

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
June 8, 2017

Present: Mayor Eric Gavin; Deputy Mayor Carol Ferguson; Councillors Marvin MacDonald, Tashia Maynard, Blake Adams, Darren MacKinnon and Joey Dumville; Reporters from West Prince Graphic and Journal; and CAO Bev Shaw.

Regrets:

1. MEETING TO ORDER:

Mayor Gavin called the regular meeting to order at 5:30 pm and declared a quorum present.

The agenda was approved with the following additions: Permit application, summer meetings, confirmation of purchase price for Marcel Arsenault property. *Moved by D. MacKinnon, seconded by B. Adams and carried.*

2. MINUTES

The May 11, 2017 regular meeting minutes and May 23, 2017 special council meeting minutes were reviewed for errors and omissions. On a *motion by J. Dumville, seconded by M. MacDonald and carried* the minutes were approved.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

Nil

4. FINANCIAL BUSINESS:

Financial report presented by Carol - May 31/2017 bank balance for general account - \$170,641.81 and for sewer - \$135,598.46. May, 2017 receipts for general - \$126,431.00, for sewer \$3945.04 plus Infrastructure funds of \$14,535.56. Expenses paid in May, 2017 for general \$62,352.18; for sewer \$18,220.67. Carol advised that due to other commitments she wasn't able to review the financial reports but will do so and advise by email if any irregularities found. Financial report for May, 2017 was approved on a *motion by T. Maynard, seconded by M. MacDonald and carried.* Bev to check on long term debt with John Deere Credit.

5. NEW BUSINESS

A. Mayor's report - Eric reported that he's been busy with fishing so hasn't been too involved except for a meeting with Bev to discuss the sewer connections on Main Street. Eric advised he is unable to attend the Hon. Pat Murphy meet and greet on Monday so Marvin agreed to attend.

B. Administrator's report - Bev requested approval for a letter of support for the Maple Leaf Curling Club's funding application to New Horizons. **Moved by B. Adams, seconded by J. Dumville and carried** that support letter be provided. Bev advised that purchase of Marcel Arsenault property to be finalized today and appraisal for Harper easement received and forwarded to our lawyer. Attended two sessions on the new Municipalities Act, still waiting on sign approval from Kraft/NHL, working on Town's New Horizons grant application and that repairs on back bay of complex coming along well. A letter received from Hon. Robert Mitchell advising that municipal support grant will be increased by a reimbursement of HST from the Province. Business/Development Permits - Demolition permit issued to Kevin Adams, PID # 41343 at \$3000. Overtime for Bev currently at 46 hours; Dale's overtime at 21.5 hours.

C. Reports from Departments

Police - RCMP S/Sgt. Derrick Hewitt, District Commander joined our meeting and reviewed the monthly report saying 271 hours spent in town and members responded to 23 calls for service. Provincial statutes for the month included: 6 speeding violations, 2 seatbelt violations, 1 non-moving traffic violation, and 7 written warnings. Two check stops performed with no charges laid. RCMP members participated in the MADD vigil. Council noted that RCMP visibility in town is making a difference in traffic behaviour.

Recreation - Jeff's recreation report was circulated to Council. Joey reported meeting with Jeff and attending the rink's AGM. Updates provided on Hockeyville, circus, 100 km yard sale, Run for Light, Canada Day and softball events. Jeff commissioned a large fake cheque to be used as a promotional tool and a thank you to sponsors and developed a plan to obtain revenue for signage at the ball fields. **Moved by J. Dumville, seconded by D. MacKinnon and carried** that advertisers be charged \$300 per year for displaying their banner. If advertiser contracts for three years of display, second year to be \$275 and third year, \$250. It was suggested a discount be offered for those who wish to advertise at both fields and perhaps a different arrangement for special event sponsors.

