

Regular meeting of the Town of St. Paul Council in the St. Paul Town Council Chambers on Monday September 22nd, 2014 at 19:00 Hours.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Glenn Andersen, Ken Kwiatkowski, Edna Gervais, Dwight Wiebe, Don Padlesky, Norm Noel and recording secretary Cindy Litwinski.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Judy Bogdan and Ron Boisvert CAO

PRESENTATION:-Darrell McPherson-RCMP

- Mayor Andersen presented RCMP Darrell McPherson with a photo called “The Serge” and a plaque to show our appreciation and thanking them for doing so much for our community.

PRESENTATION:-Concerto-Eco-West-Roch Labelle & Suzanne Prevost

- Eco-West is a project that helps Western Canadian rural municipalities plan and implement Green Economy Infrastructure.
- Much of the municipal infrastructure in Canadian municipalities is up for renewal and there are economic, social and environmental benefits to municipalities in adopting Green Economy Infrastructure.
- Eco-West uses the FCM’s Partners for Climate Protection Program (PCP). The PCP is a 5 milestone framework that helps municipalities conduct studies, draft plans and start capital green projects.
 - ❖ Milestone 1-Create a GHG emissions inventory.
 - ❖ Milestone 2-Set a GHG emissions reduction target.
 - ❖ Milestone 3-Develop an emissions reduction action plan.
 - ❖ Milestone 4-Implement a Climate Change Local Action Plan.
 - ❖ Milestone 5-Monitor progress and report results.
- Eco-West’s 4 member organizations are comprised of the CDÉA and its 3 western counterparts. Their headquarters are in Winnipeg.
- Eco-West is partnered with FCM and Western Economic Diversification Canada.
- The Eco-West team has expertise in Green Project implementation in areas such as the collection and analysis of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions data. GHG inventories and development plans are recognized by governments and major funders alike.
- Here is what you need to do to get the process started:
 - ❖ Pass resolution to enroll your municipality in the PCP. Resolutions can be found on the FCM website.
 - ❖ Pass a resolution confirming your financial contribution towards the project.
 - ❖ Sign an MOU with Eco-West to undertake the first three PCP milestones.
- Funding FCM Green Municipal Fund:
 - ❖ Plans: Grant up to 50% of eligible costs (max. \$175,000).
 - ❖ Studies: Grant up to 50% of eligible costs (mas \$175,000).
 - ❖ Capital Projects: Loan up to 80% of eligible costs (max \$10 million). Grant up to 20% of loan amount (max \$1 million).
- Capital Projects
 - ❖ Energy: Energy: Efficient municipal facilities (new or retrofit). Energy recovery or district energy. Net zero municipal systems.
 - ❖ Transportation: Fleet fossil fuel reduction. Fleet GHG emissions reduction.
 - ❖ Water: Potable water conservation, storm water management, wastewater systems and septic systems.
 - ❖ Waste: Projects aimed at 50% diversion rate
- Solid Waste: Need to gather and understand data. Complete a Waste Characterization Study and Identify best technologies.

- The Town of St. Paul is looking into ways to reduce our Municipal Solid Waste. We could also look into reducing greenhouse gas emissions from our fleet of vehicles and equipment.
- Roch will forward Mayor Andersen's contact information to Xiamei Li, Senior Advisor, Bioenergy.
- Ron will contact Roch when he returns.
- Mayor Andersen thanked Roch and Suzanne for their presentation.

PRESENTATION:-Megan Wolitski Memorial-Crystal Brodziak & Aline Brousseau

- As local residents of St. Paul, we would like to host a yearly Memorial Walk in honor of Megan Wolitski and the tragic event that occurred on October 25th, 2012 at the Racette Junior High School.
- This is a way to give back to our community for everything they have done for us.
- Would like the funds from this walk to be used towards creating care packages for family's that have lost babies in St. Therese Hospital. These packages will offer comfort and support for those families in need.
- The event would occur each year around the date of the accident. This year, October 26th, 2014. Would like the walking portion of the event to occur on the walking trail if permitted.
- This memorial is important to us and our family as Megan is our niece and she loved children.
- It would be an important part of this community as a way to heal and help others whom have lost children come together. This is a way to keep Megan's spirit and memory alive and as well it's a way of giving back to our community. This would strengthen community wellness and bring a sense of belonging to our close community.
- At this time, we would like to request a donation of \$500.00 towards this event and for the purchase of care packages. They would also like the Town to donate a facility for this event. All the Town facilities are booked on this date.
- They are extremely grateful for the opportunity to present this event to the administration and Town Council.
- They would like to set up a website similar to Mikayla's Grace Website.
- Their goal is to become a Charity and they may try to link it with auxiliary at the hospital.
- Thank you for your time and consideration.
- Mayor Andersen thanked them for their presentation.

