

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

February 11, 2016

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

Regrets: Councillor Joey Dumville

RCMP Sgt. Darrell Gill met with Council to discuss priorities for upcoming policing year. Council expressed concerns about the traffic issues (speeding, noise), loitering, ATV's on Confederation Trail, distracted driving, impaired driving and drugs. Sgt. Gill informed Council that a traffic unit was being developed for the West Prince area and should greatly reduce the traffic crimes. The street crime unit (drugs) needs help from the public with information and proof to fight the problem. Drugs are still a major problem on PEI. Impaired driving is still, even after all the education, a huge concern as well.

### **1. MEETING TO ORDER:**

Mayor Gavin called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

While Sgt. Gill was here he reviewed the RCMP monthly report saying 188 hours was spent on O'Leary business and 13 calls for service were received. Tashia mentioned the traffic statistics received from the Provincial Department of Transportation in comparison to the number of speeding tickets issued. Council thanked Sgt. Gill.

The agenda was approved with the following addition: Order of PEI award, policies in general and donations policy. *Moved by B. Adams, seconded by T. Maynard and carried.*

### **2. MINUTES**

The January 14, 2016 council meeting minutes were reviewed for errors and omissions. On a *motion by T. Maynard, seconded by C. Ferguson and carried* the minutes were approved. It was noted that more details to be added in the minutes regarding the financial report.

### **3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:**

- Darren advised that additional lighting has been installed at the Co-op feedmill and at the gas bar which hopefully is helping the situation at the CN station. Waiting on tenants' opinion.
- The new web site has not been launched as yet.
- The outdoor rink didn't materialize as weather conditions were a hindrance.

### **4. FINANCIAL BUSINESS:**

January 2016 receipts for general \$17,300.26, invoices paid for general \$111,020.22; Bank balance at the end of January 2016 - general \$49,859.54. January 2016 receipts for sewer

\$1354.18 invoices paid \$18,153.57 and bank balance at the end of January, 2016 - \$23,614.43. Note that the receipts and invoices do not include online receipts and payments for this month and will be included in next month's.

2016 budget figures proposed by Council were circulated.

Carol advised that a receivables listing for both general and sewer to be circulated in future.

It was *moved by M. MacDonald, seconded by B. Adams and carried* that financial report for January, 2016 be approved.

## **5. NEW BUSINESS**

**1. Mayor's report** - Eric reported attending the 55+ Games and the Business Association meeting.

**2. Administrator's report** - Bev reported the completion of T4s, did a clean up at ADIC storage rooms, made contacts re the Arts Council donations, helped with 55+ Games, audit preparations, met with Morley Foy and advised that the ballfield building at Ellsworth Field got broken into. Overtime for Bev - 8 hours; Dale - 81.5 hours. No permits.

### **3. Reports from Departments**

**Development & Tourism** - Blake reported speaking with a potential business operator for O'Leary and also had discussions about a strip mall proposal and the seniors facility.

**Fire Protection** - Chief's report for January circulated. The department responded to 4 emergency calls during the month - 3 flue fires and 1 medical call. The fire department's proposed budget for 2016 was reviewed. *Moved by M. MacDonald, seconded by B. Adams and carried* that submission of Fire Department's 2016 proposed budget to O'Leary Area Fire District committee be authorized.

**Recreation** - Jeff's report circulated to Council. Darren highlighted the 55+ Games, upcoming hockey tournaments, 2016 softball tournaments, 100 km yard sale scheduled for May 27 & 28 and the figure skating ice show on Feb 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Streets & Sidewalks** - Tashia reported that no complaints have been heard.

**Properties** - not available.

**Sanitation** - Eric reported that nothing definite has been found regarding the lagoon and the samples that have been taken. Eric and Bev recently met with Morley Foy, Environment, and learned that it will soon be mandatory for the Barclay Road lift station to have an alarm system. It was suggested that sewer improvement projects be shovel ready in case of availability of funding from Infrastructure Secretariat. Projects recommended include the lift station alarm, replacement of lagoon manholes and replacement of main trunk line located south of town.

**4. Dog Bylaw** - Tabled until April meeting.

**5. Special Olympics donation** - *Moved by B. Adams, seconded by M. MacDonald and carried* that \$150 donation be made to assist Cedric Gallant, Special Olympic athlete attending Nationals in NF.

**6. Red Tide donation - Moved by T. Maynard, seconded by C. Ferguson and carried** that \$150 be donated to support the Maple Leaf Curling Club for the Red Tide curling bonspiel.

**7. FPEIM nomination - Moved by B. Adams, seconded by C. Ferguson and carried** that Marvin MacDonald be nominated to serve on the Federation of PEI Municipalities executive as Prince County town representative.

**8. Other business & correspondence:**

- Upcoming Georgetown Conference mentioned.
- Order of PEI award discussed and agreed that Council would not be nominating anyone.
- Copy of current Town policies to be forwarded to Council.
- **Moved by B. Adams, seconded by M. MacDonald and carried** that policy regarding donation requests be as follows: Maximum donation of \$1500 to be considered for non profit organizations; Maximum donation of \$250 be considered for teams travelling to competitions or special events; Maximum donation of \$100 be considered per individual travelling to competitions or special events. Council discretion on requests from ratepayers.
- Council invited to reception for Special Olympics on February 24<sup>th</sup>.
- Council invited to information session sponsored by MADD on February 25<sup>th</sup>.
- Discussion held on casual help for admin office. Hours for casual to be 9 - 3.

**6. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**Moved by B. Adams, seconded by T. Maynard and carried** that Council adjourn to committee of the whole session at 7:55 pm.

**Moved by B. Adams, seconded by M. MacDonald and carried** that regular meeting reconvene at 9:45 pm.

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 9:46 pm on a **motion by T. Maynard, seconded by B. Adams and carried.**