

TOWN OF O'LEARY REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 14, 2020

Present: Mayor Eric Gavin; Deputy Mayor Darren MacKinnon; Councillors Judy MacIsaac, Darrel Wood, Kevin Maynard, Valene Gallant and Joey Dumville; CAO Bev Shaw; Press - Graphic.

Regrets:

1. MEETING TO ORDER:

Mayor Gavin called the meeting to order at 5:35 pm and declared a quorum present. The agenda was approved with additions 1. CSCL rezoning and variance request; and 2. FPEIM AGM. **Moved by D. MacKinnon, seconded by V. Gallant and carried.**

2. CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

Nil

3. MINUTES:

The minutes of September 9, 2020 regular council meeting reviewed for errors and omissions. **Moved by J. Dumville, seconded by D. Wood and carried** that Section R - Other Business & Correspondence - Community Seniors Cooperative Ltd. motion be amended and to read as follows: **Moved by J. Dumville, seconded by D. Wood and carried** that \$75,000 be provided to CSCL from the Town's current Community Development budget plus Council commits to seeking financing for \$200,000, payable over four years commencing when equity funding is required by CSCL's mortgage application to CMHC. All funds are based on successful mortgage application from CSCL to CMHC. A letter of intent indicating that \$275,000 will be available from the Town and to be provided to CSCL to accompany their mortgage application. **Vote - 5 for and 1 against.**

Moved by J. Dumville, seconded by J. MacIsaac and carried that minutes be approved as amended.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

Purchase of new flower pots with reservoirs for street light standards to be tabled to next year. **Moved by D. MacKinnon, seconded by D. Wood and carried.**

5. FINANCIAL BUSINESS:

Darren advised that the financial reports indicate nothing out of the ordinary and noted that sale of 6 lots at Pate Garden Subdivision was finalized. Proceeds from sale was applied to the loan bringing balance to approximately \$33,000.

Monthly financial reports circulated to Council. Bank balances as follows: September 30, 2020 for general account - \$358,505.02 and for sewer - \$274,249.57. Expenses for September, 2020 for general totalled \$129,627.74 and for sewer - \$6,360.95. Revenue for September, 2020 for general - \$174,942.31, for sewer - \$1,883.00. **Moved by D. MacKinnon, seconded by J. Dumville and carried** that financial report including bank balances, receipts and expenses be approved.

Brief discussion on new rates for Sewer Utility - message on Facebook and notice to customers to be changed to clarify frontage charges and future increases.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Mayor's report - Eric reported meeting with Jordan of CSCL regarding the seniors' facility project.

B. Administrator's report - Bev reported research on solar power for the lagoon UV system and funds through the Active Transportation Fund for sidewalks. Council agreed these could be worthwhile and to continue. Reopening of the complex to the public is going well but restricted to groups that numbers of persons can be controlled. Fire department tanker has gone to tender with closing date October 20th. Tax concessions and rebates being prepared and also MCEG grant application. Inquiries heard regarding Imperial Oil Willow Avenue property sale. Owners have been advised that they've advertised the incorrect zone for the property which greatly affects what type of development can occur. Attended the EMO meeting on Oct. 8th.

Building/business permits - Permit to New Scotland Group, 567 Main Street issued for renovations and change of use from single family to duplex, valued at \$25,000.

Overtime/vacation time - Bev 18 hours overtime and week and a half vacation left. Dale overtime hours not available and he's currently on vacation for October. Andrew has 44 hours overtime and 2 days of vacation left.

C. Reports from departments -

Streets & Sidewalks - Valene reported no further progress on Remembrance Day banners, discovered solar powered Christmas lights on Amazon and provided a list of street lights not working. Department of Transportation needs to be reminded that Pate Garden Drive needs resurfacing, water pooling on Water Street needs correcting, and trees overhanging on Beechwood and Community need trimmed. Joey mentioned that tree limbs are hanging over power lines on Ellis Avenue.

Newcomers/Recruitment/Community Endorsements - Judy met with PEI Navigators on Oct 7th. Amy Blanchard from PEI Housing has joined the committee. Upcoming events include apple picking, pumpkin carving and meet your neighbour. RCMP are also planning an event for newcomers. CSCL held two public meetings recently with 50 attendees and resulted in 50 expressions of interest for the community care facility. Judy suggested information regarding the care facility be put on Town's facebook. O'Leary's emergency preparedness committee is working well and currently gathering resource information to complete the manual. This will

be submitted to Council and PEI EMO for approval and mock exercises will be held in near future.

Police & Fire Protection - Darrel reviewed RCMP report for September 2020. Hours spent on O'Leary business reported at 171. Three check stops held in our area. Staff Sgt. Troy MacLean joined our meeting and introduced himself and advised that two new members have been assigned to Prince District and a new traffic unit is in force. Report for September from the Fire Chief advised that the department responded to 11 calls. Truck battery issues are being investigated.

Recreation - Recreation Director's report circulated to Council and Joey highlighted Andrew's statements on ending of slo-pitch season, U14 Provincials, Girls on the Go grant, festival update, Halloween event, Christmas parade and New Years Levee.

Properties - Kevin stated there isn't much to report on properties and mentioned the upcoming FPEIM Virtual AGM but he's unable to attend.

Sanitation & Community Development - Eric reported that the lagoon project is going well and nothing to report on community development.

D. Council reminded of planning/visioning session with John Aylward tomorrow evening at 6.

E. November Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 10th as the 11th is a holiday.

F. Grants bylaw amendment - not required as bylaw allows for special contributions.

G. Chamber of Commerce Gala - Chamber asked if Council had opinions on what type of AGM to hold in view of the COVID regulations and Council felt it too early to make such a decision for an event in February, 2021 but agreed to pay out the usual \$500 sponsorship.

H. Other business & correspondence:

Community Seniors Cooperative Ltd.: CSCL applied to Town Council for rezoning of PID's 591529 and part of 474643 from Residential R3 to Public Service and Institutional to allow development of senior care facility and a variance for the building height of 54 feet. ***Moved by J. Dumville, seconded by J. Maclsaac and carried*** that rezoning process commence. As for the variance, Council requested a written response from PEI Fire Marshal in regards to the effect on firefighting capability. Once received CSCL should meet with our fire department to review then Council will revisit the request.

FPEIM AGM: FPEIM asked that Council consider registering for the virtual meeting. Bev plans to attend.

7. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

Moved by J. Dumville, seconded by D. Wood and carried that council adjourn to committee of the whole session at 7:25 pm.

Moved by J. Dumville, seconded by V. Gallant and carried that regular meeting reconvene at 8:50 pm.

Results from Committee of the Whole nil

8. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm on a ***motion by V. Gallant, seconded by J. MacIsaac and carried.***