Fire Department - Marvin reviewed report from Chief Ron Phillips. Department members responded to five calls - 2 vehicle collisions, 2 medical and 1 overheated stove. Painting in truck bay area and repairs to back bay are underway. Father's Day draw and dance tickets are now available. Fire Department members are considering conducting more in house training instead of using the Fire School in Charlottetown. O'Leary has a certified instructor and asked for Council's view on using the old dump site. Council agreed as this would save money as long as no liability or risk was caused. Also questioned where the actual certification would come from if not from the Fire School/PEI Firefighters Association.

Development - Blake advised that the senior care facility committee is still very positive. The Pate subdivision survey isn't complete as drainage and roadway design isn't complete. Blake still in conversation with retail complex prospective tenants.

Properties - Darren conducted a review of properties in town and is very pleased with the condition and appearance. He suggested that hydro poles and walking track posts be painted. Blake to check into old building on Pate property and advise Bev if it needs to be removed right away.

Streets & Sidewalks - Tashia reported no unusual issues with streets and sidewalks. The street signs have yet to be replaced but replacements are on order.

Sanitation - Eric reported that Phase 3 of CWWF project for sewer connections has to be

scaled back due to inflation of costs. Phase 2 tender has been advertised and closed yesterday.

D. Sewer Project Phase 2 tender - Two tenders received for Phase 2 of CWWF project - Ron's Plumbing at \$1,143,502.50 and AJL Ltd. at \$857,612.50. ***Moved by M. MacDonald, seconded by D. MacKinnon and carried*** that tender be awarded to AJL Ltd.

E. Sewer connection project Phase 3 - As the one tender came in over budget at \$1,026,165.70, Council agreed that the entire scope of the proposed project could not be completed. Bev to obtain quotes for the 3 new lateral connections and the 1 urgent replacement and try to have project completed before Main Street paving by the Province.

* Fire Department members joined our meeting to make presentations to retired members Watson Silliker and Eric Gavin. The retirees' firefighting helmets with signatures of fellow members were presented.

F. CN sale - Council invited tenders to purchase the CN Station and two received - J.C. Carragher at \$8500 and Craig Silliker which was considered void due to conditions he stated. ***Moved by B. Adams, seconded by C. Ferguson and carried*** that J. C. Carragher's bid be accepted pending his acceptance of terms that cenotaph area be separated and not part of the sale and acceptance of responsibility for the paved area that is included in the sale.

G. Request from Senior's Home Committee - The committee has formed a cooperative and require a business plan before applying for the next stage funding. ***Moved by M. MacDonald, seconded by D. MacKinnon and carried*** that \$2500 be donated to Senior's Home Committee to help with those costs and to remind them that the Town agreed to consider a maximum of \$5000 to assist with start up costs for this project.

H. PEI Family Violence Prevention request - ***Moved by B. Adams, seconded by T. Maynard and carried*** that a \$250 donation be approved for PEI Family Violence Prevention.

I. Other business & correspondence:

Development permit application - Council discussed a development permit from John and Catherine Barkley to establish an older model mini home on PID 632042 which is located in an R3 zone. ***Moved by B. Adams, seconded by D. MacKinnon and carried*** that Council not rezone PID # 632042 on Barclay Road to allow mini homes.

Summer meetings - ***Moved by C. Ferguson, seconded by T. Maynard and carried*** that regular council meetings not be held in July and August but special meetings will be called if required.

Purchase of Marcel Arsenault property - As approved at May 8, 2017 council meeting the purchase offer of \$10,000 for PID # 43505 and 43653 was not accepted. Via email, Council's counter offer of \$12,500 was accepted. ***Moved by T. Maynard, seconded by M. MacDonald and carried*** that Marcel Arsenault property, PID # 43505 and PID # 43653 be purchased for \$12,500.

6. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Moved by T. Maynard, seconded by B. Adams and carried that Council adjourn to

committee of the whole session at 7:00 pm.

Moved by B. Adams, seconded by M. MacDonald and carried that regular meeting reconvene at 7:05 pm.

Results from Committee of the Whole

nil

7. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:06 pm on a *motion by T. Maynard, seconded by C. Ferguson and carried.*