



APPROVED MINUTES FROM REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

HELD MONDAY, APRIL 9, 2018 AT 7:00 P.M.

The regular council meeting was held Monday, April 9th, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. with Mayor Murphy presiding and Councillors Duggan, Williams, Bernard, Tremblay and Curtis present also Frances Ready, Jillian Trainor, West Prince Graphic, Liam Gilks, interning with the West Prince Graphic and staff Susan Wallace-Flynn.

Mayor Murphy asked for a minute of silence for the victims of the crash in Saskatchewan.

Mayor Murphy called the meeting to order.

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

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

NIL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The motion was made by Councillor Duggan, seconded by Councillor Tremblay and carried for the approval of the minutes from the last regular council meeting held March 12, 2018 and special council meetings held March 13, 2018 and March 20, 2018.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

NIL

PRESENTATION/DELEGATIONS TO COUNCIL

NIL

CORRESPONDENCE

A letter was received from Canadian Heritage stating that our application for funding has been approved in the amount of \$1,600.00 for Celebrate Canada.

Councillor Cahill arrived at the meeting.

A letter was received from Minister Brown, Communities Land and Environment to give approval to the Official Plan Map Amendment and Zoning and Development Bylaw amendment to rezone Lots 10-35 and 10-48 on Emma Drive.

A letter was received from Steve Dickie, Civic Addressing Coordinator advising of the duties for the municipality regarding civic addressing.

BUSINESS LICENSES AND/OR PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

NIL

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Councillor Duggan reported that the Sidewalk Grill has been renovated and reopened and congratulated the new owners.

ENVIRONMENT

Councillor Williams reported that the public hearing was held on April 4th in O'Leary and made for a very long day. She stated that the Farm Practice Review Board granted ten days for written submissions and a decision will follow after that. Councillor Williams thanked Susan for her work on this and Councillor Duggan and Mayor Murphy for showing up for a period of time in the morning.

RECREATION

Councillor Tremblay reported for recreation (Festival and Events report attached).

The motion was made by Councillor Tremblay, seconded by Councillor Williams and carried to give permission to apply to for a Tree Canada Heritage grant with the trees to be planted on town property.

LIBRARY SERVICES AND PARKS

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

FIRE AND POLICE

Councillor Curtis reported on fire and police for March. The RCMP responded to 26 calls for service which included: 4 - Traffic complaints, 2 - Theft under \$5,000.00, 2 - Impaired driving, 2 - Assist Provincial Agency. 1 - Assault, 1 - Fraud, 1 - Disturbing the peace, 1 - Mischief, 1 - Liquor Control Act, 1 - 911 Act and 10 - False alarm. Councillor Williams said that the fire report had been emailed after supper and Susan will forward it to council tomorrow.

FINANCE

The motion was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Tremblay and carried to pay bills in the amount of \$18,028.24.

Financial statements for general and sewer accounts for February including balance sheets, income statements and trial balances were distributed.

CAO REPORT

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

FIRST READING

BYLAW TO REGULATE REMUNERATION OF COUNCIL AND APPOINTEES

The resolution was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Bernard and carried to accept the first reading of the Bylaw to Regulate Remuneration of Council and Appointees Bylaw #209-2-2018.

The resolution was made by Councillor Duggan, seconded by Councillor Cahill and carried to approve the first reading of the Bylaw to Regulate Remuneration of Council and Appointees Bylaw #209-2-2018.

FIRST READING

BYLAW TO ESTABLISH MUNICIPAL GRANTS

The resolution was made by Councillor Duggan, seconded by Councillor Cahill and carried to accept the first reading of the Bylaw to Establish Municipal Grants Bylaw # 215-05-2018.

The resolution was made by Councillor Tremblay, seconded by Councillor Curtis and carried to approve the first reading of the Bylaw to Establish Municipal Grants Bylaw # 215-05-2018.

APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL ELECTORAL OFFICERS

The resolution was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Tremblay and carried that Deanna Morrison be the Municipal Electoral Officer and Diane Broderick be the Deputy Electoral officer for the November municipal election.

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

Alberton Public Library Stats from January 1 – December 31, 2017

1781 people have Alberton Library cards.

131 programs were offered and attended by 399 people.

Provided 282 computer sessions.

11,098 books, DVDs, CDs, magazines were checked out.

13 children registered in the library's 2017 TD Summer Reading Program. 15 activities were held and attended by 54 children.

Partnered with the Town of Alberton to celebrate Canada 150.

Festival and Events Report – March 2018

On Thursday, March 29th, 2018, The Town of Alberton hosted a Spring Break Bowling Tournament at the Mental Health Centre. The Event was attended by youths of various ages and received media coverage through the West Prince Graphic.

Parks Report

Nothing new for Parks report, just waiting patiently for the snow to melt and the ground to dry up for our parks to be used.

Library report for this month everything is spic and span!

March Break Programs included crafternoon with making butterflies and bunnies along with spring rice crispy squares.

April is centered around Earth Day and Spring.

April 13th 1:00 will be Recycled bookmark making for children of all ages.

April 20th 1:00 will be Recycled book art for Adults.

April 25th 1:00 in partnership with the Town of Alberton and Communities in Bloom project, Garth Davey will be putting on 1 of 3 presentations in April and carrying on into May. The first will be focusing on older adults and small apartment type gardening, container pots, balconies and small lots.

Sensory Kits will be offered at all local Libraries including ours. What is a sensory kit? They are tools to help calm, sooth and relax individuals affected by Autism, Alzheimer's, ADHD, Dementia and other sensory sensitivities. These kits are available to borrow with your Library Card. If wanting more information on these sensory kits please contact Kelly at the Alberton Library 902-231-2090

New Operating Hours for the Alberton Library will begin May 1st.

Tuesdays 3-8pm Wednesdays 10-4pm

Fridays 10-4pm

Saturdays 10-2pm (21 hours in total)

CAO REPORT MARCH 13, 2018 TO APRIL 9, 2018

Filled out applications for summer students and also the Municipal Strategic Component application to expand the Emma Drive subdivision. In order to get a portion of the Direct Allocation Gas Tax funding earmarked for the project, if approved, an additional application also had to be completed which required a special council meeting to get a resolution to attach to the application. This was completed and submitted before the deadline.

Prepared financial statements, collected sewer revenue, made deposits and other day to day office duties. I entered the new budget numbers for January 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019 and send out the audited 2017 financial statements and 2018-19 budgets to the government etc. and sent the annual report and 2017 statement to IRAC.

Finalized and submitted the documents for the rezoning for Lots 10-35 and 10-48 in the Emma Drive subdivision to the Minister for his approval. Written approval has been received from the Minister and you find a copy in your correspondence.

Diane Broderick is unavailable to work for several months and will be missed. Jessie Bowness is back as casual office worker.

Since the last regular council meeting I have spent approximately 65 ½ hours in preparation for the Farm Practice Review Board hearing on April 4th. On April 3rd alone I read and responded to 30 emails from our lawyer and left the office at 9:00 p.m. due to further preparation for the hearing. On April 4th I went to the hearing early to meet our lawyer in further preparation for the hearing which started at 9:30 a.m. and was over at 3:45 p.m. The board will take the evidence from the witnesses, affidavits and photos under consideration and notify everyone when a decision has been reached.

There are more bylaws required under the new Municipal Government Act that I will try to have prepared for the next regular council.

Mayor Murphy and I attended the annual meeting for Jacques Cartier Memorial Arena on April 5th at 7:30 p.m.

I called Stephen Yeo, Department of Transportation on April 6th and the culvert replacement; part of the storm sewer system for Church and Reid Streets has been delayed again until the spring of 2019. It was delayed last year until this year and now until 2019.

I applied for and received the License to Operate a Fishing Preserve for the town pond.