



SOURIS TOWN COUNCIL AND
SOURIS SEWER AND WATER UTILITY CORPORATION

Minutes
Special Council Meeting
Monday, May 16, 2011

Time: Meeting 12:00pm
Town Hall ~ Council Chambers
75 Main Street, Souris, PEI

A. Calling the meeting to Order and Quorum

Mayor MacDonald called the meeting to order with a Quorum. All present except C. Peters.

B. Agenda

2.1 Approval of Agenda

Motion by C. MacDonald and seconded by C. Bailey to approve the agenda as circulated. All in favour. Motion carried.

2.2 Additions to Agenda

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.

New Business:

D. Ocean Choice Closure – Review of May 11th Meeting with Premier

Mayor, C. Thibodeau and C. Cheverie attended meeting with Premier Ghiz. Biggest challenge is that a Bank in Iceland holds the mortgage on the plant. All agreed that the plant must reopen next spring. Other topics included Tourism decentralization. Hoping to have a meeting with Gail Shae once the new cabinet is in place.

Shoreline issue. Seriousness of the Breakwater Street and Beach areas were expressed. We need to stay on this.

Other Business, Correspondence, Requests and/or Additions:

E. Quotes for Air Conditioning Unit at Town Hall – two quotes received **RDMC Refrigeration** (*Gary Macdonald*) and **First Mechanical** (*Gordie Burke*). J. Cheverie has requested additional details from Gary MacDonald.

C. Cheverie reviewed additional information received from RCMC Refrigeration. Motion by C. Cheverie to proceed with system as proposed by RCMC for the Town Hall, seconded by C. Thibodeau. All in favour. Motion carried.

F. Fishermen's Memorial Park Lights – Picture attached of lights ordered (as discussed with Jim & Thelma) Motion to proceed with order and installation by C. Cheverie, seconded by C. Bailey. All in

favour. Motion carried.

- G. **Village Feast** – Request for use of land and request for financial support by purchase of tickets. Confirmed that Council was in support of this.
- H. Invitation to Council & Staff to participate in **SAVE Golf Tournament**. - \$120 pp or \$480 p/team
No interested players. Motion by C. MacDonald and seconded by C. Bailey to donate \$50.00 to the upcoming SAVE Golf Tournament. All in favour. Motion carried.
- I. **Blue Grass Festival** – Request for sponsorship
Motion by C. MacDonald seconded by C. Dunphy to donate \$150.00 to the 2011 PEI Bluegrass Festival to be held in Rollo Bay. This festival brings great economic spin offs to our community. All in favour. Motion carried.

RE ~ RCMP issue of losing an officer. Mayor understands that when Earl was assigned to the DARE/School program an additional officer was hired. That additional officer will stay but we will be losing the DARE/School program. Council still not happy about losing program. Mayor plans to continue talked with Provincial and RCMP representatives. C. MacDonald really feels Council needs to fight to keep this program as the benefits far outway any expense. C. Thibodeau suggests talking to our MLA about this.

Beach Building. No lease for this year. More info required. We will undertake maintenance and preparations required to the building. Tourism agreed to provide \$5,000 for this work.

Administrator to contact Brian Thompson about removing existing gabions this year.

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