Village of South River

Council Meeting – April 27, 2015

The meeting of the Council of the Village of South River was held on Monday, April 27, 2015 in the South River Council Chambers. A quorum was present. In attendance were Mayor Coleman, Councillors Smith, Sewell, Brandt and Mahon.

**Staff in Attendance**: Sherri Hawthorne, Treasurer

Susan L. Arnold, Clerk Administrator

**Public in Attendance**: Art Jefford, Resident; Myrna Hickingbottom, Resident

Colleen Hickingbottom, Resident

Jamie Payne, Arena Manager

Suzanne Learn, South River Machar Agricultural Society

Agricultural Society Members: Liz Hinz, Danika Hammond, Trevor Hammand, Billie Black, Melissa Tamblyn, Shawana Mehaffey, Brian Mehaffey, Dale D’allair, Tina Flower, Megan Shepherd, Samuel Shepherd, Jim Stephenson

1. **Call to Order** – South River Council Chambers

**2.** **Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof-** None Declared

1. **Guests and Deputations-**

Art Jeffords addressed Council and provided a handout questioning whether Council was for Canadian freedoms or if it was anti Canadian freedoms. Mr. Jeffords has been upset regarding what he perceives to be a violation of his Canadian rights as outlined the 812 year old Magna Carta, the Charter of Rights and Freedoms and the Crown Land Titleholder Patent Grant Rights as defined by the Supreme Court of Canada.

Council listened to Mr. Jeffords and at the end of his deputation Mayor Coleman told Mr. Jeffords the provincial legislation he was referencing has been put into place to protect the safety of residents and visitors to our communities. The Village of South River cannot interfere with provincial legislation or the duties required to enforce them and suggested Mr. Jeffords take his concerns to his MPP for further discussions.

5:45 p.m. Mr. Jeffords left the meeting.

Suzanne Learn, President of the South River Machar Agricultural Society, addressed Council by reading a prepared statement summarizing the many activities and events the South River Machar Agricultural Society have organized and hosted during the months since the last South River Machar Agricultural Fall Fair including the 100 Mile Dinner and the recent spring taffy pull. All activities have been well attended and enjoyed by all ages. At a recent South River Machar Agricultural Society meeting the membership directed the President to present Council with notice that the arena ice pad be free of moisture and obstructions by September 10, 2015 until September 13, 2015 for the annual fall fair. Council thanked Suzanne and her membership for their attendance.

5:50 p.m. All members of the South River Machar Agricultural Society left the meeting.

Nick Loney was a scheduled deputation but did not attend.

**4.** **Adoption of Minutes**

116-2015 Sewell/Mahon

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the minutes of Monday, April 13, 2015, as printed.**

Carried

**5.** **Accounts** - Nil

5:55 p.m. Gord Crosby, AECOM, entered the meeting.

**6.** **Reports from Municipal Staff and/or Committees**

117-2015 Mahon/Sewell

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby support and approve the following Public Works Committee resolutions:**

**Res #30-2015: Authorize the administrative staff to bill residents who experienced frozen water services for only the water used in the billing cycle prior to and after the freeze-up. No charges for any time the water was frozen.**

**Res #31-2015: Recommend to Council to proceed with the Johnston Drive watermain extension with the funding through the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund-Formula-Based grant and Gas Tax money over the next three years.**

Carried

118-2015 Sewell/ Mahon

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the proposal submitted by the Village’s engineering company of record, AECOM, in the amount of $24,315 plus HST to provide services which will include engineering, project management, design, tendering and supervision of the project.**

Carried

Doug Sewell agreed to become the lead person for the Community Gardens project.

119-2015 Smith/Brandt

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby receive the Municipal Staff Reports: Agenda Items #1 to #2.**

Carried

120-2015 Smith/Brandt

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby receive the Joint Committee Reports Item #1 to #3.**

Carried

121-2015 Brandt/Smith

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby receive the Regional Committee Reports Items #1 to #2.**

Carried

**7. Correspondence**

122-2015 Sewell/ Smith

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby receive Correspondence Items #1 to #3.**

Carried

**8. Council Roundtable (Items of Interest)**

**\* The proposed changes to our Zoning By-law resulting from the North Bay – Mattawa Source Protection Plan which will implement provincial legislation under the *Clean Water Act (2006).* The Public meeting will take place on Monday, June 8, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.**

**\* A Property Standards Committee meeting needs to be scheduled as we move into the spring**

**\* There is a Clerks meeting scheduled for May 7, 2015 at the Perry Township Office.**

**\* A de-briefing meeting regarding the water freeze-ups needs to be scheduled and coordinated with key staff. Available dates?**

**\* Councillor Smith asked if residents could be reminded about the property standards by-law in the next “Ripples”.**

**\* Mayor Coleman asked about the annual gardens contract. Staff will provide information at the next meeting.**

**9.** **In Camera- 2 items**

123-2015 Smith/Mahon

**BE IT RESOLVED that this meeting of the Village of South River Council be closed under Subsection 239.2 (b) and (f); and, that this Council proceed in Camera at 7:40 p.m. for the purpose of discussing a possible property acquisition; and the receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.**

Carried

8:30 p.m. Jamie Payne left the meeting.

124-2015 Sewell/Mahon

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council adjourn the Closed meeting and reconvene in**

**Open Session at 8:50 p.m. with Mayor Jim Coleman as Chair.**

Carried

8:55 p.m. Gord Crosby left the meeting.

**10**. **By-laws:** Loan Application Submission

125-2015 Sewell/Mahon

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby read a**

**first, second and third time and finally pass By-law #14-2015 being a by-law to**

**Authorize the Submission of an application to Ontario Infrastructure and Lands**

**Corporation (OILC) for Financing Certain Ongoing Capital Works of the Corporation**

**of the Village of South River (The Municipality); To Authorize Temporary Borrowing**

**From OILC to Meet Such Expenditures in Connection with such works; and to**

**authorize long term borrowing for such works through the issue of debentures to**

**OILC, with the signatures of the Mayor and the Clerk Administrator and the corporate**

**seal affixed.**

Carried

**11**. **Confirming By-law**

126-2015 Brandt/Sewel

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby read a**

**first, second and third time and finally pass By-law#15-2015 being a by-law to confirm**

**the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on the 27th day of April, 2015 with the**

**signatures of the Mayor and the Clerk Administrator and the corporate seal affixed.**

Carried

**12**. **Adjournment**

127-2015 Brandt/Smith

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council of the Village of South River does hereby**

**adjourn to meet again as the South River Council on Monday, May 11, 2015 at 5:30**

**p.m. in the South River Council Chambers located at 63 Marie Street or at the call of**

**the Mayor: Time of Adjournment: 9:00 p.m.**

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**Jim Coleman, Mayor**

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**Susan L. Arnold, Clerk Administrator**