

Meeting of the St. Paul Town Council held in the Council Chambers on Monday, August 13th, 2012.

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.

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- 2) Moved by Ken Kwiatkowski
That, the minutes of July 23rd, 2012 be adopted with the following amendment. Page 64 change “Mr. Storseth said they a waiting for elections to be over” to “Mr. Storseth said they are waiting for elections to be over.”

“CARRIED”

BUSINESS FROM THE MINUTES:

- Rick will talk with Roman Fodchuk regarding making arrangements and notifying businesses when a road needs to be closed for repairs.
- Administration has reviewed the placement of the 50km/hr sign on 57th street and would like to leave as is. The police gave out 30 tickets and 1 warning last week on 57th street.
- Gary is looking into if we can add a second drainage spout at the campground sewage dump station. Will also put up a sign that says “non potable water” at the sewage dump station as people use those hoses to clean their septic tanks.
- Jim and Ryan are following up with MCSNet regarding finishing adding slats to their fence.
- Rick has fixed the drainage in the alley behind Century 21. In order to pave the alley all residents and businesses would have to agree to the improvement.
- Wellness Centre information is updated at council meetings. The next Town Tattler goes out in mid September. The doctors will be moved in by then.
- Marcel is looking into larger trees for Main Street.
- Val Pratch from the Silhouette Dance Group has requested a letter of support for a grant application. Ron will follow up with her.
- Gary has applied for the CIIF grant for the splash park.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Don Padlesky

- Rodeo kick off supper is on August 27th, the same night as our council meeting. Council meeting will be held earlier at 4:30pm or 5:00pm depending on Agenda. Ron will determine what time to start based on how many items are on the Agenda.
- Jerry Bidulock thanks the Town of St. Paul for taking good care of the trails in St. Paul. Requested Ryan to patrol the trail more for speeders. Someone has spray painted one of our signs on the trail.

Norm Noel

Community Futures

- Is proud to announce the hiring of Penny Fox as their new manager filling the position created by the resignation of Paul Pelletier. Look forward to working with Penny and wish her the best of luck in her new position which will start out as a part time position to allow for a smooth transition from the Chamber of Commerce. She should be full time by mid September.

- Trail by Mytrash subdivision leads into crushed rock. This should be paved this year. There is a fallen spruce tree on the trail.
- Have received several phone calls from our MP Brian Storseth and his office requesting one on one meetings over the last week. Having a hard time understanding why our MP would want to meet with us one on one instead of meeting Council as a whole.
- All of Council has received a request for separate meetings. Councilor Padlesky did not speak with Mr. Storseth's office. He only saw the number on his call display. The issues with one on one meetings are they are not public. Councilor Kwiatkowski asked Mr. Storseth's office what the meeting was regarding in order to be prepared and was told it would only be a general meeting. Councilor Kwiatkowski said he would be happy to meet with Mr. Storseth if an Agenda would be provided. Council agrees that if they are going to meet with Mr. Storseth it should be done as a whole.
- Have applied for the CIIF federal grant. We were asked to apply this year for a score clock and lighting for Jaycee Ball Diamonds. However our 2012 budget is in place so we did not have the matching funds. We applied for the grant for the 2013 budget to be used towards the splash park for our community. Mayor Andersen clarified that the only way to change and add items to an approved budget is for legal or emergency purposes. The lights and score clock were not part of the 2012 budget. The splash park has been added to our MSI multiyear capital plan.

Danny White

MPC

- Received a request to rezone 5021, 5025, 5029, - 51st Ave from Commercial Business (C1) zoning to Residential Multifamily (R3) zoning to accommodate an 8-plex. Have received letters of support from two property owners near this location.
- By-law #1194 – 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 13, 14, 15, Block 6, Plan 2244Z – 5021, 5025, 5029 – 51st Ave is hereby changed from Commercial Business (C1) zoning area to Residential Multifamily (R3) zoning area.

- 3) Moved by Danny White
That, By-law #1194 receive first reading

“CARRIED”

Pat Gratton

- No Report

Ken Kwiatkowski

Evergreen Waste Management

- Regular meeting held on August 9th. Everything is going well. The leachate contractor is keeping up with all the rain we have had. Loads are coming in heavier with all the moisture. The volume is up a little from last year, seems to be more construction loads coming in.
- Unsure why our MP wanted to have meetings with each councilor separately. Did not feel this was a proper way to do things, so did not get back to his office with a time. If he wants to meet with council he should make an appointment through administration and we could all meet together.

