

Village of South River  
Council Meeting – November 12, 2019

The meeting of the Council of the Village of South River was held on Tuesday November 12, 2019 in the South River Council Chambers. A quorum was present. In attendance were Mayor Jim Coleman and Councilors Doug Sewell, Teri Brandt and Brenda Scott. Bill O'Hallarn was absent with notice

**Staff in Attendance:** Don McArthur, Clerk Administer  
Sherri Hawthorne; Chief Financial Officer\Deputy Clerk  
Janice Coombs, Administrative Assistant

**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-**

Councillor Scott has pecuniary interest in Correspondence # 9  
Councillor Brandt has pecuniary interest in Correspondence #8

**3. Guests** – Neil Gutjhar- Near North Snowmobile Club

- Jim Stephenson and Janet Baynton- South River Machar Agricultural Society

Neil Gutjhar from the Near North Snowmobile Club wanted to speak with Council in regards to the snowmobile club, They really appreciate being able to have members park at the Happy Landing Court and Tom Tompson Park, this helps free up parking spaces at the arena. This also makes it easier for the snowmobilers to do R.A.A.P. (Ride Around Algonquin Park).

Mr. Gutjhar is concerned with the new parking by-law that Sundridge has passed, as it may affect people coming to South River, the new Parking By-law in Sundridge has it that no snow machines can run between 11pm and 6am. Therefore riders would not be able to continue on the trails to come here.

Neil Gutjhar left the meeting at 5:45pm

Jim Stephenson and Janet Baynton from the South River Machar Agricultural Society wanted to update council on the fair; it was the best fair in a long time with over 1000 people attending.

Their Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday January 17, 2020.

The South River Machar Agricultural Society is in dire need of volunteers, without more volunteers the South River Machar Agricultural Society is at risk of folding.

Due to Personal reasons Jim Stephenson and Janet Baynton will be stepping down from the South River Machar Agricultural Society.

Council thanked Jim and Janet for all of their hard work with The South River Machar Agricultural Society over the last few years.

Jim Stephenson and Janet Baynton left the meeting at 6:00 pm.

**4. Adoption of Minutes**

262-2019 Brandt/Sewell

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the minutes of Monday October 28, 2019, as printed.**

Carried

**5. Accounts and Finance**

263-2019 Sewell/Brandt

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

- 1) Income Statement to October 31, 2019
- 2) Cheques to October 31, 2019

Carried

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

264-2019 Sewell/Scott

**WHEREAS** the Public Works Chief Operator has identified several items as per Schedule A that are surplus to the needs of the Village of South River

**THEREFORE** The Council of the Village of South River does hereby declare surplus the assets listed in Schedule A attached and they be disposed of as recommended.

Carried

265-2019 Scott/Sewell

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Village of South River does hereby recommend that a community and school safety zone be created and that the plan presented be shared with the South River Public School for input prior to adoption of the by-law.

Carried

266-2019 Scott/Brandt

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** this Council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the recommendation to rezone 19 Hunter St. Residential R2 Density and the notices and meetings be prepared to facilitate the rezoning.

Carried

267-2019 Scott/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 #7.

Carried

### 6.2. Reports from Joint Committees

268-2019 Brandt/Sewell

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Village of South River does accept the recommendation from the South River Machar Fire Department Committee to purchase studded snow tires for Unit 7 at an estimated cost of \$2000.

Carried

269-2019 Brandt/Sewell

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Village of South River does hereby receive the Reports from the Joint Committees: Items #1.

Carried

### 6.3. Regional Committees

270-2019 Brandt/Scott

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** this Council of the Village of South River does hereby agree to enter into a joint services agreement for Economic Development with Perry, Armour, Ryerson, Sundridge, the Chamber, Magnetawan, Burk's Falls, Strong, Powassan and Joly and the appropriate by-law be prepared for the next meeting of Council

Carried

271-2019 Brandt/Sewell

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Village of South River does hereby receive the Reports from the Regional Committees: Items #1 and 2.

Carried

### 7. Correspondence

272-2019 Sewell/Brandt

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Village of South River does hereby request an Opinion Letter be requested from the Village's planner and if the letter is favourable begin the process of re-zoning as per the Planning Act with all costs for both the planner's letter and the re-zoning being the responsibility of the applicant.

Carried

273-2019 Sewell/Brandt

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Village of South River does hereby receive the Correspondence: Agenda Items #1 to #9.

Carried

### 8. Council Roundtable – Nil

### 9. In Cameral – Nil

### 10. By-Laws:

**11. Confirming By-law –**

274-2019 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#38-2019, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on the 12th day of November 2019 with the signatures of the Mayor and the Clerk Administrator and the corporate seal affixed.**

Carried

**12. Adjournment**

275-2019 Brandt/Sewell

**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, November 25, 2019 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: 8:57 p.m.**

Carried

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**Jim Coleman, Mayor**

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**Don McArthur, Clerk-Administrator**