

Village of South River  
Council Meeting – July 25, 2022

The meeting of the Council of the Village of South River was held virtually and in person on Monday July 25, 2022. A quorum was present. In attendance were Mayor Jim Coleman (Chairing in person in Council chambers), Deputy Mayor Doug Sewell, Councilor Teri Brandt and Councilor Bill O’Hallarn (in person in Council chambers) and Brenda Scott (virtual).

**Staff in Attendance :** Don McArthur, Clerk Administrator – In Person  
Kristen Greig, Administrative Assistant – Virtual

**Guests:** Rocco Frangione, Media – Virtual  
Judy Kleinhuis, Grant Thornton – In Person

**1. Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jim Coleman at 5:33 p.m.

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

Rocco Frangione arrived at 5:37 p.m.

**3. Delegation and Public Meeting** – 2021 Financial Statements Grant Thornton

Item 3.1 2021 Financial Statements Grant Thornton: Ms. Judy Kleinhuis presented the consolidated financial statements of the Corporation of the Village of South River as well as the South River-Machar Community Centre and Arena, the South River-Machar Volunteer Fire Department, the Corporation of the Village of South River Trust Fund., and the Audit strategy/results for the Corporation of the Village of South River. The contents of the presentation included statement of financial position, statement of operations and accumulated surplus, change in net debt, changes in net financial assets, risk and mitigation techniques. An open dialogue between Ms. Judy Kleinhuis, the staff members, and the council members followed.

202-2022 Sewell/Brandt

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the Consolidated financial statements, the South River Machar Arena financial statements, the South River Machar Fire Department financial statements and the Trust Funds financial statements for 2021 as presented by Grant Thornton.**

Carried

Judy Kleinhuis left at 6:07 p.m.

**4. Adoption of Minutes**

203-2022 Brandt/Sewell

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby adopt the minutes of the Council meeting on July 11, 2022 as presented.**

Carried

**5. Accounts and Finance**

**5.1 Accounts Reports**

1. 2022 Budget
2. O-Reg 284/09 and OPTA Tax Tool Report

204-2022 Sewell/Brandt

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby adopt the 2022 Municipal Budget as presented on June 13, 2022 with a 4.27% levy increase.**

Carried

205-2022 Brandt/O'Hallarn

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the O-Reg 284/09 Budget 2022 report as presented.**

Carried

206-2022 Sewell/Brandt

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby receive the reports from Accounts and Finance #1 to #2.**

Carried

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

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

1. Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes July 21 2022
2. Council and Office Chairs
3. Joint Health and Safety Committee Minutes July 7 2022

Following the discussion of Item 6.1.1 Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes July 21 2022 Council feels that the purchase of the 2022 GMC 2500HD 4X4 with a plow attachment is in the best interest for the Public Works department and are hopeful for a long service life.

During the discussion of Item 6.1.3 Joint Health and Safety Committee Minutes July 7 2022 Council highlighted the importance of retaining direct lines of communication during emergency situations regarding the active use of portable radios, cellphones and landlines available.

207-2022 Brandt/Sewell

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the recommendation of the South River Public Works Committee to purchase a used 2022 GMC 2500HD 4X4 at a cost of \$61,405.33 plus taxes from Quantrill Chev Buick GMC.**

Carried

208-2022 Sewell/Brandt

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the recommendation of the South River Public Works Committee to purchase a Myers VPLow from Muskoka Auto Parts at a cost of \$13,750 plus applicable taxes.**

Carried

209-2022 O'Hallarn/Brandt

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the staff and committee reports #1 to #3 as presented.**

Carried

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

1. Chief Arena Operator Report for June 2022
2. South River Machar Fire Department Chief Report July 2022
3. South River Machar Medical Centre July 19 Minutes

During discussion of Item 6.2.1 Chief Arena Operator Report for June 2022 Council highlighted that the Hockey Opportunity Camp is utilizing arena ice rink times throughout the summer. Council requests that staff review the arena fee schedule to clarify details and to have the website adjusted to reflect current information.