MAYOR GLENN ANDERSEN

- Received an invitation to the Lac La Biche County and the Lac La Biche and District Chamber of Commerce to attend the 2012 Mayor's Golf Tournament on Thursday September 13th, 2012 at the Lac La Biche Golf and Country club. Continental breakfast will be served at 9:00am and tee off time will be at 10:30am. Registration fees are \$100 per player.

- 4) Moved by Ken Kwiatkowski
That, we enter a team into the Lac La Biche 2012 Mayors Golf Tournament.

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- Over the last couple of weeks administration has sent requested financial information to MP Brian Storseth's office. Brian Storseth's office has requested copies of the following information – 2012 tax assessments, 2011 consolidated financial statements, 2012 operating budget, 2011 and 2012 capital budgets. We are not sure why the MP is requesting this information. Would like to know if he is asking all municipalities in his jurisdiction or only St. Paul. When we questioned the discontinuation of the JEPP grant we were told it was because it did not fall in his jurisdiction. Why is he using tax payer dollars to review the municipality's budget information?
- Councilor Kwiatkowski questioned shouldn't Mr. Storseth be using his time promoting St. Paul instead of gathering this information.
- Councilor Padlesky has requested administration send a letter to MP Brian Storseth asking if he has requested this information from all of his municipalities. Councilor Padlesky also requests administration send a letter to Stephen Harper to make him aware of the information Mr. Storseth is requesting. Councilor Noel would also like the letter to ask why the information has been requested.
- Council has asked Administration to check with other municipalities to see if Mr. Storseth has requested the same information from them.
- The statements requested are public information and are audited, just unsure why the MP is interested in it.
- Councilor Gratton has been a councilor for 30 years and the MP has never requested this information before.
- There is a meeting in Vegreville on September 12th regarding the new federal boundaries. Mayor Andersen said the new map they are proposing deals with the trading area of St. Paul. Review the map and we will discuss at next council meeting.
- Mayor Andersen and Ron met with the Health Minister 2 weeks ago and the meeting went very well. Michael Mah has been appointed to deal with us regarding the Wellness Centre. The paving of the parking lot at the Wellness Centre has been delayed due to all of the rain.

ADMINISTRATION REPORT:

- Received a thank you card from Haying in the 30's for helping with their pancake breakfast.
 - Received a letter with the MLA's address and phone number.
 - Mayor Andersen had a meeting with the National Post to discuss the landing pad. Ellen Cartier had a copy of the program for the official opening of the landing pad. There is an article on the National Post website. We will discuss refurbishing the landing pad at our strategic planning session in November.
 - Received an invite to Portage College tour of the new facility on September 1st, 2012 from 1:00pm-4:00pm. We donated an item for their raffle for Columbus House of Hope.
 - We received 7 applications from non-profit groups for the proceeds of the Rodeo Supper. The successful applicant needs to provide up to 10 volunteers to help with the supper. The names of the non-profit groups who have not received the proceeds before were placed in a hat and the name selected from the hat is Northeast Alberta Track and Field Club.
- 5) Moved by Don Padlesky
That, the Northeast Alberta Track and Field Club (NEAT) receive the proceeds from the Rodeo Supper on August 31st, 2012.

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- Received an invitation to meet with the RCMP at the AUMA convention.
- Census will be finished this week.
- Received information from Lakeland Security regarding costs for patrolling Main Street. We will have the By-law officer check if the broken trees correspond with when Area 51 is open.
- Had a tour of the Wellness Centre. It should be completed in 1 to 1.5 weeks. Had a meeting scheduled for Tuesday to review manuals. This has been postponed. We need to get the contact information for security and maintenance. Bert and Robert will look after the maintenance of the Wellness Centre and Glenn will be a back up. Authority Alarms is handling the security. It will be a swipe in front card lock system.
- Received a letter from Alberta Environment to set up a meeting at AUMA.
- We will review the water rates when we are preparing the operating budget and will recommend if any changes need to be made. To upgrade our water meters would be very costly.
- Could we confirm if the meter house has a meter to track how much water goes through.
- We have sent a letter to CRA requesting a discharge the writ on the 3 old Donald Hotel lots.
- Councilor Noel received a request to extend the openings at the fishpond for more than long weekends. We only open the pond on long weekends to prevent it from being fished out. Administration will contact Craig Copeland to see how many fish we can get for the pond. There are safety concerns regarding the pond being open all the time. Will have Gary bring it up at the next recreation board meeting.

6) Moved by Ken Kwaitkowski
That, we move into camera at 20:27 hours

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

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8) Moved by Norm Noel
That, we Adjourn at 21:21 Hours

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Glenn Andersen Mayor

Cindy Litwinski Recording Secretary