

Meeting of the Town of St. Paul Council in the St. Paul Town Council Chambers on Monday July 27th, 2015 at 19:00 Hours.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Glenn Andersen, Edna Gervais, Dwight Wiebe, Don Padlesky, Ken Kwiatkowski, Norm Noel, Judy Bogdan, Ron Boisvert, Gary Ward Assistant CAO and recording secretary Cindy Litwinski.

PRESENTATION:-Bert Pruneau-Flouridation

- As it sits the St. Paul Water Treatment Plant (WTP) is Classified Level III. With the upgrades to the WTP comes a new SCADA system which will increase the point rating for a SCADA System. This would increase the WTP point rating which could change the St Paul Water Treatment Plant Classification to a Level IV.
- With the removal of the Fluoride the point rating of the WTP would drop by five points. Fluoridation has a five point rating; if fluoride was removed the Town WTP would have less of a chance of being classified as a Level IV Plant.
- The general population has more available access to products containing fluoride than in the past. Based on the evidences from recent references, published journals and articles, the controversial fluoridation does not appeal as a necessary setup in drinking water treatment.
- HydroFluorosilicic Acid, which is the chemical we use for fluoridation purposes, requires a separate storage and feeding room with constant ventilation. It is very corrosive, toxic, cannot be inhaled and will attack glass and stoneware.
- With the upgrades going on at the WTP we are losing our tools/parts room for the installation of the new ozone generator.
 - ❖ If fluoridation was discontinued, the space required for the chemical could be converted to a tool/parts room.
 - ❖ If fluoridation was to continue, we will need to build additional space for a tool and parts room as soon as possible.
- If we discontinued fluoridation we would save approximately \$7,000.00-\$8,000.00 not including labor.
- If we remove fluoride there is no other treatment required.
- There is now a controversy regarding fluoride. Public are concerned with the chemical treatment.
- There are low concentrations of fluoride naturally in water.
- In Alberta there are approximately 35% of municipalities still using fluoride.
- Council would like the publics input on this. Administration will post a survey on Facebook to get the publics input on fluoridation.

Mayor Andersen called the regular meeting to order at 19:10 Hours.

- 1) Moved by Dwight Wiebe
That, the Agenda be adopted as read

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- 2) Moved by Ken Kwiatkowski
That, the minutes of July 13th, 2015 be adopted with the following amendments:
Page 78-Mayors Report-fourth bullet-change:”He” to “She”
Page 79-Administration Report-third bullet-Add “Request Denied”

“CARRIED”

BUSINESS FROM THE MINUTES:

- Page 77: Canada 150-Mayor asked Administration to look into the time sheets when we were planning the centennial celebrations. Councilor Kwiatkowski was paid for attending one meeting only. The rest of the meetings were unpaid. Councilor

Germaine and Mayor Andersen were not paid for attending the meetings. There were five administration staff involved. If they were requested to attend an evening meeting they were allowed to bank their time.

- Page 79: Joint town and County Council meeting: County is not available on August 11th-13th, 2015. They are recommending the meeting be August 4th or 5th, 2015. Town Council is not available on those dates. Will recommend having the meeting early September and ask the County to provide dates they are available.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Ken Kwiatkowski

Marketing

- Attended meeting on July 24th, 2015.
- Platon Boyko did a presentation. He wanted to know if the Town would be interested in having a video made about the Town. It would be a short video of our Schools, Churches, Recreation Facilities, and Business Medical Centers. We would be able to put the video on our website. He showed us a video he made of the Town fireworks on Canada Day. The cost would be approximately \$1,500.00. Administration will get a formal quote to make a five (5) minute video.
- The Chamber of Commerce will look into the idea of asking the businesses if they would like to put \$25.00 into a pot and this would go towards all fundraising clubs and organizations. This would be the same idea as what we have in place for Halloween.
- Ron showed the committee a cut-out design that will be made out of metal and hung on Main Street to replace some of the FCSS banners. Local kids will be painting these signs. There will be 4 signs on each block; two on each side of the street. They will also be making smaller signs that will be on posts and displayed at our facilities. There are multiple designs.
- The Theme for the parade is Universal Day of Charity. We will decorate our float with this theme.
- Discussed Canada 150 Committee: The Chamber of Commerce will be the steering committee. Some of the sub-committees that will be formed are: Aliens, Finance, Entertainment, Grant Applications, History, etc. We will be putting in a new time capsule in 2017. The Canada 150 Committee is looking for more members/volunteers. The Town will put the information onto our Webpage, Facebook and include it in our St. Paul Journal Advertisement.

Judy Bogdan

- Attended Golf Course meeting on July 15th, 2015. They are making improvements to their course. Their memberships are down. They are thankful to the Town for extension of line of credit. They are continuing to fund raise.
- Attended the Wellness Centre Grand Opening on July 17th, 2015. Would like to plan an open house for residents to get a tour of the building.
- Attended Party in the Park on July 22nd, 2015. Welcomed everyone on behalf of Mayor and Council.

