Village of South River Council Meeting – January 9, 2017

The meeting of the Council of the Village of South River was held on Monday, January 9, 2017 in the South River Council Chambers. A quorum was present. In attendance were Mayor Jim Coleman and Councillors Sharon Smith, Doug Sewell, Teri Brandt and Les Mahon.

Staff in Attendance: Sherri Hawthorne; Treasurer

Susan L. Arnold; Clerk Administrator

Nick Loney; Nick Loney Construction **Public in Attendance**:

1. <u>Call to Order</u> –The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jim Coleman at 5:28 p.m.

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

None Declared

Guests & Deputations

To begin, Nick Loney corrected the agenda which listed him appearing as a representative of the Heritage Improvement Society (Train Station Committee) of which he is the Chair. Although he was coming before council to discuss the train station he was coming on behalf of Nick Loney Construction.

The proposal being presented to Council was to install a septic system and a washroom(s) at the train station for use this summer. Mr. Loney had spoken with several local business owners who were prepared to take part in this project by donating their work or materials.

The work which was referenced in the business plan was the same work which the Village had submitted two grant applications, with input from the Heritage Improvement Society, to the Canada 150 Grant and the Ontario 150 Grant. Nick had been informed the Ontario 150 grant application had been turned down but the Canada150 grant has not yet released its approved projects. The representative from the federal government hopes an announcement will be made in the near future. It was decided, until the Village hears back from the government, no further discussions or action regarding construction can take place.

Council was very receptive to Nick's suggestions but suggested these discussions should be taking place at a committee level with recommendations coming forward from the committee. Council also suggested one of the items for discussion at the committee level should be whether or not to make the Heritage Improvement Society a Committee of Council. This has been suggested in the past by Council but the Heritage Improvement Society, at that time, wished to remain independent.

Council thanked Nick for his dedication toward this project.

Nick thanked Council for its time and left the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

Adoption of Minutes

1-2017 Sewell/Smith

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the minutes of Monday, December 12, 2016 as printed and Monday, December 19, 2016, as printed.

Carried

2-2017 Mahon/Sewell

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

- **Income Statement to December 31, 2016** 1)
- 2) Cheques to December 31, 2016.

Carried

Reports from Municipal Staff and/or Committees

3-2017 Mahon/Smith

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby agree to rent office space in the lower level to Bell Mobility at the monthly rent of \$100. + HST. There will be no telephone service, message service, council chambers meeting room or staffing included in the

rental with the agreement to take effect upon a date to be determined by Bell Canada.

Carried

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby approve providing a letter to South River Curling Club in support of its application to FedNor for upgrades and repairs to the South River Curling Club.

Carried

5-2017 Sewell/Brandt

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby authorize the increase of mileage paid for private vehicles to travel for work-related activities to be compensated at \$.50 per kilometer.

Carried

6-2017 Mahon/Smith

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

Carried

Reports from Joint Committees

7-2017 Brandt/Smith

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby receive the Joint Building Committee Year End Report, as circulated.

Carried

Reports from Regional Committees - Nil

7. <u>Correspondence</u>

8-2017 Brandt/Mahon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby receive the correspondence items #1 to #3.

8. <u>Council Information Update</u> –

- The Treasurer announced files are being prepared to send to Real Tax Recovery Specialists for collection of third year arears. Notices will go out to the property owners,
- The Treasurer also advised audit preparation is currently underway. There is lots of work to do.

9. <u>In Camera</u>

9-2017 Sewell/Brandt

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting of the Village of South River Council be closed under subsection 239.2 (c) and (b) and that this Council proceed in Camera at 7:57 p.m. for the purpose of discussing a personnel issue and the possibility of acquiring or disposing of land by the municipality.

Carried

10-2017 Brandt/Mahon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council adjourn the Closed meeting and reconvene in Open Session at 8:37 p.m. with Mayor Jim Coleman as Chair.

Carrie

The Clerk Administrator was given direction to advise Machar Township that South River Council would support whatever Machar Township Council decides regarding the Joint Secretary's position since Machar Township administers the Joint Secretary for both municipalities.

10. By-laws

11-2017

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 #1-2017, being a by-law to authorize borrowing from time to time to meet current expenditures.

Carried

11. <u>Confirming By-law</u>

12-2017 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 #2-2017 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on the 9th day of January, 2017 with the signatures of the Mayor and the Clerk Administrator and the corporate seal affixed.

Carried

12. Adjournment

13-2017 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, January 23, 2017 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: 8:40 p.m.

Carried

Jim Coleman, Mayor
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