

Meeting of the Town of St. Paul Council in the St. Paul Town Council Chambers on Monday, November 25th, 2013 at 19:00 Hours.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

- 1) Moved by Judy Bogdan
That, The Agenda be adopted as read.

“CARRIED”

- 2) Moved by Ken Kwiatkowski
That, the minutes from the public hearing and regular meeting on November 12th, 2013 be adopted with the following amendments:
Page 105-Judy Bogdan-change “November 14th, 2103” to “November 14th, 2013”
Page 105-Judy Bogdan-change “November 4th, 2103” to “November 4th, 2013”.
Page 106-Don Padlesky-Change first bullet to read “Would like to congratulate our St. Paul Lions High School Football team for winning the league and making it to the Provincials.”

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BUSINESS FROM THE MINUTES:

- Page 106-Pedestrian crossing on 46th Avenue-Rick has changed the signs closer to the crosswalk.
- Page 106-Solar pedestrian signs-Rick had a meeting with Transportation and he will order the signs. They will be put onto 57th Street and highway 881.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Edna Gervais

- Attended AUMA-it was very informative and there were good sessions.

Ken Kwiatkowski

- Attended AUMA where I took in the opening ceremonies with Chris Hadfield as our guest speaker.
- Attended session on Maximizing Economic Development Activities in small communities. This was a very good session.
- Attended session on Create, Attract and Maintain a Strong and Thriving Business Community.
- The trade show was where I spent a lot of time as there were a lot of booths that had things that we are interested in getting information on.
- Networking was also very good, and one of the best sessions was getting to know our new council members and listen to their ideas and thoughts.

Don Padlesky

St. Paul Library Board

- Attended the Board meeting on November 14th, 2013.
- The renovations are completed and we are receiving a lot of positive feedback.
- The board has recruited a new member-Connie Genert.
- September Stats: 2370 Patrons, 2211 Transactions
- October Stats: 2438 Patrons, 2273 Transactions. The library was closed for 10 days in October.

- 3) Moved by Don Padlesky
That, we approve Connie Genert as a new Library Board member.

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AUMA

- Did a lot of networking and attended sessions.
- One of the sessions was dialogue with the ministers where I took in the Justice and Solicitor General session. One item brought up by Red Deer was that communities under 5000 population pay no policing charges. Brought up the policing overtime we had to pay to the MLA Ministers assistant and he suggested we send in a letter regarding this. Also discussed increasing the loitering fine from \$50.00 to 500.00. Was suggested by Chad Barber that we speak to the police chief if we would like the fine changed.
- Asked Minister Dennis about the wait times in our courts where he replied that it was a good question. His office plans to remove small claims out of courts so judges can focus on criminal cases. The Federal Government has not appointed any Federal Judges since 1996. Would like to change it so that claims under \$50,000.00 would be heard by a tribunal system that does not require judges. This will free up their time so more criminal cases could be heard and dealt with faster.

- 4) Moved by Don Padlesky
That, we send a letter to Solicitor General regarding policing costs.

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Judy Bogdan

- Attended Strategic Planning on November 15th, 2013. The process we use is very effective.

Councillor Orientation in Calgary

- Attended: Effective Decision Making presented by Gordon McIntosh who provided a toolbox full of ideas for effective communication, reporting and collaboration. He will be in Cold Lake and Lac LA Biche in January.
- Attended: now that you've been elected- there were excellent resources provided.

AUMA

- Overcoming Barriers for Women in Predominantly Male Environments presented by Ruth Kelly-National Parole Board, Men's Prison Warden (Aboriginal population predominately) Aboriginal Women-Buffalo Sage Wellness Centre (holistic program). One phrase that stuck out from this session is “May forget what you say-but never how you are treated”.
 - Presenter: Phrase by-Claire Crawford-Entrepreneur “Be a Role Model”
 - Policing session-presented by Rick Hansen the Calgary Chief of Police. Shared ideas on proactive collaborative approaches to policing. Had also presented at Justice Diversion Education Day.
 - Managing to Have Fun: Laughing Matters-outstanding presentation, it was interactive.
 - Affordable Housing-CMHC has seed money (\$10,000.00) for needs assessment.
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- Concerts in the Park-Application for support submitted to Community Learning Association for next summer's weekly concerts.
 - Thrive on Wellness-Wednesday November 27th, 2013 Peavey Mart will be making a presentation for a grant of \$48,000.00 which will be distributed over 3 years.
 - Street Outreach-there are grants available for submission for this program.
 - Upcoming meetings: Airport Committee November 28th and HUB November 29th.

Norm Noel

AUMA

- Keynote speaker was Colonel Chris Hadfield
- Attended Asset Management Optimizing Your Investment, Maximizing Economic Development Activity in small communities and Managing to have fun laughing matters
- Attended elections for president-Helen Rice was voted president.

