



SOURIS TOWN COUNCIL AND
SOURIS SEWER AND WATER UTILITY CORPORATION

MINUTES
Regular Monthly Meeting
Monday, December 13, 2010

Time: Regular Public Meeting 7:00pm
Town Hall ~ Council Chambers
75 Main Street, Souris, PEI

A. Calling the meeting to Order and Quorum

Mayor MacDonald called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. All Council present.

B. Agenda

2.1 Approval of Agenda

Motion by C. Thibodeau and seconded by C. Peters to approve the Agenda as circulated. 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.

No Conflict declared.

D. Approval of Minutes – November 8, 2010.

Motion by C. Cheverie and seconded by C. MacDonald to approve the Minutes of November 8, 2010 Council meeting as circulated. All in favour, motion carried.

New Business:

E. RCMP Report ~ October Report attached.

Cpl. Dan MacInnis attended our meeting. He review the report provided to Council. Report included 60 new files, report of fraud cheques being passed, quiet Halloween night in Souris.

C. MacDonald reported of new No Parking Signs at Belle Ave intersection. RCMP to monitor violators and give warnings and tickets when necessary. Admin to post public notice in local newspaper.

Motion by C. MacDonald and seconded by C. Bailey to accept the report as presented by Cpl. MacInnis. All in favour, motion carried.

F. Souris Harbour Authority Request for Support

C. Thibodeau provided summary of information attached for proposed Marina Services Centre. SHAI plans to develop two properties (old Irving property on Breakwater St.) near the harbour to commercial and pleasure vessel topside storage; it will be fenced, illuminated and have video surveillance for security purposes. They expect many economic spin-offs from offering this service to boaters throughout PEI and the eastern Gulf. It would be beneficial to have the support of Town Council. *SHAI to submit development application.*

Be it resolved that Souris Town Council encourages this positive endeavour by the Souris Harbour Authority and supports its pursuit of financial support from various government agencies for this project. **All in favour.** Motion carried.

Financial Information:

G. General Account Revenue & Expenditures as of November 20, 2010 – For review only

H. Water & Sewer Account Revenue & Expenditures as of November 20, 2010 – For review only

I. Town of Souris – General Account Invoices for Approval as at December 10, 2010

Motion by C. Thibodeau and seconded by C. Peters to approve Accounts Payables as of \$37,515.74 as per list provided to Council prior to meeting. **All in favour.** Motion carried.

J. Town of Souris – Sewer & Water Utility Corp Invoices for Approval as at December 10, 2010

Motion by C. Thibodeau and seconded by C. Cheverie to approve Accounts Payables as of \$4,325.87 less \$446.25 Water Works Invoice as per list provided to Council prior to meeting. *Water Works Invoice to be sent to Main Street Contractors Chapman Bros. Const.* **All in favour.** Motion carried.

K. General Account & Water Sewer Account Cheques Issued during the Month of November – For review only

Other Business, Correspondence, Requests and/or Additions:

L. Centennial Recognition from the Leader of the Official Opposition

M. Letter of Thanks from the City of Summerside

Councillor Cheverie suggests providing Floyd Burke with a gift certificate thanking him for the use of his truck in the Summerside Parade. Council agreed. Admin to purchase certificate and send to Floyd along with card of thanks.

N. Request for Financial support from the local Curling organization.

Motion by C. MacDonald and seconded by C. Cheverie to purchase one stone for \$250.00. **All in favour.** Motion carried.

O. TOWN COUNCIL HOSTS “NEW YEARS DAY FAMILY EVENT” AT EK SPORTSPLEX. 1:30PM – 3:00PM. SKATING, BOWLING, CHILDREN’S MOVIE, FREE HOTDOGS & POP. YOU ARE ALL URGED TO HELP OUT. Serving Hot dogs, Chaperoning Bowling, Skating or Movie??? Let me know if you will be available. Thanks!!

P. Additions:

Council would like letters of appreciation prepared for employees Joanne Roche and Greg Jay for their exceptional work on our 2010 Christmas Parade Float & Activities. Admin to prepare and distribute letters. Joanne did an amazing job, especially considering the short time she had to plan, organize and pull off these events and Greg took the initiative to design and build an amazing new Santa Float.

