

Public Hearing was duly called on Monday, November 12th, 2012 at 19:00 Hours regarding By-Law #1196 being a By-Law of the Municipal Council of the Town of St. Paul in the Province of Alberta to authorize the guarantee of a loan. Whereas the Council of the Town of St. Paul have been petitioned by the St. Paul Golf Club to guarantee a loan issued by the Servus Credit Union to the St. Paul Golf Club.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Glenn Andersen, Ken Kwiatkowski, Pat Gratton, Norm Noel, Don Padlesky, Danny White, Ron Boisvert (CAO) and recording secretary Cindy Litwinski.

No written submissions were received objecting to the By-Law and no one was in attendance at the hearing to speak to the By-Law as outlined.

- 1) Moved by Pat Gratton
That, we adjourn the Public Hearing regarding By-Law #1196 at 19:01 Hours.

“CARRIED”

Glenn Andersen Mayor

Cindy Litwinski Recording Secretary

PRESENTATION:

Chamber of Commerce – Alice Herperger

- Thanks Council for the opportunity to present an outline of the projects they are working on as well as the projects they are planning for the future.
- Their goal is to work on behalf of the business community, in collaboration with St. Paul Town Council, in an effort to strengthen and develop new economic growth for the Town of St. Paul.

- The following is a list of changes they would like to make:
 - 1) Have the Chamber Office open 5 days a week. They would then have the executive directors position as full time.
 - 2) Would like to improve the marketing for the Chamber with a new logo and updated website.
 - 3) Continue to implement various campaigns to encourage residents to support local businesses by shopping locally.
 - 4) Continue to work with the St. Paul Ag Society to host the rodeo kickoff supper & coordinate the parade.
 - 5) Through an Alberta Works and Alberta HUB initiative, the Chamber will be profiling 120 businesses in our community onto a website.
www.findingwork.alberta.ca
 - 6) Continue to assist and meet the needs of Chamber members and help new Businesses as required, including home based.
- They have numerous projects they are working on in an effort to improve the St. Paul & District Chamber of Commerce and the business community they represent.
- One of the obstacles they face is the shortfall they have in generating revenue. They inquired to a few towns to see what type of funding structure their chambers implement. There is not a “one size fits all” approach, the finding varies from town to town.
- The Chamber would like to become independent and would like to collaborate with the Town for a combined business license and Chamber Membership fee. The fees collected would be shared by the Town and Chamber. This would prevent the Chamber from approaching Town and County Councils for funding each year.
- The Chamber license fee is based on the number of employees the business has.
- Council has concerns that some businesses do not want to be forced to have a Chamber license.
- Penny Fox contacted Carl McDonnell – the CAO of the Town of Carstairs. They currently have combined business and Chamber licenses. Carl is more than willing to talk to Ron regarding the combined licenses.
- The Chambers focus is on businesses and looking at ways to help them stay open.
- The Chamber would like to not charge businesses to participate in passport to Christmas.
- Chamber would also like the Town to consider the chamber running the Visitor Information Centre, this would give them a home of their own.
- The Visitor Information Centre will not help them be self-sustainable as costs outweigh Revenues. Focus would be on getting more memberships.

Mayor Andersen thanks the Chamber for their presentation.

PRESENTATION

GIS Mapping – Laura Bachelet

- Laura demonstrated our new GIS mapping program from Accurate Assessment.
- We have a partnership with the County of St. Paul, Town of Elk Point and the Village of Horseshoe Bay for the Regional Mapping System.
- They are currently processing our video data.
- We can look at charging a membership fee to realtors to give them restricted access to the assessment information.
- Need to follow up on inputting the years of when the infrastructure was installed.

Mayor Andersen called the regular meeting to order at 20:10 Hours.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Glenn Andersen, Ken Kwiatkowski, Pat Gratton, Norm Noel, Don Padlesky, Danny White, Ron Boisvert CAO and recording secretary Cindy Litwinski.

- 1) Moved by Danny White
That, the Agenda be adopted as read

“CARRIED”

- 2) Moved by Ken Kwiatkowski
That, the minutes of October 22nd, 2012 be adopted with the following amendment
Page 98 – change www.avivacommunityfind.org to www.avivacommunityfund.org

“CARRIED”

BUSINESS FROM THE MINUTES:

-Don Good - presentation on inequities for assessment will be held on November 29th, 2012 at 7:00 P.M. We will send invitations to the MD of Bonnyville, Town of Bonnyville, Town of Elk Point, County of St. Paul and the Chamber. This will also be open to the public.
-FCM Resolution – Administration has printed off the resolution FCM would like municipalities to make. They have also supplied sample letters to the minister and news releases.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Pat Gratton

FCSS

-The directory was sent out to tender and we received two quotes back.
-FCSS is recommending we award the printing to the St. Paul Journal.
-We will advertise in the Town Tattler next year asking anyone who is not with Telus and wants their number in the phone book to please contact FCSS with the information. All new residents are asked if they would like their number in the directory when they come pickup a welcome package.

