Village of South River

Council Meeting – July 27, 2015

The meeting of the Council of the Village of South River was held on Monday, July 27, 2015 in the South River Council Chambers. A quorum was present. In attendance were Deputy Mayor Sharon Smith and Councillors Sewell, Brant and Mahon.

Mayor Coleman was absent with notice.

**Staff in Attendance**:    Susan L. Arnold, Clerk Administrator

Sherri Hawthorne, Treasurer

**Public in Attendance**: Mark and Barb Schmidt, Property Owners

**1. Call to Order** – South River Council Chambers

**2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof-** None Declared

**3. Guests and Deputations-**Nil

**4.Adoption of Minutes**

203-2015 Sewell/Mahon

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the minutes of Monday, July 13, 2015, as printed.**

Carried

Deputy Mayor Smith asked Council if the review and discussion of the Dog and Cat by-law could be moved to the top of the agenda. All were in favour.

The amendments requested during the July 13, 2015 meeting had been made to the draft Dog and Cat Control by-law and Council reviewed the final draft. After some discussion the following resolution was passed.

204-2015 Brandt/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 #30-2015 being a by-law for the regulation and licensing of dogs and cats and for the general control of dogs and cats within the Village of South River with the signatures of the Deputy Mayor and the Clerk Administrator and the corporate seal affixed.**

Carried.

 5:42 p.m. Mark and Barb Schmidt left the meeting.

**5. Accounts - Nil**

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

205-2015 Mahon/Brandt

**WHEREAS the provision of a full range of core hospital services, including acute care inpatient, emergency, diagnostic and surgical services, at both the Huntsville District Memorial Hospital and the South Muskoka Hospital in Bracebridge by Muskoka Algonquin Healthcare (MAHC) is vital for all of the communities in the entire MAHC catchment area including Algonquin Provincial Park; and**

**WHEREAS the continued delivery of those core hospital services at both the South Muskoka Memorial Hospital in Bracebridge and the Huntsville District Memorial Hospital is crucial to the long-term sustainability and economic vitality of the two communities and the entire MAHC catchment area including Algonquin Park; and**

**WHEREAS the residents of Huntsville, Bracebridge and the other communities in the MAHC catchment area have strongly supported multi-site delivery of a full range of core hospital services, including acute care inpatient, emergency, diagnostic and surgical services, at both the South Muskoka Memorial Hospital and the Huntsville District Memorial Hospital; and**

**WHEREAS contrary to the wishes of the entire MAHC catchment area, the Board of Directors of Muskoka Algonquin Healthcare has approved the “one hospital model” as the preferred model for hospital service delivery in the future; now**

**THEREFORE the Council of the Village of South River does hereby petition the Legislative Assembly of Ontario as follows:**

1. **That the Province of Ontario ensure that a full range of core hospital services, including acute care inpatient, emergency, diagnostic and surgical services, are maintained on a multi-site basis at both the Huntsville District Memorial Hospital and the South Muskoka Memorial Hospital in Bracebridge;**
2. **That the Province of Ontario ensure that the changes to Ontario’s health care delivery system currently being implemented do not negatively impact access to services and the quality of care in Bracebridge, Huntsville and the entire MAHC catchment area including Algonquin provincial Park;**
3. **That the Province of Ontario ensure that the changes to Ontario’s health care delivery system currently being implemented recognize the unique and important role that smaller hospitals, such as the Huntsville Memorial District Hospital and the South Muskoka Memorial Hospital have in promoting economic development and creating sustainable communities in Ontario;**

**AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the AMO Small Urban Caucus, the AMO Rural Caucus, MPP Norm Miller, Ontario Progressive Conservative Party, the New Democratic Party of Ontario, the Green Party of Ontario and the municipalities in the entire MAHC catchment area including Almaguin Highlands;**

**AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated to the public in a Petition to the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.**

Carried

207-2015 Mahon/Brandt

**WHEREAS the cost of electricity for the Ontario manufacturers averages 10 cents a kWh and is less than 7.5 cents in the USA and under 7 cents a kWh in New York, Illinois, Ohio, North Carolina, South Carolina and Indiana, and under 6 cents a kWh in Quebec, Manitoba and British Columbia; and**

**WHEREAS the cost of electricity for farms averages 18 cents a kWh in Ontario and less than half that in Quebec, Manitoba and Ohio and many competing US states; and**

**WHEREAS the high cost of power contributes to low investment in Ontario Manufacturing, increased unemployment, reduced home markets for Ontario farm products and difficulties for young people starting and sustaining their working lives; now**

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Village of South River endorse the resolution of North Stormont and ask the Government of Ontario to examine the proposal for Farm and Industrial Electricity Rates made by the Canadian Cement Association, Ontario Federation of Agriculture, Ontario Construction Secretariat, Canadian Foundry Association, Canadian Plastics Industry Association, Quinte West Manufacturers’ Association and Northumberland MANUFACTURERS’ Association with a view to returning competitive electricity rates to Ontario farms, industry and all hydro users, to renew a key part of the foundations for business and employment opportunity in Ontario; and**

**FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated to all municipal and regional councils in Ontario requesting that they endorse and support this resolution and communicate their support to the Premier, and her Ministers of Finance, Economic Development and Tourism, Energy, Agriculture and Rural Affairs and MPP Jim Wilson.**

Carried

      208-2015 Mahon/Sewell

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

**receive the Municipal Staff Reports: Agenda Items #1 to #3.**

Carried

209-2015 Mahon/Brandt

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

Carried

210-2015 Sewell/Mahon

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

Carried

**7. Correspondence**

211-2015 Mahon/Sewell

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

Carried

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

**\***Councillor Mahon asked to have an email reminder sent to all department heads reminding them to provide details on the invoice when coding. This added detail is helpful for the

Treasurer but also for the signing authority and the auditors when reviewing invoices later.

**9. In Camera- Nil**

**10**. **By-laws- Nil**

212-2015 Brandt/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 /27-2015 being a by-law for the**

**adoption of tax rates and to provide for the penalty and interest in default of payment**

**for the year 2015 with the signatures of the deputy Mayor and the Clerk Administrator**

**and the corporate seal affixed.**

Carried

213-2015 Sewell/Brandt

**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 /28-2015 being a by-law for the**

**purposes of administrating limits for the Commercial, Industrial and Multi-residential**

**Property Classes for the year 2015 with the signatures of the Deputy Mayor and the**

**Clerk Administrator and the corporate seal affixed.**

Carried

214-2015 Mahon/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 29-2015 being a by-law to set 2015**

**Tax Ratios for Prescribed Property Classes with the signatures of the deputy Mayor and**

**the Clerk Administrator and the corporate seal affixed.**

Carried

**11**. **Confirming By-law**

215-2015 Brandt/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#31-2015 being a by-law to**

**confirm** **the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on the 27th day of July, 2015**

**with the signatures of the Deputy Mayor and the Clerk Administrator and the**

**corporate seal affixed.**

Carried

**12**. **Adjournment**

     216-2015 Sewell/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, August 10, 2015 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: 7:45 p.m.**

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**Jim Coleman, Mayor**

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**Susan L. Arnold, Clerk Administrator**