



SOURIS TOWN COUNCIL AND
SOURIS SEWER AND WATER UTILITY CORPORATION

MINUTES
Regular Monthly Meeting
Monday, May 9, 2011

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

A. Calling the meeting to Order and Quorum

Mayor called the meeting to order with a quorum at 7:00pm.

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 at this time.

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 – April 11, 2011.

Motion by C. Cheverie and seconded by C. Peters to approve the minutes of April 11, 2011 as circulated. All in favour. Motion carried.

New Business:

E. RCMP Report ~ Report to be available at meeting.

Earl Woods presented monthly RCMP report to Council. He reminded residents to lock their cars as there have been several stolen items reported recently. Mr. Woods stated that the Town would be losing 1 officer (D.A.R.E.). There are conflicting stories between RCMP and letter received by our Mayor. Mayor will try to get correct information. C. MacDonald would like for Council to lobby to save D.A.R.E. program. C. Thibodeau felt we should request a meeting with T. Hardy.

Financial Information:

F. General Account Income Statement as of April 30, 2011 for review.

C. Thibodeau reviewed statements. Commented that OCI Closure will affect our proposed Revenue. C. MacDonald expressed her concern in regards to Firemen being first responders, without be reimbursed. All agreed to see what impact it will have and revisit next year.

G. Water & Sewer Account Income Statement as of April 30, 2011 for review.

C. Thibodeau reviewed statements.

H. Town of Souris – General Account Invoices (\$6,130.32) for Approval as at May 6, 2011

Motion C. Thibodeau and seconded by C. Cheverie to approve these payables as per list provided. All in favour. Motion carried.

I. Town of Souris – Sewer & Water Utility Corp Invoices (\$4,179.75) for Approval as at May 6, 2011

Motion by C. Thibodeau and seconded by C. MacDonald to approve these payables as per list provided. All in favour. Motion carried.

J. General Account & Water Sewer Account Cheques Issued during the Month of April – For review

No questions.

Other Business, Correspondence, Requests and/or Additions:**K. Quotes for Air Conditioning Unit at Town Hall – two quotes received RDMC Refrigeration (Gary Macdonald) and First Mechanical (Gordie Burke).** *Presently we only have a single window unit that is placed in the middle office; it does very little to cool down Joanne or Shelley's office. And the Library has nothing. There were many days last summer where working was quite unbearable, especially in the Library. Installing additional window units is a possibility, (Joanne's office has no window) however these window units are not very energy efficient as well as a bit unappealing to have A/C units hanging from various windows of a heritage building.*

C. Cheverie will get additional breakdown and we will meet and decide upon this at another meeting.

L. Fishermen's Memorial Park Lights – Summary of Quotes attached.

Tabled until next meeting. More information (pictures, base, etc) required before submitting order.

M. 4th Annual Eastern Kings Yard Sale – Request for financial support.

Motion by C. MacDonald and seconded by C. Dunphy to provide a \$250.00 donation to the 4th Annual EK Yard Sale. All in favour. Motion carried.

N. Village Feast – Request for use of land and request for financial support.

Council will support Village Feast using Town land for the event as well as purchase 10 tickets to be donated to the group home staff. EK Sportsplex to talk to organizers about a fee for use of rink.

O. Invitation to Council & Staff to participate in SAVE Golf Tournament. - \$120 pp or \$480 p/team

Ask Shelley to see what we did last year. Mayor suggested paying for ½ of a team if we could find interested players. No motion made.

P.

Q. Additions:

The issue of Coyotes was brought up again. C. Thibodeau would like to see them eliminated completely.

C. Peters made a motion to increase the Firemen's per/call rate from \$9. to \$10. Motion was seconded by C. Thibodeau. All in favour. Motion carried.

Shoreline damage to Breakwater Street bank was discussed. Mayor plans to meet with Premier this week to discuss the recent OCI closure and will bring this topic up to see if the Province could help.

C. Dunphy made a motion to ask Nancy Ching and her painting group to see if they'd be interested in doing a **mural** that could replace the infrastructure sign on the beach. Seconded by C. Peters. All in favour. Motion carried.

Planning & Development Issues:

R. A.E. MacPhee Inc. has applied to relocate a building from one location to another on their own property. As it is already an existing building, they are just moving it; I felt that a Planning Advisory meeting was not required, that Council could review and recommend necessary approval for relocation of building for purposes of issuing a permit. They are planning to move what remains of the old Dairy Building over closer to the lumber yard buildings and it will be used for storage. They then plan to clean up the old dairy property and transfer that land to the Souris Legion for potential development of a monument park.

Motion by C. Peters and seconded by C. Bailey to give a development permit to A.E. MacPhee Inc to relocate old Dairy Building as per application submitted. All in favour. Motion carried.

S. Council Reports:**Mayor David MacDonald**

- Report available Monday

Denis Thibodeau

- Attended Special meeting of Council Re – OCI Closure
- Attended meeting with Brian Thompson & Mike Davies Re – Souris Beach & Breakwater Street

Wanda Bailey

- April 13th, wed, 7pm, attended a meeting for volunteers at the town hall
- April 18th, Mon, 6pm, attended a CIB at the town hall
- April 20th, 12 noon, attended a special meeting at the town hall .
- April 27th, 12 noon, attended a special meeting on the OCI plant closure at the town hall.
- April 30th, Saturday, attended the Spring Sports Fair at the EK Sportsplex.
- May 9th, Monday, 6pm, attended a EK Sports Council Meeting at Access PEI to discuss the upcoming Sports Recognition Awards.

JoAnne Dunphy

- April 13, Volunteer meeting
- April 13, Meeting with events coordinator
- April 14, CIB Presentation by Natasha MacFadyen
- April 18, CIB meeting
- April 21, Council meeting
- April 26, CIB Presentation by David Carmichael
- April 27, Council meeting

Jim Cheverie

- April 18 Attended the Federation Of Municipalities AGM Meeting in Montague.
- April 21 Met with Town Council to determine our stand on Town Land for proposed K to 12School.
- April 27 Met with Town Council to discuss Ocean Choice closure.
- May 4 Attended meeting together with Town Council. Brian Thompson, Joe Okeefe. Sterling, and Greg to hear Mike Davies report on the Souris Beach Protection and Development Study done by Coldwater Consulting Ltd .
- Met with Denis, Shelley, Greg and Sterling at different times on various issues.

Kenny Peters

Thelma MacDonald

- Ongoing follow up Re Beach concerns – meeting planned with Shane Arbing May 10th
- Attended meeting with Brian Thompson re Beach Issues and Breakwater Street
- Attended Special meeting of Council Re Ocean Choice Closure
- Regular meetings with Admin staff.

T. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm ~ C. Cheverie & C. Peters

Z. Administrator's Report

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