

Rural Municipality of Murray River

Monthly Meeting- Tuesday, October 13, 2020

Murray River Library at 6:00 pm

Present: Mayor Pat Bray, Deputy Sandra Edwards, Councilors Marvin MacLeod, Walter Munn, Karri Ferguson, CAO Dianne MacDonald, *Greg Munn*.

Guests: Derek French, Caroline Farrell

1.0 Call to Order: Mayor Pat commenced meeting at 6:00 pm.

2.0 Declarations of Conflicts of Interest: No conflicts to declare.

3.0 Approval of Agenda: Moved by Cllr Marvin MacLeod and seconded by Cllr Karri Ferguson.

4.0 Approval of Minutes (Sept 8/20): Moved by Cllr Greg Munn and seconded by Cllr Walter Munn.

5.0 Reports:

5.1 Financial Report: Dianne read the financial report for the past month. Report approved by Cllr Marvin and seconded by Cllr Karri.

5.2 Park/Rec/Lighting & Sidewalks: Karri is attending an Arena meeting at 7:00 pm, operational plan has been submitted, waiting for approval from the Province.

(a) Roofing on dugouts: Cllr Karri made a motion to hire Victor O'Neill to shingle the dugouts with steel roofing at a cost of \$2761.31 including installation. Seconded by Cllr Greg. All in favor. Motion carried.

(b) Repairs to Gazebo: Deferred to Spring 2021.

Pat reported there is a sink hole in the parking lot at Memorial Park.

5.3 Community Hall: Cllr Marvin reported the AA group has not resumed meetings yet. There is one booking for a birthday party in November.

Revitalization Project- Dianne has contacted Deputy Minister Bob Creed and MLA Darlene Compton to request a meeting to discuss the possibility of the Province moving the Hall building to the former school yard property. Delta Surveys have completed the survey plan of the Hall, the kitchen addition that was built in the late 1960's is on provincial land and there are concerns with the building on the MacInnis Street side in regards to the centerline. Council will be notified if/when a meeting will be held with the Province. A planning meeting will be held in the coming weeks.

5.4 Community Library: Estimate for new sign has not been received yet from Sign Craft.

6.0 Other Business:

6.1 Correspondence: Dianne circulated for Council. The virtual 2020 FPEIM Annual Meeting will be held on Monday, October 19th 9:30 – 2:30 pm. Pat, Dianne and Sandra are registered for the zoom meeting.

6.2 New Business: Caroline Farrell – Homeplate Restaurant and Bakery requested a letter of support from the Council for a liquor license to serve beer and wine. Caroline raised concerns about buildings being sold in the Village and not being used for residential or business purposes. Cllr Karri Ferguson made a motion to grant Caroline Farrell owner of the Homeplate Restaurant and Bakery a liquor license to sell beer and wine. Seconded by Cllr Greg Munn. All in favor. Motion carried.

Christmas in the Villages (Murray River & Murray Harbour) – Committee plans to hold on Saturday, December 5th. An operational plan has been submitted, there will be a limit of people entering the building (25) masks must be worn.

Remembrance Day Service- No recommendations yet from the Province if services will be held in the Community.

Pat would like the Council to look at the parking lot at Memorial Park, in need of repair.

6.3 EMO Plan and Bylaw: Deferred

6.4 By-Election Date: Tentative date Monday, November 23rd, 2020.

6.5 Unsightly Properties: Dianne spoke with John (Environmental Officer) on September 11/20. He will be visiting the unsightly properties list in the Village next week.

6.6 Dog Control Bylaw Review: Deferred. Pat suggested this should be discussed with our lawyer Karen MacLeod.

Presentation by Derek French: (Derek A French Professional Services Inc)

Derek explained the process of the Official Plan and Development Bylaw Creation to Council.

Derek will begin the project by performing a review of the historical data and mapping in order to become familiar with the Municipality and perform a land use survey of each property to identify their uses. The work is estimated to be twenty eight days of work. The cost will be \$24,500 plus HST for labour and materials. Materials include printing and maps. Dianne has applied for Gas Tax funding for this project, therefore no cost to the Village.


Public consultation will be held in Spring 2021.

7.0 Motion to Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by Cllr Walter. Seconded by Cllr Greg at 7:55 pm.

Mayor

CAO

Date



Dianne

November 10, 2020

