



Summer Village of Ma-Me-O Beach
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2016 at 10:00 AM
Summer Villages Office Council Chambers
605 – 2nd Avenue, Ma-Me-O Beach, Alberta

MINUTES

Present:

Don Fleming, Mayor
John Slater, Deputy Mayor
Peter Langelle, Councillor

Sylvia Roy, CAO

Mayor Fleming called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.

A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Res. #16-143

Moved by Deputy Mayor Slater to adopt the agenda as amended.

CARRIED

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

1. Minutes of September 30, 2016 Regular Council Meeting

Res. #16-144

Moved by Councillor Langelle to adopt the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of September 30, 2016 as presented.

CARRIED

C. DELEGATIONS AND VISITORS

1. Mr. Mike Zajak, Director of Emergency Services, County of Wetaskiwin and Mr. Wayne Benson, Fire Chief, South Pigeon Lake Fire Department

Council and the delegates discussed the danger posed to the Summer Village when there is a fire on nearby First Nations land. Last year when there was a fire on First Nations land, Council wanted the fire department to attend and provide defensive fire fighting services for the Summer Village. However, when 911 was called, Strathcona County dispatch would not contact the fire department as the fire was in another jurisdiction. Mr. Zajak will contact Strathcona County and advise them to put Summer Village calls through to the fire department. Chief Benson advised that the fire department would not have hesitated to attend had they been contacted by dispatch. In the future, the process will be the same – to contact 911 if there is a fire threatening the Summer Village, and the fire department will attend.

Defensive fire fighting operations will be paid for by the Summer Village as per the call-out fee in the agreement between the Summer Village and the County of Wetaskiwin.

The delegates also spoke of the need to keep trees and bushes trimmed and grass cut, etc to help keep fires at bay.

With respect to ice/water rescue, Mr. Zajak indicated that they are just waiting for one Summer Village to send in their letter of intent, then they can begin purchasing equipment and training.

Council thanked the delegates and they departed from Council Chambers at 10:40 am.

2. Mr. Kelly Candy, 3CIS

At 11:00 am Council welcomed Mr. Kelly Candy from 3CIS, to discuss the Summer Village wifi system.

Mr. Candy indicated that there is an opportunity to improve the wireless internet system through radios and possibly fibre optics.

The current network was designed and installed many years ago, it needs to be modernized as things have changed in the technological world. One possible solution is a passive optical network, or Gpon.

Gpon requires a physical fibre line, and there is an option of connecting houses with or without fibre. Gpon is less expensive than a wireless system or active network, and there are no active components that can fail.

Discussion occurred with respect to the possibility of directionally drilling the fibre cable at the same time as the wastewater lines are installed.

Council thanked Mr. Kelly and the call concluded at 11:37 am.

D. BYLAWS & POLICIES

1. Bylaw No.354 – 2016 Repeals Bylaw

Res. #16-145

Moved by Deputy Mayor Slater to give Second Reading to Bylaw #354, 2016 Repeals Bylaw, as presented.

CARRIED

E. REPORTS FROM STAFF/RESOLUTIONS

1. Follow Up Sheet

The follow up sheet was reviewed.

F. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Pigeon Lake Regional Wastewater Committee

Deputy Mayor Slater indicated that a regional wastewater meeting was held on October 26, where the interim operations agreement was vetted through the committee and legal counsel. It was reported at the meeting that the regional commission process is moving along well.

Deputy Mayor Slater also indicated that the Provincial Park may also join the wastewater system.

- a) Operations Agreement

Res. #16-146

Moved by Deputy Mayor Slater that the Summer Village of Ma-Me-O Beach enter into the wastewater operations agreement with the County of Wetaskiwin, as presented.

CARRIED

Recess: 10:57 am

Reconvene: 11:00 am

2. South Side Wastewater Committee

Deputy Mayor Slater indicated that 6 engineering firms were preselected and the bids for the wastewater project close on December 2nd.

Res. #16-147

Moved by Mayor Fleming that the Summer Village of Ma-Me-O Beach designate Deputy Mayor Slater as the signing authority for contract 1 of the south side wastewater committee, based on the recommendations from MPE.

CARRIED

3. Local Wastewater Collection Project

The ditch area between the south campground fence and the Summer Village road may be used to store pipe and equipment for the construction of the wastewater line down Highway 13A.

The municipal utility option was discussed at the last Council meeting.

4. Alliance of Pigeon Lake Municipalities

Council reviewed the APLM minutes of September 7 and November 9, 2016. The application of phoslock on Pigeon Lake appears to be economically unfeasible. The committee is still examining the potential of an algae harvester. Council also reviewed the APLM/ PLWA roles and responsibilities document and had no suggestions for revisions.