Community Futures

- Attended Community Futures meeting on July 20th, 2015. They have four new loans. They have 60 active loans all in good standing. AGM is in Jasper. Two Board Members and two Staff will attend.
- In October there will be three board member positions available.
- Tourism: a survey will be going out to sports teams in the region to determine the number of people that access food and lodging over a 4 hour period. This will determine the direction to take.
- Food Sector: Food distribution is a focus and linked to Portage College.
- Will not be attending next Council meeting as I will not be in Town.

Dwight Wiebe

FCSS

- Have hired Michelle Duffy as Parent Link's new assistant.

MPC

- The Town received a request from the property owner who has just purchased the residential property at 5337-53rd Ave. He was inquiring about the 10' x 40' piece of property located directly south of his property. When this subdivision was registered in 1955 the back alley came to a dead end and the land developer had to provide a 10' x 40' vehicle turn around on both the North and South side of the back alley. The new owner is interested in acquiring the 10' x 40' piece of property located directly south of his property.
- The Municipal Planning Commission would like to recommend to Town Council that the two 10' x 40' pieces of properties previously used for a back lane turn around, which is no longer required by the Town, be offered to each of the property owners of Lot 10, Block 45, Plan 690KS and Lot 9, Block 45, Plan 690KS.
- The cost to proceed with the transfers would be the property owner's responsibility.

3) Moved by Dwight Wiebe

That, the Town offer the 10' x 40' piece of land (at no cost for the land) to each of the property owners of Lot 10, Block 45, Plan 690KS and Lot 9, Block 45, Plan 690KS. The cost to proceed with the transfers would be the property owner's responsibility.

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Edna Gervais

- No Report

Norm Noel

- Attended Municipal Planning Commission meeting on July 16th, 2015.
- Attended Wellness Centre Grand Opening on July 17th, 2015.
- Attended Canada 150 meeting on July 20th, 2015.

Champions for Change

- Attended regular meeting on July 21st, 2015.
- Collective kitchens will be starting up in September. Once the dates are confirmed they will be shared with the group. Possible sessions are cooking gluten free and cooking for diabetes.
- The first Party in the Park concert was held on July 22nd, 2015 at Porozni Park. It was well attended. A huge thank you to organizers and all musicians who participated. August 26th, 2015 will be the 2nd Annual rodeo Street Dance from 7:00PM-9:00PM with local band BoomTown providing the music.

Evergreen Regional Waste Management Commission

- Attended meeting on July 23rd, 2015.
- Discussion was had regarding the Municipal Solid Waste Management Alternative Feasibility Study. It was noted that only the Town's waste numbers were taken into account for the study. Steve and Ramona are to provide the rest of Evergreen's member's waste numbers in hopes of getting a more accurate assessment on feasibility of project.
- A subcommittee is looking into resources to help Evergreen come up with a business plan providing their recommendation of which group they think Evergreen should hire to help with this process. It was decided to go with the recommendation and hire Sharon Wilson and Charmaine Hammond.
- January to June financials was presented and currently Evergreen is facing a \$105,334.43 deficit for the year. When asked about possible staff reduction to help get costs in line; the commission was told it would be difficult to operate with reduced staff. Evergreen does not have much reserves left to pay the deficit. Suggested that they look at increasing the tipping fees to cover the costs.
- There was a fire in the dry pit the evening of July 12th, 2015 which the St. Paul Fire Department responded to and extinguished. It was noted that both a key to main gate and a contact list for Evergreen should be provided to the Fire Department.

- Have been approached by citizens regarding the names on the Recognition Signs. Is recommending that we add Calvin Vollrath and Brett Kissel to our signs. This will be brought back to Marketing. Marketing committee to finalize the criteria to be on the sign. Marketing Committee will finalize the criteria at the August 5th, 2015 meeting. Janani suggested we could use the criteria "Outstanding Contributions".

Don Padlesky

- The Library summer reading program is averaging 20-25 kids. Some days they have up to 60 kids in the Library. In June 3,300 people came through the doors. So far in July there have been 2600.
- Attended Regional Emergency Advisory Committee meeting on July 10th, 2015. The Emergency Control Centre is in the Fire Hall. We need to find an alternate place that has more room for about 15 staff, media room, council room, backup power, communications, separate room for radio communication, and a kitchen if possible. Recommending the Regional High School as the alternate location. St. Paul Education is upgrading their generator to power servers, computers and lighting. Should they consider having the whole building on emergency power; would the Regional Emergency Management municipalities contribute to the upgrade? Reception Centers are for an average of three days of accommodations then people should start looking for alternate locations. Our current Radio communications requires upgrades and tower maintenance. The committee has decided to go with AFRRACS Province System as it will be cheaper than repairing our towers. Table Top exercise is scheduled for August 26th, 2015 at Reunion Station. So far there are 240 people signed up with the COMMALERT notification system.

