



SOURIS TOWN COUNCIL AND
SOURIS SEWER AND WATER UTILITY CORPORATION

MINUTES

Regular Monthly Meeting
MONDAY, JULY 8, 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. Ian MacDonald was absent from the meeting.

B. Agenda

2.1 Approval of Agenda

MOTION by C. Peters and seconded by C. Dunphy to approve the agenda as circulated prior to this meeting with additions noted in 2.2. All in favour. Motion carried.

2.2 Additions to Agenda

Request from International Tuna Cup Challenge for Sponsorship.

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 10, 2019

MOTION by C. T. MacDonald and seconded by C. Chaisson to approve the minutes of June 10, 2019 Council meeting as prepared by CAO and circulated to Council prior to this meeting with no errors or omissions. All in favour. Motion carried.

Presentations:

E. Monthly RCMP Report (June 2019)

No report available.

F. Michelle Burge of MRSB will Present Town of Souris Audited Financial Statements for 2018-19

Ms. Burge from MRSB reviewed the audited Financial Statements for 2018-19 for the Town of Souris. Their findings were that everything was presented fairly and openly. Once again the Town of Souris is in a very good financial positions ending the year with a small surplus.

MOTION by C. Peters and seconded by C. Dunphy that we approve the Financial Statements as prepared and presented by MRSB. All in favour. Motion carried.

CAO added that the representatives from MRSB were very good to work with.

Business arising from previous meetings:**G. CATC request for Fresh Water Well**

Mayor O'Brien updated Council. Mayor, CAO & Maintenance Supervisor were given a tour of CATC and the need for a Fresh Water Well was clearly explained. They also explained how they would prevent any cross contamination. Our Engineers have agreed to inspect the installation and help to prepare an agreement to be signed that will address Council's concerns. A test well is being drilled first to see it is even viable.

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

For review only. So far budget looks good.

I. Water & Sewer Utility Account Budget update

For review only. So far budget looks good.

J. Town of Souris – General Account Invoices (\$29,259.55) for Approval as at July 5, 2019

MOTION by C. Dunphy and seconded by C. Peters that we pay the A/P as listed. All in favour. Motion carried.

K. Town of Souris – Sewer & Water Utility Corp Invoices (\$16,091.29) for Approval as at July 5, 2019.

MOTION by C. Dunphy and seconded by C. Bailey that we pay the A/P as listed. All in favour. Motion carried.

L. General Account & Water Sewer Account Cheques issued during the month of June 2019 – For review only.Planning/Development:**M. For information purposes. . . Development permits were issued for:**

Ian MacDonald (as approved at last month meeting)

Bonita Carter, 176 Main St (6'x8' storage shed)

Claire Inward, 4 Sunset St (7'x7' storage shed)

Nadine Jennings, 31 Longworth St (12'x20' storage building)

New Business, Correspondence, Requests and/or Additions:**N. Appointment of 2020 Auditors**

MOTION by C. Peters and seconded by C. T. MacDonald that we appoint MRSB as our auditors for 2019-20 fiscal year.

O. Re-appointment of Chief Administrative Officer

MOTION by C. T. MacDonald and seconded by C. Bailey that we re-appoint Shelley LaVie as our Chief Administrative Officer for the Town of Souris.

P. Request for Sponsorship from Big Field Traditions (Rollo Bay Fiddle Festival)

MOTION by C. Chaisson and seconded by C. Peters that we not provide sponsorship for the 2019 Rollo Bay Fiddle Festival based on them giving up the Blue Grass Festival. The Blue Grass Festival

will now be held in Dundas which Council feels will hurt the businesses in the Souris area. CAO to let the organizers know of this decision. All in favour. Motion carried.

Q. Request for Sponsorship from Eastern Kings Community Centre Ceilidhs

Discussion was held and it was felt that with limited dollars in our sponsorship budget we must limit what amounts go to events outside the Town. It was decided at this time not to provide sponsorship for Eastern Kings Ceilidhs. We can continue to support them in-kind by helping to promote their events on our social media accounts.

ADDED:

Request from International Tuna Cup Challenge for sponsorship

MOTION by C. T. MacDonald and seconded by C. Peters to provide \$200 for sponsorship of this event. All in favour. Motion carried.

R. Council Reports:

Mayor Stephen O'Brien

- June 20 - Meeting with UPEI Research group
- June 24 - Meeting with PEI Connectors
- June 25 - Meeting with Environment Reps regarding CATC Request for Fresh Water Well
- June 27 - Tour of CATC facility with manager Shaun MacLeod, CAO and Maintenance Operator Greg Jay
- July 1 - Attended Canada Day Activities
- FPEIM is working on a procurement agreement that will benefit PEI Municipalities. Even though it is not finalized we should let FPEIM know if we plan any larger purchases, they may be able to help us get better pricing.

Deputy Mayor JoAnne Dunphy

- Regular meetings with Admin and Events coordinator
- Meeting with ACOA Re Boardwalk Extension project
- Helped to coordinate flower planting for 2019
- Meetings regarding CMA 2019 event. CAFÉ and Eastern Media
- Meeting with Environment Reps regarding CATC Request for Fresh Water Well
- Attended July 1st Canada Day Fireworks

Wanda Bailey

- Sunday, June 23rd, collected for St. Mary's Parish Annual collection
- Monday, July 1st, attended the Canada Day Activities at EK Sportsplex

Frankie Chaisson

- Still receiving complaints of Crosswalks within the Town.
 - Crosswalk on Main Street near Church Ave intersection
 - Crosswalk at Gateway Park needs improvement.
 - We need a NO PARKING sign on Belle Ave (East side) near Artisans on Main
 - We should completely remove the old wooden walkway on Breakwater St as it is beyond repair. People have the paved should to walk on which is safer.

CAO will try to set up a meeting with Minister of Transportation or representative to discuss some of our concerns on Provincially designated streets.

Ian MacDonald

- Report at meeting

Thelma MacDonald

- Attended Canada Day Festivities
- Met with RCMP on various occasions

Kenny Peters

- Regular meetings with Admin and staff.
- Stay in contact with Fire Chief Re Fire Dept.
- Attended Ecole la Belle Cloche Grade 12 Graduation
- Attended meeting with ACOA Re Boardwalk Extension
- Attended Canada Day Activities (presented awards)

S. Adjournment.

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