

Village of South River  
Council Meeting – May 24, 2022

The meeting of the Council of the Village of South River was held virtually and in person on Monday May 24, 2022. A quorum was present. In attendance were Deputy Mayor Doug Sewell (Chairing in person in Council chambers), Councilor Bill O’Hallarn and Councilor Teri Brandt (Virtual). Mayor Jim Coleman and Councilor Brenda Scott was absent with notice.

**Staff in Attendance :** Don McArthur, Clerk Administrator – In person  
Sherri Hawthorne, CFO – Virtual  
Janet Wedseloft, Administrative Assistant – Virtual  
Kristen Greig, Administrative Assistant – In Person

**Guests:** Rocco Frangione, Media – Virtual

**1. Call to Order** – The Meeting was called to order by Duty Mayor Doug Sewell at 5:31pm

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

**3. Delegation and Public Meeting**-Nil

**4. Adoption of Minutes**

137-2022 O’Hallarn/Brandt

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby adopt the minutes of the Council meeting on May 9, 2022 as presented.**

Carried

**5. Accounts and Finance**

**5.1 Accounts Reports** - Nil

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

**6.1 Reports from Municipal Staff and Related Business –**

1. Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes May 19, 2022
2. Women’s Own Resource Grant Request 2022

Discussion of item 6.1.1 Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes May 19, 2022 Council highlighted the need for a replacement roof on the Public Works Building and the purchase of a Chlorine Analyzer. The recommended contingency and provisional amounts were discussed. Council noted the resolution for 2022 water rates Schedule A.

Discussion of Item 6.1.2 Women’s Own Resource Grant Request 2022 Council approved the funding request. Council expressed concerns regarding the accuracy of population used to determine the monetary value of grant. Staff agreed to follow up with group to determine the correct funding amount.

138-2022 Brandt/O'Hallarn

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the council of the Village of South River does hereby amend the 2022 water rates Schedule A Water Shutoff at Curb Rate from \$20 per month to \$12 per month effective Jan 1, 2022 and further that no additional properties be allowed under this rate unless fully compliant with Zoning By-law 17-95.**

Carried

139-2022 O'Hallarn/Brandt

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the recommendation of the South River Public Works Committee to purchase a Chlorine Analyzer as per OCWA's recommendation at a cost of \$7735 including tax and shipping and these amounts be included in the 2022 Capital Budget.**

Carried

140-2022 Brandt/O'Hallarn

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the South River Public Works Committee recommendation that the replacement of the public works garage and former hydro building roofs be replaced by Jim Harling Roofing at a cost of \$16,850 plus HST and the cost be included in the 2022 Capital Budget.**

Carried

141-2022 O'Hallarn/Brandt

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby approve the Grant-in-Aid application for Women's Own Resource in the amount of \$0.50 per capita.**

Carried

142-2022 Brandt/O'Hallarn

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the staff and committee reports #1 to #2 as presented.**

Carried

## **6.2 Reports from Shared Services**

1. Chief Arena Operator Report for April 2022
2. South River Machar Fire Department Chief Report May 2022
3. South River Machar Public Library Minutes May 11, 2022

Discussion of Item 6.2.1 Chief Arena Operator Report for April 2022 Council highlights the Outdoors Sportsman Show held at Arena was a success with considerable turnout including plenty of out of town attendees. Council notes that the kitchen renovation is progressing and expecting the arrival of a new stove shortly.

During discussion of item 6.2.2 South River Machar Fire Department Chief Report May 2022 it was noted that there will be more information in the future regarding certification including monetary value estimates. Council notes that the Fire Department has been busy with call for service.

Discussion of Item 6.2.3 South River Machar Public Library Minutes May 11, 2022 Council notes that the library is doing a great job with youth programs and intends to institute the Tom Thomson Story Walk Activity for the Summer of 2022.

143-2022 O'Hallarn/Brandt

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT this council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the reports from Shared Services Staff and Committees #1 to #3.**

Carried

### **6.3 Reports from Regional Committees**

1. ACED April 25 Minutes
2. PSDSSAB May Report
3. North Bay Mattawa Source Protection Authority AGM Jan 26, 2022
4. POA Municipal Partners Meeting Minutes November 25 2021 and Reports

Discussion of Item 6.3.1 ACED April 25 Minutes Council highlights the continuing efforts made by the group for the community.

Discussion of Item 6.3.2 PSDSSAB May Report Council noted that the open house for Almaguin Housing in Powassan was successful.

Discussion of Item 6.3.3 North Bay Mattawa Source Protection Authority AGM Jan 26, 2022 Council reviewed concerns regarding water health with seasonal changes in the region.

Discussion of Item 6.3.4 POA Municipal Partners Meeting Minutes November 25 2021 and Reports Council acknowledges the meeting minutes.

144-2022 Brandt/O'Hallarn

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the council of the Village of South River does hereby receive the Reports from the Regional Committees #1 to #4.**

### **7. Correspondence**

1. LMG Newsletter April and Job Report March 2022
2. South River Lions Club – Fireworks Request

Regarding Item 7.1 LMG Newsletter April and Job Report March 2022: Council noted the comprehensive and insightful information highlighted in the newsletter. Council mentions that the statistics presented can be helpful to residents to determine the employment trends in the Almaguin area.

Regarding Item 7.1 South River Lions Club – Fireworks Request: Council has agreed to support the South River Lions Club in regards to the Canada Day celebration at Tom Thomson Park with fiscal donation and celebratory cake. Council noted that the funds will be directly supporting the Lions Club not a separate group for a fireworks display.

145-2022 O'Hallarn/Brandt

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council of the Village of South River does hereby support the South River Lions Club 2022 Canada Day Celebrations with a Canada Day cake and a \$250 Contribution.**

Carried

146-2022 O'Hallarn/Brandt

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

Carried

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

Councilor Sewell is pleased with the way the community gardens look, with the new garden beds built from recycled logs from the dam. He further noted that the height of the garden beds are more accommodating than previous years,

Rocco Frangione left the meeting at 6:16 p.m

## **9. In Camera - Fire Department Appointment**

147-2022 O'Hallarn/Brandt

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting of the Village of South River Council be closed under Subsection 239. (a) the security of the property of the municipality or local board (and that this Council proceed in Camera at 6:16 p.m. for the purpose of discussing issues related to the above.**

Carried

148-2022 O'Hallarn/Scott

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council adjourns the closed meeting and reconvene in Open Session at 6:18 p.m. with Deputy Mayor Doug Sewell as Chair.**

Carried

## **10. By-Laws and Resolutions –**

1. Clerk-Administrator Employment Contract

149-2022 O'Hallarn/Brandt

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby approve the change to Schedule A of the employment contract for Clerk-Administrator Don McArthur as proposed by the personnel committee with the signature of the Deputy Mayor and corporate seal affixed.**

Carried

**11. Confirming By-law –** By-law #23-2022

150-2022 Brandt/O'Hallarn

**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 #23-2022, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of May 2022 with the signatures of Deputy Mayor and the Clerk-Administrator and the corporate seal affixed.**

Carried

**12. Adjournment**

151-2022 O'Hallarn/Brandt

**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 June 13, 2022 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: 6:23 p.m.**

Carried

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**Jim Coleman, Mayor**

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**Don McArthur, Clerk-Administrator**