- 3) Moved by Pat Gratton
That, we award the printing of the 2012 Community Directory to the St. Paul Journal

“CARRIED”

Ken Kwiatkowski

Northern Lights Library

-Attended regular meeting on November 2nd, 2012.
-After going through the final report, we went into the 2013 budget.
-When going through the budget item by item there were grants that no longer exist such as the CAP grant that came from the Federal government, that is a \$52,500.00 loss.
-Office expenses and salaries have increased.
-There was a lot of discussion on the 5% increase.
-Some of the questions were, is there a way the executive board could cut the amount of meetings or maybe go to video conferencing or conference calls.
-There is no place in the budget to increase book allotment by 5%. Library Managers felt that the book allotment is sufficient verses cutting programs.
-If the budget is not passed, they will have to cut services.
-The projected 5% increase for next year is too costly, they will have to start cutting back.

-After a long discussion the 2013 budget was passed.

- 4) Moved by Ken Kwiatkowski
That, we approve the Northern Lights Library System budget with the 5% increase for 2013

“CARRIED”

-After the regular meeting was over we had our Organizational meeting for the Executive. I let my name stand. So this will be my third year on the executive Board. Dwight Dach is the only new member at large to the executive board.

St. Paul Library

- Held budget meeting on November 7th, 2012.
- After going through all the numbers we have an increase from last year of around \$8,700.00. With the increase of operating over the last 5 years and with no operating increases to the library. We had to absorb everything with the amount we had in our bank.
- Projected at year end we will be left with about \$10,000.00 in our bank.
- The cost of operating our library for 2013 will be over \$230,000.00 with an income of around \$182,000.00.
- The County gave \$13,000.00 last year. Approximately 30% of Library members are from the County. Members of the library are hoping the County increases the amount they give to the library.
- Our board chair and manager have a meeting scheduled at end of the month with the County CAO. The Library requested \$30,000.00 last year from the County.
- They will review the budget on November 14th, 2012. They may look at user fees.

Evergreen Waste

- Held meeting on November 8th, 2012.
- Because our chair and Vice chair were unable to attend the meeting, we tabled the organizational meeting until our next regular meeting.
- Our manager gave the Regional site report. There was a complaint about the water that was being used within the scale house, this water comes from a well and is only used for the washroom. The Health Inspector came down and she will be doing a report. The concern is the well might be too close to the cells.
- Intake is about the same from last month but lower since BRRWMC was hauling to Evergreen.
- Reviewed budget and because Evergreen is bringing in less income and with operating expenses the same there ends up being a deficit. With seeing this there are a few options we have.
 - 1) Increase tipping fees - \$10/tonne to \$75/tonne then all users pay.
 - 2) Requisition the Municipalities, because BRRWMC still has a contract They also would be requisitioned.
- Because chair and vice chair were not at the meeting the budget was tabled till next meeting.
- Evergreen has \$700,000.00 put away for a new cell. However they want to put in a double cell which costs \$1.9 Million. Double cell should last us 7-10 years.
- Shredder is being researched. A new shredder costs \$750,000.00.
- Evergreen is a commission, they should be able to take debt on their own.
- Over the last few years tipping fees have increased from \$40.00/tonne to \$75.00/tonne if increase goes through.
- Council has asked Administration to look into if it is cheaper to haul our waste to Ryley.

Don Padlesky

- Helped with the Williams haunted house on October 26th, 2012. Kahla Buchanan Taped the haunted house and it was featured on the show “Around the Region”.
- Attended first fire committee meeting on November 7th, 2012 along with the County

Reps. Fire Chief Kotowich gave a review of the Racette accident and the number of fire calls. He is concerned about the large number of false alarms and wants to have burning permits put into place year round, this would eliminate a large number of false alarms. Also recommended that the honorarium be increased by \$10,000.00 where County will put in \$5,000.00 and Town will put in \$5,000.00.

Norm Noel

- Has been busy with the Pink Heart Campaign.
- They have sold 2,600 pink hearts and have raised \$30,000.00.
- Hats for Healing are joining the Pink Heart Campaign and holding an auction on December 9th, 2012 at the recreation centre. They are requesting us to waive the Fees for their silent and live auction.

- 5) Moved by Norm Noel
That, we allow the Hats for Healing the use of the recreation centre on December 9th, 2012 at no charge

“CARRIED”

- Mayor Andersen thanked Councilor Noel for everything he has done with the Pink Heart Campaign.
- November 24th, 2012. Bob Layton will be in St. Paul for the International Day For Disabilities. Tickets are \$10.00 each and are available through FCSS.

Danny White

Marketing Committee

- Have ordered 10,000 of the new Town Pins. They will be dark blue with raised gold metal lettering they will be a 1” round pin.
- We are considering a new logo for the Town. Currently we are using two, the Landing pad and “A People Kind of Place”. We need to keep our logo consistent.
- We will purchase a ladder toss game and hard case airline bags for silent auction give aways.

