

Souris Town Council and Souris sewer and water Utility Corporation

MINUTES

Regular Monthly Meeting MONDAY, MAY 13, 2019 @ 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. C. Chaisson was absent from meeting.

B. Agenda

2.1 Approval of Agenda

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

2.2 Additions to Agenda

No additions.

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.

Mayor O'Brien declared conflict on Item M as his daughter is the one requesting sponsorship for Souris Live Inc.

D. Approval of Minutes – April 8, 2019 & April 15, 2019

MOTION by C. T. MacDonald and seconded by C. Dunphy to approve the minutes of April 8th and April 15th, 2019 as prepared by CAO and presented to Council prior to the meeting. All in favour. Motion carried.

Presentations:

E. Monthly RCMP Report (April 2019)

Cst. Les Dill presented monthly RCMP report. More checkpoints on outskirts of Town. RCMP talked to CTMA about using Knights Ave. RCMP are selling the house they own on Union Ave. **MOTION** by C. T. MacDonald and seconded by C. I. MacDonald to approve the RCMP report as presented for the month of April. All in favour. Motion carried.

Business arising from previous meetings:

F. Naming of Street off Anniversary Ave. Currently no name on the street between Arlene McKay's house and Cindy (Sterling) MacDonald's house.

MOTION by C. Peters and seconded by C. T. MacDonald to Name the small street off Anniversary Avenue "Sterling's Lane" in memory of our past employee Sterling MacDonald. As per **Town of Souris By-laws BY-LAW No. 76-1 NAMING OF STREETS AND NUMBERING OF HOUSES**

All in Favour. Motion Carried.

Financial Information:

- **G. General Account Budget Update** Not available this month as new Budget numbers have not been updated. Audit is taking place May 14-15th.
- **H. Water & Sewer Utility Account Budget update -** Not available this month as new Budget numbers have not been updated. Audit is taking place May 14-15th.
- I. Town of Souris General Account Invoices (\$5,351.82) for Approval as at May 10, 2019 MOTION by C. Dunphy and seconded by C. Bailey to approve the A/P for the General Account in the amount listed \$5,351.82. All in favour. Motion carried.
- J. Town of Souris Sewer & Water Utility Corp Invoices (\$0.00) for Approval as at May 10, 2019.
- **K. General Account & Water Sewer Account Cheques issued during the month of April 2019** For review only.

Planning/Development:

L. For information purposes... Demolition permit was issued to Brian Carter for the demolition of old Carter house on Paquet Ave. Demolition has already taken place according to the regulations of the permit.

New Business, Correspondence, Requests and/or Additions:

M. Request from Souris Live Inc for sponsorship for their 2019 season.

MOTION by C. T. MacDonald and seconded by C. I. MacDonald that we provide sponsorship to Souris Live Inc in the amount of \$501 for their summer concert series. All in favour. Motion carried.

N. Request from La Belle Cloche for donation towards their 2019 Graduation

MOTION by C. Peters and seconded by C. T. MacDonald to make a donation of \$400 towards the 2019 Graduation of Ecole La Belle Cloche. All in favour. Motion carried.

O. Request from P.E.I. Rural Beautification Society for sponsorship

MOTION by C. Dunphy and seconded by C. Bailey to provide sponsorship in the amount of \$260 to the PEI Rural Beautification Society for the 2019 Competition.

P. Council Reports:

Mayor Stephen O'Brien

- Apr 9, meeting with RCMP
- > Apr 9, day with medical student from Memorial
- > Apr 10, Interview with Angela Walker (CBC) Re Beach project
- > Apr 11, Meeting re restructuring
- > Apr 15, Budget meeting
- > Apr 29, PEI Municipal Federation of PEI AGM in St. Peters
- > Apr 30, meeting with prospective immigrant settler

Deputy Mayor JoAnne Dunphy

- Annual Budget meeting
- Met with Nabuurs Gardens Re upcoming flower plantings
- Regular meetings with Admin and Special Events Coordinator

Wanda Bailey

- Saturday, April 3th, supposed to sell daffodils at the Pharmasave from 2 4 pm, waited there for a while and no one showed up.
- > Wednesday, April 24th, Cemetery meeting at the Souris Legion 7 830 pm
- Sunday, May 5th, 2:30 530pm, volunteered at St. Mary's Pork Dinner

Frankie Chaisson

Report at meeting

Ian MacDonald

Report at meeting

Thelma MacDonald

Report at meeting

Kenny Peters

Report at meeting

CAO Report ~ (a few of the things dealt with over the past month)

- Met with Jacob Smith from Go! East PEI re Disc Golf Course
- Submitted ICIP applications for Treatment Plant Upgrades, New Sidewalk on MacPhee Ave, and Disc Golf Course at Ski Lodge trails. CBCL submitted the application for the Treatment Plant Upgrades on our behalf and it was identified as our #1 priority.
- Submitted and received required permit to undertake work at beach including beach clean-ups and installing stairs and ramps and any other general work required.
- Met with David MacAulay Re added decking near Poke Shack
- Received permission from Province for the installation of water line and underground holding tank from DOT. Maint. Dept to arrange for work to take place asap.
- Met with Johnny & Mary Jane Flynn Re addition to Lobster Shack. They have decided to leave the work till the fall as time is getting short for this summer season.
- Received approval for 2 federally funded students, 1 for museum and 1 for gateway park. Hoping to get provincial funding as well for at least a couple more.
- Tendered the work for the replacement of the Matthew McLean deck and walkway. Invited 6 local contractors. Received 2 bids. 1 from B. Clinton Construction for \$34,620 and 1 from Malone Construction for \$23,294.61. Due to time constraints others were not able to submit. Job was awarded to Malone Construction. Work is presently underway.
- Received extra weeks for Emily Gregory to start work 4 weeks earlier then normal from Skills PEI.
- ▶ Issued development permit for Earl Woods for new house at 132 Main Street, work has begun.
- > Greg Jay and I met with Jessie & Alex from the Province Re New Asset Management software
- Mayor O'Brien and I attended FPEIM AGM in St. Peters
- Attended Rural Action Committee Partners meeting May 8th in Montague. As always these meetings are very informative as each partner talks about what's happening and what's new. Partners include ACOA, Rural Development, Career Services, Points East Coastal Drive, Town of Three Rivers, Watershed groups, EK Chamber of Commerce, etc.
- MRSB has been here for Pre-Audit work. Audit to take place May 15-16. Audited Financial Statements are due to be submitted to the Province by July 15, 2019.
- Councillor Dunphy and I brought hanging baskets to Nabuurs Gardens and met with Arnie & Mary Re summer flowers. They have been up since to clean up and prepare for summer planting.
- The Vision East group have decided to put their efforts on hold slightly to see where the new government sits on some of the requirements for the new municipal government act (MGA).
- Brian Deveau recently updated: Received an email today from MCPEI advising they do not object to the proposed extension of the leased area. The Properties Section will now be moving forward with requesting Ministerial approval to proceed with the proposal. They will let us know when that approval has been received.
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Q. Adjournment.

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