Recreation

- Iron Horse Trail Campground is looking to stay open until December 21st, 2013. There are still 37 campers on site.
- There will be RV Storage at the Soccer Fields until the end of April 2014.
- Clancy and Cap Arenas are busy every weekend with minor hockey tournaments.
- The pool is busy with school lessons. The pool lobby is being re-grouted as it was not done properly earlier.
- Have started to flood the outdoor rinks.
- The curling rink has built the change rooms on Southeast side of the lobby. The initial plans for an elevator have been approved, they will now start fundraising.

Dwight Wiebe

- Would like to congratulate Don Padlesky on being an executive for the Northern Lights Library System.

FCSS

- Roxanne Bergheim is Chairperson.
 - The Community Directory has been sent to print and should be delivered to us in December. The Directory will be distributed to residents in January.
 - Reviewed the 2014 temporary operating budget.
 - Charmaine Martell has been hired to replace Maggie; she will start on December 9th, 2013.
 - Had a successful Babysitting Course. 15 people attended the course on November 16th, 2013 and they have a full waiting list for a second course.
 - Discussed a barrier for the North entrance of Parent Link to warn drivers and prevent children from stepping into the alley as they exit the building.
 - Approximately 50 people attended the Walk of Hope on November 1st, 2013.
 - Seniors Gala in Ashmont was well attended. FCSS supplied some financial support.
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- Attended the St. Paul Alternative Education open house. All kinds of kids attend St. Paul Education. You can learn at your own pace.
 - Linda will attend the Foster Parents Appreciation

MAYOR'S REPORT

Glenn Andersen

AUMA

- Attended every minister session he could get into.
 - Supplementary Session-there was a debate on inequity and linear assessments. 17% of the municipalities receive 83% of the dollars.
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- Attended the Sledge Hockey with Councillor Kwiatkowski. This was very good. Would like to thank them for the invitation.
 - Office of Program Evaluation and Government (OPEGA) sent congratulations of getting elected.
 - The Canadian Union Postal Workers are re-examining Canadian Postal Services Charter.

ADMINISTRATION REPORT

- Northern Lights Library System are increasing their levies for the 2014 budget from \$4.78 per capita to \$4.8756 per capita. This would be an increase of \$538.42 and our total levy would be \$27,459.38.

- 5) Moved by Don Padlesky
That, we accept the Northern Lights Library System Levies increase from \$4.78 per capita to \$4.8756 per capita. The 2014 budget would have an increase of \$538.42 and the total levy would be \$27,459.38.

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- Received a thank you letter from the 1st St. Paul Pathfinder Unit for our letter of support. Their application was successful and the group was awarded \$10,000.00.

Mayor and Council Remuneration

- Council reviewed the remuneration policy and the survey from other municipalities and are suggesting the following changes to the policy:
 - ❖ Council Monthly Honoraria Rates
 - January 1st 2014-December 31st, 2014 Mayor \$2,500.00, Council \$1,400.00
 - January 1st, 2015-December 31st, 2015 Mayor \$2,600.00, Council \$1,500.00
 - January 1st, 2016-December 31st, 2016 Mayor \$2,700.00, Council \$1,600.00.
 - January 1st, 2017-December 31st, 2017 Mayor \$2,800.00, Council \$1,700.00.
 - ❖ Per Diem Rates (per meeting)
 - January 1st, 2014-December 31st, 2014-four hours or more \$175.00, less than 4 hours \$125.00.
 - January 1st, 2015-December 31st, 2015-four hours or more \$185.00, less than four hours \$135.00.
 - January 1st, 2016-December 31st, 2016-four hours or more \$195.00, less than 4 hours \$145.00.
 - January 1st, 2017-December 31st, 2017-four hours or more \$205.00, less than four hours \$155.00.
 - ❖ Meal Allowance January 1st, 2014-December 31st, 2017
 - Breakfast \$15.00
 - Lunch \$20.00
 - Dinner \$30.00
 - ❖ Office Expense Allowance
 - 2014-\$85.00
 - 2015-\$95.00
 - 2016-\$105.00
 - 2017-\$115.00
- At strategic planning we discussed increasing the criminal record check fee from \$20.00 to \$25.00.

- 6) Moved by Dwight Wiebe
That, we increase the criminal record check fee from \$20.00 to \$25.00 effective January 1st, 2014.

- Proficient Holdings Ltd has submitted a request to be exempt of 100% of the municipal portion of property taxes as per the tax incentive rebate program.

- 7) Moved by Ken Kwiatkowski
That, that we approve Proficient Holdings Ltd for the tax incentive rebate program. The municipal portion of their taxes will be 100% exempt.

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- Councillor Noel received a complaint of a dog going into a neighbor's yard. We will forward to Ryan.

- 8) Moved by Don Padlesky
That, we move into camera at 20:47 Hours.

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- 9) Moved by Don Padlesky
That, we move out of camera at 22:18 Hours.

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- 10) Moved by Dwight Wiebe
That, we Adjourn at 22:19 Hours

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Glenn Andersen Mayor

Cindy Litwinski Recording
Secretary