210-2022 O'Hallarn/Sewell

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the 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. JBC June Stats
2. PSDSSAB July Report
3. ACED June 20 Minutes, Director Report and 2023/4 Budget

211-2022 Sewell/O'Hallarn

**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. Correspondence**

1. H. Wierenga – Zoning Request 132 Broadway St.
2. MECP – EA Modernization
3. FONOM – Criminal Justice System
4. NOSDA – Health Care Resolutions
5. Township of Mulmur – Climate Emergency
6. McMurrich Monteith – Shared MLEO Services

Regarding Item 7.1 H. Wierenga – Zoning Request 132 Broadway St.: Council supports in principle to the Rezoning of 132 Broadway St from Rural to Fourth Density Residential.

212-2022 Sewell/O'Hallarn

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby support in principal the rezoning of 132 Broadway St from Rural to Fourth Density Residential subject to our Planners review and a complete application with applicable fees.**

Carried

Regarding Item 7.6 McMurrich Monteith – Shared MLEO Services: Council highlights that an agreement with McMurrich Monteith at this time would not be recommended. Council feels that the recent addition of new staff and a fourth municipality needs to be assessed for an extended period before further expansion can be considered.

213-2022 Brandt/Sewell

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby receive the Correspondence: Agenda Items #1 to #6.**

Carried

### **8. Council Roundtable –**

Councilor Brandt reported that there have been concerns regarding the lack of portable toilets in South River including parks and highway exits. Councilor Brandt directs staff to inquire further on the concern.

Mayor Coleman stated that parks with a playground should all have a set of swings, highlighting Tom Thomson as a perfect location.

### **9. In Camera -**

### **10. By-laws and Resolutions**

1. By-law 33-2022 Tax Rates
2. By-law 34-2022 Tax Ratios
3. By-law 35-2022 Tree and Vegetation
4. By-law 36-2022 Shared Building Department Services
5. By-law 37-2022 Appoint a Deputy Chief Building Official

6. By-law 38-2022 Bell Canada Next Generation 9-1-1

214-2022 O'Hallarn/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 #33-2022, being a by-law to provide for the adoption of tax rates and to further provide for penalty and interest for the year 2022 with the signatures of the Mayor and the Clerk Administrator and the corporate seal affixed.**

Carried

215-2022 Sewell/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 #34-2022, being a by-law to set 2022 Tax Ratios for the prescribed property classes with the signature of the Mayor and the Clerk Administrator and the corporate seal affixed.**

Carried

216-2022 O'Hallarn/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 #35-2022, being a by-law to adopt a Tree Canopy and Vegetation Policy with the signature of the Mayor and the Clerk Administrator and the corporate seal affixed.**

Carried

217-2022 O'Hallarn/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 #36-2022, being a by-law to enter into an agreement for Shared Building Department Services with the Joint Building Committee and the Municipality of Magnetawan with the signature of the Mayor and the Clerk Administrator and the corporate seal affixed.**

Carried

218-2022 Sewell/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 #37-2022, being a by-law to appoint a Deputy Chief Building Official with the signature of the Mayor and the Clerk Administrator and the corporate seal affixed.**

Carried

219-2022 O'Hallarn/Sewell

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council of the Village of South River does hereby read a first, second and third time and finally pass By-law #38-2022, being a by-law to enter into an agreement with Bell Canada for Next Generation 9-1-1 services with the signature of the Mayor and the Clerk Administrator and the corporate seal affixed.**

Carried

**11. Confirming By-law**

220-2022 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 #39-2022, be a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of July 2022 with the signatures of the Mayor and the Clerk-Administrator and the corporate seal affixed.**

Carried

**12. Adjournment**

221-2022 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 8, 2022 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: 7:57 p.m.**

Carried

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**Jim Coleman, Mayor**

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**Don McArthur, Clerk-Administrator**