5. Ma-Me-O Beach Fiber Solution – 3CIS

Res. #16-148

Moved by Mayor Fleming that Administration contact potential internet providers to determine their interest in the passive network.

CARRIED

Res. #16-149

Moved by Councillor Langelle that Administration ask 3CIS to contact Nokia and ask for a map of a proposed fibre optic system for Ma-Me-O Beach.

CARRIED

6. Muniware

a) 2017 Software Support Agreement

Res. #16-150

Moved by Councillor Langelle that the Summer Village of Ma-Me-O Beach enter into the 2017 Software Support Agreement with Muniware, as presented.

CARRIED

b) Software License Agreement

Res. #16-151

Moved by Deputy Mayor Slater that the Summer Village of Ma-Me-O Beach enter into the Software License Agreement with Muniware, as presented.

CARRIED

7. CRASC 2016 Annual General Meeting

Councillor Langelle attended the Capital Region Assessment Services Commission Annual General Meeting in October and advised that fees will remain the same for 2017.

8. Ma-Me-O Senior Sunsetters Association Letter

Council reviewed a letter from the Senior Sunsetters with respect to uneven sidewalk by the mail boxes beside the community hall. This will be discussed by Council at the strategic planning session in 2017.

9. Ma-Me-O Beach Signage Project

The signage project will be discussed at the strategic planning session in 2017.

10. Royal Canadian Legion – Military Services Recognition Book

Res. #16-152

Moved by Mayor Fleming that the Summer Village of Ma-Me-O Beach purchase a ¼ page full color ad for the Royal Canadian Legion's Military Services Recognition Book.

CARRIED

11. Ma-Me-O Beach History Book

Councillor Langelle advised that he met with a representative from MacEwan University with respect to possibly recruiting students to create a Ma-Me-O Beach history book. A job description will be created.

Recess 12:41 pm

Reconvene: 12:46 pm

12. Association of Summer Villages of Alberta Conference Update

Mayor Fleming and Councillor Langelle advised that they attended the ASVA conference in October. The province made a presentation on boat mooring on lakes; the province is still in consultation on this item.

13. Fires on First Nation Reserve

Council reviewed communications received from a Ma-Me-O Beach resident who has been in contact with MLA Mark Smith regarding the fires on First Nations land and the inability for the Summer Village to enact or enforce fire bans outside of its borders. The MLA indicated that fire bans/fires on First Nations land is a federal government responsibility but he is willing to act as the liaison to the federal government.

The Ma-Me-O Beach resident also forwarded the suggestion that a letter of understanding be agreed upon with First Nations that they will adhere to the fire ban; the letter would contain start and end dates and would be enforceable by the RCMP. The fire ban would only be in effect in a buffer area around the Summer Village. First Nations residents would also be encouraged to clear brush that creates a fire hazard and impedes access for the fire department.

The resident indicated that the MLA is interested in meeting with First Nations representatives and Summer Village representatives and would facilitate the meeting.

14. Fire Bylaw

Council reviewed a draft fire bylaw created for the Association of Summer Villages of Alberta and vetted through legal counsel. Fire department representatives will be asked to provide comments and this will be added to the strategic plan agenda.

G. FINANCIAL

1. Cheque Listing

Res. #16-153

Moved by Deputy Mayor Slater to approve the cheque listing as information.

CARRIED

2. Financial Report

Res. #16-154

Moved by Councillor Langelle to approve the financial report as information.

CARRIED

3. 2017 Budget

Res. #16-155

Moved by Mayor Fleming that the Summer Village of Ma-Me-O Beach utilize the 2016 budget as the interim budget for 2017 until such time as the 2017 budget is approved.

CARRIED

H. CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Brownlee Emerging Trends Seminar

Res. #16-156

Moved by Councillor Langelle to approve the above item as information.

CARRIED

Councillor Langelle will be registered for this workshop.

I. IN CAMERA

1. Solid Waste Removal Rate Request

2. Resident Letter re: Refund of Stop Work Order Penalties

Res. #16-157

Moved by Mayor Fleming to go In Camera 1:07 pm.

CARRIED

Res. #16-158

Moved by Deputy Mayor Slater to come out of In Camera 1:13 pm.

CARRIED

Res. #16-159

Moved by Deputy Mayor Slater that the Summer Village of Ma-Me-O Beach provide an increase in pay to the solid waste collection contractor as presented.

CARRIED

Res. #16-160

Moved by Councillor Langelle that Council of the Summer Village of Ma-Me-O Beach deny the request to refund Stop Work Order penalties issued to the residents of 107-1st Avenue, Ma-Me-O Beach.

CARRIED

J.ADJOURNMENT


Res. #16-161

Moved by Deputy Mayor Slater to adjourn the meeting at 1:21 pm.

CARRIED



Don Fleming, Mayor
Summer Village of Ma-Me-O Beach



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