

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHEY HELD ON TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 2021 HELD AT THE SOUTHEY TOWN OFFICE AT 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT:

Mayor: Leigh Bishop
Councillors: Gordon Baragar, Ralph Boehmer, Rob Dukes, Jordan Hegglin, Susan Hillier, Devon Orb
Acting Administrator: Chris Lamontagne – (via Zoom)
Administrative Assistant: June Lepard
Public Works Foreman: Tristian Mohr (arrived at 7:20 pm; left at 7:40 pm)

ABSENT:

Councillor(s):

(A) CALL TO ORDER:

A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm by Mayor Bishop.

(B) PRESENTATION OF AGENDA:

Review agenda; any additions or changes approved by majority of Council.

043/21 Boehmer/Hegglin: That the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried

(C) CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:

(D) ADOPTION OF MINUTES: of the regular meeting held February 23rd, 2021.

044/21 Baragar/Orb: That the minutes of the February 23rd, 2021 regular meeting are approved as amended. Carried

Adoption of Minutes of the public hearing held February 23rd, 2021.

045/21 Dukes/Hillier: That the minutes of the February 23rd, 2021 public hearing are approved as presented. Carried

(E) NOTICE OF PROCLAMATIONS:

(formal announcement; example state of emergency)

(F) PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS:

(G) PUBLIC HEARING/PUBLIC FORUM/DELEGATIONS:

(bylaws, policies)

7:00 pm – Sargeant Dean Gherasim – Southey RCMP – *rescheduled to March 23rd meeting.*
Sargeant Gherasim was unable to attend meeting.

(H) COMMUNICATIONS:

(correspondence by way of letter, email, phone or text)

1. Celebrate Canada Funding 2021
2. James Jasper – 345 Highway 6 – administration to advise applicant that temporarily the trailer can stay where it is; bylaw officer to review compliance.
3. SGI – Insurance Claim Information

4. SGI – Business Assessment effective May 2, 2021
5. Demolition Permit – Block H Plan 75R08816 – administration to approve.
6. Southey & District Lions Skate Park & Multi-use Pad – discuss further during Recreation Services.
7. Communities in Bloom
8. Lot 2 & 3 Block 26 Plan 102009158 – site layout complies with zoning bylaw.

046/21 Hegglin/Boehmer: That we file the correspondence as read.

Carried

(I) REPORTS OF ADMINISTRATION AND COMMITTEES:

1. Financial Statements

- List of Accounts – review and approval

047/21 Hillier/Baragar: That accounts written on General Account cheque # 18615 to #18628 in the amount of \$5,859.72, Payroll in the amount of \$5,969.27 and Utility payments in the amount of \$6,060.58, be approved. Carried

2. Staff Reports (Acting Administrator/Public Works Foreman)

Public Works Foreman, Tristian Mohr arrived at 7:20 pm.

- Public Works Update – the Public Works Foreman provided Council with a verbal report regarding items completed:
 - Organize and cleaning up shop;
 - Clearing water run-off routes;
 - Demo'd John Deere tractor;
 - Removed snow piles that may cause drainage concerns;
 - Well valve to be replaced; part ordered;
 - Wiring on garbage truck rotted; public works fixed;
 - Attended WSA webinar.

Public Works Foreman, Tristian Mohr left at 7:40 pm.

- Admin Update – the Acting Administrator provided a verbal report of items being worked on and completed in the office (auditors were in office, grant completed for Community Initiatives, SLGA grant application submitted, newsletter sent out, etc.).

3. Public Works (Councillor Baragar) (THRL- R. Boehmer)

4. Finance (Councillor Hillier)

- Update on Audit – administration will continue working with Sensus over the next few months to finalize 2020 audited statements.
- Resolution required for reserve transfers (March 25, 2020 and April 29, 2020); donations received in 2019 and 2020 transfer to Health Centre Reserves.

048/21 Baragar/Boehmer: That we agree to:

- Authorize the March 25, 2020 payment of \$122,769.67 from reserves to PCL for Certificate #5 – Health Centre;
- Authorize the April 29, 2020 payment of \$164,227.20 from reserves to PCL for Certificate #6 – Health Centre;
- Transfer \$77,331.92 to the Health Centre Reserve for donations received in 2019 and 2020;
- Transfer \$112,935.87 from the Health Centre Reserve to make the reserve balance \$0.00; and
- Repay \$285,220.44 to reserves over the next 5 years (\$57,044.08 per year).

Carried

5. Health

(Cupar and District Nursing Home – Ken Staruiala), (Primary Health- Mayor Bishop)




- Cupar and District Nursing Home, etc. – Ken will attend the March 23rd Meeting.
- Health Centre – misc. update

6. Staff Relations (Councillor Hillier, Councillor Hegglin, Councillor Dukes)

7. Public Relations and Economic Development (Councillor Orb, Councillor Hegglin)

- Town Lots For Sale – update
Administration provided Council with a map showing lots for sale that has been put on the website and an ad to be posted on Kijji.

8. Protective Services (EMO, FIRE DEPARTMENT) (Councillor Dukes, Councillor Baragar)

- Quotes for grassland unit tank.
One quote received. Awaiting another.
- Mohr Bros – Assessment of Boiler
Boiler was filled with water. Will need to be serviced.
- Councillor Dukes working on numbers for fees; awaiting info from administration.
Councillor Dukes provided Council with an overview of the scenarios for applicable funding from adjoining service areas. This will be further discussed at the next meeting.

9. Recreation Services (Councillor Hegglin, Councillor Orb)

- Southey Skating Rink
Councillor Orb provided Council an update with regards to the AGM and the new board members. Council discussed the Request for Assistance Proposal received from the new board indicating there is only a balance of \$12,000 in the operating account. Council determined that more financial information is required regarding the status of the rink board and the insurance premium payment would be deferred until October/November of 2021 and further request for assistance would be reviewed at that time. Administration to draft a response letter and submit to Council for review and comments.
- Recreation Board
2021 SLGA Grant Application was submitted.
- Lions Park Development Plan and Skate Park
Council discussed the development plan proposal received from the Southey Lions. Council would like to encourage the future development proposed. More detailed plans engineering will be required to ensure the land is stable to support the future skatepark/basketball court. As well, to obtain proper permissions from adjacent land owners regarding the proposed walking path.

(J) Mayor and Councillors Forum

(any sharing of events, activities or community functions attended, and any work of members on behalf of council for the community.)

(K) Unfinished Business

(L) New Business

- December 2021 Council Meeting Dates – possibly change from December 14th and 28th to December 7th and 21st.

049/21 Dukes/Hegglin: That we agree to change the December 2021 regular meeting dates from December 14 and 28 to December 7 and 21 and authorize administration to prepare public notice as required. Carried




(M) Adjournment

050/21 Baragar:

That we adjourn the meeting at 9:53 pm.

Carried

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Leigh Bishop
Mayor

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Chris Lamontagne
Acting Administrator