

TOWN OF O'LEARY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 10, 2021

Present: Mayor Eric Gavin; Deputy Mayor Darren MacKinnon; Councillors Judy MacIsaac, Darrel Wood, and Kevin Maynard; CAO Bev Shaw; Recreation Director Andrew Avery; Press - Graphic and Journal.

Regrets: Councillors Valene Gallant and Joey Dumville.

1. MEETING TO ORDER:

Mayor Gavin called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm and declared a quorum present. The agenda was approved with additions 1. Census resolution; 2. Second letter from Canadian Potato Museum. ***Moved by D. MacKinnon, seconded by K. Maynard and carried.***

2. CONFLICT OF INTEREST: Darren shall excuse himself from the meeting during discussion of Agenda item 6. E.

3. MINUTES:

The minutes of January 13, 2021 regular council meeting and February 3, 2021 notes from the meeting with Canada Games committee were reviewed for errors and omissions. ***Moved by D. Wood, seconded by J. MacIsaac and carried*** that minutes be approved.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

- No from the heating system assessment but Darrel has had conversations with them.
- Bev advised that the solar project for the lagoon will not affect any future applications for funding for solar projects.
- The legal service through FPEIM is in effect now and due for renewal in April, 2021.
- Messages were sent to the Province regarding a second radar unit. Two were originally requested but only one received at the Unionvale entrance to Town. Council agreed that further requests be made for radars on Barclay and Gaspé entrances.

5. FINANCIAL BUSINESS:

Darren reported that the Town still holds a reasonable and stable financial status and that budget time is approaching. Accounts receivables for sewer reflect the concession Council allowed for payment date extension to March 31/ 2021.

Monthly financial reports circulated to Council. Bank balances as follows: Bank balances for January 31, 2021 for general account - \$294,605.77 and for sewer - \$210,595.17. Expenses for January 2021 for general totaled \$392,268.06 and for sewer - \$77,148.20. Revenue for January, 2021 for general - \$79,791.17 plus loan proceeds of \$217,000 for new Helie tanker and for sewer - \$4912.61 plus loan proceeds of \$56,939.76 for Waste Water Treatment Plant

project. **Moved by D. MacKinnon, seconded by K. Maynard and carried** that financial report including bank balances, receipts and expenses be approved.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Mayor's report - Eric reported meeting with Hon. Ernie Hudson and Hon. Jamie Fox regarding streets and sidewalks work and general concerns of the Town.

B. Administrator's report - Bev reported completion of the MCE Grant application, that the O'Leary Official Plan is due for review, and Work & Study Hub up and running. Attended the meeting with Hon. Jamie Fox, Canada Games committee meeting and the presentation from West Prince Solar. A description of our solar project proposal has been sent to Dean Lund with Sustainable Communities and he's researching the best funding source for it. Building/business permits - No permits issued but an enquiry received from Xplornet for a building on Praught property on Gaspé Road. Overtime/vacation time - Bev 26 hours overtime and 6 vacation days left. Dale overtime hours not available and he has 2 vacation days left. Andrew has 22 hours overtime and 1 day of vacation left.

C. Reports from departments -

Recreation - In Joey's absence Andrew presented the highlights from his monthly report providing Winter Carnival details and updates on Saturday snowshoeing, after school programming, Seniors program for Rook and bingo. Canada Summer Job applications submitted, some in conjunction with Maple Leaf Curling Club. Canada Games plans includes one hockey game but requests are being made for more. Sponsorship is requested equal to \$10 per capita. Andrew presented information on playground equipment and to email pictures and estimates to Council. Funding opportunities being researched.

Police Protection - Staff Sgt. Troy MacLean joined our meeting and reviewed RCMP report for January 2021. Hours spent on O'Leary business in January reported at 207. Three check stops held in our area with presence from the Provincial Priority Unit. MacLean advised that comments from Council would be appreciated regarding priorities for policing in the upcoming year.

Properties -

Newcomers/Recruitment/Community Endorsements - Judy advised that the Community Seniors Co-operative doing well with fundraising efforts reaching over \$50,000 so far. PEI Navigators meet monthly, Cooking & Culture event on Zoom and Learn to Skate and Snowshoe programs very successful. Judy spearheaded the team that Council supported for the Red Tide Curling Club fundraiser and they won. Judy also attended the Canada Games committee meeting.

Fire Protection - Darrel highlighted the Fire Chief's report for January 2021 saying 4 were responded to - 1 flue, 1 vehicle collision, 1 furnace malfunction and 1 structure fire. The new

Freightliner from Helie is in service.

Streets & Sidewalks - Kevin advised that the sidewalks need to be assessed later in the spring as some are uneven and also mentioned the possibility of sidewalks needed for the new senior's community care facility. Radars for Town entrances were discussed earlier in the meeting.

Sanitation & Community Development - Eric reported that extra samples are being tested from the lagoon and the latest was still in compliance. The UV commissioning may be delayed again due to Covid restrictions but Xylem is trying to find a local firm capable. Nothing new on Community Development but Eric is open to suggestions. Brief discussion on the Gospel Hall land.