Norm Noel

- We have pot holes that need to be patched. There is one on 46th Ave & 51 St Ave. Public Works has a list of the pot holes that need to be repaired and are working on them.
- We should follow up with TELUS regarding the holes they have made in the roads. TELUS is filling the holes however they are sinking and should be addressed before they leave Town.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Glenn Andersen

- The County has asked Muni-Corr for 30' of their 99' right away. Muni-Corr has asked Riverland Trail for their comments. The new Texas gates are going in. Muni-Corr is asking municipalities to install the gates as work in kind.
- The emergency plan for our region is 90% complete. The MOU's for businesses are going well. It will cost approximately \$360,000.00 to upgrade our radio system.
- Received a letter from Canadian Wireless Telecommunications Association regarding Canada's national recycling program for mobile devices-Recycle My Cell in Alberta. The goal of RMC is to minimize the number of handsets entering Canada's landfills. There are two simple ways that you can contribute to the continued success and growth of RMC in Alberta:
 - ❖ Provide information to residents. RMC currently has 494 locations within Alberta. In the event that residents are not able to go to a location, they also have the option to print a pre-paid mailing label and mail their device through Canada Post.
 - ❖ Host a Drop-Off Location. Drop-Off locations can be hosted at libraries, depots, schools, retail locations-virtually anywhere. Information will be forwarded to Administration to look into.
- Residential requests to have grass picked up from all properties will be discussed at Strategic Planning in November. To prevent the grass clippings from going into the landfill we would need a separate truck pick up the clippings and take them to the Transfer Station. We would have to develop a new system.

- Holes in pavement from AltaGas/TELUS: Francois is working with TELUS to ensure all the holes will be back filled and paved. Should look into when TELUS is leaving so we know when all the repairs need to be completed.

ADMINISTRATION REPORT

- Have received a request from the property owners of Roll #2067 to waive their tax penalty. This property is zoned commercial. Request is denied.
- Have received a request from the property owners of Roll #894 to waive their tax penalty. Request Denied.
- Have received a request from St. Paul Champions for Change requesting barricades to close off 49th Street west of the St. Paul Foundry between the hours of 6:00PM-11:00Pm for the Party in the Park Street Dance. Public Works will set up the barricades.
- St. Paul and District Chamber of Commerce has sent an invitation to their Rodeo kick off supper on August 31st, 2015. Tickets are \$40.00 each or a table of 8 for \$300.00.

4) Moved by Dwight Wiebe

That, we purchase a table of 8 for \$300.00 to the St. Paul and District Chamber of Commerce Rodeo Kick off Supper on August 31st, 2015.

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- Have received an invitation to STARS open house on October 8th, 2015 from 4:00PM-7:00PM to celebrate their 30th anniversary. It will be held at the Edmonton International Airport. Recommend booking the action bus to take council or staff to this event.
- Gas Prices: Have signed a contract to lock in the Gas Prices at 3.87GJ until December 31, 2020.
- Property South of Golf Course: There is a drainage issue on this property; the property owner has blocked off the natural drainage. Alberta Environment is recommending that the Town complete a drainage plan. The survey and plan will cost approximately \$15,000.00. Alberta Environment will implement the plan.

5) Moved by Don Padlesky

That, the Town of St. Paul implements and signs a contract for the drainage study at a cost of \$15,000.00.

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- Have received complaints regarding the sound system in the CAP arena. Have had two companies come and give quotes to fix the system. One company wanted to replace the entire system at a cost of \$55,000.00. The other company would like to reposition the speakers and add 8 speakers down each side of the arena for a cost of \$26,000.00. The Ag Society is willing to contribute towards the project and we have sent a letter to Junior B, Minor Hockey and figure skating group to see if they would like to contribute. The Towns cost will be minimal. Would be completed before rodeo starts. Also recommend looking at the sound system in the recreation centre; see if we could put a speaker on the curling rink side.

6) Moved by Norm Noel

That, we partner with the AG Society to upgrade the sound system in the CAP arena.

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- We are down to nine volunteers for Haying in the 30's breakfast. Five from the Town and four from the County. Smitties will mix the pancake batter. Councilor Noel will pick it up.

- Would like to schedule a meeting with Evergreen Regional Waste to discuss a Business Plan. They are available August 17th-19th, 2015. Will plan the meeting for August 17th, 2015 at 5:00PM.
- AUMA: registrations are on line. You can fill out your information and give to Shannon to register you. We are currently booked at the Westin Hotel in Calgary for the conference. The Marriott hotel is closer. AUMA does provide a shuttle. Cost of Westin rooms are \$283.00 per person per night. Cost to stay at the Marriott is \$419.00 per person per night. To switch hotels would cost an additional \$2,500.00. Councilor Noel has temporarily booked rooms at the Marriott. Council is recommending canceling the rooms at the Westin and staying at the Marriott as it is closer to the convention.
- Councilor Noel would like to pass onto the Recreation Board that they are doing a great job upgrading our parks.

7) Moved by Don Padlesky
That, we move into camera to discuss a land issue at 21:10 Hours.

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8) Moved by Judy Bogdan
That, we move out of camera at 21:35 Hours

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9) Moved by Edna Gervais
That, we Adjourn at 21:36 Hours

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Glenn Andersen **Mayor**

Cindy Litwinski **Recording Secretary**