

Rural Municipality of Murray River

Monthly Meeting- Tuesday, January 12, 2021

Murray River Library at 6:00 pm

Present: Mayor Pat Bray, Deputy Sandra Edwards, Councilors- Walter Munn, Greg Munn, Karri Ferguson, Donna Penny, CAO Dianne MacDonald

Regrets: Marvin MacLeod

Guests: Nathan Irving

- 1.0 Call to Order:** Mayor Pat commenced meeting at 6:00 pm.
- 2.0 Declarations of Conflict of Interest:** No conflicts to declare.
- 3.0 Approval of Agenda:** Moved by Cllr Greg. Seconded by Cllr Karri.
- 4.0 Approval of Minutes (Nov 10/20):** Moved by Cllr Walter. Seconded by Cllr Karri.

Nathan Irving- Murray River Port Authority- Nathan reported to Council the former property of Mark Coffin (house and hanger) has been sold. The new owner is interested in selling the building located on the wharf. The Murray River Port Authority is interested in purchasing this building to operate as a Farmers Market for the summer months. The building is 35 x70 with a portion of land is included. At the present time the wharf is owned by the Federal Government, but will be transferred to the Provincial Government. Date unknown. Nathan has spoke with Sonia Dixon (Rural Development) and ACOA for funding. A sustainability study would be required. The Port Authority is interested in partnering with the Municipality to purchase the building. Nathan will speak with the new owner regarding the price. This proposal would be pending with the change of ownership.

Nathan left the meeting at 6:30 pm.

5.0 Reports:

5.1 Financial Report: Dianne presented the financial report for the past month. Dianne reported funding was received for \$7890.00 from the province for "Restart -Covid 19", this will be shared with the Hall, Library and Fire Department. Balance in the operating fund effective January 12th, \$2535.06. Approved by Cllr Walter. Seconded by Cllr Karri.

5.2 Park/Rec/Lighting & Sidewalks: Kamstar replaced lock and outside plugs at Memorial Park. There will need to be new Christmas lights purchased for the Park.

Dianne spoke with Jamie Miller regarding the sidewalks being cleared of snow. The owner of the Buttercup was upset about the snow being piled in front of her business. She was told to contact the Province as they are in charge of snow removal on the Village streets. Jamie will make sure the sidewalk is cleared of snow in front of her business before opening hours.

East Tech Engineering were retained to investigate settlement issues in the Memorial park lot. The cause of the sinking hole is soft subgrade soils with the accumulation of surface water has contributed to additional settlement.

The following measures are recommended to remediate the parking lot area and prevent future settlement:

- Excavate settled area to competent Glacial Till and replace with structural fill meeting PEIDTIE requirements for Select Borrow placed in lifts and compacted to 100% of its Standard Proctor Dry Density at optimum Moisture Content.
- Install 150 mm Granular Base comprised of structural fill meeting PEIDTIE specifications for Class A Gravel compacted to 100% of its Standard Proctor Dry Density at optimum Moisture Content to asphalt subgrade.
- Install Asphalt B Seal (minimum 75 mm) blended to surrounding parking lot areas outside of remediated area.
- Grade asphalt surfaces to allow for positive drainage and to prevent the accumulation and ponding of surface water.

I trust that the information provided is sufficient for your current needs but do not hesitate to contact the undersigned if further clarification is required.

Sincerely;

Chris MacPherson P.Eng. CESA
EastTech Engineering Consultants Inc.

5.3 Community Hall: Discussion held regarding moving the building to the former school property. Final quotes not yet received. Greg reported he has not received the final report from Derek French for the existing site, this will determine what our options are.

5.4 Community Library: There are problems with the toilet. Pat reported Tim has offered to repair.

6.0 Other Business:

6.1 Correspondence: Circulated for Council to view.

6.2 New Business: Pat requested Dianne contact Sgt. Gunn to attend the February meeting with a report.

Trevor MacDonald has booked the Hut for June 5, 2021.

6.3 Oath of Office: Donna Penny sworn in as Councillor to November 2022 when the next general election will be held.

6.4 Unsightly Properties: No report due to Covid-19.

6.5 EMO Bylaw and Plan: The PEIFM has contracted Cindy MacDougall to provide assistance for a "Municipal Emergency Support Program" to municipalities for a free program. Dianne will contact Cindy to set a time for her to meet with Council.

7.0 Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Chair *Sandra Edwards*
CAO *Trevor MacDonald* Date *Feb 9, 2021*