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**COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 7, 2024 MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING**

Mayor Jim Bedford called the meeting to order at 7:29 pm with Deputy Mayor Cairns, Councillor George Cyr, Shawn Brown, Brad Brown, and Gregory Moran present. Also present was Development Officer Andrew Fry via Zoom. Absent was Councillor Jeanette Spearing

Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Councillor Shawn Brown, seconded by Councillor Cyr, and passed unanimously to approve the May 7th, 2024 amended agenda.

Disclosure of Conflict of Interest: None

Delegations:

Sgt. Luc Samson, RCMP: Sgt Samson reported that there were 38 calls in the month of April with two check stops and 8 tickets written.

Chief Brian Hunter, Simonds Fire Dept: Chief Hunter was unable to attend the meeting and his report was read into the Minutes.

Chief Carey Gray, St. Martins Fire Dept: Chief Gray unable to attend the meeting and his report was read into the Minutes.

Correspondence:

Linda Copage – Volunteers at Tourist Information Bureau: Her correspondence was read into the minutes.

Heart & Stroke Letter – Door to Door Campaign: The correspondence was read into the minutes.

Approval of Open Meeting, April 2 and Closed meeting April 16, 17, 23, 25, 30, 2024

A motion was made by Councillor Shawn Brown, seconded by Councillor Brad Brown, and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the meetings.

Motion Carried

Old Business:

Development Officer: Andrew Fry was introduced as the new Development Officer.

Amphitheatre & Harbour Park: Work has begun. Upon beginning the project, it was discovered that there was underground power that had to be addressed. Around the Amphitheatre area, timbers were discovered buried in the sand that had to be removed.

Soccer Field: It was reported that the Soccer Field is nearly complete

New Business:

Commissions & Committees:

- 1) **Financial** – Nothing to report
- 2) **Human Resources**: Nothing to report.
- 3) **Administration – By-Laws** – Nothing to report. The next By-Law will be the Unsightly Premises By-Law.
- 4) **Communications & Active Living** – Councillor Shawn Brown reported that Pickleball was be starting soon. The Active Living Committee is looking at repairing the Baseball Field next.
- 5) **Emergency Management & Public Safety** – George Cyr reported that they had been approached by Norma Jean Dykeman to help create a Vulnerable Person Registry.
- 6) **Tourism Committee**: Mayor Bedford read the minutes from the meeting.

Motion to Send Rural Plan to Prac: Steven Stone from Dillon Consulting gave a presentation and requested a motion to send the Rural Plan to the PRAC committee.

A motion was made by Councillor Moran, seconded by Councillor Cyr and passed unanimously to request that the Rural Plan be sent to the PRAC Committee on May 21, 2024 for their consideration.

Motion Carried

Repairs needed to the sidewalk at the Harbour: Councillor Shawn Brown recommended that a tender be done so that all businesses would be given an opportunity to bid on the repairs.

A motion was made by Councillor Shawn Brown, seconded by Deputy Mayor Cairns and passed unanimously to reach out to other companies to submit a bid on repairs to the sidewalk at the Harbour area.

Motion Carried

Approval of the Bills

The bills listed with these minutes were presented for payment and were formally approved at this time and are attached to the original Minutes.

A motion was made by Councillor Shawn Brown, seconded by Councillor Cyr, and passed unanimously.

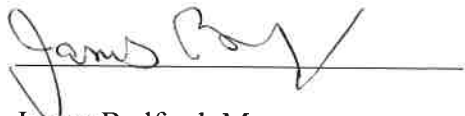
Motion Carried

Call for next meeting.

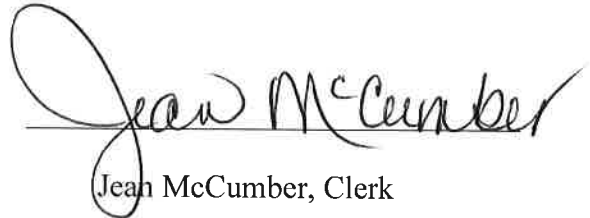
The next meeting will be held on June 4th 2024 at 7:30 pm at the Simonds Fire Hall

Motion to Adjourn

With no further business to be discussed, the meeting was adjourned at 8:02 pm.



James Bedford, Mayor



Jean McCumber, Clerk