

Village of South River
Council Meeting – Apr 23, 2024

The meeting of the Council of the Village of South River was held virtually and in person on Tuesday April 23, 2024. A quorum was present. In attendance were Mayor Jim Coleman (Charining in-person in Council Chambers), Deputy-Mayor Bill O’Hallarn, Councillor Robert Brooks, and Councillor Teri Brandt. Councillor Brenda Scott was absent with notice.

Staff in Attendance: Don McArthur, Clerk Administrator – In person
Janet Wedseltoft, Chief Financial Officer – In Person
Allister Johnston, Administrative Assistant – Virtual

Guests: Rocco Frangione - Media (Online)

1.Call to Order - The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jim Coleman at 2:00 p.m.

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof – Nil

3. Delegation and Public Meeting – NiL

4. Adoption of Minutes – Council Apr 09th 2024

137-2024 Brooks/O’Hallarn

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby adopt the minutes of the Council meeting April 9, 2024 as presented.

Carried

6.2 Reports from Shared Services

5. Accounts and Finance

5.1 Accounts Reports

1. 2024 Cemetery Fee Schedule

138-2024 Brandt/O’Hallarn

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby approve the 2024 Cemetery Fee Schedule as attached and the new rates be effective April 24, 2024.

Carried

139-2024 Brandt/Brooks

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

Carried

6. Reports from Municipal Staff and/or Committees

6.1 Reports from Municipal Staff and Related Business –

1. EMPC Village of South River Compliance Results
2. HIPS Minutes April 16, 2024
3. HEWSF Funding Application

Regarding Item 6.1.1 EMPC Village of South River Compliance Results Council highlighted compliance being met. Council notes there is EMS training virtually. Council requested links for the IMS 100 course. Discussed system's usage in an emergency.

In regards to Item 6.1.2 HIPS Minutes April 16, 2024 Council noted 2 rooms have been cleaned and objects have been moved Public works to assist with moving larger objects. Council discussed the overall project.

Regarding Item 6.1.3 HEWSF Funding Application Council discussed criteria for applying and how funding would be applied.

140-2024 O'Hallarn/Brooks

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby support the HiPs Committee recommendation to award the Train Station Restoration to J.A.S. Services as per the terms of RFP -2232 prepared by Bertrand Wheeler architecture inc.

Carried

141-2024 Brandt/Brooks

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

Carried

6.2 Reports from Shared Services –

1. South River Machar Fire Chief Report April 2024
2. Chief Arena Operator Report for March 2024

Regarding Item 6.2.1 South River Machar Fire Chief Report April 2024 Council noted calls are up this year over last year, and Fire Department's usage by location.

In regards to item 6.2.2 Chief Arena Operator Report for March 2024 Council discussed ice removal with a third party. Council discussed pipe recommendation to be replaced as an additional cost on plant upgrades and options. Council discussed dehumidifier estimated arrival in September and need to keep current dehumidifier running until replacement arrives.

142-2024 O'Hallarn/Brooks

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council of the Village of South River does hereby accept the reports from Shared Services Staff and Committees #1 and #2.

6.3 Reports from Regional Committees --

1. PSDSSAB April CAO Report
2. JBC Minutes - Special Meeting April 4 2024
3. CAPB - February 6 Minutes

Regarding Item 6.3.1 PSDSSAB April CAO Report Council highlighted continued staff shortages and need for ECEs. Discussed ongoing DSSAB Audit and housing renovations. In regards to Item 6.3.2 JBC Minutes - Special Meeting April 4 2024 Council discussed Bray Motors truck purchase. Discussed additional costs such as snow tires.

Regarding Item 6.3.3 Council discussed difficulty of planning expertise on staff and the value of Central Alamquin Planning Board.

143-2024 O'Hallarn/Brooks

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. By-Laws and Resolutions

1. Resolution – Support Township of Clearview Endorsement of Bill C-63
2. Resolution – Support County of Prince Edward - Municipal Accessibility Fund
3. Resolution – Support Township of Asphodel-Norwood - PHO Laboratories

144-2024 Brandt/O'Hallarn

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby support the Township of Clearview Endorsement of Bill C-63, The Online Harms Act, currently before the House of Commons and a copy of this resolution be sent to the Town of Clearview.

Carried

145-2024 Brandt/Brooks

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby support the County of Prince Edward - Municipal Accessibility Fund resolution a copy of this resolution be sent to the County of Prince Edward.

Carried

146-2024 Brandt/Brooks

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby support the Township of Asphodel-Norwood resolution regarding the possible closure of regional Public Health Ontario (PHO) laboratories and a copy of this resolution be sent to the Township of Asphodel-Norwood.

Carried

147-2024 Brandt/Brooks

WHEREAS the Corporation of the Village of South River is currently in a borrowing relationship with Collabira; and

WHEREAS the Corporation is authorized to appoint individuals as the Authorized Users of the Business Visa Card from time to time, as the case may be; and

WHEREAS the authorized user and their limits will be:

Municipal Law Enforcement Officer; Dave Turkington - \$3,000.

