

Village of South River
Council Meeting – Monday, June 11, 2018

The Village of South River hosted a Public Open House to discuss the proposed Official Plan Update and the Community Improvement Plan (CIP) as it pertains to business in the community (existing and future). Lanny Dennis was in attendance as the Village's planner (Wayne Simpson and Associates) to explain the plans and answer any questions which may arise from the discussions. The Open House was advertised in the Almaguin News to take place between 4:00-5:30 p.m. on June 11, 2018.

Members of the public who were in attendance were: Billy Black; Andrew Griffith; Matt Griffith; Brian Edward; Kirk Micalleff;

Members of Council and Staff in attendance were: Jim Coleman; Doug Sewell; and Susan Arnold.

The discussion which ensued was valuable and some suggestions were noted and the planner will incorporate these suggestions into the plan.

Members of the public left the Open House together at 5:15 p.m.

Lanny Dennis left the Open House at 5:20 p.m.

The meeting of the Council of the Village of South River was held on Monday, June 11, 2018 in the South River Council Chambers. A quorum was present. In attendance were Mayor Jim Coleman, Councillors Doug Sewell, Teri Brandt and Les Mahon.

Councillor Sharon Smith was absent with notice.

Staff in Attendance: Susan L Arnold; Clerk Administrator

Public in Attendance: Judy Kleinhuis (Grant Thornton LLP)

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**
None Declared

3. **Guests & Deputations**

Judy Kleinhuis was present to present the draft 2017 Financial Statements for the Village. The statements are prepared in accordance with the Canadian standard accounting practices and are consolidated statements. An audit is conducted to provide reasonable assurance accounting practices have been followed and that material misstatements have not been made. The audit is done by reviewing by-laws and minutes as well as taking samples of accounts payable/accounts receivable/payroll/financial borrowings/ trust funds etc throughout the year. The auditors' conclusion was the Village of South River had another clean statement and provided cooperation throughout the audit process.

Following any comments or questions the Council had for Judy she left the meeting at 5:55 p.m.

4. **Adoption of Minutes**

143-2018 Sewell/Mahon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the minutes of Monday, May 28, 2018, as printed.

Carried

5. **Accounts**

144-2018 Mahon/Sewell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the following reports:

- 1) **Income Statement to May 31, 2018**
- 2) **Cheques to May 31, 2018**

Carried

145-2018 Brandt/Sewell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River receive the audit reports for 2017 as prepared by Grant Thornton, LLP.

Carried

146-2018 Brandt/Mahon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby approve the signing of the contract with Agilis Networks to provide internet fiber 90mbps for 36 months at a cost of \$170/month (plus HST) and the one-time charge of installation at a cost of \$200 (plus HST).

Carried

6. Reports from Municipal Staff and/or Committees

147-2018 Brandt/Sewell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby receive the Community Improvement Plan report & draft as prepared for the Village by Wayne Simpson & Associates.

Carried

148-2018 Brandt/ Sewell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby approve the South River Accessibility Policies #1-2018 and #2-2018, as presented.

Carried

149-2018 Brandt/ Sewell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby approve the South River Office be closed for training, if necessary, on Tuesday, June 26, 2018 for no more than two (2) hours with notice placed at the office and on our website.

Carried

150-2018 Brandt/ Sewell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River agrees to join the Almaguin Saving Huntsville Hospital (ASHH) Committee and allow ASHH to speak on our behalf;

AND FURTHER THAT the objectives of ASHH are to ensure that Almaguin has a full service acute care hospital in Huntsville and that adequate funding is provided from the Province of Ontario which recognizes the unique financial situation facing Almaguin and Muskoka Algonquin Health Care.

Carried

151-2018 Mahon/Brandt

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the village of South River does hereby receive the reports from Municipal Staff and/or Committees: Items #1 to #5.

Carried

6.2 Reports from Joint Committees – Nil

6.3 Reports from Regional Committees - Nil

7. Correspondence

152-2018 Brandt/Smith

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

Carried

8. Council Information Update –

- The Municipal Election 2018 Nomination Period has now opened. The Nomination period runs from May 1, 2018 to July 27, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. Nominations will not be certified until July 30, 2018.
- The first company has filled the flower planters along Ottawa Avenue and Marie Street and the planter at the Train Station. The remaining planters will be filled by the second company mid to end of June in time for Canada Day celebrations.
- The new Full Time and Part Time Public Works employees will begin on Monday, June 25, 2018
- The upgrade to the office computer equipment will take place on Friday, June 15th, 2018 by the VS Group.
- Budget discussions are ongoing and a first draft will be presented to Council at the June 25th meeting.
- The yellow chair at the playground along Highway #124 has been secured but Public Works has advised this will likely be its last summer.
- The public school planters have been delivered. Flowers for the children to plant will arrive in the next couple of days.
- The Treasurer will be away from the office until Monday, June 18, 2018.
- The tax sale property sold. Six bids were submitted. Five bids met all the eligibility criteria and the accepted bid was \$16,575. The paperwork has been completed and the deal has closed.

9. In Camera - Nil

10. By-laws - Nil

11. Confirming By-law

153-2018 Brandt/Mahon

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#21-2018, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on the 11th day of June with the signatures of the Mayor and the Clerk Administrator and the corporate seal affixed.

12. Adjournment

154-2018 Mahon/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 25, 2018 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: 7:10 p.m.

Carried

Jim Coleman, Mayor

Susan L. Arnold, Clerk Administrator