

Village of South River  
Council Meeting – Feb 25, 2025

The meeting of the Council of the Village of South River was held virtually and in person on Tuesday February 25, 2025. A quorum was present. In attendance were Mayor Jim Coleman, Deputy Mayor Bill O’Hallarn, Councillor Brenda Scott, and Councillor Teri Brandt (in-person in Council Chambers) and Councillor Robert Brooks (Virtually).

**Staff in Attendance:** Don McArthur, Clerk Administrator – In person  
Janet Wedseltoft, Chief Financial Officer – In person  
Janice Coombs, Accounts Clerk – In Person  
Tanfir Kabir, Economic Development- In Person

**1. Call to Order** - The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jim Coleman at 2:05p.m.

*The Village of South River acknowledges the Robinson-Huron and Williams Treaties on the land of the Anishinabek that we meet today. We seek to work respectfully with Indigenous people, and are thankful for their teachings and stewardship of the land.*

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

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

**4. Adoption of Minutes** – Council February 11, 2025

57-2025 Brooks/Scott

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby adopt the minutes of the Council meeting February 11, 2025 as presented**

Carried

**5. Accounts and Finance**

**5.1 Accounts Reports**

1. Parry Sound EMS Invoice

58-2025 Brandt/Brooks

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby authorize payment of the Parry Sound 2025 EMS Invoice in the amount of \$27,039.43.**

Carried

59-2025 O’Hallarn/Scott

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby receive the reports from Accounts and Finance #1**

Carried

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

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

1. Public Works Committee Minutes February 18, 2025
2. South River -2024 Section 11 Annual Water Report- Schedule 22 Summary

60-2025 Brooks/O’Hallarn

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the 2024 Section 11 Annual Water Report and Schedule 22 Summary as prepared by the Ontario Clean Water Agency with the changes noted.**

Carried

61-2025 O'Hallarn/Scott

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the staff and committee reports #1 & 2.**

Carried

### **6.2 Reports from Shared Services**

1. South River Machar Fire Chief Report February 2025
2. South River Machar Community Centre Chief Operator Report January 2025
3. South River Machar Community Centre Preconstruction Meeting Minutes Feb 12<sup>th</sup>

62-2025 O'Hallarn/Brooks

**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. PSDSSAB February 2024 CAO Report
2. EMPC Meeting Minutes- January 23, 2025 draft
3. ACED 2025 Updated Draft work plan

63-2025 O'Hallarn/Brooks

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River understands the 2019 Joint Economic Services Agreement that created ACED will come to a conclusion on December 31, 2025.**

Carried

64-2025 Brooks/Scott

**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. By-Laws and Resolutions**

1. Resolution – Support Town of Halton Hills - Sovereignty of Canada Resolution
2. Resolution – Support Peterborough - Proposed U.S. Tariffs on Canadian Goods
3. By-law 13-2025 NOHFC 7402044 Intern Legal Agreement
4. By-law 14 Circular Materials - Recycling Calendar Agreement

65-2025 O'Hallarn /Scott

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby support the Town of Halton Hills - Sovereignty of Canada Resolution 2025-0010 and a copy of this resolution be sent to The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister, The Honourable Melanie Joly, Minister of Foreign Affairs, MP Scott Aitchison, Premier Doug Ford, MPP Graydon Smith, AMO, and FCM.**

Carried

66-2025 O'Hallarn Brooks

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby support Peterborough County - Proposed U.S. Tariffs on Canadian Goods Resolution 19-2025 and a copy of this resolution be sent to The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister, The Honourable Melanie Joly, Minister of Foreign Affairs, MP Scott Aitchison, Premier Doug Ford, MPP Graydon Smith, AMO, and FCM.**

Carried

67-2025 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# 13-2025, being a by-law to enter into Agreement #7402044 with the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund for funding for an intern with the signatures of the Mayor and the Clerk-Administrator and the corporate seal affixed.**

Carried

68-2025 Brooks/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# 14-2025, being a by-law to enter into a funding agreement with Circular Materials for a 2026 Recycling Calendar Agreement with the signatures of the Mayor and the Clerk-Administrator and the corporate seal affixed.**

Carried

### **8. Correspondence**

1. NAISA - Sign Board Request

2. Townships of Joly, Armour, and McMurrich Monteith OPP Detachment Board
3. B Morton - Summer Camp Week August 11-15
4. South River Friendly Circle - Financial Assistance
5. Town of Hanover - United States Imposition of Tariffs on Canada

69-2025 O'Hallarn/Scott

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does support a 2025 contribution to the South River Friendly Circle in the amount of \$2840.**

Carried

In regard to 8.1 Council would like to keep the sign and allow NAISA to use it.

In regard to 8.3 Council will postpone until the next meeting as more information is required.

70-2025 Brooks/Scott

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby receive the Correspondence: Agenda Items #1 to #5.**

Carried

### **9. Council Roundtable (Items of Interest) –**

Councillor Robert Brooks inquired about the real estate enquiries for the vacant properties owned by the Village, 3 Real estate agents have been contacted to submit suggestions.

Councillor Brenda Scott enjoyed seeing the video of our Olympia Zamboni going down Marie St, as it was being taken to storage while the renovations at the arena are happening.

Deputy Mayor Bill O'Hallarn discussed the Curling Club season. It was a successful year for the Curling Club.

Mayor Jim Coleman contacted Steve Toderoff of the Dog Sledding, they would like to speak to council. Mayor Jim Coleman also enquired about the progress on the additional Train Station repairs. Clerk Administrator Don McArthur reported work was progressing quickly and the expected total cost is \$18,000.

The Clerk Administrator Don McArthur will be on vacation for the March 11, 2025 Council meeting.

Janice Coombs and Tanvir Kabir leave the meeting at 3:58 PM

### **10. In Camera –**

1. CUPE Bargaining 2025 Update

71-2025 Brandt/O'Hallarn

**Be it Resolved that this meeting of the Village of South River Council be closed under Subsection 239. (d) labour relations or employee negotiations and that this Council proceed in Camera at 3:58pm for the purpose of discussing issues related to the above.**

Carried

72-2025 Scott /Brooks

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council adjourn the Closed meeting and reconvene in Open Session at 4:20 pm with Mayor Jim Coleman as Chair.**

Carried

73-2025 Brandt/O'Hallarn

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the Memorandum of Agreement with CUPE Local 4616-03 as presented and that the negotiating committee be authorized to sign the final agreement.**

Carried

### **11. Confirming By-law –** By-law #15-2025

74-2025 Brooks/Scott

**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# 15-2025, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of February 2025 with the signatures of the Mayor and the Clerk-Administrator and the corporate seal affixed.**

Carried

### **12. Adjournment**

75-2025 Scott / 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 Tuesday, March 11, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. in the South River Council Chambers located at 63 Marie Street or at the call of the Mayor. Time of Adjournment: 4:50 p.m.**

Carried

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**Jim Coleman, Mayor**

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**Janet Wedseltoft, Acting Clerk**