

Rural Municipality of Murray River

Monthly Meeting- Tuesday, September 8, 2020

Murray River Library at 6:00 pm

Present: Deputy Sandra Edwards, Councillor's – Walter Munn, Karri Ferguson, Marvin MacLeod, Greg Munn, CAO- Dianne MacDonald

Regrets: Mayor Pat Bray, Amanda DeCoste

1.0 Call to Order: Deputy Sandra commenced meeting at 6:05 pm.

2.0 Declarations of Conflict of Interest: No conflicts to declare.

3.0 Approval of Agenda: Agenda approved by Councillor Greg. Seconded by Councillor Walter.

4.0 Approval of Minutes (June 15/20): Minutes approved by Councillor Walter. Approved by Councillor Greg.

5.0 Reports:

5.1 Financial Report: Dianne read the financial report for the past few months and presented the financial update on all accounts. Report approved by Councillor Greg. Seconded by Councillor Karri.

5.2 Park/Recreation/ Lighting : Councillor Karri spoke about the weeds growing on the ballfield. She suggested contacting Rueben Creed to ask if this should be done now or leave until the Spring. Dianne will contact Rueben for more information on timeline and cost.

Councillor Marvin suggested Victor O'Neill be contacted to install steel on the ballfield dugouts.

Councillor Greg also suggested Tim MacDougall- Carpenter is from the area.

Councillor Karri said the Arena will open late in October, operational plans is in progress.

Family skates are pending, Council agrees to sponsor again for the season.

5.3 Community Hall: Project Committee met on Tuesday, Sept 1st and discussed the hall renovations.

The hall is rented on Saturday, September 12th for a wedding reception, and for Friday, November 13th for a birthday celebration.

5.4 Community Library: The outside sign needs to be replaced. This is considered part of the facility therefore the cost is not covered by the Province. Grace Dawson (Provincial Librarian) will contribute/share the cost from rotary funds. Dianne will get a quote from Bruce at Sign Craft.

6.0 Other Business:

6.1 Correspondence: Circulated for Council.

6.2 New Business: Jobs for Youth project was discussed.

RV Enterprises called to recommend the shrubbery on all flowerbeds be trimmed. The cost would be approximately \$500, Council discussed, no final decision made.

Greg asked about funding available for the Hall project- ie: Geo thermal, solar panels, storm water recapture and LED lighting. Dianne will contact Curtis at Infrastructure.

6.3 EMO Bylaw & Plan:

TO: All Mayors and Chief Administrative Officers - Cities, Towns and Rural Municipalities of PEI

FROM: Jamie Fox, Minister of Fisheries and Communities

DATE: September 2, 2020

RE: Extension of MGA Timelines – Municipal Emergency Management Program and Municipal Planning Services (Official Plan and Bylaws)

This has been a challenging year for many. Municipalities have encountered difficulties resulting from Covid-19 public health restrictions, especially with respect to holding public meetings and actively engaging with your residents.

After careful consideration of the challenges facing municipal governments across Prince Edward Island as a result of Covid-19, I would like to advise that I have extended the timelines by one year for submitting your municipal emergency management program and for providing municipal planning services.

Previous Timeline

New Timeline

Municipal Service

Submit Emergency Management Program to EMO for Review and Approval
Provide Municipal Planning Services including Official Plan and Bylaws

December 31, 2020

December 31, 2021

December 31, 2022

December 31, 2023

EMO Training: Basic
Emergency Training- October 14th and October 21st. (1day)

Emergency Operations Course-
October 28 and 29th (2days)

6.4 By- Election Date: Waiting for written confirmation from Council Amanda Decoste before a date can be confirmed.

