Motion carried.

The Province has upped their contribution to the project to \$100,000. ACOA may be in for 50% of the anticipated \$400,000. That would leave \$100,000 balance to be funded.

Business arising from previous meetings:

Financial Information:

F. General Account Budget Update

C. Thibodeau reviewed and to date budgets are looking good.

G. Water & Sewer Utility Account Budget update

C. Thibodeau reviewed and to date budgets are looking good.

H. Town of Souris – General Account Invoices (\$39,120.40) for Approval as at July 6, 2018

MOTION by C. Thibodeau and seconded by C. Cheverie that we pay the invoices as listed in the amount of \$39,120.40. All in favour. Motion carried.

I. Town of Souris – Sewer & Water Utility Corp Invoices (\$4,156.02) for Approval as at July 6, 2018.

MOTION by C. Thibodeau and seconded by C. Cheverie that we pay the invoices as listed in the amount of \$4,156.02. All in favour. Motion carried.

J. General Account & Water Sewer Account Cheques issued during the month of June 2018 – For review only.

Planning/Development:

K. Proposal to donate land PID 899187 to developers David and Wendy McQuaid for purposes of developing senior friendly, accessible, affordable housing units.

C. Thibodeau – should we ask for expressions of interest from other developers?

Mayor O'Brien – suggests inquiring about the extra land near the Hospital and Manor. He remembers that originally some of that land was to be used for transition housing for seniors.

C. MacDonald – feels this type of housing is really needed in our Town

Mayor O'Brien and C. MacDonald will try to meet with someone from the Province regarding land. No decision made at this meeting. To be carried forward pending more information.

L. Proposal to Rezone PID 899187 from Open Space to Multi-family Residential for purposes as outlined in item K.

No decision made at this meeting. To be carried forward pending more information on item K.

New Business, Correspondence, Requests and/or Additions:

M. Request from Eastern Kings Exhibition 2018 for donation.

MOTION by C. Cheverie and seconded by C. MacDonald that we donate \$500 towards the 2018 Exhibition. All in favour. Motion carried.

N. Renewal of promotional agreement with Eastern Media.

MOTION by C. Cheverie and seconded by C. Peters that we renew our promotional agreement with Eastern Media. Council feels there are getting their monies worth with the promotion Eastern Media is doing for Eastern PEI. All in favour. Motion carried.

O. Council Reports:

Mayor Stephen O'Brien

- June 16- MacLean Family Reunion
- June 17- Souris Live Father's Day Concert
- June 19- Immigrant Investors
- June 23- Souris Co-op Charity BBQ
- June 24- Souris Lobster Festival
- June 25- French School Graduation
- June 26- Federation of PEI Municipalities
- June 29- Souris Live Concert
- July 1 - Canada Day Celebrations
- July 6- Blue Grass Festival Opening
- July 9- Immigrant Investors

Deputy Mayor Denis Thibodeau

- Various meetings town CAO
- Meetings with immigrant investors
- Noticed that new deck at the beach is quite popular. Hoping we can get shelter built as he feels it would be welcome by all.

Wanda Bailey

- Saturday, June 16th, attended the Celebration of life, contributions of Lieutenant Rena McLean, World War 1 nurse from Souris 2 – 4 pm at the Matthew and McLean Historium.
- Sunday, July 1st, attended the Canada Day Celebrations at the CN Park 1230 til 4pm.

JoAnne Dunphy

- Attended Canada Day Celebrations. Very successful once again.
- Rena McLean event was a great success. Thank you to staff for organizing.

Jim Cheverie

- Also attended the Rena McLean Event.
- Became a Grandpa x 2 this past month.

Kenny Peters

- All is well with Fire Department.
- No planning meeting this month

Thelma MacDonald

- Attended Canada Day Celebrations
- Regular meetings with Admin staff
- Met with RCMP
- Attended Rena McLean Event at MMBldg.
- Still working on Seniors Housing project with local committee
- Also planning an OPEN HOUSE for Dr. Malone and Dr. Fancy to Welcome them to the community.

P. Adjournment.

Motion to Adjourn at 8:00pm by C. Cheverie

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