

Regular meeting of the Town of St. Paul Council in the St. Paul Town Council Chambers on Monday, January 27th, 2014 at 19:00 Hours.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Don Padlesky, Norm Noel

PRESENTATION:-Automated Traffic Enforcement-Global Traffic-Richard Kracher & David Steer

- They provide a Turnkey solution that includes all approvals, implementation, signage and photo enforcement equipment.
- They use the same laser that the RCMP use combined with high resolution cameras that can shoot 360° and up to 400 meters away.
- They complete an evaluation with the RCMP and the Peace Officers to see what areas need to be addressed.
- There are no demerits associated with the photo enforcement tickets. The fine is registered with the courts and could go against a GST rebate if the ticket is not paid.
- Tickets are mailed in 2-3 business days.
- This system is not meant to replace the RCMP. It is to free up and enhance policing resources.
- They have a call center available for people who have questions regarding a ticket.
- They track all information including the payments.
- They are currently looking into enforcing distracted driving laws and are planning on rolling out the system this spring. Solicitor General states that they cannot mail tickets for distracted driving, they must pull people over.
- The license plate covers do not block the plate numbers when using laser. The covers are only effective on Radar.
- The system they are demonstrating will be attended at all times by one of the Global Traffic Group Peace Officers.
- Solicitor General guidelines state that the Town must be signed that there is photo enforcement. They also give warning tickets for 30 days when the system starts up.
- They can be at different locations during the day.
- They are recommending having enforcement 4-5 days a week for a total of 20-24 hours per week.
- The crown at Lloydminster is based out of St. Paul and is familiar with their systems.
- Global Traffic will cover the startup costs. They may ask assistance of Public Works to drill holes for the signage. They receive a portion of the ticket costs. The Province keeps 27% of each ticket; the remaining 73% is split between the Municipality and Global Traffic Group. The percentage Global will keep will be determined when/if we sign a contract.
- Their contracts are typically for 3 years; however they are flexible and would agree to a 1 year contract.
- Mayor Andersen thanked them for their presentation.

Mayor Andersen called the regular meeting to order at 20:17 Hours

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

“CARRIED”

- 2) Moved by Ken Kwiatkowski
That, the minutes from January 13th, 2014 Public Hearing and Regular Council meeting be adopted with the following amendments:

Page 2-last bullet-change "Brain" to "Brian"

Page 3-Judy Bogdan-second bullet, last sentence-change to read: "Seventeen new contract workers now living and working in St. Paul."

"CARRIED"

BUSINESS FROM THE MINUTES:

- None

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Judy Bogdan

- No Report
- Business phone number needs to be removed from our online, internal and phone directory as this is causing issues at work. Personal cell number should be used and given out to the public.

Dwight Wiebe

FCSS

- Would like to thank the Quilting Bees and the Kalyna Country Quilters for donating handmade placemats for the Meals on Wheels clients.
- Northeast Regional Spring Meeting will be held in St. Paul on April 25th & 26th at the Reunion Station.

MPC

- Received a request from the residents at 5513-55th Ave asking for approval to be a drop off point for boxes to be cargo shipped to the Philippines. They will be an agent of Sunfreight Cargo. Once they have accumulated 10 boxes the Sunfreight Cargo truck will make a pick up. They estimate one pick up every 1-2 months. MPC sees no issues with this. They will be required to purchase a business license.

3) Moved by Dwight Wiebe

That, we allow the residents of 5513-55th Ave to be a drop off point for boxes to be cargo shipped to the Philippines.

"CARRIED"

Ken Kwiatkowski

Community Futures

- Meeting was held on January 16th, 2014.
- Reviewed our financials and everything looks ok. Things are in par over the last few years.
- A survey was done throughout all Community Futures offices and we should get the results in a few months.
- After the regular meeting we held our operation plan meeting.
- We reviewed our budget for 2014-2015.
- We discussed ideas for next year.
- Something was discussed and it was to meet with our MP Brian Storseth and keep him up to date with what our Community Futures office is doing as this is a Federal Program.
- We are looking at ways for Community Futures to get more information about themselves to the public. They would like to have their link on every Municipalities website.
- Is making arrangements with Town of Smoky Lake and the Town of Vilna to get office space and to meet the people in that area.
- Are also looking at putting in a booth at trade shows.
- Putting on a two day Board Development/Training in Lac La Biche on March 12th – 13th, 2014.

