

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
January 12, 2017

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

Regrets: Councillors Joey Dumville and Darren MacKinnon

1. MEETING TO ORDER:

Mayor Gavin called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 pm and declared a quorum present.

The agenda was approved with the addition of Inquiries from Norman MacDougall.
Moved by T. Maynard , seconded by C. Ferguson and carried.

2. MINUTES

The December 8, 2016 regular meeting minutes were reviewed for errors and omissions. On a *motion by M. MacDonald, seconded by T. Maynard and carried* the minutes were approved.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

Bev presented quotes from Blain Buchanan on complex sign located at the street and it was agreed that another quote be obtained.

Moved by B. Adams, seconded by T. Maynard and carried that Blain Buchanan be asked to provide the change in foam lettering on the building at a cost of \$125.

Contact was made with West Prince Solar regarding power for Christmas decorations on street lights.

Bev received a call from Vernon Maxfield, O’Leary Legion Development Corporation, and Eric spoke with him regarding the land trade. The proposal is currently with the lending department of CMHC and hoping to hear a reply soon.

The fire department members have agreed to work on obtaining quotes for the repair work needed to back bay area.

4. FINANCIAL BUSINESS:

Financial report presented by Carol - December 31/2016 bank balance for general account - \$148,419.96 and for sewer - \$79,064.13. December, 2016 receipts for general - \$56,740.70, for sewer \$2529.12. Invoices paid in December, 2016 for general \$65,733.42; for sewer \$3945.15. Carol noted that sewer receivables have been decreased by \$2300 in the past month; general revenue is up due to sale of ADIC and revenue and expenses are higher than budget due to the Nationals event. Also noted plans to discuss with auditor about depreciation and amortization

items. Income statement with budget, general ledger bank and cash account statement, accounts payable and receivable report and balance sheet circulated to Council. Financial report was approved on a ***motion by T. Maynard, seconded by B. Adams and carried.***

Carol advised that she approved paying an advertising bill for \$28.50 for the senior care facility committee.

5. NEW BUSINESS

RCMP Sgt. Gill attended the meeting and reviewed the monthly report stating members responded to 16 calls for service. Three check stops conducted in O'Leary and two foot patrols at the rink and three at the town office.

Also a letter received from C/Supt. Joanne Crampton in response to Eric's letter regarding fine revenue. Bev reported speaking to Alberton and Tignish and their fine revenue is down about 50% as well. The Court Office said that if the officer wrote on the ticket "at or near O'Leary" then O'Leary would receive the revenue even if the offense took place outside O'Leary boundaries.

Sgt. Gill discussed priorities with Council members.

A. Mayor's report - Eric reported attending the senior care facility meeting, the Levee, and the funding announcement at the Rodd.

B. Administrator's report - Bev reported that sewer project loan documents were finalized and that discussion held with CN tenants on liability insurance. Also attended the CWWF information session in Charlottetown this past Tuesday. Development permit issued to Warren Ellis for demolition of house and outbuildings on Willow Ave. Overtime for Bev currently at 16.5 hours with 1 week vacation time left; Dale has 23 hours overtime and has 1 week vacation left.

Carol recommended that Faye MacWilliams, Administrative Assistant, be a designated signing officer in Bev's absence, if required. Bev to arrange for documents to be signed.

C. Reports from Departments

Streets & sidewalks - Tashia mentioned that at times sidewalks are icy but Dale is keeping them salted.

Fire Department - Marvin reviewed report from new Chief Ron Phillips. Other new executive members include Jason Greenan as Deputy Chief, Davis Gallant as Captain # 1, Blain Buchanan as Captain # 2, Jaron Harris as Lieutenant # 1 and Kevin Arsenault as Lieutenant # 2. Department members responded to a recent call where a vehicle accident resulted in the death of one of the passengers - members were debriefed. Two other vehicle collisions and a tree on power line call and one false alarm occurred during the month. Marvin stated that it is not law in the use of sirens when members attend calls in the middle of the night and is more a personal preference for certain people. Council agreed that a gift be sent to Donnie Ellis' family due to his recent death and that he was a dedicated firefighter for 36 years. Tashia agreed to do the legwork on design of gift. ***Moved by B. Adams, seconded by C. Ferguson and carried*** that the gift to Donnie's family be approximately \$150.

Development - Blake commented that most of his report has been previously discussed. Attendance at the senior care facility committee open house held Jan. 11th was good and the group

is working toward a cooperative project. The committee has started their business plan. The announcement at the Rodd yesterday was very optimistic with an overhaul to the hotel, the water park and campground and discussions on costs are ongoing regarding the strip mall.

Recreation - Jeff's recreation report was circulated to Council. Updates provided on 55+ Games, Winter Carnival and Under 18 Softball events. Applications for summer staffing grants have been submitted and the levee was a great success.

Properties - not available.

Sanitation - Eric reported that new lines have been completed on CWWF sewer project except for on Harper's property. Reinstatement of grounds will take place in the spring or early summer of 2017. The auto dialer alarm system for the lift station has been installed but not operational as waiting for training by installer. New lateral line installed at John Phillips property on Maple ST.

D. Honorarium eligibility - Moved by B. Adams, seconded by C. Ferguson and carried that 75% of all council meetings, including special meetings, must be attended to be eligible for full honorarium; at least 50% of all meetings, including special meetings, must be attended to be eligible for prorated honorarium; and if 50% of all meetings, including special meetings, are not attended councillor would not be eligible for any honorarium. In cases of leave requests for sickness or medical reasons, Council will use their discretion on a per case basis as to whether honorarium would be affected by the absence.

E. Easement discussions if necessary -

F. Washroom renovations - Council agreed that complex washrooms need some updates and improvements. Bev to have new fixtures installed, new flooring and baseboard in two main washrooms.

G. Hospital Foundation donation - Moved by M. MacDonald, seconded by T. Maynard and carried that \$1000 donation be made to Community Hospital Foundation from 2016 funds as approved by email survey of Council held before the end of 2016.

H. Other business & correspondence:

- Letter received from Hon. Robert Henderson regarding Provincial bid to host the 2023 Canada Winter Games.

- Discussion on Norman MacDougall inquiries to be held during in camera session.

6. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Moved by B. Adams, seconded by M. MacDonald and carried that Council adjourn to committee of the whole session at 7:40 pm.

Moved by B. Adams, seconded by T. Maynard and carried that regular meeting reconvene at 8:40 pm.

Results from Committee of the Whole

Moved by Blake Adams, seconded by Tashia Maynard and carried that application be made to Island Regulatory and Appeals Commission to gain legal easement to PID #43612, property owned by Rhonda Harper, due to location of sewer main on that property and the necessity of replacing the main line and performing ongoing maintenance to sewer line.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm on a *motion by T. Maynard, seconded by B. Adams and carried.*