

Rural Municipality of West River
Regular Meeting of Council
Thursday, November 12, 2020 at 7:00 PM

Mayor: Helen Smith-MacPhail

Present: Deputy Mayor Bob Clow Councillor Sabrina Loughran
 Councillor John Yeo Councillor Stephen Gould
 Councillor Chad Stretch Councillor Lori Ashley
 Councillor Aaron MacEachern Councillor Pam Baglole
 Councillor Sharon Slauenwhite

Kevin McCarville – Chief Administrative Officer

Regrets: Councillor Shaun MacArthur

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Helen Smith-MacPhail called the meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

It was moved by Councillor Clow and seconded by Councillor Ashley the agenda be approved as circulated. Motion carried.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no conflicts noted

MINUTES

It was moved by Councillor Yeo and seconded by Councillor Gould that the minutes of Rural Municipality of Meadowbank, July 2020 with correction of date, Rural Municipality of West River, September 23, 2020 closed meeting Rural Municipality of West River, October 29, 2020 closed meeting Rural Municipality of West River, October 10, 2020 regular meeting with amendments be approved as circulated. Motion carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

CAO Kevin McCarville reported that he inquired about tree clearing on the Peter's Road. The municipality does not have authority to stop the tree clearing or trimming on private property or the Provincial right-of ways. As well, the area in question is outside our municipal boundaries

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Helen Smith-MacPhail reported that the deadline for application for CAO for the municipality closes November 14, 2020.

CAO REPORT

Interim CAO Kevin McCarville reported that administrative matters continue to be addressed. The MFIR reports for the pre-amalgamated communities are being completed. Renovations for Afton Hall are delayed pending completion of updated construction drawings and discussion with the contractor. He replied to Councillor's Stretch's inquiry and indicated that there is no timeline for the work yet.

Work is continuing with the project manager, CBCL Ltd. and contractor to upgrade the deficiencies in the sports field in New Haven.

Council will pursue funding opportunities under Provincial and Federal Active Transportation Plans for Mutter Park.

The Three Phase Power Project for Nine Mile Creek Wharf is scheduled to commence later this month.

The Municipality continues to work with the Province regarding the Official Plan amendments proposed by the New Haven-Riverdale council.

He noted the Municipality is eligible to receive \$63,113 from the Safe Restart Program and that two development permits were approved in the last month.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION #2020-16 Lease, Bonshaw Com Centre

Moved by Councillor Lori Ashley

Seconded by Councillor Chad Stretch

WHEREAS the Rural Municipality of West River assumed responsibility for the Bonshaw Community Centre effective September 1, 2020, and

WHEREAS the Council for the Municipality is desirous in having the Bonshaw Community Centre programs and activities administered by the directors of the Bonshaw Community Centre Inc.,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council for the Rural Municipality of West River hereby approves the attached lease with the Bonshaw Community Centre Inc. and authorizes the Mayor and CAO to execute the agreement.

CARRIED 9-0

RESOLUTION #2020-17 MSC Gas Tax

Moved by Councillor Sharon Slauenwhite

Seconded by Councillor Stephen Gould

WHEREAS the Rural Municipality of West River was established by Executive Council Order effective September 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS the Municipality, as part of the Order and as required by Municipal Government Act, is required to adopt an Official Plan and Development Bylaws,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Rural Municipality of West River apply for funding under the Direct Allocation/Notional Capital Investment Plan Fund for 90% of the costs of this project.

CARRIED 9-0

RESOLUTION #2020-18 Subdivision, parcel #784660

Moved by Councillor John Yeo

Seconded by Councillor Stephen Gould

WHEREAS the owner of PID 784660 recently became aware that the parcel was never properly subdivided from PID 782672 even though the subdivision plan was filed with the Registry Office, and

WHEREAS the subdivision will not create any additional lots and will conform to the Planning Act Subdivision and Development Regulations, and

WHEREAS the owner now wishes to sell PID 784660, and title to the property must be clear

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve proposed Lot 06-1 prepared by R.A. Wakelin, PEILS under file No.7342 drawn July 20,2006 and revised on December 22, 2006 subject to Parcel "A" being conveyed as a lot addition to PID 782672

CARRIED 9-0

RESOLUTION #2020-19 Lease, photocopier

Moved by Councillor Pam Baglole

Seconded by Councillor Bob Clow

WHEREAS the Rural Municipality of West River does not have a copier sufficient to meet the demands of the new municipality, and

WHEREAS staff has reviewed the cost and functionality of five (5) copiers from various suppliers,

BE IT RESOLVED that Council accept the lease offer from Konica Minolta for a Bizhub C300i copier for 60 months at a cost of \$138.43 plus HST per month.

