



SOURIS TOWN COUNCIL AND
SOURIS SEWER AND WATER UTILITY CORPORATION

MINUTES

Regular Monthly Meeting
MONDAY, June 11, 2018 @ 7:00pm

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

Council met informally prior to meeting to discuss the request to donate land. Issue was carried into public meeting for formal discussion. No motions were made.

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

MOTION by C. Thibodeau and seconded by C. MacDonald to approve the agenda as circulated prior to meeting. All in favour. Motion carried.

2.2 Additions to Agenda

MOTION by C. MacDonald and seconded by C. Peters to ADD: Request for donation of land PID#899187 by Wendy and David McQuaid for purposes of building a senior friendly accessible housing. 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.

D. Approval of Minutes – May 14, 2018.

MOTION by C. Thibodeau and seconded by C. MacDonald to approve the minutes of May 14, 2018 without errors or omissions as prepared by CAO. All in favour. Motion carried.

Presentations:

E. Monthly RCMP Report (May 2018)

Cpl. Greg Garrett presented report to Mayor and Council. 33 calls. 3 impaired drivers. NO EXIT light on Federal Ave seems to be causing drivers to use that street more often. Town is working on replacing light.

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

Business arising from previous meetings:

Financial Information:**F. General Account Budget Update**

Finance Chair Thibodeau review budgets. To date budgets look good.

G. Water & Sewer Utility Account Budget update

Finance Chair Thibodeau review budgets. To date budgets look good.

H. Town of Souris – General Account Invoices (\$23,063.12) for Approval as at June 8, 2018

MOTION by C. Thibodeau and seconded by C. MacDonald to pay \$23,063.12 in payables as listed. All in favour. Motion carried.

I. Town of Souris – Sewer & Water Utility Corp Invoices (\$902.11) for Approval as at June 8, 2018.

MOTION by C. Thibodeau and seconded by C. Cheverie to pay \$902.11 in payables as listed. All in favour. Motion carried.

J. General Account & Water Sewer Account Cheques issued during the month of May 2018 –

For review only.

Planning/Development:**K. Application from Mike Clinton to operate a Bed & Breakfast in his home at 50 Main Street.**

MOTION by C. Peters and seconded by C. MacDonald to approve application to operate a Bed & Breakfast by Mike Clinton of 50 Main Street. Proposal is for 1 bedroom only. Adequate parking is available. All other Provincial regulations must be met. All in favour. Motion carried.

L. Review and recommendation required to proceed with process to Amend our Unsightly Premises By Law #2004-07 that was prepared by our lawyer John Hennessey. Copy of amendment attached.

In order to amend we are required to provide public notification as well as two readings at two separate meetings.

MOTION by C. Thibodeau and seconded by C. Cheverie that CAO proceed with necessary public notification process in order to amend By Law #2004-07. All in favour. Motion carried.

M. CAO would like permission to begin Development Bylaw & Official Plan review process by looking into possible funding sources, RFP preparation, etc. As per section 15.1 of the PEI Planning Act we are required to review and update our Development Bylaws and Official Plan every 5 years. We are currently past the 5 year mark. Now that the new Municipal Government Act and Planning Act are complete or near complete we need to be in compliance.

MOTION by C. Thibodeau and seconded by C. Dunphy to proceed with this process. All in favour. Motion carried.

New Business, Correspondence, Requests and/or Additions:**N. Patching and Paving Tender. Two bids were received. Chapman Bros. Construction \$41,568.28 Island Construction \$47,453.60.** It was recommended by Streets Chairperson C. MacDonald to award the tender to the lowest bidder Chapman Bros. Construction conditional that the work be completed by deadline in bid form. Work has already commenced.

MOTION by C. MacDonald and seconded by C. Peters to award this tender to Chapman Bros. Const. for \$41,568.28. All in favour. Motion carried.

O. Renewal of Lease for .95 Acres of Land from Province near Souris Bridge (see attached email from Scott Morrison)

MOTION by C. Thibodeau and seconded by C. Dunphy to renew this lease. All in favour. Motion carried.

P. Request from La-Belle-Cloche for contribution towards their graduating class of 2018.

MOTION by C. Peters and seconded by C. Cheverie to donate \$400 towards the graduates of Ecole La-Belle-Cloche. All in favour. Motion carried.

Q. Response from Health PEI Re Telemedicine Pilot Project at Colville Manor.

For information purposes.

ADDITION: Request to donate Town owned land to David & Wendy McQuaid to develop senior friendly accessible housing units on PID 89187.

MOTION by C. MacDonald and seconded by C. Peters that the Town consider donating PID#899187 with access to Anniversary Ave to David and Wendy McQuaid for the purposes of developing four 5 unit senior friendly accessible and affordable houses. As required a public meeting will need to be held in order to donate or sell land under market value. Also, this land would need to be rezoned from Open Space to Multi family Residential. This will also be brought to public meeting for review. All those living within close proximity of the land will be notified by mail as well as an Ad in Guardian to notify all residents of the Town. All in favour. Motion carried.

R. Council Reports:

Mayor Stephen O'Brien

- May 17, FPEIM meeting
- May 22, Meeting with Kidney Foundation CEO
Meeting with Dog owner & RCMP re dog at large
- May 23, EMO planning
- May 25, Ecole la Belle Cloche Official Opening
- May 28, Immigrant Investors/possible endorsement Visit
- June 6, Immigrant Investors/possible endorsement Visit
- Co-hosted QEH Fundraiser Eastlink

Deputy Mayor Denis Thibodeau

- Attended French school opening
- Met with Steve Cheverie on deck project
- Meeting with Chinese newcomers
- Various meetings town CAO

Wanda Bailey

- Met with Rec Director Re reduction if funding provided by the Town

JoAnne Dunphy

- Regular meetings with Admin & Events Coordinator
- Attended Planning Workshop with CAO in Pooles Corner
- Toured town with CAO and Bylaw Officer to identify unsightly properties and other issues
- Attended Official opening of Ecole la belle cloche.

Jim Cheverie

- Beach project, signs and deck at beach.

Kenny Peters

- All is good. Fire Dept going well.

Thelma MacDonald

- Attended meetings re the Affordable housing project.
- Visited the RCMP
- Talked to Darren Chaisson, Deputy Minister of Transportation, re a digital speed sign at the entrance to Town & the crosswalk light at the beach. The province will install a digital speed sign and are going to check to see how they can make the warning lights for the crosswalk more visible. (update ~ sign is scheduled to be installed by June 15th)

S. Adjournment.

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