

Village of South River
Council Meeting – May 11, 2020

The meeting of the Council of the Village of South River was held virtually on Monday May 11, 2020. A quorum was present. In attendance were Mayor Jim Coleman and Councilors Doug Sewell, Teri Brandt, Brenda Scott and Bill O’Hallarn all virtually via Google Hangouts

Staff in Attendance : Don McArthur, Clerk Administrator (in person at Council Chambers)
Sherri Hawthorne; Chief Financial Officer\Deputy Clerk (virtual)
Janice Coombs, Administrative Assistant (virtual)

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- Nil

3. Delegations-Guests - Mackenzie Casalino of the North Bay Nugget

4. Adoption of Minutes

104 -2020 O’Hallarn/Sewell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby adopt the minutes of the Council meeting on April 27, 2020 as presented.

Carried

5. Accounts and Finance –

105-2020 Brant/O’Hallarn

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the Committee of the Whole recommendation that the South River Machar Fire Department, South River Machar Arena, and South River Machar Culture and Recreation Budgets be included as presented in the Village’s 2020 Budget.

Carried

106-2020 Brandt/O’Hallarn

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the finance reports #1 to #4 as presented.

Carried

6. Reports from Municipal Staff/Committees

107-2020 Sewell/Brandt

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby approve the rental of three portable washrooms from Northern Disposal at a cost of \$140 per month each for a total of four months.

Carried

108-2020 O’Hallarn/Brandt

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby suspend the charging of interest and penalties on water bills from June 1, 2020 to November 30, 2020 to financially assist residents during COVID 19.

Carried

109-2020 Sewell/O’Hallarn

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council of the Village of South River does hereby approve the application of 835557 Ontario Ltd. for construction of a new pharmacy at 309 Highway 124 as part of the Village of South River Community Improvement Plan.

Carried

110-2020 Scott/Brandt

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the staff reports #1 to #5 as presented.

Carried

6.3 Regional Committees

111-2020 O'Hallarn/Sewell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby receive the Reports from the Regional Committees: Items #1 to #3

Carried

7. Correspondence

112-2020 Brandt/Scott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby receive the Correspondence: Agenda Items #1 to #11.

Carried

8. Council Roundtable

Clerk Administrator Don McArthur would like to pass it along after speaking with the South River Lions Club, they will be cancelling all Canada Day events in the Village this year.

Councillor Brandt said the Almaguin Spartans will not be starting their season until October 1 instead of September this year due to Covid-19.

Councillor Scott has sent letters to the MP and MPP in regards to Broadband in the regional area, we need better upgrades for internet.

Library board is working hard on how to re-open for everyone's safety. 2 Business have signed up for the ACED delivery service, which is the pharmacy and Highland Brewery

Councillor Scott is wondering how the Village can help small business in our community get plexi-glass for safety.

Councillor O'Hallarn also shared concerns in our community for keeping our services going,, there is a lot of expectations and responsibilities. How can we help business with some sense of operation in these challenging times.

Councillor Sewell, doesn't feel that all businesses will be opening for a while due to Covid-19.

Janice Coombs left the meeting at 7:26pm

Mackenzie Casalino left meeting at 7:26 pm

9. In Camera-

113-2020 Sewell/O'Hallarn

Be it Resolved that this meeting of the Village of South River Council be closed under Subsection 239.2 (a) security of the property of the municipality, (c) personal matter about an identifiable individual that this Council proceed in Camera at 7:26 p.m. for the purpose of discussing issues related to the above.

Carried

114-2020 Brandt/O'Hallarn

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council adjourn the Closed meeting and reconvene in Open Session at 7:37 p.m. with Mayor Jim Coleman as Chair.

Carried

10. Correction to By-law

115-2020 Scott/Sewell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council of the Village of South River does hereby complete the sale of property to 835557 Ontario Ltd. at 309 Highway 124 as and that By-law 17-2020 be enacted with the signatures of the Mayor and the Clerk Administrator and the corporate seal affixed.

Carried

11. By-Law

116-2020 O'Hallarn/Brandt

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby approve the award of the Modernization RFP to KPMG LLP as per the proposal dated April 7, 2020 at a cost of \$69,150.00 plus applicable taxes approved by By-law 18-2020 with the signatures of the Mayor and the Clerk Administrator and the corporate seal affixed.

Carried

12. Confirming By-law

117-2020 Scott/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#19-2020, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on the 11h day of May 2020 with the signatures of the Mayor and the Clerk Administrator and the corporate seal affixed.

Carried

13. Adjournment

118-2020 Brandt/O'Hallarn

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 25, 2020 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: 7:42 p.m.

Carried

Jim Coleman, Mayor

Don McArthur, Clerk-Administrator