MPC

- By-Law #1197 being a By-Law of the Municipal Council of the Town of St. Paul in the Province of Alberta being a By-Law to amend Land Use By-Law #1155 of the Town of St. Paul. That Lot 11, Block 12, Plan 4751BF – 4801 50 St. is hereby changed from Commercial District (C2) zoning area, to Residential District (R2) zoning area.

- 6) Moved by Danny White
That, By-Law #1197 receive first reading

“CARRIED”

- Have received a request for the Medi-Spa in the shopping centre to move to a residential area. MPC does not have any issues with this. MPC will send letters to neighbors to see if they have any objections to the Medi-Spa and will bring back to Council once they receive the responses.

Mayor Glenn Andersen

- Will put a committee together with the chamber of Commerce, Councilor Padlesky and Gratton will be on the committee and Mayor Andersen will be an alternate.
- Have been invited to the Portage College Board of Governors Appreciation dinner on November 23rd, 2012 in Lac La Biche. Mayor Andersen cannot attend the event. Councilor Padlesky and Noel will represent us at the event.

-Myra from Canada Consulting would like to give a presentation to council regarding Federal Grant Services. Administration will inform them that they are not interested in the presentation at this time.

ADMINISTRATION REPORT

- Received a thank you letter from Portage College.
- Staff Christmas party is on December 15th, 2012. You need to pick up the tickets from Lorraine by December 3rd, 2012.
- Received a letter from MS requesting our support for their May 11th, 2013 MS Walk.

- 7) Moved by Glen Andersen
That, we support the MS Walk by giving them \$1,000.00 and allowing them the use of our facility

“CARRIED”

FCM T-2014 Resolution

- 8) Moved by Ken Kwiatkowski
That, Council makes the FCM T-2014 Resolution as follows

RESOLUTION

Development of a new long-term federal plan for municipal infrastructure funding

WHEREAS, The Building Canada Plan and a number of important federal-provincial transfer agreements vital to Canada’s cities and communities, will expire in March 2014;

WHEREAS, Federal investments over the last few years have helped to slow the decline of our cities and communities, and the Government of Canada has committed to develop a new long-term plan for municipal infrastructure funding in consultation with municipal and provincial/territorial governments;

WHEREAS, a seamless transition from the Building Canada Plan to a new long term plan is necessary to ensure that municipalities can continue planning their capital spending effectively;

WHEREAS, The federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) has launched a campaign to ensure the new plan reflects municipal priorities across the country and asks its member municipalities to pass a Council resolution supporting the campaign;

WHEREAS, our community has continuing infrastructure needs, such as the Roads, infrastructure requirements and waste water improvements, that can only be met with through the kind of long-term planning and investment made possible by a national plan;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that council endorses the FCM campaign and urges the Minister of Transport, Infrastructure and Communities to work with FCM to ensure the new long-term infrastructure plan meets the core infrastructure needs of cities and communities;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council urges the Minister of Transport, Infrastructure and Communities to ensure that the new long-term plan is fully in place when existing programs expire in 2014; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the Minister of Transport, Infrastructure and Communities, to the provincial (territorial) minister of municipal affairs, to Brian Storseth local mp.

“CARRIED”

-Meeting with Paul Deleske from AESO has been postponed to November 22nd, 2012.

-We still have tickets available to the Animal Shelters “For the love of Pets” November 30th event at 8:00pm. You can pick your tickets up from Ron.

Wellness Centre

-Computers are here and will be installed tomorrow.

-Training for card access system will be on Thursday.

-Reception chairs and Boardroom table and chairs will be in on November 16.

-MDS stations will be in on November 19th or 20th and will take two days to install.

-Janitor will be sealing the floors and doing a final clean up this week.

-Ron will pick up all the keys on Tuesday.

-Trim on the East side of building should be complete by November 16th.

-Still negotiating with tenants for the other side.

-There will be a temporary 500sq ft dispensary until the drug store is built.

-Leases are being finalized between the two lawyers.

-Have ordered the medical clinic sign and town logo's for entrance.

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- 9) Moved by Ken Kwiatkowski
That, By-Law #1196 receive second reading

“CARRIED”

- 10) Moved by Danny White
That, By-Law #1196 receive third and final reading

“CARRIED”

- 11) Moved by Danny White
That, we move into Camera at 21:40 Hours

“CARRIED”

- 12) Moved by Pat Gratton
That, we move out of Camera at 22:40 Hours

“CARRIED”

- 13) Moved by Ken Kwiatkowski
That, we approve the wage grids as presented

“CARRIED”

- 14) Moved by Danny White
That, we wave the 2012 property tax penalty in the amount of \$1,356.42 for the business entity as discussed.

“CARRIED”

- 15) Moved by Norm Noel
That, we adjourn at 22:45 Hours

“CARRIED”

Glenn Andersen Mayor

Cindy Litwinski Recording Secretary