



APPROVED MINUTES FROM REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

HELD MONDAY, JUNE 12, 2017

The regular council meeting was held Monday, June 12, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. with Mayor Murphy presiding and Councillors Cahill, Duggan, Williams, Curtis, Bernard and Tremblay present, also Frances Ready, Melissa Head, West Prince Graphic and staff Susan Wallace-Flynn.

The motion was made by Councillor Bernard, seconded by Councillor Duggan and carried for the approval of the agenda.

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Councillor Williams declared a conflict on a property development application and her father's subdivision plan.

The motion was made by Councillor Bernard, seconded by Councillor Cahill and carried to approve the minutes from the last regular council meeting held May 8, 2017.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Councillor Duggan asked if there was an update on the cart corral. Mayor Murphy said not yet.

PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS TO COUNCIL

Frances Ready thanked council for the new sidewalk on Dufferin Street.

CORRESPONDENCE

A request was received from Alberton Business Association for permission to close Main Street on August 12th for the Annual Multicultural Festival and also for the recreation department to organize games or sports for the kids during this event.

The motion was made by Councillor Bernard, seconded by Councillor Williams and carried to request permission from the government to block Main Street for the Multicultural Festival.

The motion was made by Councillor Bernard, seconded by Councillor Cahill and carried for the recreation workers to give assistance with games for children at the Multicultural Festival.

A letter was received from the Director of Finance and Corporate Services that the annual cost of the RCMP extended service for one officer has increased to \$128,528.00. Council said that due warning is expected before an increase.

A letter was received from Western Healthcare Ladies Auxiliary to request a letter of support to apply for funding from the New Horizons Program for seniors for outdoor furniture, a gazebo and an information booth.

The motion was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Duggan and carried to offer a letter of support for the Western Hospital Healthcare Auxiliary to apply for funding from the New Horizons for seniors program.

Councillors Duggan, Williams, Cahill, Curtis and Bernard voted yes and Councillor Tremblay voted no.

Council discussed wording for the signage for the skate park and suggested instead of protection gear just state helmets and instead of no vehicles states vehicles not permitted. The rules are being reviewed by our insurance company.

Pooja Kumar with the Department of Communities, Land and Environment requested additional resolutions for formal adoption of the rezoning and map amendment for PID 19125 at 126 Dufferin Street.

The resolution was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Tremblay and carried to formally adopt Official Plan Amendment #1-2017 for PID # 19125-000 located at 126 Dufferin Street.

The resolution was made by Councillor Duggan, seconded by Councillor Bernard and carried to formally adopt the Zoning Bylaw Amendment #1-2017 for PID # 19125-000 located at 126 Dufferin Street.

A letter was received from Transportation West to request a donation.

The motion was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Curtis and carried to donate \$300.00 for a one year commitment on a bus for Transportation West Inc.

A letter was received from West Prince Ventures to request support for the Young Millionaires Program and to be notified of community events so they can sell their merchandise.

Staff Sgt. Derrick Hewitt arrived at the meeting.

The motion was made by Councillor Tremblay, seconded by Councillor Bernard and carried to help promote the Young Millionaires program through the recreation department.

Councillor Williams left the room due to a conflict of interest.

BUSINESS LICENSES AND/OR PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

A subdivision plan from Leonard O'Meara was discussed. A letter was read from John Maynard requesting that the plan be approved and that the Municipal Government Act will hopefully be enacted later this year, permitting the closure of the abandoned streets. Derek French, MCIP sent a memo that stated – 1. The Town cannot approve the plan until they have the authority through the new Municipal Government Act to do so. 2. The Town may prepare a letter indicating that upon the enactment of the Municipal Government Act, they will have the authority to surrender the roads or portions thereof. 3. Once the necessary deeds have been registered closing the roads or portions of roads, the Town may then approve the plan.

The motion was made by Councillor Duggan, seconded by Councillor Tremblay and carried to write the letter as recommended by Derek French.

Councillor Williams returned to the meeting.

A property development application was received from Derek Williams to build a workshop 24' by 30' at 90 Prince William Street.

The motion was made by Councillor Tremblay, seconded by Councillor Duggan and carried to approve property development application for PID 31138.

An application was submitted from Westech to connect a building for seasonal housing to the sewer. This request was just received today and more information is required.

Rachel Rennie requested that her permit that was approved last month be changed from an above ground swimming pool to an in ground swimming pool.

The motion was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Tremblay and carried to allow Rachel Rennie to change her permit from an above ground pool to an in ground swimming pool.

A request from Alan Adams for a second driveway on Powers Lane was discussed.

The motion was made by Councillor Duggan, seconded by Councillor Bernard and carried to allow Alan Adams to install a second driveway off Powers Lane with a culvert.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

RECREATION

Councillor Tremblay reported on Recreation (see attached).

LIBRARY SERVICES AND PARKS

Councillor Bernard Reported on Library Services and Parks (see attached).

FIRE AND POLICE

Councillor Curtis reported on Fire (see attached).

Staff Sgt. Hewitt read the police report. During the month of May members responded to 14 calls for service broken down as follows: 2 - Motor vehicle collisions, 2 - Traffic complaints, 2 - 911 Act, 1 - Drug possession, 1- Possession of stolen property, 1 - Sexual assault, 1 - Assault, 1 - Disturbing the peace, 1 - Trespass Act, 1 - Assist Provincial Agency and 1 - False alarm. Staff Sgt. Hewitt stated that next month Sgt. Gill will be here as he will be on vacation and then he left the meeting.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Councillor Duggan reported for economic development. He said that the ice cream truck is open, he would like to work more on promoting the lots for sale in our subdivision and would like to see a 7 year tax free sign out front.

ENVIRONMENT

Councillor Williams reported for environment. She said it was very busy, lots of complaints about the use of lobster bodies at Westech and not being plowed under for a long time, maggots and droppings from birds. She reported that she sent letters to Hon. Pat Murphy and Hon. Robert Mitchell about these concerns. Councillor Williams stated that the residents are very frustrated. She reported that she is working on a presentation for representatives of government and saw on the computer how the new lift station is working. She said that on May 10th she attended a Municipal meeting at Holland College and wants to make sure peoples voices are heard and wants to make a change.

FINANCE

Councillor Cahill reported for Finance.

The motion was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Bernard and carried to pay bills in the amount of \$31,765.91.

Financial reports including balance sheets, comparative income statements and trial balances were distributed for general and sewer for May. Honorariums were distributed.

CAO REPORT

Susan Wallace-Flynn read the CAO report (see attached).

STREETS AND SIDEWALKS

Mayor Murphy Reported on Streets and Sidewalks. He said the streets are in good shape. He said that shots on Prince William Street and dead end of Poplar Street suggested the ditch is not deep enough and need new culverts. The sidewalk has been completed on Dufferin Street. Mayor Murphy said there is no benefit to the residents to keep the streets and recommended handing them over to the Province.

The motion was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Duggan and carried to ask government to take over the streets.

Councillors Duggan, Williams, Cahill, Bernard and Tremblay voted yes and Councillor Curtis voted no.

NEW BUSINESS

Council discussed business licenses and the concern about the cost and trying to attract business and if they should drop it altogether.

The motion was made by Councillor Williams, seconded by Councillor Tremblay and carried to drop the business license fee but still require a license.

The motion was made by Councillor Williams, seconded by Councillor Cahill and carried to rent portable toilets for the ball field behind Alberton Elementary for July and August.

A request was received from Kathryn Curtis and Krystyna Pottier for permission to use town owned land behind the fire hall or former CN land on Albion Street for a park.

Mayor Murphy asked Councillor Curtis if he was in a conflict of interest as Kathryn Curtis is his daughter in law. Councillor Curtis stated he was not in a conflict of interest.

The motion was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Tremblay and carried to allow Kathryn Curtis and Krystyna Pottier to use either town owned land behind the fire hall or former CN land for a park.

The motion was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Williams and carried to hire AJL to repair the lagoon for \$14,340.00.

The Department of Environment will be contacted and the work will be completed under their direction.

The motion was made by Councillor Williams, seconded by Councillor Duggan and carried to hire Owen MacDonald to replace sidewalk in front of 420 Church Street 20 feet X 53 inches X 4 feet for \$900.00, 440 Church Street Option 1 - 10 feet X 52 inches X 4 feet for \$500.00 by Alberton Bakery 10 feet X 4 feet X 4 feet for \$950.00 and in front of Saunders Variety 30 feet X 4 feet X 4 feet for \$1,550.00.

The motion was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Bernard and carried to carry out work for proper drainage on Prince William Street and the corner of Princess and Poplar Streets.

