

Village of South River
Council Meeting –November 22, 2021

The meeting of the Council of the Village of South River was held virtually and in person on Monday November 22, 2021. A quorum was present. In attendance were Mayor Jim Coleman (Chairing in person in Council chambers), Deputy Mayor Doug Sewell and Councilor Bill O’Hallarn (in person in Council chambers) and Councilors Teri Brandt and Brenda Scott (virtual).

Staff in Attendance : Don McArthur, Clerk Administrator – In person
Janet Wedseltoft, Administrative Assistant – Virtual
Risto Maki, Fire Chief – In person

Guests: Rocco Frangione, Media – Virtual
Adam Hemming, 22 Marie Street – In person

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

3. Delegation and Public Meeting –

1. Change the zoning from Downtown Commercial (C1) to Downtown Commercial (C1) with exceptions to a variety of housing types located at 106 Ottawa Avenue.
2. Change the zoning from Downtown Commercial (C1) to a Third Density Residential (R3) to permit the conversion of the previous pharmacy to residential apartments located at 22 Marie Street.
3. Change the zoning from Rural (RU) to a Highway Commercial (C2) zone to permit office space and self-storage units located at 289/291 Highway No. 124.
 1. The Rezoning of 106 Ottawa Avenue was reviewed. No member of the public inquired, either in person or in writing, regarding the matter.
 2. The Rezoning of 22 Marie Street was reviewed. Mr. Hemming advised he was present to answer any questions councilors had. In response to a question from Councilor Brandt, Mr. Hemming advised that the redevelopment of 22 Marie Street was planned in two stages. The first was to add two apartments on the main floor in the former pharmacy space. The second, in the future, was to create apartments in the basement in the former library.
 3. The Rezoning of 289/291 Highway No 124 was reviewed. No member of the public inquired, either in person or in writing, regarding the matter.

Adam Hemming left the meeting at 5:36

4. Adoption of Minutes

304-2021 Sewell/O’Hallarn

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby adopt the minutes of the Council meeting on November 8, 2021 as presented.

Carried

With the permission of Council, Mayor Coleman moved up item 6.2.1 to accommodate Fire Chief Maki.

6.2 Reports from Shared Services –

1. Fire Chief Maki November Report

305-2021 O’Hallarn/Sewell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby

authorize the purchase of Lifeworks Employee Assistance Benefits for the Firefighters of the South River Machar Fire Department and the appropriate costs be include in the 2022 Budget.

Carried

Fire Chief Maki left the meeting at 5:50 p.m

5. Accounts and Finance

5.1 Accounts Reports

1. 309 HWY 124 Tax Write-off
2. OMERS Update

306-2021 O'Hallarn/Sewell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby approve writing off the municipal tax portion on municipally owned land in the amount of \$3039.64 on Property Roll # 4956-000-001-00302-0000 (309 Hwy 124).

Carried

307-2021 Sewell/O'Hallarn

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/Committees

6.1 Reports from Municipal Staff and Related Business –

1. NOHFC Train Station Update
2. Christmas in the Village Update
3. Broadway Street/Avenue

308-2021 O'Hallarn/Sewell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby support an application to the Community Enhancement Program - Rural Enhancement Stream of Northern Ontario Heritage Fund for upgrades to the South River Train Station in the amount of \$225,000 including the Village's contribution of \$22,500 and that all cost overruns are the responsibility of the Village of South River.

Carried

309-2021 Sewell/O'Hallarn

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 –

2. Chief Arena Operator Report
3. South River Machar Union Public Library November 10 Minutes

310-2021 Sewell/O'Hallarn

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the reports from Shared Services #1 to #3.

Carried

6.3 Reports from Regional Committees

1. ACED November Director Report and November 15 Minutes
2. PSDSSAB Chief Administrative Officer's November Report

311-2021 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 and #2.

Carried

7. Correspondence

1. Village of Sundridge - Ban Disposable Water Bottles
2. City of Kitchener - Liquor License Sales and Patio Extensions
3. MPAC Economic Outlook
4. Plymouth Wyoming - Postponement of Assessment Update
5. Town of Bracebridge – Renovictions
6. Town of LaSalle Resolution re COVID-19 Testing Requirement
7. City of Vaughan - Traffic Penalties
8. L Thompson Minister of Agriculture Food and Rural Affairs - CAP Deadstock Funding

312-2021 Sewell/O'Hallarn

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby receive the Correspondence: Agenda Items #1 to #8.

Carried

8. Council Roundtable

Councilor Brandt reported that, at this time, the South River Machar Medical Centre Board did not take up the offer of a presentation by Councilor Steven Hicks of Sundridge on new doctor recruitment at this time.

Councilor Brandt inquired as to the status of the lights for the crosswalk on Eagle Lake Drive and was informed that there has been a shipping delay.

Clerk/Administrator McArthur reminded council that the Emergency Control Group was meeting Wednesday, November 24, 2021 at 10 am in Council Chambers..

Chief Financial Officer/Deputy Clerk Hawthorne advised council that the Village's benefit plan renews in January and that she will have the information for the next meeting.

Rocco Frangione left the meeting at 6:52 p.m.
Janet Wedseltoft left the meeting at 6:52 p.m.

9. In Camera

1. Machar Shared Services
2. South River Machar Fire Department Appointment
3. Personnel Committee Minutes October 14, 2021

313-2021 O'Hallarn/Sewell

Be it Resolved that this meeting of the Village of South River Council be closed under Subsection 239. (a) the security of the property of the municipality or local board and c) personal matter about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees and that this Council proceed in Camera at 6:52 p.m. for the purpose of discussing issues related to the above.

Carried

314-2021 O'Hallarn/Sewell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council adjourn the Closed meeting and reconvene in Open Session at 7:21 p.m. with Mayor Jim Coleman as Chair.

Carried

10. By-laws and Resolutions

315-2021 Sewell/O'Hallarn

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby allow the Chief Financial Officer to carryover unused vacation and lieu time for 2021 into 2022 her retirement year.

Carried

316-2021 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# 45-2021, being a by-law to rezone 106 Ottawa Avenue from Highway Commercial (C1) to Highway Commercial (C1) subject to Special Provisions Number 6, 7 and 8 and the signatures of the Mayor and the Clerk Administrator and the corporate seal affixed.

Carried

317-2021 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# 46-2021, being a by-law to rezone 22 Marie St. from Highway Commercial (C1) to Third Density Residential (R3) and the signatures of the Mayor and the Clerk Administrator and the corporate seal affixed.

Carried

318/-2021 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# 47-2021, being a by-law to rezone 289/291 HWY 124 from Rural (RU) to Highway Commercial (C2) with the signatures of the Mayor and the Clerk Administrator and the corporate seal affixed.

Carried

11. Confirming By-law

319-2021 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# 48-2021, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on the 22nd day of November 2021 with the signatures of the Mayor and the Clerk-Administrator and the corporate seal affixed.

Carried

12. Adjournment

320-2021 O'Hallarn/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, December 13, 2021 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: 7:25 p.m.

Carried

Jim Coleman, Mayor

Don McArthur, Clerk-Administrator