Mayor Andersen called the regular meeting to order at 19:46 Hours.

- 1) Moved by Dwight Wiebe
That, the Agenda be adopted with the following amendment: Change "Wolinski" to "Wolitski"

"CARRIED"

- 2) Moved by Ken Kwiatkowski
That, the minutes of September 8th, 2014 be adopted with the following amendment: Page 102-Ken Kwiatkowski-second bullet, first sentence: Change to read "Attended Annual Chili Cook-Off".

"CARRIED"

BUSINESS FROM THE MINUTES:

- None

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Edna Gervais

St. Paul & District Chamber of Commerce

- Attended meeting on September 17th, 2014.
- Dr. Debra Pozega Osburn and Ms. Alex Ksiazkiewicz are scheduled to meet with the Chamber Board on Friday, September 26th, 2014. This is a stakeholder engagement initiative and described as a trip of discovery/open discussion meeting.
- Highway Signs/Logo Sign Program: There are a number of spaces available for purchase on the signs. To purchase a new sign will be \$3,000.00 plus GST for a total of \$3,150 per sign. The cost to renew is \$1,000.00 plus GST for a cost of \$1,050.00 per sign. Please pass on this information to any businesses who would like to advertise on the signs.
- Linda is canvassing businesses and newspaper to determine the direction for the Midnight Madness/Black Friday events.
- Small Business Week: was suggested that the Chamber go to the businesses to acknowledge them. It was further suggested that we present them with a new Chamber Certificate at that time.

Ken Kwiatkowski

- Travel Alberta Workshop in Bonnyville: There was an incorrect date provided for one of the workshops. Originally the date was November 12th, 2014 for the workshop. The correct date is November 24th, 2014.

Don Padlesky

St. Paul Municipal Library

- Stats for August: Total patrons: 3,300, Total Transactions: 2,475, Total kids that attended Summer Reading Program: 285, Total kids from Pool Day Camp: 350, Summer Reading entertainer Mary Lambert: 61 in attendance, Saddle Lake Boys and Girls Club: 30 attended, TLC Day Care kids for the Summer Reading Program: 88, Boys and Girls Club kids for Story Time: 145.
- We were successful in getting the \$5,000.00 TELUS grant for the Electronic Petting Zoo. They will purchase new electronic devices and the focus will be towards youths ages 10-17 to get them into the Library.
- Kylie has gone off to school and Kassandra has started and she is working out well.
- Sydney Warchola did a great job for the Summer Reading Program and is interested in coming back next year.
- Community Awareness went well.
- Communities in Bloom toured the Library and thought it was very nice.
- Kerry will have the Library Budget ready for our Strategic Planning Session in November.
- Attended the Regional Emergency Planning Workshop on September 10th, 2014 along with the Town of Elk Point, Summer Village of Horseshoe Bay and the County of St. Paul. The focus of the meeting was to complete the By-Law that will be for each of the four Municipalities.

Norm Noel

- Attended Champions for Change regular board meeting in September 10th, 2014. The final touches are being put on the Annual Harvest Ball that is taking place this coming Saturday September 27th, 2014 at the Ukrainian Orthodox Hall. It is planned to be a great night of food and socializing.

Alberta Transportation

- Attended a meeting on September 16th, 2014 with Alberta Transportation representatives regarding the turning light at the intersection of 50th Ave. and 48th St.
- After lengthy discussion it was decided that the turning light for traffic heading east will be eliminated and that we have the traffic heading east stop while the traffic heading west can turn or go straight.

- Then the light would go green for the traffic heading east.
- North and South traffic would have a normal operating light with both going at same time.
- This will give us the least delays and improve traffic flow.
- Transportation firstly recommended that we remove four parking stalls on both sides of the street and put in a turning lane. We decided not to go that way as we need the parking on Main Street.
- We also discussed moving the 50 km/hr. sign on the West side of Town.

