

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING June 11, 2015

Present: Mayor Eric Gavin; Deputy Mayor Carol Ferguson; Councillors Marvin MacDonald, Tashia Maynard and Blake Adams; and CAO Bev Shaw. Residents in attendance - Audrey Thomson, Adrienne MacDonald, Stanley MacDonald, Claine Campbell and Orville Willis.

Regrets: Councillors Darren MacKinnon and Joey Dumville.

1. MEETING TO ORDER:

Mayor Gavin called the regular meeting to order at 6:45 pm.

The agenda was approved with the following additions: Potato Blossom Festival and Centennial Park flag. *Moved by B. Adams, seconded by C. Ferguson and carried.* At this time, Orville Willis asked if he could add to the agenda - he congratulated Eric on winning the mayoral race; commented on the lack of support for MLA Robert Henderson when the Premier was appointing his cabinet; requested that the town spend tax dollars on widening of Parkview Drive and Main Street repairs.

2. MINUTES

The May 14, 2015 regular council meeting minutes were reviewed for errors and omissions. On a *motion by M. MacDonald, seconded by B. Adams and carried* the minutes were approved.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

- No further information available regarding the Fire Department response to hazardous material incident last year.
- Meeting with Maritime Electric not arranged yet.
- *Moved by C. Ferguson, seconded by T. Maynard and carried* that Wifi be installed for public use at complex.
 - Marvin reported attending the FPEIM AGM.
 - *Moved by C. Ferguson, seconded by B. Adams and carried* Preston Murphy be contracted to remove the old buildings from the recently purchased Pate property for approximately \$4000.
 - To check on bylaw regarding properties.
 - It was *moved by Marvin MacDonald, seconded by Blake Adams and carried* that the Town of O'Leary Zoning and Subdivision Control (Development) Bylaw Amendment, BY-01-2015, resolution be brought forward for consideration.

ZONING AND SUBDIVISION CONTROL (DEVELOPMENT) BYLAW AMENDMENT BY-01-2015 RESOLUTION

WHEREAS an application has been made by Springfield West Gospel Hall for PID # 40337 located at 368 Main Street to amend the Zoning Map of the Town of O'Leary Zoning and Subdivision Control (Development) Bylaw from Two Family Residential (R2) to Public Service and Institutional (PSI);

AND WHEREAS in accordance with Section 19 of the Zoning and Subdivision Control (Development) Bylaw for the Town of O'Leary, Council may amend the Zoning and Subdivision Control (Development) Bylaw to ensure:

- Conformity with the Official Plan;
- Suitability of the site for the proposed development;
- Compatibility of the proposed development with surrounding land uses, included both existing and projected uses;
- Adequate assessment of the desirability for the proposal.

AND WHEREAS approval of the amendment has been recommended by Planning Board;

BE IT RESOLVED that Zoning and Subdivision Control (Development) Bylaw Amendment BY-01-2015, a bylaw to amend the Zoning and Subdivision Control (Development) Bylaw for the Town of O'Leary, be hereby read a first time.

It was *moved by Blake Adams , seconded by Carol Ferguson, and carried* that the first reading of Town of O'Leary Zoning and Subdivision Control (Development) Bylaw Amendment BY-01-2015 be approved.

- Council commented that the gardens and flower beds are looking good.
- Letter sent to business association regarding the cost for installing banners. ORBA to meet on June 16th. To check with Darren on whether he can attend or not and get a replacement if not.
- Updated Council on progress in New Horizons grant application for O'Leary history.

4. FINANCIAL BUSINESS:

May 2015 revenue for general \$79,396.42 plus \$150,000 loan proceeds, expenses for general \$202,770.00; Bank balance at the end of May 2015 - general \$62,681.96. May 2015 revenue for sewer \$1,704.47; expenses \$2,744.35 and bank balance at the end of May 2015 \$31,063.43. It was *moved by B. Adams, seconded by T. Maynard and carried* that financial report for May, 2015 be approved.

