Village of South River

Council Meeting – June 27, 2016

The meeting of the Council of the Village of South River was held on Monday, June 27, 2016 in the South River Council Chambers. A quorum was present. In attendance were Mayor Jim Coleman and Councillors Sharon Smith, Doug Sewell, Teri Brandt and Les Mahon.

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

Susan L. Arnold; Clerk Administrator

**Public in Attendance**: Carol Uetz, Robert Uetz, David McCabe and Marilyn McCabe; Commercial Property Owners

Staff Sargent Stacey Whaley; Almaguin Highlands OPP

**1. Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jim Coleman at 5:24 p.m.

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

None Declared

148-2016 Sewell/Mahon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council of the Village of South River does hereby approve the addition of a road closure request for the Canada Day Celebrations to the published agenda for June 27, 2016 and a request from East End Auto (Uetz and McCabe) regarding a new business.

Carried

**3. Guests & Deputations**

Robert Uetz spoke on behalf of his partners David McCabe, Marilyn McCabe and Carol Uetz. They are the current owners of 9 Ena Avenue and intend to start an automotive garage and small engine repair shop on the property. The owners are asking for Council’s permission to put a construction trailer or portable on the property to be used as a waiting and office area. The current zoning by-law does not permit residential trailers and staff have been asked to research the use of commercial trailers in the Village of South River.

The owners also request permission to obtain a dealer’s license for 9 Ena Avenue. Council congratulated the owners on starting this business and wished them well in the future.

Robert Uetz thanked Council for its time and David, Marilyn, Carol and Robert left the meeting at 5:36 p.m.

Staff Sargent Whaley provided Council with an update for the detachment and the Village of South River. Currently the OPP staffing consists of 1 Staff Sargent, 4 Sargents and 20 Constables serving 12 municipalities. In 2015 the Village of South River experienced a decrease in property crime and in violent crime (usually domestic crime) and clearance rates are up.

Council asked questions regarding some recent activity in neighbouring municipalities and the OPP’s response and techniques which lead to an arrest. There was some discussion regarding the small office the OPP rent from the municipality which still seems to be used quite often.

Staff Sargent Whaley left the meeting at 6:15 p.m.

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

149-2016 Sewell/Mahon

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the minutes of Monday, June 13, 2016, as printed.**

Carried

**5. Accounts** - Nil

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

Mayor and Clerk Administrator Susan Arnold provided Council with an update on the multi-use commercial building. Council reviewed options put forward for the outside of the small existing commercial unit.

150-2016 Mahon/Sewell

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the original option of $62,700 plus the timber front canopy for the exterior renovations to the small rental building located at 309 Highway #124 in the amount not to exceed $70,700 plus applicable taxes**.

Carried

151-2016 Brandt/Smith

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council of the Village of South River does hereby approve the request of the Clerk Administrator to attend the workshop on Smart Growth for Our Communities to take place in North Bay on July 12th, 2016 between the hours of 1:00p.m. and 4:00 p.m. with mileage to be paid as per the municipal policy.**

Carried

152-2016 Brandt/Smith

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby approve the closing of Lincoln Avenue between the hours of 2:00 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. for the Canada Day Bed Races with emergency services being notified of the closure.**

Carried

Council reviewed three options for the 2016 Municipal Budget. Council agreed to adding an expense line of $1,500 to be used to assist with general maintenance at the train station. Staff will make the requested changes and bring forward the final draft at the next council meeting.

153-2016 Brandt/Sewell

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby receive the Municipal Staff reports: Items #1 to #7.**

Carried

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

154-2016 Sewell/Mahon

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

Carried

155-2016 Mahon/Smith

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

Carried

**8. Correspondence**

156-2016 Sewell/Brandt

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

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

* Four members of South River Staff successful completed the IMS200 course on June 20th & 21st This means South River is well on its way to meeting the compliance objectives for 2016 as required by Emergency management Ontario.
* Canada Day celebrations will take place on Saturday June 2nd, 2016 with a parade commencing at 11:30 a.m. Staging area for the parade will be behind the Coldwell Banker building off Toronto Avenue at 11:00 a.m.
* The Smoking By-law for municipal properties will return to the Council table with the intention of passing at the July 13th, 2016 meeting.
* Traditionally Council meets only once in August. That meeting date will be August 8th, 2016.

**10.** **In Camera – 1 item**

157-2016 Brandt/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 8:31 p.m. for the purpose of discussing communication from and to the Village’s municipal lawyer.**

Carried

158-2016 Brandt/Sewell

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council adjourn the Closed Meeting and reconvene in Open Session at 8:55 p.m. with Mayor Jim Coleman as Chair.**

Carried

**11. By-laws –** Nil

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

159-2016 Smith/Sewell

**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 #17-2016, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on the 27th day of June, 2016 with the signatures of the Mayor and the Clerk Administrator and the corporate seal affixed.**

Carried

**13**. **Adjournment**

160-2016 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, July 11th, 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: 8:57 p.m.**

Carried

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**Jim Coleman, Mayor**

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**Susan L. Arnold, Clerk Administrator**