

## SOURIS TOWN COUNCIL AND SOURIS SEWER AND WATER UTILITY CORPORATION

#### **MINUTES**

Regular Monthly Meeting MONDAY, March 14, 2022 @ 7:00pm

Town Hall ~ Council Chambers ~ 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor 75 Main Street, Souris, PEI

#### MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MEETING WILL BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
- MASKS ARE REQUIRED -

- Limited space to accommodate social distancing -

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

**MAYOR** Dunphy called the meeting to order with a quorum at 7:00pm. *Councillor Peters was absent from the meeting.* 

### B. Agenda

#### 2.1 Approval of Agenda

**MOTION** by C. Leard and seconded by C. Bailey to approve the Agenda as circulated. All in favour. Motion carried.

#### 2.2 Additions to Agenda

Request to add a Donation Request for Ukraine Fundraiser by C. T. MacDonald.

### 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 – February 14, 2022 Public Meeting

**MOTION** by C. T. MacDonald and seconded by C. Bailey to approve the minutes of February 14, 2022 Council meeting as prepared by CAO without any errors or omissions. All in favour. Motion carried.

#### Presentations:

**E. Monthly RCMP Report** – No report available this month. S/Sgt MacMullin sends his regrets. No report available

### Business arising from previous meetings:

**F.** Update from C. Leard regarding land purchase. (Deferred from November meeting) CAO has contacted local lawyer to prepare documents for review by Council.

This topic meets the requirement for an In-Camera meeting as per section 119(1) of the MGA for discussion prior to bringing to a public meeting as it involves a land purchase, to which discussion in public could prejudice the municipality's ability to carry out its negotiations;

G. New Town of Souris Utility Bylaw to be read a first time. Copies of bylaw are available and has been posted to our Website for public viewing.

**MOTION** by C. I. MacDonald and seconded by C. Chaisson that this Town of Souris Utility Bylaw be read a first time. Copies were made available to the public at this meeting as well as on our Town's Website. All in favour. Motion carried.

A second reading will be required at our next public meeting scheduled for April 12, 2022.

#### Financial Information

**H.** General Account Budget Update – February 28, 2022 For information only.

I. Water & Sewer Utility Account Budget update – February 28, 2022 For information only.

J. Town of Souris – General Account Payables \$7,587.45 to be approved – March 11, 2022. MOTION by C. Bailey and seconded by C. I. MacDonald that the A/P be approved and paid as listed. All in favour. Motion carried.

K. Town of Souris – Sewer & Water Utility Payables \$73.43 to be approved – March 11, 2022. MOTION by C. Bailey and seconded by C. I. MacDonald that the A/P be approved and paid as listed. All in favour. Motion carried.

L. General Account & Water Sewer Account Cheques issued during the month of March 2022.

- For review only.

#### **DEVELOPMENT/BUSINESS – APPROVAL REQUIRED:**

M. Survey Plans submitted from Harbourview Training Centre to consolidate PID 102293, 101725, 465906 as well as Parcel A (shown on survey) and Parcel D (decommissioned section of Perth St) in to one property. Rezoning is not required at this time, it will all remain Residential. MOTION by C. Chaisson and seconded by C. I. MacDonald that the Town approve this consolidation of land as proposed. No change in rezoning has been requested at this time. All in favour. Motion carried.

## N. Request for Proposals Received for Comprehensive Review and Update of the Town of Souris Zoning and Subdivision Development Bylaw and Official Plan.

Three RFP's were received. Reviewed by CAO and Chair of Planning. Recommendation to award will be presented at Monday's meeting.

**MOTION** by C. Bailey and seconded by C. Leard that we accept the RFP from Samantha Murphy and Associates to undertake this project. All in favour. Motion carried.

### **PERMITS ISSUED FOR INFORMATION ONLY:**

Nothing to report this month.

#### **DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS RECEIVED:**

FOR INFO ONLY...

#### New Business, Correspondence, Requests and/or Additions:

#### O. Request from Big Brothers Big Sisters for a Donation to their Big Little Scavenger Hunt.

**MOTION** by C. Bailey and seconded by C. I. MacDonald that we donate \$100 to this cause. All in favour. Motion carried.

#### P. Request from Crime Stoppers for a financial donation

**MOTION** by C. Bailey and seconded by C. T. MacDonald that we donate \$100 to this cause. All in favour. Motion carried.

# Q. Request from Points East Lighthouse Relay for Sponsorship for the 2022 Relay scheduled for June 11, 2022.

**MOTION** by C. Chaisson and seconded by C. I. MacDonald that we donate \$400 (**Revised to \$500**) to the 2022 Lighthouse Relay. All in favour. Motion carried.

#### **ADDED:**

# Request to donate to Group raising funds for Ukraine. Funds will go through Red Cross – Ukraine Crisis

**MOTION** by C. Chaisson and seconded by C. Bailey that we donate \$500 to the Ukraine Crisis. All in favour. Motion carried.

#### **R. COUNCIL REPORTS:**

#### Mayor JoAnne Dunphy

- February 25 attended Seaglass Festival meeting
- March 1 helped Jeannie put together treat bags for the Town of Souris Easter event
- March 4 Meeting about plans for the Boardwalk Extension
- March 4 Meeting with Eastern Chamber of Commerce
- March 8 Dinner meeting with Council and the Honorable Lawrence MacAulay
- March 10 Zoom Meeting to go over the ACOA contract for the Extension of the boardwalk

- Regular meetings with CAO and Events Coordinator
- Discussion with a developer about a possible new subdivision

### **Deputy Mayor Kenny Peters**

• Lunch meeting with Lawrence MacAulay at Strait Goods.

### **Wanda Bailey**

• Tuesday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, attended a lunch hour meeting with Hon. Lawrence MacAulay, Mayor Dunphy and councillors at Strait Goods.

Frankie Chaisson

Ian MacDonald

Thelma MacDonald

**Boyd Leard** 

#### S. Adjournment.

**MOTION** to adjourn by C. Leard at 7:34pm.

IN-CAMERA MEETING TO BE HELD TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE LAND PURCHASE AND DEVELOPMENT REQUEST. As per section 119(1) of the MGA Council is permitted to have a closed meeting to discuss specific issues prior to bringing to the public.

Please keep in mind that some people are very sensitive to strong smells, especially from colognes and perfumes.

Let us keep our public meetings SCENT FREE so all can enjoy!



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