Budget update to May 31, 2015 was circulated to Council.

5. NEW BUSINESS

1. Mayor's report - nothing to report.

2. Administrator's report

Bev reported that election went well with 193 voter turnout. Provincial signage department made recommendations on Town's signage bylaw. New Horizons grant for Sunshine Seniors to include funds to install heat pumps in complex hallway. High spaces and platform training completed by staff. Bev's overtime at 55.5 hours and Dale's 126.5 hours.

3. Reports from Departments

Fire Protection - Marvin stated that Chief's report not available.

Development & Tourism - Blake reported speaking with professionals on development issues and plans for Pate property.

Recreation - Jeff's report circulated. Highlights include update on Senior Womens Championships, successful 100 km yard sale and ball hockey season, summer sports and day camp.

Sanitation - Eric reported that two new sewer laterals required, one for ADIC and the other at the CN Station. Total cost approximately \$33,000. **Moved by M. MacDonald, seconded by T. Maynard and carried** that another quote be obtained (has already been requested) and that lesser one be accepted for replacement of lateral lines. (To check on whether gas tax funds could be used for these projects.)

Police - RCMP report circulated to Council. Noted that musical ride was a huge success.

Streets & Sidewalks - Council discussed priority list for the Province and agreed a letter to be sent to Province indicating that Main Street is our priority not Royal Avenue and that widening of Parkview Drive would greatly increase safety.

4. Appointment of Returning Officer and Poll Clerk - not required as Tashia Maynard was elected by acclamation.

5. Pate land survey - Estimates for survey were circulated to Council. It was agreed to not conduct survey now but wait until we have subdivision plan and do the entire survey at that time. Noted that part of Pate property, now owned by Town, is not within Town boundaries. To commence boundary expansion process in the fall.

6. BNS resolution - **Moved by M. MacDonald, seconded by T. Maynard and carried** that Scotiabank resolution be signed authorizing \$120,000 operating credit for the Town and indicating that signing authority required CAO signature with one of the following: Mayor Eric Gavin, Deputy Mayor Carol Ferguson and Councillor Blake Adams.

7. Summer meetings - **Moved by B. Adams, seconded by C. Ferguson and carried** that Council meetings not be held in July and August except for special meetings if necessary.

8. Town sign - A drawing was presented which had been forwarded from Darren. Carol to look at Heritage designs again and we may call a special meeting to decide.

9. Other business:

- Tashia reported that one of the orchard trees is not doing well. Council to cover cost of new tree if necessary. To purchase locally. .

- Tashia reported that washer toss boxes are missing and were apparently given out by tenant at the CN. As Tashia seemed to know who took them, she was advised to follow up with them. Bev to speak with CN tenants regarding restrictions on general public to the CN basement.

- ***Moved by T. Maynard, seconded by C. Ferguson and carried*** that the Centennial Park flag pole be replaced by Dave's Flagpoles for \$525.00.

- Council members invited to Potato Blossom Festival opening ceremonies on July 13th at the museum. RSVP to gmackendrick@gmail.com.

- A letter to be sent to the Premier regarding the lack of ministerial position for our area and advise that Council was very pleased with Robert Henderson's efforts while serving in the cabinet.

6. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Moved by B. Adams, seconded by C. Ferguson and carried that Council adjourn to committee of the whole (closed door session) at 8 pm.

Moved by B. Adams, seconded by C. Ferguson and carried that regular meeting resume at 8:25 pm.

Business from in camera session:

Meeting for second reading of rezoning bylaw amendment to be held June 12th at 3 pm.

Mayor Gavin appointed committees of Council as follows:

Carol - Finance, Employees & Deputy Mayor; Marvin - Fire & Police; Tashia - Streets & Sidewalks; Blake - Community Development & Tourism; Darren - Recreation; Joey - Properties; and Eric will keep Sanitation and also sit on Development committee.

7.ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:26 pm on a motion by T. Maynard, seconded by C. Ferguson and carried.