Village of South River

Council Meeting – April 11, 2016

The meeting of the Council of the Village of South River was held on Monday, April 11, 2016 in the South River Council Chambers. A quorum was present. In attendance were Mayor Jim Coleman and Councillors Sharon Smith, Doug Sewell and Les Mahon.

Councillor Teri Brandt was absent with notice.

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

Susan L. Arnold; Clerk Administrator

**Public in Attendance**: Lanny Dennis; Wayne Simpson & Associates

**1. Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jim Coleman at 5:30 p.m.

**2.** **Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof**

None Declared

**3. Guests & Deputations**

Lanny Dennis discussed Council’s desire to design and implement a *Community Improvement Plan.* Council has discussed this concept several times over the last year and Lanny Dennis had presented Council with some preliminary work in January of 2015.

Several ideas were suggested as options to include in the CIP including a small loan program to the owners of property in the designated CIP area; a façade improvement program, signage program, housing rehabilitation program, a possible business incentive program for new businesses. There are many options which other municipalities have put into action with considerable success.

Council will need to look at prioritizing its area of interests and also wish to go to the public to hear what it would like to see included.

The Council’s first step toward a Community Improvement Plan was hiring a By-law Enforcement Officer in early January 2016 who will be discussing property standards and yard maintenance in accordance with the existing by-laws with several residents and working with them to find ways to improve their properties at a low cost.

Council will further discuss the CIP at future meetings and will then set a date for a public meeting.

6:13 p.m. Lanny Dennis left

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

84-2016 Mahon/Sewell

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the minutes of Tuesday, March 29, 2016, as printed.**

Carried

**5. Accounts**

85-2016 Sewell/Mahon

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the following reports:**

**1) Income Statement to March 31, 2016**

**2) Cheques to March 31, 2016**

Carried

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

Mayor Coleman, Treasurer Sherri Hawthorne and Clerk Administrator Susan Arnold provided Council with an update on the multi-use commercial building. The construction is moving ahead on time and, at present, on budget. Further discussion and design for the waste water treatment system was necessary and Craig West, AECOM, will be arranging a meeting for the week of April 25th with the Conservation Authority. Members of Council met on-site of the new building for a tour of the interior. The cement floor in the large section of the building will be poured by the end of the week.

86-2016 Mahon/Smith

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the recommendation from planners Wayne Simpson and Associates with regard to 17 Isabella Street/Toronto Avenue and requests a zoning amendment application be submitted to council to change the subject lands from Second Density Residential (R2) to First density Residential (R1) with an exception to permit a commercial greenhouse and gardening with a specific definition. Should the property “outgrow” the proposed use it can resort back to having a dwelling constructed or move to another site.**

Carried

87-2016 Smith/Sewell

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the January 1 to March 31, 2016 report from the Almaguin By-law Officer, as presented.**

Carried

88-2016 Smith/Sewell

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

**1) approve the form of draft by-law and franchise agreement attached hereto and authorize the submission thereof to the Ontario Energy Board for approval pursuant to the provisions of Section 9 of the Municipal Franchise Act.**

**2) This Council requests that the Ontario Energy Board make an Order declaring and directing that the assent of the municipal electors to the attached draft by-law and franchise agreement pertaining to the Corporation of the Village of South River is not necessary pursuant to the provisions of section 9 (4) of the Municipal Franchises Act.**

Carried

89-2016 Mahon/ Sewell

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby request an RfP be prepared and made available to the public to provide for the planting and maintaining of gardens and planters within the Village of South River.**

Carried

90-2016 Smith/Sewell

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby approve an increase of $2.00 on the water base rate and a .10 (cents) increase on each cubic meter of water used.**

Carried

91-2016 Mahon/Sewell

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council of the Village of South River does hereby declare the lands described as Plan M2 S PT Lots 11 & 12 PCL 17737 NS and known as 22 Isabella Street in the Village of South River to be surplus lands.**

Carried

92-2016 Sewell/Smith

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby approve the addition of Vision Care to the Municipal Green Shiled Plan at an annual expense of $1,188.**

Carried

93-2016 Sewell/Mahon

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the quote from JDK Electric in the amount of $689.30 (HST included) to provide electrical power and a safety shut-off switch to the rooftop siren with the cost coming from the 2016 Emergency Preparedness budget line.**

Carried

94-2016 Sewell/Smith

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby receive the Joint Committee Reports Items #1 to #9.**

Carried

**7. Reports from Shared or Regional Committees** - NIL

95-2016 Sewell/Smith

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby authorize the ambulance roof re-shingling be re-advertised with the expense to be paid for from the Ambulance Base reserve created specifically for building maintenance.**

Carried

96-2016 Sewell/Smith

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby receive the Joint Committee reports Items #1 and #2.**

Carried

97-2016 Mahon/Sewell

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby receive the Almaguin Recycling Initiative Financial Statements as prepared by Dalene MacDonald.**

Carried

**8. Correspondence**

98-2016Sewell/Smith

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

Carried

**9.**  **Council Information Update**

* **The next construction meeting will be held in the South River Council Chambers at 10:00 am. on April 19, 2016**
* **The District of Parry Sound Municipal Association will be meeting in Kearney on Friday, April 29, 2016**
* **Received a call from Lion Club member John Kellough. Planning for the Canada Day celebrations are taking place. The date has been set for Saturday, July 2, 2016. Some of the day’s events have been tentatively booked and Mr. Kellough is inviting the Culture & Rec Committee to participate in this year’s planning. The Lion’s meet the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month and the Canada Day sub-committee will meet as well. Perhaps Culture & Rec committee members would place this item on the next Culture & Rec Committee agenda for discussion.**

**10.** **In Camera**

99-2016 Mahon/Smith

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting of the Village of South River Council be closed under Subsection 239.2 ( f ) and that this Council proceed in Camera at 7:55 p.m. for the purpose of the receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege.**

Carried

100-2016 Sewell/Mahon

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council adjourn the Closed meeting and reconvene in Open Session at 8:30 p.m. with Mayor Jim Coleman as Chair.**

The Clerk Administrator was given direction.

**11. By-laws –**

101-2016 Smith/Mahon

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

**second time By-law #9-2016 being a by-law to authorize a franchise agreement between the**

**Corporation of the Village of South River and Union Gas Limited.**

Carried

**12**. **Confirming By-law**

102-2016 Smith/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 #10-2016, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on the 11th day of April, 2016 with the signatures of the Mayor and the Clerk Administrator and the corporate seal affixed.**

Carried

**12**. **Adjournment**

103-2016 Smith/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 Monday, April 25, 2016 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: 8:32 p.m.**

Carried

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**Jim Coleman, Mayor**

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**Susan L. Arnold, Clerk Administrator**