Recreation Board

- Attended meeting on September 17th, 2014.
- Welcomed the County of St. Paul's new member at large Ron Wirsta. Ron is taking the place of Rick Austin who left the board.
- Swing sets have been installed in RCMP, Crescent and Spring Creek Parks.
- The washroom facilities have been completed. Two are at the Soccer Fields and one at the Staging Area.
- New tiles, showers and counter tops were installed in the overnight campground washrooms.
- After cleaning up from the Rodeo the Clancy Arena was scheduled to open September 19th, 2014 and the Cap Arena will open October 20th, 2014.
- The Splash Park is now shut down for the season.
- The pool is closed for annual maintenance. They are scheduled to open September 29th, 2014. New doors to allow wheelchair access have been installed along with other maintenance items like painting and tile repair.
- New lights will be installed on the Tourist Information Centre this month.
- Minor Ball has started construction of a new batting cage at the ball diamonds. The old batting cage was removed.
- Received a request from Elks to tear down the gazebo at Elks Park due to safety issues.
- Gary met with new line Skate Park and will be meeting with Dan Reid to look at setting up a committee to pursue the possibility of building a Skateboard Park.
- Went on a tour of several Recreation facilities including the maintenance shop, batting cages, Polaris Arena, Swimming Pool, Splash Park and exercise area at Lagasse Park, Kinsmen Tennis Courts and Iron Horse Trail Campground.

Evergreen Regional Waste

- Attended meeting on September 18th, 2014.
- Wet and Dry cell construction is completed. They are now waiting for Wet cell environmental approval which is expected by the end of September. The Dry cell is already approved and in use.
- Discussion about untarped loads: This really is a County issue and without proper enforcement it would be hard to control.
- Ramona attended the Recycling Conference held in Lac La Biche. She came back with several possibilities that could possibly be implemented at Evergreen site. One example was keeping wood out of the pit and shredding it to make mulch to cover the open pit.
- Have heard that Waste Management facility in Thorhild will not be opening this year.

Dwight Wiebe

- No Report

MAYOR'S REPORT

Glenn Andersen

- Received a letter from the St. Paul Animal Shelter requesting all fees be waived for the rental of the Recreation Centre for the "Raise the Woof Comedy Night Fundraiser" on October 17th, 2014.

- 3) Moved by Edna Gervais
That, we waive all rental fees of the Recreation Centre to the Animal Shelter on October 17th, 2014 for the “Raise the Woof Comedy Night Fundraiser” Event.

“CARRIED”

ADMINISTRATION REPORT

- Reminder about the 1 Day Session to review the Policy Manual on October 18th, 2014.
- Received a letter from ACFA requesting sponsorship for their evening of Jazz’Art on October 25th, 2014. We can purchase a table of 8 for \$200.00, donate a silent auction item or purchase single tickets at the door for \$30.00 per person.

- 3) Moved by Ken Kwiatkowski
That, we donate a silent auction item to ACFA for their evening of Jazz’Art on October 25th, 2014.

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- Distributed hotel confirmations for the AUMA convention.
- Distributed tickets to the Harvest Ball event.
- Councilor Noel received an invitation for the Grand Opening of the Maggie Porozoni Foundation for the Arts Building on September 27th, 2014. The Grand Opening is from 2:00PM – 4:00PM and the formal program will commence at 2:30PM. The information will be forwarded to Council.
- Megan Wolitski Memorial: They have requested \$500.00 in funding and the use of a Town facility for this event. There are no Town facilities available on the date requested. They will have to rent another facility. Suggested to provide \$1,000.00 in funding for 2014 to assist them with the set up and rent of a facility.

- 4) Moved by Norm Noel
That, we table the motion to donate \$1,000.00 to the Megan Wolitski Memorial until the next Council meeting.

“CARRIED”

- 6) Moved by Ken Kwiatkowski
That, we move into camera to discuss a land issue at 20:20 Hours.

“CARRIED”

- 7) Moved by Don Padlesky
That, we move out of camera at 21:20 Hours.

“CARRIED”

- 10) Moved by Norm Noel
That, we Adjourn at 21:21 Hours.

“CARRIED”

Glenn Andersen Mayor

Cindy Litwinski Recording Secretary