D. 2nd reading and adoption of Development bylaw amendments -

WHEREAS Council has received an application to amend the zoning of Parcel 591529 and a portion of Parcel 474643 to permit a proposed community care facility;

AND WHEREAS Council has given consideration to the Town of O'Leary Official Plan policy statements supporting expanded housing options for seniors;

AND WHEREAS Council has given consideration to amendments to the Town of O'Leary Official Plan adding policies relating to special residential uses in R3 and PSI zones, establishing the PSI zone, and related supporting plan actions;

AND WHEREAS the proposed amendments to the Official Plan and the related bylaw amendments were presented to the public at an open meeting held on November 18, 2020;

AND WHEREAS the proposed amendments to the Official Plan, being OPA-2021-01, were approved at a public meeting of council on January 13, 2021;

AND WHEREAS Bylaw BY-2021-01, a bylaw to amend the Town of O'Leary's Zoning and Subdivision Control (Development) Bylaw, was read and approved a first time on January 13, 2021;

BE IT RESOLVED that Bylaw BY-2021-01, a bylaw to amend the Town of O'Leary's Zoning and Subdivision Control (Development) Bylaw, be hereby read a second time; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Bylaw BY-2021-01, a bylaw to amend the Town of O'Leary's Zoning and Subdivision Control (Development) bylaw, be hereby approved.

Moved by Darren MacKinnon, seconded by Judy MacIsaac. Motion carried.

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BE IT RESOLVED that Bylaw BY-2021-01, a bylaw to amend the Town of O'Leary's Zoning and Subdivision Control (Development) Bylaw, be adopted.

Moved by Darrel Wood, seconded by Judy MacIsaac and carried.

E. Update/new quote on Safe Start Funding - Darren excused himself from this portion of the meeting due to conflict of interest.

Two local quotes for audio/visual equipment to allow Council to host Zoom meetings, staff training and other uses as necessary were circulated to Council prior to January 2021 Council meeting. These quotes focused on audio/visual using a laptop and large TV screen. A company from Cornwall provided a quote and suggested a projector based system with microphones in the ceiling, blue tooth table mikes and remote controlled camera would be better suited to our needs. Council agreed to discard one of the original quotes as they were not able to provide set up and service and the wifi offered was just an extension. Bev to contact the other bidder to provide opportunity for him to quote on the projector based system with microphones.

F. Safety/rescue gear for lagoon - ***Moved by D. MacKinnon, seconded by K. Maynard and carried*** that used safety/rescue gear and equipment for confined spaces be purchased from Jim Stewart for \$5500 with one year warranty providing inspection is satisfactory.

G. West Point Fire Department interest in surplus tanker - A letter of interest submitted by West Point and an email expressing their recommendation from O'Leary Fire Department was read. Council felt that it is very advantageous to O'Leary to have West Point outfitted with this vehicle. ***Moved by D. MacKinnon, seconded by D. Wood and carried*** that the surplus tanker be sold to West Point Fire Department for \$1.00 with condition that truck be in service within a year and utilized for mutual aid services. Judy abstained from voting.

H. 1st reading of Sewer Corporation Bylaw # 2021-02

WHEREAS current bylaw for sewer corporation, Bylaw # 5 for Municipal Sewage Collection and Treatment was enacted in 1988 and requires updates related to municipal status as a Town, composition of board of directors, supervision of work and staff of the corporation, and Island Regulatory and Appeals Commission title;

BE IT RESOLVED that Bylaw # 2021-02, Town of O'Leary Sewer Corporation Bylaw, a bylaw to regulate O'Leary's sanitary sewer collection and treatment, be hereby read a first time; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Bylaw # 2021-02, Town of O'Leary Sewer Corporation Bylaw, be hereby approved.

Moved by Darren MacKinnon, seconded by Judy MacIsaac and carried.

I. PEI Family Violence Prevention proclamation

WHEREAS there are many people in PEI who experience family violence;
AND WHEREAS the effects of family violence may be carried on from generation to generation;

AND WHEREAS all citizens of O'Leary have a role to play in preventing family violence;

THEREFORE I, Mayor Eric Gavin, do hereby proclaim the week of February 14 - 20, 2021 to be FAMILY VIOLENCE PREVENTION WEEK in O'Leary, PE. I call upon citizens of this great town to help those at risk learn where to turn. I call upon you to make a difference by helping those affected by family violence know what supports and resources are available to them. It takes all of us working together to promote healthy relationships and create a safer community in the Town of O'Leary.

Moved by Judy MacIsaac, seconded by Darrel Wood and carried.

J. Insurance notification - Our insurance agent, Hyndman Insurance Group Ltd., notified by letter that due to the increased cost of lumber and construction, that our properties may be underinsured. Bev to contact our agent to discuss and determine if we have coverage for replacement value.

K. Other business & correspondence:

Census resolution - BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of O'Leary, PEI supports the 2021 Census, and encourage all residents to complete their census questionnaire online at www.census.gc.ca. Accurate and complete census data support programs and services that benefit our community. ***Moved by J. MacIsaac, seconded by D. Wood and carried.***

2nd donation request from Canadian Potato Museum - To reply that Council will consider request for \$25,000 during budget planning as was replied to first request.

7. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

Moved by D. MacKinnon, seconded by K. Maynard and carried that council adjourn to committee of the whole session at 7:25 pm.

Moved by D. Wood, seconded by J. MacIsaac and carried that regular meeting reconvene at 8:30 pm.

Results from Committee of the Whole

8. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm on a ***motion by D. MacKinnon, seconded by J. MacIsaac and carried.***