Rural Municipality of Murray River

Monthly Meeting-Tuesday, January 14, 2020

Murray River Library

Present:

Deputy Sandra Edwards, Councillors- Walter Munn, Greg Munn, Marvin MacLeod,

Karri Ferguson, CAO-Dianne MacDonald

Regrets:

Mayor Pat Bray, Councillor Amanda DeCoste

- 1.0 Call to Order: Deputy Sandra commenced meeting at 6:15 pm.
- 2.0 Approval of Agenda: Agenda approved by Councillor Greg. Seconded by Councillor Karri.
- 3.0 Declarations of Conflict of Interest: No conflicts to declare.
- **4.0** Approval of Minutes-(December 10/19): It was moved by Councillor Greg and seconded by Councillor Karri that the minutes from December 10, 2019 be adopted as presented. Motion Carried.

5.0 Reports:

- **5.1** Financial Report: Dianne read the activities report for the past month and presented the financial update. Report approved as presented by Councillor Walter and seconded by Councillor Greg. **Motion Carried.**
- **5.2** Park/Rec/ Lighting & Sidewalks: George MacKay removed Christmas lights and decorations and has stored in the Hut building.

Karri reported there will be Fitness Classes beginning Wednesday, January 15th at the Hall sponsored by TCAP, cost is \$50 for 5 weeks.

Karri has been in correspondence with Jacob at GoEast PEI regarding a Seniors fitness class in the Sping.

It was suggested that Dianne contact Miller Trucking regarding the snow removal on sidewalks, there has been reports that it is late in the day before they are able to access after a storm.

- **5.3** Community Hall: ICIP Fund- Dianne is still waiting for confirmation from the Province on the land adjacent to the Hall. Brenda Boyle (Property Agent) is in correspondence with First Nations. When confirmation is received, Greg will arrange for a survey.
- **5.4** Community Library: Dianne received an email from Grace Dawson (Regional Librarian) that Sarah MacNeill has been hired to fill the Librarian position for the next 18 months until Susan Gardner returns.

The Fisherman's Daughter will be holding art classes at the Library beginning Wednesday, January 15th for an 8 week course at 10:00 am.

Trevor MacDonald has booked the Hut for the Annual Bird Show on June 6, 2020.

6.0 Other Business:

6.1 Correspondence:

Circulated for Council to view.

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