Q. Council Reports:

Mayor David MacDonald

- Attended and spoke at Remembrance Day ceremony as well as Legion dinner that evening.
- Took part in Birthday celebrations at EK Sportsplex as climax to 100th year anniversary.
- Attended rural development forum at Dundas Exhibition grounds.
- Travelled to Summerside with Councilor cheverie to ride in their Christmas parade.
- Attended session PEI Legislature where Minister Sheriden spoke of our 100th Birthday.
- Guest at Annual Firemen's dinner
- Meeting with harbour authority to review several proposals for our area.
- Attended semi-annual Federation Meeting in Tignish.
- Represented Town at annual Rails to Trails Awards evening in Stratford.
- Participated in the Annual Tree Lighting
- Participated in the 30th Annual Souris Christmas Parade

Wanda Bailey

- Nov 14th, Sunday, attended the 100th Town of Souris celebrations at the EK Sportsplex between 2-4pm.
- Nov 27th, Saturday, attended the PEI Federation of Municipalities semi-annual meeting in Tignish from 9am - 3pm. Very informative meeting.
- Nov 30th, Tuesday, attended the EK Sports Council Meeting at 6pm at Access PEI. John Morrison, Director of Sport and Recreation & Healthy Living for the PEI Dept. of Health and Wellness for PEI and Neil Kinsmen, Eastern Region Recreation Coordinator, who has office hours at Souris Access on Monday and Tuesday now, were in attendance at this meeting which was good. It certainly is great to have Neil working with us in the Souris area. He can certainly help out with any questions or grants that are or become available and to Let us know the procedure to follow in accessing grants such as Island community fund, grants available to local arenas, and other grants for sport. Some of these grants would certainly help out the Sportsplex. There seems to be a number of grants available, for example for arenas, who looks after making sure that we get all we can for the Sportsplex in way of funds granted?
- Dec 4th, 1-3pm, volunteered at the St. Mary's Festival of Small Halls Xmas Craft sale in conjunction with The Christmas parade Festivities.

JoAnne Dunphy

- Nov 9, Meeting with the Events Coordinator, Joanne Roche, for an update on planned events for the town. Meeting with Town Administrator
- Nov 12, Picked up some Daffodils bulbs in Charlottetown that were donated by Canadian Cancer Society
- Nov 20 & 2, Attended and Volunteered at the Souris & Area Wildlife Dinner at St. Mary's Hall
- Nov 26, Attended Firemen's Appreciation Dinner
- Nov 26 & 2, Planted Tulips, etc. at Souris East & West Signs and Town Gazebo
- Nov 28, Attended Celtic Ladies Concert at Souris Show Hall
- Nov 29, Attended Ladies Night at Souris Family Resource Center
- Nov 30, Attended Tree Lighting
- Dec 1, Attended Childrens Story & Craft Night at St. Mary's Hall
- Dec 4, Attended the Souris Christmas Craft Fair & Souris Christmas Parade

Denis Thibodeau

- Quiet month
- Hoping everyone is thinking about their 2011 budget plans.

Jim Cheverie

- Nov 12, Contacted Kenny Chaisson about beach ramp removal for the winter. He assured me he would get it done.
- Nov 14, Attended the 100 Birthday Party for the Town of Souris at The Eastern Kings Sportsplex.
- Nov 15, Attended the opening day sitting of the Government in Ch-town. Souris was congratulated by Wes Sheridan and Alan Campbell as well as the rest of the Members.
- Nov 26, Attended the annual Fireman's Dinner with Cynthia at the Bluefin.
- Nov 29, Participated in The Summerside Christmas Parade with Mayor MacDonald on My 1922 Reo Coupe. We recieved a lot of praise along the Parade Route for coming all the way from Souris.
- Nov 30, Checked and found that the ramp is stored for the winter at Souris Beach.

Kenny Peters

- Missed Firemen's dinner (medical reasons)
- All is well at Fire Department
- Rink is doing well with payables & loan payments.

Thelma MacDonald

- Attended meeting for 55+ Games
- Attended Centennial Celebrations
- Attended Souris Firemen's Annual Dinner
- Met with Cpl. McInnis re Town Policing
- Still working on No-Parking signs at corner of Belle & Main St.
- Congrat's to Joanne Roche on an excellent Christmas Parade; great job bringing all the volunteers together in such a short time.

R. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:35pm

Certified True Copy of Minutes

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