

Village of South River  
Council Meeting – December 11, 2017

The meeting of the Council of the Village of South River was held on Monday, December 11, 2017 in the South River Council Chambers. A quorum was present. In attendance were Mayor Jim Coleman, Councillors Sharon Smith, Doug Sewell, Teri Brandt and Les Mahon.

**Staff in Attendance:** Sherri Hawthorne, Treasurer  
Susan L Arnold, Clerk Administrator

**Public in Attendance:** Andrew Candow; CEO & Co-Founder Cann-Dow's Ltd  
Drew Wyle; COO & Co-Founder Cann-Daw's Ltd

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

280-2017 Smith/Sewell

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council of the Village of South River does hereby add to the December 11, 2017 agenda the declaration of surplus property. Item #11.**

Carried

3. **Guests & Deputations**

281-2017 Brandt/Smith

**Be it resolved that this meeting of the Village of South River Council be closed under Subsection 239.3.1 and that this Council proceed in Camera at 5:34 p.m. for the purpose of being educated on a proposed business plan.**

Carried

282-2017 Brandt/Smith

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council adjourn the Closed meeting and reconvene in Open Session at 6:32 p.m. with Mayor Jim Coleman as Chair.**

Carried

The Clerk Administrator was given direction. Mr. Candow and Mr. Wyle left the closed meeting at 6:20 p.m. thanking Council for its time.

4. **Adoption of Minutes**

283-2017 Mahon/Sewell

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the minutes of Monday, November 27, 2017; as printed.**

Carried

5. **Accounts**

284-2017 Mahon/Sewell

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby authorize the Treasurer to finance the South River Machar Fire Pumper which was approved by resolution #72-2017 and will be ready for the fire department to take delivery early in 2018.**

Carried

285-2017 Brandt/ Mahon

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

- 1) **Income Statement to November 30, 2017**
- 2) **Cheques to November 30, 2017**
- 3) **Authorization to Secure Fire Pumper Financing for January 2018**

Carried

6. **Reports from Municipal Staff**

286-2017 Brandt/Mahon

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council of the Village of South River does hereby agree with the concept of having a second washroom installed at 93 Ottawa Avenue and asking the Clerk Administrator to secure estimates for the proposed work.**

Carried

287-2017 Smith/Mahon

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council of the Village of South River does hereby approve the suggestion to lease private parking spaces to relieve some parking congestion along Ottawa Avenue during the winter months and does hereby direct staff to discuss the agreements with the private property owners and enter into a negotiated agreement which is reasonable and will be effective from the date of signing until April 1, 2018.**

Carried

288-2017 Sewell/Brandt

**WHEREAS the Village of South River and the Township of Machar have experienced some challenges regarding the committees' roles in decision making; and**

**WHEREAS the Council of the Village of South River has conveyed its concerns to the Township of**

Machar; and

WHEREAS it is understood by both municipalities that committee members do not have unlimited time to attend committee meetings which are not productive; where agenda items are not researched at the committee level and supported by the committee before having a recommendation sent to Councils for a decision; and

WHEREAS the committees have worked toward being more responsible for its recommendations and decisions; now

THEREFORE the Council of the Village of South River does hereby rescind Resolution #73-2017 to dissolve the Joint Arena and Culture & Recreation committees.

Carried

289-2017 Brandt/Smith

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby approve the closure of the office on Thursday, December 14, 2017 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for staff training.

Carried

290-2017 Mahon/Brandt

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby authorize the Treasurer to return to the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch #390, the municipal portion of the 2017 property taxes in the amount of \$2,866.17 from the Community Grants and Donation budget line.

Carried

291-2017 Brandt/Mahon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council of the Village of South River does hereby declare the property known as Happy Landing Commercial Court as surplus and directs the Clerk Administrator to arrange lot surveys as per Wayne Simpson and Associates option.

Carried

292-2017 Brandt/Mahon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby receive the Municipal Staff Reports: Agenda Items #1 to #11.

Carried

## **6.2 Reports from Joint Committees -**

293-2017 Sewell/Mahon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby approve the South River Machar Fire Committee's Resolution #2017-54 to accept, in principle, the 2018 draft Fire Department Budget with the following components:

Part 1: Revenue- \$43,778.00

Part2: Wages and Benefits- \$147,145.00

Part 3: Operating Budget- \$144,271.00

Part 4: Capital Budget- \$85,050.00

Part 5: Municipal Budget Contributions- \$166,377.00

Part6: Total Budget- \$376,466.00

Carried

294.-2017 Mahon/Sewell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby approve the South River Machar Fire Committee's Resolution #2017-58 to appoint Michael Boehm as a new volunteer fire fighter for the South River Machar Fire Department.

Carried

295-2017 Brandt/Mahon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby receive the Municipal Staff Reports: Agenda Items #1, #1i and #1ii.

Carried

## **6.3 Reports from Regional Committees –**

296-2017 Sewell/Brandt

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council of the Village of South River does hereby receive the Regional Committee Reports: Agenda Item #1.

Carried

## **7. Correspondence**

297-2017 Sewell/Smith

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby support the Municipality of Callandar resolution of November 28, 2017 expressing opposition to the recommendations from the Minister's Expert Panel on Public Report: "Public Health Within an Integrated Health System".

Carried

298-2017 Brandt/Sewell

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

Carried

**8. Council Information Update –**

- Fiber optics are expected to be laid along Ottawa Avenue by CAP Cable Contracting on December 12<sup>th</sup>. This will allow the Library to use fiber optics.
- The office is busy beginning the prep work for year end. There are many reports and legislative requirements associated with this task and will take the office right up to the audit in March. The pre-audit team from Grant Thornton was here for a day on December 4<sup>th</sup> and our accountant spent December 6<sup>th</sup> with us and will return February 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- The office will be closed from December 25<sup>th</sup> to January 2, 2017.
- The new SCADA system at the WTP is expected to be installed early in January.
- Councillor Sewell mentioned the Figure Skating Carnival which had taken place on the weekend with members of the Spartan Hockey team participating.
- Councillor Mahon thanked Council and Staff for all the hard work and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.
- The Mayor also had end of year comments which reflected some of the accomplishments and he, too, wished the councillors and staff a Merry Christmas. A sentiment which was echoed by everyone.

Sherri Hawthorne left the meeting at 8:09p.m.

**9. In Camera**

299-2017 Mahon/Smith

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting of the Village of South River Council be closed under Subsection 239.2 (c) and that this Council proceed in Camera at 8:10 p.m. for the purpose of discussing three personnel issues.**

Carried

300-2017 Sewell/Smith

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council adjourn the Closed meeting and reconvene in Open Session at 8:20p.m. with Mayor Jim Coleman as Chair.**

Carried

301-2017 Sewell/Mahon

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby approve the amendments to the fire chief's employment contract with an increase of \$2,500 in 2018 and 2019 respectively and to mirror the union collective agreement annual wage increase percentage for the remaining three years ending December 31, 2022; and**

**Does hereby approve an annual increase of 2% for the Almaguin By-law Officer beginning January 1, 2018 and ending December 31, 2021.**

Carried

**10. By-laws – Nil**

**11. Confirming By-law**

302-2017 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 #33-2017 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on the 11th day of December, 2017 with the signatures of the Mayor and the Clerk Administrator and the corporate seal affixed.**

Carried

**12. Adjournment**

303-2017 Smith/ 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, January 8, 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: 8:21 p.m..**

Carried

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Jim Coleman, Mayor

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Susan L. Arnold, Clerk Administrator