Carried

148-2024 Brandt/Brooks

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#18-2024, being a by-law to appoint a Municipal Law Enforcement Officer with the signatures of the Mayor and the Clerk and the corporate seal affixed.

Carried

8. Correspondence

1. Good Happening Food Bank - Request for Support
2. DPSMA Agenda - Spring 2024
3. PEMSAP Annual Report 2023
4. Labour Market Group 2024 Report
5. AHHC April 2024 Minutes
6. RCL BR 390 Break Open Ticket Request
7. FONOM Hope Air Request for Proclamation
8. City of Peterborough - Ombudsman Letter
9. Municipality of West Perth – Minister's Permit and Review Powers
10. Town of Goderich Resolution - OW and ODSP Rates
11. NBPSDHU - Planet Youth Nipissing Launches in West Nipissing and North Bay

In regards to Item 8.6 RCL BR 390 Break Open Ticket Request Council discussed Break Open Tickets rules and acceptance by the Ontario Gambling Commission requirement. Council discussed previous Break Open Tickets rules and regulations.

Regarding Item 8.7 FONOM Hope Air Request for Proclamation Council supported medical Air Transportation for South River.

In regards to Item 8.8 City of Peterborough - Ombudsman Letter Council discussed Code of Conduct and reasons for actions by Ombudsman.

Regarding Item 8.9 Municipality of West Perth – Minister's Permit and Review Powers Council

discussed powers given to Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry outside normal powers. Council recommended further discussion during the next meeting of Council.

In regards to Item 8.10 Town of Goderich Resolution - OW and ODSP Rates Council discussed rates for OW and ODSP. Council noted they had previously supported this.

Regarding Item 8.11 NBPSDHU - Planet Youth Nipissing Launches in West Nipissing and North Bay Council discussed additional Youth programs to encourage less negative activities.

149-2024 Brooks/Brandt

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby support the Good Happenings Food Bank for all the tremendous work they do not only for South River residents in need but also those of the Townships of Machar and Laurier and beyond. The Good Happenings Food Bank is dedicated in their commitment to the community in helping with the hunger crisis that is all around our area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT that any organization that can assist them in their work be urged to do so as soon as possible.

Carried

150-2024 Brandt/Brooks

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby approve the attendance of all of Council, Clerk Administrator and Chief Financial Officer at the District of Parry Sound Municipal Association Meeting on May 17, 2024 at the Emsdale Community Centre and expense be paid in accordance with the Village of South River policies.

Carried

151-2024 Brandt/O'Hallarn

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of South River does hereby support the Royal Canadian Legion Br 390 retaining 100% of the profits from their Break Open Ticket Sales to assist in funding the ongoing operations of Branch 390 in South River.

Carried

152-2024 Brooks/O'Hallarn

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

Carried

9. Council Roundtable (Items of Interest) –

Deputy Mayor Bill O'Hallarn would like it noted he greatly appreciates the PW for helping with the Train Station Museum.

Councillor Teri Brandt noted Powassan Health Team received extra funding .South River Machar Medical Center may benefit with a RPN at times.

Councillor Teri Brandt recommended staff post a Facebook Poster advertising the Summer Camp.

Mayor Jim Coleman would like an update on street repairs, Clerk Administrator Don McArthur was advised the contractors are waiting for dryer weather.

Clerk Administrator Don McArthur noted the used condensor that was donated is now stored at PW garage. Condensor was suggested to be given to Sundridge. Recommended resolution for next Council meeting.

Clerk Administrator Don McArthur noted the Lion's Club request for Canada Day, and confirmed supplying cake as previous years. Clerk Administrator Don McArthur noted car shows to start on May 16 at 309 HWY 124.

Rocco Frangione – Media and Allister Johnston Leave the Meeting at 3:15 PM

10. In Camera – Fire and Arena Shared Services
Personnel Performance Review
Don Ivens Memorial Nomination

153-2024 Brandt/O'Hallarn

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 3:15 p.m. for the purpose of discussing issues related to the above.

Carried

154-2024 Brooks/O'Hallarn

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council adjourn the Closed meeting and reconvene in Open Session at 4:29 p.m. with Mayor Jim Coleman as Chair.

Carried

11. Confirming By-law – By-law #19-2024

155-2024 Brandt/Brooks

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# 19-2024, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on the 23rd day of April 2024 with the signatures of the Mayor and the Clerk-Administrator and the corporate seal affixed.

Carried

12. Adjournment

156-2024 Brooks/Scott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council of the Village of South River does hereby adjourn to meet again as the South River Council on Tuesday, May 14th, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. in the South River Council Chambers located at 63 Marie Street or at the call of the Mayor. Time of Adjournment: 4:30 p.m.

Carried

Jim Coleman, Mayor

Don McArthur, Clerk-Administrator