

Souris Town Council and SOURIS SEWER AND WATER UTILITY CORPORATION

MINUTES

Regular Monthly Meeting MONDAY, January 8, 2018 @ 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. All Council were present.

B. Agenda

2.1 Approval of Agenda

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

2.2 Additions to Agenda

No additions noted.

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 – December 11, 2017.

MOTION by C. Thibodeau and seconded by C. MacDonald to approve the minutes of December 11, 2017 Council meeting as prepared by CAO without errors or omissions. All in favour. Motion carried.

Presentations:

E. **Monthly RCMP Report** (December 2017)

MOTION by C. MacDonald and seconded by C. Peters to adopt the report from the RCMP as part of our minutes. All in favour. Motion carried.

Business arising from previous meetings:

F. Request for Funding to Playground at new Ecole la Belle Cloche

Discussed and decided this item should be considered in 2018 Budget.

Financial Information:

G. General Account Budget Update – as of December 31, 2017 Reviewed by Finance Chair Thibodeau.

H. Water & Sewer Utility Account Budget update – as of December 31, 2017

Reviewed by Finance Chair Thibodeau.

- I. Town of Souris General Account Invoices (\$16,469.40) for Approval as at January 5, 2018 MOTION by C. Thibodeau and seconded by C. Cheverie to approve the invoices listed in the amount of \$16,469.40. All in favour. Motion carried.
- J. Town of Souris Sewer & Water Utility Corp Invoices (\$20,757.75) for Approval as at January 5, 2018.

MOTION by C. Thibodeau and seconded by C. Peters to approve the invoices listed in the amount of \$20,757.57. All in favour. Motion carried.

K. General Account & Water Sewer Account Cheques Issued during the month of December 2017 – For review only.

Planning/Development:

No new development

New Business, Correspondence, Requests and/or Additions:

L. Municipal Capital Expenditures Grant Agreement

MOTION by C. Thibodeau and seconded by C. Cheverie that we sign the Municipal Capital Expenditures Grant Agreement. All in favour. Motion carried.

M. Council Reports:

Mayor Stephen O'Brien

- Dec 13 Meeting with Regional Communuities;
- ➤ Dec 14 Municipalities Dinner meeting in Hunter River;
- ➤ Dec 22 MP Reception Montague;
- ➤ Jan 1st New Year's Day event at rink

Deputy Mayor Denis Thibodeau

- ➤ Working on 2018-19 Budgets;
- ➤ Dec 13 meeting with neighbouring communities;
- ➤ Jan 1st New Year's Day event at rink
- Our year-end audit is scheduled for Feb 26-27th. Pre-audit work Jan 15 & 17.
- > Attended Lawrence MacAulay's Christmas reception in Montague

Wanda Bailey

> Jan 1st New Year's Day at rink

JoAnne Dunphy

- ➤ Jan 1st New Year's Day at rink;
- ➤ Weekly reports from Bylaw Officer
- > Spoke with President of the Souris Legion. They anticipate they could be \$286,000 short if they do not receive some of their HST as a refund.

Jim Cheverie

- Attended New Year's day event at rink;
- Met with Admin re new tenants in Matthew McLean Building. JW McCloskey is now occupying his new space. Emily Gallant has taken over the Evergreen Café.

Kenny Peters

- Checked in with CAO on a couple of occasions.
- Stay in contact with Fire Department (we lost one of our long serving members this week Sterling MacDonald)
- ➤ EMO we seemed to have faired out Ok with this past storm (Jan 4-5). No serious damage. No long term power outages.

Thelma MacDonald

- Regular meetings with Admin staff.
- Attended Lawrence MacAulay's Christmas reception.

N. Adjournment. 7:30pm Motion by C. Cheverie

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