

Rural Municipality of Wellington

Council Meeting

Meeting Minutes April 20, 2023

Present: Irene MacCaull, Mayor; Counsellors Jeannette Gallant, Albert Arsenault, Mya Cole, Moira McGuire

CAO: Cynthia Gaudet

Absent: Counsellor Jason Maddix

1. Call meeting to order

Mayor MacCaull called the meeting to order at 6:59pm.

2. Fire Department report

Fire Chief Leon Perry was in attendance to present the monthly fire department report. In March there were 6 calls, 1 call for structure fire, 2 alarms, 2 car accident, and 1 flue fire. There were 5 firefighters completed level 1. Ice rescue course was complete. New forestry truck has been received 500-gallon capacity instead of 1000 gallon. 2 junior firefighters are now full firefighters and 2 new firefighters have joined and one return from Moncton taking her EMS course. They would like the culvert in along of the fire station filled in.

3. Legion solar panel project

Mark Plourde, Jamie Cormier, and Yves Arsenault attended meeting to discuss the legion solar panel project. They are concerned about the trees cutting and how this will affect the property values and privacy. They proposed that the panel will put up on the roof of the Legion. The solar panels is not able to go on the roof as it more than 10 years old. Mark also offered to purchase the land.

4. Approval of Agenda

Approved and seconded - Motion carried.

5. Conflict of Interest Declaration

No conflict of interest was declared.

6. Approval of Minutes – March 16, 2023

The minutes were approved from the previous meeting with one small correction.

Approved and Seconded -Motion Carried.

7. Business arising from the minutes.

- a. **College de l'Île:** Moira mentioned that board seems to be in favor of the move to Summerside. Government funding will not be giving if private donations were giving to fund the project. The Government support favors of the college to stay in Wellington.
- b. **Affordable Housing** After the election we reached out to Robbie Ashley and Tim Banks, still awaiting answers.
- c. **PEI Department of Transportation work updates:** Will need to contact Tara for scheduling, how to be contacted, we would like to make a community pamphlet. Also we would like signs for bus stop with information.
- d. **Pollinators' Park:** Spoke with Stephen from AJL clearing will be done toward the end of May. Mya and Irene are going to John Greenhouse to confirm plants availability, pricing and planting schedule. Mya will research the sign for each plant.
- e. **Subdivision application updates:** Reach out the Jocelyn for subdivision application and payment of fees and Stephen return the contract and fees.
- f. **Culvert at Double H:** Need to contact government garage in Summerside to get concrete dividers to block the roadway at the Double H.
- g. **Legion Solar panel project-** awaiting on environmental assessment before rezoning and transfer land.

8. Finance

Year to date monthly report:

9. Committee reports

- a. **Sewer & Municipal Services – New sidewalk on Sunset Drive:** letter was sent to AJL to confirm the project for the sidewalk was granted. Transfer \$7000 from village account to sewer account, money will be transferred to the village account went received the sewer fees.
- b. **New Trails Committee Report:** Need to contact Tracy from Bedeque Bay and Alcide to set a date to walk the trail to see if Tracy wants to take on this project.
- c. **Tourism & Recreation:** Irene spoke with Dan for estimate for the cost of replacing the post for Lights along the boardwalk. Will contact Jamie Cormier to see if lighting need to be change. Moira is going to purchase a new basketball net for the playground. Still waiting for the confirmation for the grant for the student summer job.
- d. **Bingo & Social Services:** All is well with the Bingo.
- e. **EMO, Fire & Police:** Received report from Soeur Norma for her monthly meetings.
- f. **Technology & Communications:** monthly files were update.
- g. **Bienvenue/Welcome & Immigration Évangéline:** Moira will attend the May 04th meeting.

10. New Business

- a. **Addition light on Wellington Rd-** Moira, Mya and Jeanette Will walk to Wellington Rd to assess the darkness of the rd.
- b. **Health office:** Letter will be sent to new Minister of Health regarding ongoing problem of availability of office hours.
- c. **Ernest wishes to give out Grass cutting:** Tenders was received by Nico Durrant, Charles Bernard, Rodney McIssac. Award to Charles Bernard.
- d. **Earl Arsenault concerned on rent increase.** As a private company the council decided that this a private matter and he need to contact IRAC.
- e. **Other.**

11. Other business

12. **Correspondence** – Contact school for graduated from Evangeline and Tree Oaks.

Council decided to waved BCG sewer fees for 2023.

13. **Next meeting:** May 18, 2023

14. **Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 9:10pm.