Village of South River

Council Meeting – March 23, 2015

The meeting of the Council of the Village of South River was held on Monday, March 23, 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**: Vera & Howard Wager, Residents

 Asim Masaud; P. Engineer, OCWA

 Jose Casal; P. Engineer, OCWA

 Darren Aljoe; Plant Operator, OCWA

 Jim Phippen, Operations Manager, Espanola Hub, OCWA

1. **Call to Order** – South River Council Chambers
2. **Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof-** None Declared
3. **Guests and Deputations**

Jim Phippen introduced the purpose of water sustainability. The South River/OCWA contract renewal is quickly approaching and the agency has undergone significant changes since the last contract renewal and there is now a new focus on financial and environmental sustainability. The engineers were able to spend the day at the Water Treatment Plant and spoke to Darren as well as Bart and were able to take a superficial look at the WTP and how the Village can move forward.

OCWA engineers only look at water & sewage plants. They have a few suggestions they would like to further explore to see if there is an opportunity to positively impact the plant’s operations. What we have is a plant which is a conventional treatment designed to treat raw water from the surface. It is based “on demand” which means each time a tap is turned on in a residence the plant has a reaction in the water production process. The system is not designed to remove manganese and iron which creates an esthetic problem; not a health and safety problem.

Non-chemical ways to remove discoloration caused by the manganese can be researched to see what is financially within the Village’s reach. It was suggested the fire department use the hydrant closest to the water treatment plant instead of using the hydrant in the fire hall.

Vera Wager showed Council and OCWA staff the colour of an item of clothing after being washed in water after a fire event. The item was rust in colour and used to be pastel blue.

Mr. and Mrs. Wager commented that the water had improved over the years and while it still has some discoloration they really only experience problems when the fire hall uses the hydrant located in the hall. They understand there are times when this needs to be done and wondered if there could be some form of notification to the surrounding neighbourhood.

6:40 p.m. Mr. & Mrs. Wager and the OCWA delegation left the meeting.

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

82-2015 Sewell/Smith

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the minutes of Monday, March 9, 2015, as printed.**

Carried

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

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

83-2015 Mahon/Sewell

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby receive notification from Bell Aliant advising of its intention to place a fiber optic cable from the corner of Ottawa Avenue and Eagle Lake Rd to the Bell Mobility tower at the top of Lincoln Avenue and direct the Clerk Administrator to sign the municipal consent form approving this proposed plan which includes:**

1. **Using existing aerial poles on Eagle lake Rd for 250 meters**
2. **Place the cable in an existing conduit on the north side of Marie Street to Lincoln Avenue to Roselawn Blvd for 250 meters**
3. **Bury the cable beside the existing Bell cable on the west side of Lincoln Avenue to Roselawn Blvd for 250 meters and to attach Bell Mobility-owned service poles to the tower for 200 meters with no hard surfaces being cut.**

Carried

84-2015 Sewell/Smith

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby receive the Public Works Committee Minutes**

1. **February 19, 2015, as printed**
2. **March 2, 2015, as printed**
3. **March 3, 2015, as printed**
4. **March 5, 2015, as printed**

Carried

85-2015 Brandt/Smith

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby receive the Municipal Staff Reports: Agenda Items #1 to #6.**

Carried

86-2015 Mahon/Brandt

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby commit to transferring $25,000 from the South River Municipal Fund Reserve to make a down payment on the new fire tanker with Machar Township contributing the same amount.**

Carried

87-2015 Mahon/Smith

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby support the South River Machar Fire Committee Resolution #2015-20 to approve, in principle, the 2015 fire department budget in the amount of $274,249.00 with each municipal share being $114,874.50.**

Carried

88-2015Brandt/Mahon

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby support the South River Machar Culture and Rec Committee resolution #2015-11 to approve, in principle, the 2015 Culture & Rec Budget in the amount of $6,075.00.**

Carried

89-2015 Mahon/Sewell

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby support the Sundridge South River Community Channel Steering Committee’s February 24th, 2015 resolution to approve, in principle, the 2015 TV11 Budget in the amount of $6,750.00 shared 50/50 between South River and Sundridge.**

Carried

90-2015 Brandt/Smith

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby receive the Joint Committee Reports Items #1 to #7.**

Carried

91-2015 Smith/Mahon

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby receive the Central Almaguin Economic Development Association’s Motion #2015-15 and supports its recommendation for each member municipality to contribute $5,140 in 2015 to cover the operating expenses from July – December 2015.**

Carried

92-2015 Mahon/Sewell

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby receive the Joint Building Committee’s recommendation and approves, in principle, the 2015 draft Joint Building Committee budget.**

Carried

93-2015 Brandt/Sewell

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

Carried

**7. Correspondence**

94-2015 Smith/Mahon

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby receive Correspondence Items #1 to #8.**

Carried

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

 **\* Council will be meeting on Tuesday, March 24, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. to discuss this Council’s goals and objectives and the Community Investment Plan.**

 **\* Council would like a Joint Council meeting with Machar Township to discuss several shared services topics and possible future shared service ideas. The Clerk has been asked to contact Machar Township to extend the invitation.**

**9.** **In Camera- Nil**

**10**. **By-laws: Nil**

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

95-2015 Sewell/Brandt

 **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#10-2015 being a by-law to confirm**

 **the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on the 23rd day of March, 2015 with**

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

Carried

 **12**. **Adjournment**

96-2015 Brandt/Sewell

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

 **adjourn to meet again as the South River Council on Tuesday, March 24, 2015 at**

 **2:00 p.m.to discuss this Council’s goals and objectives and then on Monday, April 13,**

 **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: 8:58 p.m**.

Carried

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**Jim Coleman, Mayor**

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 **Susan L. Arnold, Clerk Administrator**