

TOWN OF SOUTHEY
COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – OCTOBER 12, 2021

PRESENT:

Mayor: Leigh Bishop

Councillors: Gordon Baragar, Ralph Boehmer, Rob Dukes, Jordan Hegglin
(arrived at 6:54 pm), Susan Hillier, Devon Orb

Acting Administrator: Chris Lamontagne

Public Works Foreman: Tristian Mohr (arrived at 7:20pm; left at 7:51pm)

ABSENT:

Councillor(s):

(A) CALL TO ORDER:

A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 6:52 pm by Mayor Bishop.

(B) PRESENTATION OF AGENDA:

178/21 Orb/Hillier: That the agenda be approved as presented. Carried

(C) CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:

Councillor Hillier declared a conflict of interest in regards to: (H) Communications; 3. Touchwood Hills Regional Landfill Inc. – Meeting October 14th; in respect to discussion regarding Touchwood Hills Regional Landfill Inc. as she is the Administrator.

Councillor Orb declared a conflict of interest in regards to: (H) Communications; 2. Bill Laatsch – Mewasin Rental as an owner of the business is an immediate family member.

(D) ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

179/21 Boehmer/Orb: That the minutes of the September 28th, 2021 regular meeting 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)

Bylaw to Regulate the Operation of Vehicles

180/21 Baragar/Hillier: That Bylaw No. 2021-06, being known as the Bylaw to Regulate the Operation of Vehicles, be read a first time. Carried

181/21 Orb/Hegglin: That Bylaw No. 2021-06, being known as the Bylaw to Regulate the Operation of Vehicles, be read a second time. Carried

Council completed the first and second reading of the Bylaw to Regulate the Operation of Vehicles. The third reading will be completed at the next meeting and the Bylaw will come into force.

(H) COMMUNICATIONS:

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

1. Southey Communiplex – Payroll

The Southey Communiplex Board approached administration/council to possibly complete the payroll for the caretaker for the 2021/22 season. After discussing, it was determined this would not be feasible at this time.

2. Bill Laatsch – Mewasin Rental

Councillor Orb declared a conflict of interest with respect to the Rental of 127 Keats Street as the inquiry is an immediate family member. Councillor Orb abstained from discussion and left council chambers at 7:04 pm.

Mewasin provided the Town of Southey tentative notice to end the lease agreement effective October 31st, 2021. Administration to confirm on October 15th, 2021.

At the conclusion of discussing the matter, Councillor Orb returned to the council chambers at 7:06 pm.

3. Touchwood Hills Regional Landfill – Meeting October 14th

Councillor Hillier declared a conflict of interest with respect to the THRL– Meeting October 14th as she is the Administrator for Touchwood Hills Regional Landfill Inc. Councillor Hillier abstained from discussion and left council chambers at 7:07 pm.

There will be a THRL meeting on October 14th, 2021. Councillor Boehmer to attend.

At the conclusion of discussing the matter, Councillor Hillier returned to the council chambers at 7:07 pm.

4. PBI – September 2021 Newsletter

5. Southey Curling Club – 2020 – 2021 Financial Statement

6. Chad Lingelbach – Water and Sewer Loganbrooke Garden Centre

Administration to respond to Chad's questions regarding Bylaw 08-2019 – Water and Sewer Management Bylaw.

182/21 Dukes/Heggin: That we file the correspondence as read.

Carried

(I) REPORTS OF ADMINISTRATION AND COMMITTEES:

1. Financial Statements

- List of Accounts – review and approval

171/21 Dukes/Heggin: That accounts written on General Account cheque # 18843 to #18842 in the amount of \$10,961.71, Payroll in the amount of \$7,333.48 and Utility Payments in the amount of \$1,319.24, be approved. **Carried**

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

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

- Public Works Update –
 - Will require two more loads of emulsion for next year
 - Will begin winterizing equipment
 - Continuing to move dirt
 - Flat tire on back hoe
 - Spray Park and Museum winterized; Lions Park left
 - Grading back alleys
 - Installed street signs
 - Some tree trimming left
 - Will look at other options for dust control on Tennyson for 2022

Public Works Foreman, Tristian Mohr, left at 7:51 pm.

- Admin Update – the Acting Administrator provided a verbal report of items being worked on and completed in the office: preparing for interim audit, October Newsletter and Utility Bills sent out, Summer Jobs Grant Payment Report submitted, brochure, etc.

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

4. Finance (Councillor Hillier)

- List of Lands in Arrears

Council reviewed the list of lands in arrears. Administration to work with TaxService to proceed with tax enforcement.

5. Health

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

- Health Centre – update
Administration discussed the cost of the take a number system to assist with patients waiting for Lab Services. Administration to get quotes on electrical installation.

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

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

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

- RCMP – building maintenance update
Administration had Inspect it All Services come out and inspect the mold found in the residence at the RCMP building. Administration is working with RCMP OH&S to get this matter resolved as soon as possible. Council reviewed the report from Inspect it All Services regarding remediation. Administration to arrange for an second inspection and quote.
- Fire Meeting October 7th – update
Councillor Dukes provided Council an update from the meeting – tower to be moved, purchase of a chain saw, SCBA inspection completed, fundraising. Administration to follow up on having the boiler maintenance completed.

9. Recreation Services (Councillor Hegglin, Councillor Orb)

- Southey Communiplex
Administration discussed the current Covid-19 Health Order and how it currently affects the Southey Communiplex.
- Lions Park – fill for BMX Project
Councillor Jordan discussed the “BMX” project. The fill currently sitting at Lions Park to be spread can be used by the Lions for this project once a detail plan of the project is submitted for review.

(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

- Covid19 Policy
Administration and Council discussed the implementation of a Covid-19 Policy for Municipal Employees. Currently going to observe what other communities are doing. Administration to report back to Council at next meeting.

(L) New Business

- RCMP – Option of Purchase
Administration discussed the Option to Purchase received from the RCMP for the land purchase of Lot 2, Block D, Plan 102250549. Administration looking into the two interests on the land regarding development standards and municipal reserve.
- Town of Southey – Brochure (Planning and Development)
Administration provided Council with a draft of the brochure. Council provided comments and additional recommendations.

(M) Adjournment

176/21 Baragar:

That we adjourn the meeting at 9:31 pm.

Carried