Recreation

- Have two new board members: Rick Austin and Todd Tanasichuk.
- Chair is Janna Zarowny
- St. Paul Minor Ball had some concerns if the pipeline workers are coming back in 2014. Last year they could not hold a tournament because there was no space available at the hotels. They would like to know if the Town is aware of any hotels wanting to build in St. Paul. If a hotel came in and bought JC ball diamond would the funds be used to build another ball diamond?
- Received a letter from Mannawanis Native friendship Centre requesting to waive the rental fee for their fundraiser at the Recreation Centre on February 22nd, 2014. They will be responsible for their own set up and take down or the Town will set up and take down for \$241.50.

4) Moved by Ken Kwiatkowski

That, we approve the rental of the Recreation Centre by Mannawanis Native Friendship Centre for their fundraiser on February 22nd, 2014 at the break even cost of \$595.00.

“CARRIED”

- Received a letter from the St. Paul & Community Family Benefit Group requesting the rental of the Recreation Centre on December 31st, 2014 at no charge. They will be responsible for their own set up and take down or the Town will set up and take down for \$241.50.

5) Moved by Ken Kwiatkowski

That, we approve the rental of the Recreation Centre by St. Paul & Community Family Benefit Group on December 31st, 2014 at no charge.

“CARRIED”

- St. Paul Tennis Club-went over letter regarding repairs required for Kinsmen Courts. Monies have been put aside for 2015.
- Discussion on the possibility of one of the pool staff becoming a personal trainer. The course is 8 months and costs \$1,200.00.

Edna Gervais

St. Paul & District Chamber of Commerce

- There are 3 events coming up:
 - ❖ January 28th, 2014-Alberta Transportation Community discussion at the Recreation Centre Multi-Purpose Room.
 - ❖ January 31st, 2014-EARN Event-Building a High Performance Culture with guest speaker Kristen Cumming. At the St. Paul Senior Citizens Club.
 - ❖ February 4th, 2014-St. Paul & District Chamber of Commerce Annual General Meeting at 5:30pm in the Chamber Boardroom.
- In an effort to increase Chamber memberships the executive director Matisson has been busy door knocking, trying to meet as many business owners as possible. Meeting face to face seems to be a great way to inform them of what the Chamber has to offer & answer any questions they may have.
- The Chamber wishes to thank Mayor Andersen, Town Council and Administration for including the option for businesses to give their permission to share the information they provided on the Town's business license application form. We feel this demonstrates to the business community that the Town and the Chamber are working together in their best interest.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Glenn Andersen

- Received a letter from The St. Paul and District Hospital Foundation requesting the rental of the Recreation Centre on March 1st, 2014 for their Fundraiser at no cost.

6) Moved by Judy Bogdan

That, we approve the rental of the Recreation Centre on March 1st, 2014 to the St. Paul and District Hospital Foundation for their fundraiser at no cost.

“CARRIED”

- ATCO transmission line project has been approved and will start construction right away. It will be a 35km line.
- Lac La Biche has put out a new brochure, a copy was given to Councillor Kwiatkowski to take back to the Marketing Committee.
- Received a letter from The Alberta Order of Excellence looking for nominations of a deserving Albertan to become a member of the Alberta Order of Excellence. This person must have made a significant contribution provincially, nationally and/or internationally. The nomination deadline is February 15th, 2014.
- Received a letter from Lockett Wenman & Associates (LWA) regarding a proposal for a sales-tax review (GST and other sales taxes) for the Town. We had a review completed in 2004 or 2005. It occupied a staff member for a couple of days and there was not much of a refund received.
- Received a letter from the St. Paul Senior Citizens Club thanking us for the grant received from the Town to cover traveling expenses for their educational and cultural trips during the year for seniors.

ADMINISTRATION REPORT

- Joint Regional Collaboration Program-Regional Emergency Management: would like to apply for the Regional Collaboration Program Grant. We would be partnered with the County of St. Paul, Town of Elk Point and the Summer Village of Horseshoe Bay. We would hire a consultant to help put the program together. Our current Director of Emergency Management is our Fire Chief. Our Town Hall and Recreation Centre is set up for emergency power.

