

Village of South River
Council Meeting – July 27, 2020

The meeting of the Council of the Village of South River was held virtually on Monday July 27, 2020. A quorum was present. In attendance were Mayor Jim Coleman and Councilors Doug Sewell, Teri Brandt, Brenda Scott and Bill O'Hallarn all virtually via Google Meet

Staff in Attendance : Don McArthur, Clerk Administrator (virtual)
Sherri Hawthorne; Chief Financial Officer\Deputy Clerk (in person)
Joe Segato, Business Development Intern (virtual)

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- Nil

170-2020 O'Hallarn/Sewell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the council of the Village of South River does hereby amend the agenda to include a delegation from Cindy Dale Elliot of Living Earth Gardens.

Carried

3. Delegations-Guests- 1. Risto Maki, further addressed questions and concerns regarding his idea of developing two to four RV campsites on his property. Mr Maki responded to questions including height restrictions, sizing, allowances, optimal length of stay, and other further inquiries from council. 2. Cindy Elliot, presented an implementation plan to rejuvenate and revitalize the gardens in front of the municipal office as well as at Tom Thomson park. Cindy Elliot has extensive gardening knowledge and she would oversee the training and development of the gardens. The entire process would take roughly 1 to 2 weeks not including future maintenance protocol. Some improvements include the addition of riverstone to the front the municipal office around the landing area, extermination of invasive weed (Japanese knotweed), and general clean up (soiling, weeding, edging, mulching, etc.)

171-2020 Scott/O'Hallarn

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council of the Village of South River does hereby authorize the hiring of Living Earth Gardens at a cost not to exceed \$1815.00 plus applicable taxes for garden work in Tom Thomson Park and at the Municipal Office.

Carried

4. Adoption of Minutes

172-2020 Scott/Sewell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby adopt the minutes of the Council meeting on July 13, 2020 as presented.

Carried

5. Accounts and Finance

173-2020 Brandt/O'Hallarn

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby approve the 2021-2026 Drinking Water Financial Plan 200-301 as presented.

Carried

6. Reports from Municipal Staff/Committees

174-2020 O'Hallarn/Sewell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council of the Village of South River does hereby authorize the following capital purchase for the water treatment plant; Potassium Permanganate Dosing Pump \$4,000, Waste Collection Systems \$2,000, Municipal Drinking Water License Renewal \$1,000, Filter Bags for Sludge baggers \$1,000, New Vent Pipe \$2,000, Two Gas Furnaces \$8,000 as included in the 2020 Budget. Further that up to 110 additional water meters be purchased at a net cost of \$10,348 from the Federal Gas Tax if necessary.

Carried

175-2020 Scott/Brandt

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the staff reports #1 to #6 as presented.

Carried

6.2 Shared Services

176-2020 Sewell/O'Hallarn

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby receive the Reports from the Shared Service Items #1

Carried

6.3 Regional Committees

177-2020 O'Hallarn/Sewell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby receive the Reports from the Regional Committees: Items #1 ACED Directors Report and 2020 Final Budget.

Carried

7. Correspondence

178-2020 Sewell/O'Hallarn

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council of the Village of South River does hereby approve in principal changing the zoning at 5 Mary St. from Rural to Residential 2 and that a preliminary report is prepared by Wayne Simpson and Associates.

Carried

179-2020 Brandt/Sewell

WHEREAS the amount of single-use plastics leaking into our lakes, rivers, waterways are a growing area of public concern;

WHEREAS reducing the waste we generate and reincorporating valuable resources from our waste stream into new goods can reduce GHGs significantly;

WHEREAS the transition to full producer responsibility for packaging, paper and paper products are a critical to reducing waste, improving recycling and driving better economic and environmental outcomes;

WHEREAS the move to a circular economy is a global movement, and that the transition of Blue Box programs would go a long way toward this outcome;

WHEREAS the Village of South River is supportive of a timely, seamless, and successful transition of Blue Box programs to full financial and operational responsibility by producers of packaging, paper and paper products;

AND WHEREAS the Association of Municipalities of Ontario has requested municipal governments with Blue Box programs to provide an indication of the best date to transition our Blue Box program to full producer responsibility;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT the Village of South River would like to transition their Blue Box program to full producer responsibility on January 1, 2023.

AND THAT this decision is based on the following rationale:

Our Collection contract expires on December 31, 2020 and negotiating renewal will be simplest with only an additional two-year extension required.

AND FURTHER THAT any questions regarding this resolution can be directed to Don McArthur, Clerk Administrator at 705-386-2573 or clerk@southriverontario.com

AND FURTHER THAT the resolution be forwarded to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks.

Carried

180-2020 Brandt/O'Hallarn

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby receive the Correspondence: Agenda Items #1 to #16.

Carried

8. Council Roundtable

Councilor Scott mentioned that the Almaguin Highlands Chamber of Commerce did launch at the highlander, it was very successful. Clerk Administrator inquired about August 24 Council meeting as traditionally there has only been one Council meeting in August. If required for arena reopening a Special Council meeting could be called. Council to discuss at the August 10th meeting.

9. In Camera- Nil

10. By-laws

181-2020 Scott/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# 25-2020, being a by-law to provide for the adoption of tax rates and to further provide for penalty and interest for the year 2020 with the signatures of the Mayor and the Clerk Administrator and the corporate seal affixed.

Carried

182-2020 O'Hallarn/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# 26-2020, being a by-law to set 2020 Tax Ratios for the prescribed property classes with the signature of the Mayor and the Clerk Administrator and the corporate seal affixed.

Carried

11. Confirming By-law

183-2020 O'Hallarn/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#27-2020, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on the 27th day of July 2020 with the signatures of the Mayor and the Clerk Administrator and the corporate seal affixed.

Carried

12. Adjournment

184-2020 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, August 10, 2020 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: 8:15 p.m.

Carried

Jim Coleman, Mayor

Don McArthur, Clerk-Administrator