Minutes

Special Committee of the Whole #21-08 Thursday, September 9th, 2021 12:00PM

Teleconference

Call in 1-866-969-8429 ID: 5040455

Present:

Frank Pope

Mayor

Alexis Peachey

Deputy Mayor- telephone

Pascal Audet
Jean-Paul Bernard

Councillor- telephone Councillor- telephone

Trevor Smith

Councillor- telephone

Dave Wever

Councillor- telephone

Regrets:

Jim Boyle

Councillor (work commitment)

Staff:

Cathy Clarke

Senior Administrative Officer

Karen Boudreau Mkhabela Masuku Finance Manager
Development Officer

Gary Mickalyk

Public Works Manager- telephone

Hugo Pabke

Utilities Manager- telephone

Kayla Turner

Governance & Community Engagement Manager

- 1. Call to Order 12:03PM
- 2. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

None.

3. Review and Adoption of Agenda

All in favor.

- 4. Delegation
- 5. Topics
 - a) Community Plan Roll-out: January 15, 2020 Completed
 - b) Gas Tax Allocation: January 29, 2020 Completed
 - c) Advocacy Efforts: February 19, 2020 Completed
 - d) Landfill and Solid Waste Management: March 4, 2020 Completed
 - e) MD& A Review and Spring/Summer 2020 Work Plan Prioritization: April 28, 2020 Completed

- f) Landfill & Forecasting: May 12, 2020 Completed
- g) Emerging Wisely Plan: May 27, 2020 Completed
- h) Water & Sewer By-Law & Gas Tax Allocations: June 10, 2020 carried over
- i) Gas Tax Allocations: Continued June 17th, 2020 carried over
- j) Gas Tax Allocations: Continued/Water & Sewer By-Law June 24th, 2020 Completed
- k) Reserve Fund Dedications: July 8th, 2020 Completed
- I) Water & Sewer By-Law: August 26, 2020 Completed
- m) By-Law Review September 8, 2020 Ongoing
- n) Water & Sewer By-Law/Financial Report Framework/Milestone Report Presentation- Completed
- Payment Plan- Completed
- Access Fees- Completed
- Presentation of new monthly financial report framework- Completed
- Milestone Report Next steps on Landfill- Completed
- o) Town Clean-up/Beautification with Town as Example:
- Clean-up of Courtier lot
- Green spaces
- Roads maintenance standards
- Thorough ditching
- Utilidor brushing
- p) Economic Development:
- Business incubation
- Culture
- Marketing
- Tourism
- q) Recreation and Green Spaces:
- Jackfish expansion- completed.
- New recreation facilities i.e.: soccer pitch, basketball court, skateboard park
- Park and green space development
- Playground development- ongoing.
- r) Community Programming:

- Evaluation of existing programming, costs, capacity, effectiveness
- What role does Council feel the Town should play in community needs?
 - Direct provision
 - Facilitation
 - Fund broker
 - Grants support and/or application
 - Networking
 - Subsidy
- s) Water:
- Public education campaign
- Water conservation options/audits/education
- t) Bylaw/Policy Updates: Ongoing
- Ongoing
- u) Ambulatory Care
- Administrative Report- Completed February 10, 2021
- v) Gas Tax Allocations- Updated May 26, 2021
- w) Reserve Funding- Updated May 26, 2021
- x) Asset Management
- y) Rampart Rentals- Cannabis Retailer
- 6. Adjourn 12:43PM

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- 1. Solid Waste Management By Law
- 2. Solid Waste Management Site
- Solid Waste Management By Law will go for third reading next week if Council directs.
- The By Law is in compliance with the Sahtu Land and Water Board regulations.
- Milestone and staff have created a table which addresses concerns raised by the public.
- The Sahtu Land and Water Board supports operating hours, closing the gates, and segregating garbage and other waste.
- The Water Board has also approved the expansion of the landfill which is also a condition of bringing the landfill into compliance.

- Fees for residents and industry are standard in other municipalities to offset the cost of maintaining the landfill.
- Staff has proposed a phased approach in terms of timing and fees to commercial users and residents.
- It is important to note that on Monday, after a weekend of the dump being unmanned, the landfill is a mess (domestic garbage in steel, garbage on road etc.)
- Council agreed that they would like to increase the garbage fee which is currently charged on utility bills and not charge residents to pay per visit. There will be no additional fees for residents.
- There will be further discussion on fees for commercial users.
- Industry and business will be required to visit the landfill during operating hours and will be required to weigh their loads.
- Residents will also be informed as to what they can and cannot bring to the landfill.
- Council is supportive of closing the gate to the landfill. The gates will remain open during operating hours. When the gates are closed, residents will have access to the transfer station as well as garbage bins (blue bins) around town for their disposal needs.
- Council would like to extend the proposed hours to accommodate the needs of the community.
- There are alternative options for the disposal of animal carcasses that can be further discussed with ENR.
- Milestone representative Martin noted the huge improvement in the landfill site since the beginning of the project. He commended Gary and the Public Works team for a job well done.
- Milestone will further define bulky waste.

• Council would also like to further investigate the possibility of a "new to you" site at the landfill. Staff will continue looking into this.

Frank Pope, Mayor

Cathy Clarke, SAO