

Souris Town Council and Souris sewer and water Utility Corporation

MINUTES

Regular Monthly Meeting MONDAY, December 10, 2018 @ 7:00pm

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

New Town Council was sworn-in December 3, 2018 ~ Welcome New Councillors

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

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

B. Agenda

2.1 Approval of Agenda

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

2.2 Additions to Agenda

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 – November 12, 2018.

MOTION by C. T. MacDonald and seconded by C. Chaisson to approve the minutes of November 12, 2018 meeting without errors or omissions. All in favour. Motion carried.

Presentations:

E. Monthly RCMP Report (November 2018)

Cst. Ian Allen presented monthly report. Meeting at school Re Cannibis has been rescheduled. Increased presence at start and end of school day. False alarms are more common with poor weather and power outages.

MOTION by C. Thelma and seconded by C. Bailey to accept the report presented by RCMP for the month of November. All in favour. Motion carried.

Business arising from previous meetings:

F. Gateway Project Phase III INTEGRATED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN TOWN OF SOURIS Prepared by: Cathy Rose | October 2018 ~ presented by Ms. Rose

Financial Information:

- **G. General Account Budget Update** For review only.
- **H. Water & Sewer Utility Account Budget update** For review only.
- I. Town of Souris General Account Invoices (\$5257.94) for Approval as at Dec 7, 2018 MOTION by C. Dunphy and seconded by C. Ian to approve the payables as listed. All in favour. Motion carried.
- J. Town of Souris Sewer & Water Utility Corp Invoices (\$523.88) for Approval as at Dec 7, 2018. MOTION by C. Dunphy and seconded by C. Peters to approve the payables as listed. All in favour. Motion carried.
- K. General Account & Water Sewer Account Cheques issued during the month of November 2018 For review only.

Planning/Development:

L. No new planning applications.

New Business, Correspondence, Requests and/or Additions:

M. Motion to change signing authority at Souris Credit Union is Required. Current signing authority is Mayor Steve O'Brien, Denis Thibodeau and Shelley LaVie. New signing authority will be Mayor Steve O'Brien, JoAnne Dunphy and Shelley LaVie. As before, two of the three are required to sign.

MOTION by C. Thelma and seconded by C. Chaisson to change the signing authority for the Town of Souris as outlined. Mayor, Deputy Mayor, CAO. All in favour. Motion carried.

N. Bylaw Enforcement – Our existing Bylaw Enforcement contract is up for renewal. Council to decide if they want to request proposals from other firms or just ask for renewal rate from NPSS. Council suggests that we ask our current provider if they are interested in 1 day per week, year round. It is felt that there is not enough work for 2 days per week in the summer. Possibly could be on call if needed in an emergency situation. CAO will talk to NPSS and bring back to next meeting.

O. Status of Recreation Director through EK Sports Council. C. Bailey to update.

Councillor Bailey updated Council Re Sports Council. It looks like they will dissolve as a group and return funds to the communities that contributed. Further update to follow.

P. Development Bylaw and Official Plan review and update requirement. We are currently overdue for our 5 year review and update. We need to consider extending a public invitation for proposals.

MOTION by C. Dunphy and seconded by C. Bailey that we proceed with requesting RFP's from possible consultants. All in favour. Motion carried.

Q. Motion required to submit application for funding from the Rural Growth Initiative Program for our Boardwalk Extension.

MOTION by C. Peters and seconded by C. Dunphy to submit application for funding from the Rural Growth Initiative Program for our Boardwalk Extension projet. All in favour. Motion carried.

Addition:

Request for Souris & Area 2019 55+ Winter Games to be held in Souris January 23 – 26, 2019.

MOTION by C. Peters and seconded by C. Bailey to donate \$300 towards the 2019 55+ games. All in favour. Motion carried.

R. Council Reports:

Mayor Stephen O'Brien

- Nov 15 ~ Federation of PEI Municipalities meeting
- > Nov 17 ~ Fire Department Appreciation Dinner
- Dec 3 ~ Council Swearing-In
- > Dec 5 ~ Federation of PEI Municipalities Christmas Dinner

Deputy Mayor JoAnne Dunphy

- Nov 17 ~ Fire Department Appreciation Dinner
- Nov 23 Dec 1 ~ Souris Christmas Parade Festival Week
- ➢ Dec 3 ∼ Council Swearing-in
- Regular meeting with Admin and Special Events

Wanda Bailey

- Wednesday, November 21st, attended the Souris Co-op Annual General meeting at the EK Sportsplex at 7:00pm
- > Tuesday, November 27th, attended the Town of Souris Tree Lighting ceremony at 630pm
- Tuesday, November 27th, attended a Souris Striders Ski and Snowshoe Club meeting at 7pm at the ski lodge.
- ▶ Wednesday, November 28th, 6- 9pm, attended the Shopping Extravaganza around the town.
- Saturday, December 1st, attended the 38th Annual Christmas Parade.
- Monday, December 3rd, Council Swearing-in Ceremony

Frankie Chaisson

- > December 3rd ~ Council Swearing-in Ceremony
- Received several concerns from residents regarding crosswalk on Main Street near Dollar Store. We should look into flashing lights to make crosswalk more visible.

Ian MacDonald

▶ Dec 3 ~ Council Swearing-in Ceremony

Thelma MacDonald

- ➢ Nov 17 ∼ Firemen's Dinner
- > Nov 30 ~ Meeting in Charlottetown Re Seniors Housing Development
- Dec 1 ~ Souris Christmas Parade
- Dec 3 ~ Council Swearing In
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Kenny Peters

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S. Adjournment.

MOTION by C. Peters to adjourn at 7:50pm