CARRIED 9-0

RESOLUTION #2020-20 Safe Restart Agreement

Moved by Councillor Sabrina Loughran

Seconded by Councillor Aaron MacEachern

WHEREAS a Safe Restart Agreement will provide financial assistance for reopening municipal services in PEI to support critical needs for transit, protection of public health and safety, prepare for potential future waves of the COVID -19 virus, and further support the safe reopening of economies across Canada, and

WHEREAS a signed agreement to participate reflects the municipality's understanding on shared objectives and terms established by the Safe Restart Agreement between the Government of Canada, the Province of PEI, and

WHEREAS the Safe Restart Agreement required a formal resolution outlining participation in the program

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council for the Rural Municipality of West River hereby authorizes the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer to execute the “Confirmation of Municipal Services and Agreement to Participate”

CARRIED 9-0

RESOLUTION #2020-21 COMMITTEES

Moved by Councillor Sabrina Loughran

Seconded by Councillor Aaron MacEachern

WHEREAS Section 88 of the Municipal Government Act and Section 23 of the Procedural Bylaw authorizes Council, by resolution, to establish committees, and

WHEREAS Section 9 of the Planning Act authorizes Council to establish a Planning Board, and

WHEREAS Section 8 of the Emergency Measures Act authorizes Council to establish an Emergency Measures committee, and

WHEREAS the Mayor is a member of every Committee as authorized in Section 90 of the Municipal Government Act

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves the following appointments:

FINANCE Committee

Councillor Stephen Gould – Chair, Councillor Sabrina Loughran, Councillor John Yeo

PROPERTIES Committee

Councillor Chad Stretch – Chair, Councillor Aaron MacEachern, Councillor Shaun MacArthur

PLANNING Committee

Councillor Sharon Slauenwhite – Chair, Deputy Mayor Bob Clow, Councillor John Yeo

EMERGENCY MEASURES Committee

Councillor Shaun MacArthur – Chair, Councillor Lori Ashley, Councillor Pam Baglole

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

That Councillor Lori Ashley is the Council representative on the Bonshaw Community Centre Board of Directors, and

Councillor Aaron MacEachern is the Council representative on the Afton Hall Board of Directors

CARRIED 9-0

OTHER BUSINESS

Councillor Baglole reported residents of Upper Meadowbank Road would like an increased presence of RCMP to enforce the speed limits on the roads. Councillor Gould reported that a resident of New Haven would like to have speed bumps installed on the Cameron Road. Kevin noted that municipalities can purchase, and install speed bumps. They have to be removed by November and stored away for the winter months. Council discussed contacting RCMP to request information on most effective ways to reduce speeding in the municipality.

Councillor Gould received a written plan from a resident for a community living centre. The plan was passed over to the CAO.

Councillor Gould asked about community engagement. Mayor Smith-MacPhail noted that Procedural Bylaw dictates how meetings proceed and also noted that she is pleased to see some residents attending the monthly meetings. Council has reviewed the new website. Frequently Asked Questions and contact information have been added to the website.

CAO Kevin McCarville reported that work is continuing on the financials reports.

PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

Council was asked about high speed internet. Mayor Smith-MacPhail noted that High Speed / Fibre Op are being installed in parts of the Municipality. Councillor Gould asked if Council could request a list of High Speed and Fibre Op providers for the Municipality from the Province or from the 2 MLAs that represent the districts within the Municipality.

Councillor Gould said to watch for updates on the Municipality's website for council meetings and planning meetings, which are open to the public.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.

HELEN SMITH-MACPHAIL
MAYOR

KEVIN MCCARVILLE
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER