

Rural Municipality of Murray River

Monthly Meeting-Tuesday, May 10, 2022

Murray River Library at 7:00pm.

Present: Mayor Pat Bray, Deputy Sandra Edwards, Cllr Walter Munn, Cllr Donna Penny,
Cllr Greg Munn, Cllr Karri Ferguson, Anne Harnesk, Interim CAO

Regrets:

Gallery: Paige Hart, Christine Dickey, Steve Leighton, Tim James, Mary Ritchie

1.0 Call to Order: Mayor Pat called the meeting to order at 6:55 pm.

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

3.0 Approval of Agenda: Approved as amended by Cllr Greg. Seconded by Cllr Karri.

4.0 Approval of April 12, 2022 Meeting Minutes:

April 12, 2022 meeting minutes approved by Cllr Greg. Seconded by Cllr Donna .

5.0 Reports:

5.1 CAO/Financial Report:

See attached CAO Report and financial report. Copy of 2022-2023 budget given to Mayor and all Councilors.

Report approved by Deputy Mayor Sandy, seconded by Cllr Walter.

5.2 Park/Rec/Lighting & Sidewalks:

Cllr Karri spoke with George MacKay. George is willing to go in with rototiller to the ballfield to get rid of weeds. Once rototilled, weeds would need to be picked up before they re-rooted. Cardigan has a tournament coming up and is running short of fields. They may want to use ours. Cllr Karri to get a quote from George for the rototilling.

5.3 Community Hall/Hall Moving:

Cllr Greg will call a meeting for the building committee. Hope to be at a point of sending out for Tenders in July. It would appear the septic tank was paved over about 25 years ago. At one time there was a backup into the hall, and they had to cut into the pavement to get lines. It is believed there is a cement tank with field tiles, and it hasn't been serviced/pumped in approximately 25 years.

A reminder to let Dianne know when hall is booked. She came to clean, and someone was using the hall.

6.0 Other Business:

6.1 Trail Development:

Nothing to report.

6.2 Official Plan:

Nothing back from Jesse MacDougall. \$50K has been earmarked for the Official Plan. Money can be transferred from sidewalk project if more funds are needed.

6.3 New Business:

a. Paige and Christine - The Old General Catering House. Update on their plans including pre-booked dinners a few nights a week for 20-50 people with beer and wine. Eventually plan to have a 2-bedroom, 2-bathroom B&B. Paige and Christine will be doing some work around the exterior of the building for drainage. Will be looking to Council for support of liquor license.

b. Need to appoint a Municipal Election Office and Deputy Municipal Elections Officer. Anne to call Natalie White at 902-962-2412 to see if she is available to do it and if she knows of anyone that would like to be the Deputy Municipal Elections Officer.

6.4 Traffic Signs:

Kathy White has reached out to Cllr Karri regarding traffic speeding by. There are young children on Dover Road now and would like to see a Children at Play sign. Cllr Karri has been in contact with Marley at Municipal Affairs regarding the process to have a sign done. See copy of Marley's email attached to minutes. New CAO may want to reach out to the Montague RCMP Branch to arrange for some speed traps to be set-up soon.

6.5 Tim James:

Norweco Singulair Green Wastewater Treatment System. Brochure in minutes binder. This system is half the size or less of a conventional field. It has a three-part tank that cleans the sewage to a point where you can get permission to discharge directly into river or use the grey water to run toilets or use for garden.

6.6 Mary Ritchie - Community Garden & Community Fridge

With groceries going up there is a definite need for a Community Garden and Community Fridge. We would be looking for a couple of fridges and freezers to be donated if possible. Ideally would be in the Community Hall one day a week. Hall will not be ready for this year. Mary plans to reach out on Murray River Facebook page for help with the community garden.

7.0 Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Cllr Greg, seconded by Deputy Mayor Sandy at 8:15 pm.

Mayor

CAO

Date

Anne Barnese

Process for getting a slowdown sign - Murray River

From: Marley Kingston <mkingston@gov.pe.ca>

Date: 05/12/2022 02:54PM

To: ktferg <ktferg@eastlink.ca>, Anne Harnesk <aharnesk@live.ca>, "office@murrayharbour.ca" <office@murrayharbour.ca>

Hi Karri and Anne!

Hope you both got a chance to enjoy the nice weather.

Anne, I just thought I should bring you into the loop on this; as an FYI I had spoken to Karri earlier this week about a request she got from a resident on getting a slowdown sign put up in Murray River (Dover Road, 50 zone, by the seniors' units), and how this would work. I wasn't entirely sure how to go about getting that done so I've been in touch with Highway Signage on this to figure out the process...

If this is something Council would like to pursue the municipality has to put in a formal written request to Traffic Operations, with Transportation and Infrastructure. I recommend Council pass a resolution to do this, and then provide a copy of the resolution with the formal written request. The request should be directed to Alan Aitken, Alan can be reached by email at aaaitken@gov.pe.ca or by phone at 902-368-5006.

Good luck, and let me know if you need any further help!

Take care,

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