The motion was made by Councillor Bernard, seconded by Councillor Williams and carried for Councillor Duggan to contact the person and order plants for the flower pots and give the wooden flower boxes to Kathryn Curtis and Krystyna Pottier as per their request for their proposed park.

Council requested that all the lamp posts be painted and to get prices for banners.

The motion was made by Councillor Duggan, seconded by Councillor Cahill and carried to adjourn the meeting.

Recreation Report from Martina Ellis

Under 6 Soccer team has 18 kids signed up. Ashley Caulier has volunteered to help coach the under 6 team this summer.

Under 8 soccer team had 23 kids signed up, with the numbers being high we decided to create two teams . Team 1 has 12 players with 7 being girls and 6 being boys. Helping out team 1 will be Angie Gallant, we have yet to find a coach. Team two has 11 players with 5 boys and 6 girls. Jan Skeffington has volunteered to help but we have yet to find a coach.

Under 13 soccer has 10 kids signed up. Ben Roberts and Calvin Murray volunteered to coach Under 13 Alberton soccer team.

Under 12 girls softball has 13 players registered. Tasha Ashley, Karla and Chloe Fraser are coaching the under 12 girls softball team this summer

Under 16 boys softball team has 12 signed up. Cindy Griffin and Marla Delaney are coaching the Under 16 boys softball team.

Alberton Public Library

Monthly Report

Reporting to: Councillor Connie Bernard

Period: Month of May 2017

Operations: Thank you to Maintenance Staff – always clean and maintained.

Programs: A couple of class field trips to the library in May; Basic Computer and Internet training was popular. Seeing some tourists to the area.

Planning for Summer Reading Program to be held Tuesday at 6:30 for preschool and Wednesday at 10:30 for 6-8 year olds and 1 p.m. for 9-12 year olds, throughout the summer.

Kelly Gillis

Branch Technician

Alberton Public library.

Monthly Fire Report May 2017

Calls: 1 fire alarm, 2 motor vehicle collisions, 3 medical first responders, 1 structure fire, 1 utility pole fire

Total calls: 8

New equipment purchases

2 thermal imaging SCBA masks

Training: 2 in house training sessions, 1 fire training and 1 medical first responding training.

The Alberton Fire Dept. would also like to congratulate Colby Murphy on completing and passing his level 1 firefighter training.

Deputy Chief

Shannon Dumville

CAO REPORT MAY 9, 2017 to JUNE 12, 2107

Did the general and sewer bank reconciliations and printed off reports for the general and sewer accounts for May. Collected sewer revenue in the amount of \$1,744.25 from May 8, to June 9, 2017.

I attended a 55+ meeting at the Career Development office in Bloomfield on May 10, 2017. I followed up on the funding letters for donations for the September games.

I attended an orientation session on the new Municipal Government Act at Holland College on May 10th from 7- 9 p.m.

I called the Department of Environment several times about complaints from residents concerning the smell coming from the lobster/shell compost mixture being stock piled by Westech.

On May 12, 2017 from 6 – 8 p.m. I held registration for soccer and ball programs for the summer. I assisted Martina Ellis to organize the ball and soccer equipment and get coaches. The ball field washrooms are cleaned and the field is ready.

On May 17, 2017 I attended onsite training for the lift station and then back to the office to get the information put on our computer. Following this I attended a 55+ meeting at the Career Development office in Bloomfield.

On June 1, 2017 I went with Department of Transportation staff to show them areas where water and drainage issues that they will survey including the driveway request for 338 Main Street. I was told this should not be an issue if the owner installs a pipe.

On June 1, 2017 Preston Young from RBC met with the Mayor and I and introduced us to his replacement Boyce Murphy as Preston is retiring.

Tyson Gavin has been approved for 14 weeks under a Post-Secondary program and will be doing maintenance and recreation.

As per the federal funding signage requirements a sign has been installed at the lift station and the photo send to the Province.

The asphalt pad has been installed for the skate park and the new sidewalk has been completed on Dufferin Street and sidewalk pads requiring replacement have been identified.

The issue of the old pumps at the lift station is still not resolved.

Still waiting for the engineer to complete the drawings so the culvert replacement and ditching under the CWWF can be tendered.

On May 29th and June 12th I gave Kathryn Curtis and Krystyna Pottier a guided walking tour of town owned land including the woods behind the fire hall and former CN land on Argyle Street.

A grant for \$5,000.00 was approved for a three day Canada 150 celebration August 25-27th with artists and performers at the gazebo by the trail.