7) Moved by Edna Gervais

That, be it resolved that we authorize the Town of St. Paul to participate in an application for the Regional Emergency Management Plan project submitted by the County of St. Paul under the Regional Collaboration Grant component of the Regional Collaboration Program.

“CARRIED”

- We received two complimentary tickets to the MS Social on Friday February 14th, 2014.
- Setting up a Joint Council supper meeting with the County of St. Paul on February 13th, 2014 at the County Office. We will discuss the Waste and Recycling Agreement, Regional Emergency Plan and the Canada Build Grant.
- Received 4 letters from Five Star Pawn Ltd requesting to be exempt from Part one (1) Pawnbrokers, section Three (3) (D), Part Two (2) Secondhand Dealers Section Fourteen (14)(D), Part One (1) Pawnbrokers, Section Seven (7)(1), Section Nine (9), Part Two (2) Secondhand Dealers Section Seventeen (17) (1), Section Nineteen (19) of the Pawnshop By-Law. They are also asking for a letter of acknowledgement that a Pawnbroker is also a Second Hand Dealer. We received a legal opinion when we were revising the By-Law. There are no By-Laws in Alberta that allows a Pawnbroker to have exceptions. Recommend leaving the By-Law as is with no exceptions.
- Public Washrooms-The Chamber received a letter from a shopper who was upset because none of the businesses in Downtown St. Paul would allow her to use a washroom. The Town was approached last fall on installing washrooms downtown however there were concerns on where to put one and who would look after it. There were also concerns on who would pay to build the washrooms? Would the businesses build them or would the tax payer be charged for them? Most businesses in other communities accommodate their customers and have a sign on

their doors that washrooms are for customers only. Will find out what Alice had in mind for a plan regarding washrooms downtown.

- Would like to set up a Social for the Mayors and Councillors from Town of Elk Point, County of St. Paul and Town of St. Paul. This will be a get to know each other event. No politics will be discussed. Will suggest March 17th, 2014 for the Social. It will be held in Elk Point.
- Evergreen Regional Waste Management Services Commission By-Law #12: Evergreen is repealing By-Law 1-2000 & 2-2000 and replacing it with By-Law #12. They are looking for a motion to support the By-Law and specifically support the retention of the weighted vote as set out in the By-Law. We will table this until the next Council meeting to allow Administration time to get more information on how the weighted vote and financing percentages were determined.
- Have received a letter from MS Society requesting a \$1,000.00 donation towards their MS Walk & Run in 2014.

8) Moved by Ken Kwiatkowski

That, we donate \$1,000.00 to the MS Society for their 2014 Lakeland MS Walk & Run event on Mother's Day.

"CARRIED"

- Affordable Housing: The Town of St. Paul finalized the purchase of Credit Union property (7.04 Acres) on January 12th, 2007 with the condition that we will donate 4 lots to the Affordable Housing Project at no costs. The only house they have built to date was constructed in 2005 and we had given this property to them. We did offer them a lot in 2007, for a duplex; however, they were not successful on grant applications. They have not built any more homes due to lack of grants and shortage of lots. On November 19th, 2008 the Town of St. Paul transferred .78 Acres to St. Paul Abilities Network for the Affordable Housing Project. SPAN applied for a grant under the Town's Name to build a 6 suite Apartment Block and when it was built it was expanded to 12 suites. The property is 300 feet by 70 feet, the equivalent of 6 lots. They have enough room to build another 12 suite apartment. Even though we did give a huge amount of property from the Credit Union to SPAN for Affordable Housing all the correspondence indicates that the 4 lots were directed towards the St. Paul Affordable Community Housing Society. We will continue to look for lots for St. Paul Affordable Housing.
- The Museum would like to build a shed. We need to have a site visit and have the Ag Society information at this meeting. The site meeting will be on February 6th, 2014 at 4:00 PM behind the CAP arena.

9) Moved by Ken Kwiatkowski

That, we move into Camera at 22:05 Hours.

"CARRIED"

10) Moved by Edna Gervais

That, we move out of Camera at 23:07 Hours.

"CARRIED"

11) Moved by Judy Bogdan

That, we Adjourn at 23:08 Hours.

"CARRIED"

Glenn Andersen Mayor

Cindy Litwinski Recording Secretary