

TOWN OF OXBOW
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
December 10, 2018

In attendance: Mayor, R. Goodward; Councillors D. Pierce, W. Nordin, R. Rossow, D. Dunnigan, C. Mercer and CAO L. Pierce.

Regrets: Councillor R. Lamontagne

Call to Order: A quorum being present, following the 6:00 PM presentation from Samson Engineering, the Mayor called the meeting to order; 7:40 PM.

1. Agenda

Pierce/Dunnigan
287-18

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Oxbow adopt the agenda as circulated.

Carried

2. Minutes

Mercer/Rossow
288-18

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Oxbow adopt the November 26, 2018 regular meeting minutes as circulated.

Carried

3. Delegation

6:00 PM, Samson Engineering, Wastewater Study and Recommendations

A full comparative study of the current lagoon system and the options to increase the capacity was presented. It was decided that a SAGR system is the better option over a facultative system, as it is more cost-effective, does not need to have additional land purchased, and is more environmentally responsible. This system will see the decommissioning of all 3 cells currently located in the flood plain of the Souris River and will also treat the backwash water from the water treatment plant as per the 2015 federal regulations. The study can be viewed at the municipal office during regular business hours.

4. Correspondence

- a) SUMA – November 2018 Board meeting notes; Reviewed
- b) SUMA – Convention 2019 Registration; Deadline noted
- c) K. Bigney – Informational meetings on civilian search and rescue southeast chapter; This notice will be placed on the Town website and Facebook pages
- d) Oxbow Community Childcare Centre – Request to abate 2018 taxes; As grant funding has already been awarded with the intention being to eliminate the practice of abatements, request denied. Adjustments will be made to the 2019 program at budget time.
- e) EMFS – ICS200 Training opportunities; Councillor Nordin is interested in attending. CAO will forward the information.

5. Bylaws/Policy/Agreements – NIL

6. Old Business

- a) Received approved permit from highways to refurbish the cross walk. The conditions are likely going to increase the price of installation, as the permit states that a Certified Traffic Accommodations Supervisor must be on site for the duration. It was suggested that the Fire Department could perform this, as they are experienced in traffic control. CAO will follow up on this and report back.
- b) No bids received on valve exerciser though there was some interest expressed. CAO will reach to those parties that expressed interest.

7. New Business

- a) The costs to install natural gas for the new pool are approximately \$40,000 higher than anticipated. SaskEnergy requires additional infrastructure to support the load in that area, as it feeds the school and hospital. The

Committee is investigating the possibility of propane instead. TABLED until more information is known.

b) Commissionaires – 2019 contract

**Mercer/Rossow
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BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Oxbow hereby appoints the Commissionaires to conduct bylaw enforcement in Oxbow for 2019 and accepts the contract in the amount of \$7,144 with the understanding that any increase or variance in the hours will be in addition to the contract amount. **Carried**

8. Financial – NIL

9. Accounts

**Nordin/Pierce
290-18**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Oxbow approve the following accounts for payment:

Chqs 19377 - 19411	\$63,310.59
Online pmts	\$31,858.52
Payroll	\$ 0.00
TOTAL (for period Nov 27 – Dec 7, 2018)	<u>\$95,169.11</u>

VOID CHEQUES: NONE

Carried

10. Reports

a) **Council Reports**

General Government

Protection

- EMO meeting scheduled December 11, 2018

Health and Economic Development

- CDO November 2018 report; Reviewed

Recreation

- The Memorial Hall parking lot needs to be fully repaired following the construction of the pool
- Hall Board meeting scheduled December 18, 2018

Transportation

- The tandem has 2 large leaks that will be approximately \$7,000 to repair. Council directed CAO to look into used trucks for a replacement. The current one can perform well enough in the meantime.
- Equipment – Requested quotes were distributed to Council members to review for the upcoming equipment meeting; date still to be determined.
- Equipment condition assessment is nearly completed
- November 2018 public works report (D. Morin/D. Peet in attendance; left 8:05 PM); Reviewed activities with operators – report attached
- The questions was asked regarding why the Town obtains aggregate from non-local suppliers; CAO explained that suppliers were chosen by written quote pricing. Stockpile tailings, ¾", and sand are 30% below local supplier amounts, while dirt is sourced locally. CAO noted that local suppliers are used for small digs, equipment rentals, and when part of the initial repair, material is also supplied locally.
- Council would like bylaw enforcement to focus more on enforcing No Parking on snow/emergency routes.

Sanitation

- November 2018 WTP report; Reviewed and initialed
- Neptune Pre-Construction meeting minutes; Reviewed
- Villa water – The issue is not contained to just the Villa, Public Works is working with the WSA EPO to diagnose the issue. Quotations for swabbing the water lines are also being obtained, as this has not been done for several years.

Pierce/Nordin

291-18

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Oxbow accept all department reports as presented.

Carried

10. Adjourn

Dunnigan

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Oxbow hereby adjourn; 8:45 PM.

Carried

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer