



Municipality of the District of St. Mary's

Council Meeting

Monday, September 16th, 2019

1. Meeting, Date & Time:

The Regular Council meeting of the St. Mary's Municipal Council was called to order on Monday, September 16th, 2019 at 7:00pm in the Council Chambers Sherbrooke, N.S

2. Attending:

Warden Mosher
Deputy Warden Dort
Councillor Findlay
Councillor Kaiser-Kirk
Councillor Baker
Councillor Smith
Councillor Malloy

Also Attending:

Marvin MacDonald, CAO
Marian Fraser, Director of Finance

Absent with Regrets:

Marissa Jordan, Municipal Clerk/Special Projects Coordinator

3. Approval of Agenda:

On motion of Deputy Warden Dort and seconded by Councillor Kaiser-Kirk, Council approved the agenda as presented.

Motion carried.

4. Approval of Minutes:

On motion of Councillor Smith and seconded by Councillor Baker, Council approved the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held August 12th, 2019.

Motion carried.

5. Business Arising from the Minutes:

- Façade Program – staff have had few inquiries and no applications to date, staff are discussing options for the program going forward.
- Council asked if the tender for C&D has been advertised yet, CAO informed Council that it has not yet been advertised but will be soon.

6. Recommendations from Committee Of The Whole:

COTW Meeting August 21st, 2019:

1. On motion of Councillor Smith and seconded by Councillor Baker, Council agreed to moving \$500,000 of Municipal funds from the Royal Bank General Account to a MFC High Interest Saving Account.

Discussion:

- Councillors expressed their concern of the impact/hardship of moving the funds from the Royal Bank would have on the local RBC branch. The local RBC provides taxes, employment and hours of volunteerism to the community. Councillors did not want to see a negative impact on the service to the community.

Motion defeated. (4 Nays, Deputy Warden Dort, Councillor Malloy, Councillor Findlay, Councillor Kaiser-Kirk)

2. On motion of Councillor Kaiser-Kirk and seconded by Councillor Malloy, Council approved the 2018/2019 Audited Financial Statements.

Motion approved.

3. On motion of Councillor Findlay and seconded by Councillor Baker, Council agreed to cover the cost for the upgrade to the second filter system at the water treatment plant using \$20,755 from the gas tax fund.

Motion approved.

COTW Meeting September 4th, 2019:

3. On motion of Councillor Kaiser-Kirk and seconded by Councillor Malloy, Council approved the General Government Grants Policy.

Motion approved. (1 Nay, Councillor Smith)

4. On motion of Councillor Smith and seconded by Councillor Baker, Council approved the External Boards Policy.

Motion approved.

5. On motion of Deputy Warden Dort and seconded by Councillor Kaiser-Kirk, Council approved the Newsletter Policy.

Motion approved.

- Council recommended that the changes to the newsletter policy be advertised in the next Municipal Newsletter.

7. CAO Report:

- Council asked if there has been an update on the Whale Sanctuary Project. Councillor Kaiser-Kirk had spoken with a committee member and reported that the potential location had made out well during the recent storm. The next step for the team is to conduct depth testing in the area.

- The two current job postings, Public Works Facility Operator and Economic Development and Planning Officer, close this Wednesday.
- Before and After program Update – interviews took place last week, references are currently being checked and program registration forms are being sent out this week.
- Update on Tax Sale – initial notices have been sent out by registered mail, the Tax Sale is anticipated to take place mid-February 2020.

Adjournment:

On motion of Deputy Warden Dort there being no further matters of business, Council adjourned at 7:16pm.



Recorded By
Director of Finance



Approved By
Warden Mosher