

CITY OF MARTENSVILLE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING 11-2019
TUESDAY JULY 16, 2019
MINUTES

PRESENT: Mayor Kent Muench, Deputy Mayor Tyson Chillog, Councillors Mike Cox, Bob Blackwell, Darren MacDonald, Jamie Martens, Deb McGuire, City Manager Scott Blevins, Director of Corporate Services Leah Bloomquist, Community Economic Development Manager Dillon Shewchuk, Director of Recreation & Community Service Ted Schaeffer, Director of Infrastructure & Planning Matt Gruza,

REGRETS:

LOCATION: Council Chambers – City Hall

RECORDING SECRETARY: City Clerk Carla Budnick

CALL TO ORDER: Deputy Mayor Tyson Chillog called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M.

RES: #172/07162019 (MacDonald/McGuire)

AGENDA

“That we adopt the agenda dated July 16th, 2019”

CARRIED

RES: #173/07162019 (Martens/Cox)

MINUTES – JUNE 18, 2019

“That we accept the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting No. 10-2019 dated June 18, 2019”

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

A) DRK Investments Ltd.

Derrick Kauk owner of DRK Investments Ltd spoke to City Council regarding his property tax assessment and his request to be reimbursed for taxes that were paid on his property that had an incorrect assessment value. A timeline was presented to Council on when the property was purchased, when the assessment was done, and when the City of Martensville, Altus Group, SAMA and Kauk’s lawyer were contacted. It was noted that City Council was aware of the impact many commercial properties felt after the revaluation year and a Local Commercial Business & Property Abatement Program was put in place for only the 2018 year and only applied to the 2017 tax year.

City Manager Blevins did give a brief overview of how SAMA works and explained that when tax assessments go out to property owners it is their responsibility to review their assessment and ensure it is correct and to contact SAMA if there are any discrepancies. It was also noted that previously a residential property owner had an incorrect assessment value and after working with SAMA the property owner’s taxes were only amended for the current year.

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City Council has requested Administration to look further into the information provided and compile a report outlining the pros and cons of the request and what if any implications may arise based on Council's decision. September 10th was the date set for when City Council will revisit the request.

Deputy Mayor Chillog thanked Derrick Kauk for his presentation and advised him Administration would be in touch.

Mayor Muench arrived too the meeting at 5:12 pm

Mayor Muench resumed chairing the meeting at 5:21 PM

RES: #174/07162019 (Cox/MacDonald)

MANAGERS REPORT

“That we accept the Managers Report dated July 16, 2019.”

CARRIED

RES: #175/07162019 (Cox/Blackwell)

EXPENDITURE APPROPRIATION

“That we authorize Expenditure Appropriation No. 11-2019, in the amount of \$1,383,316.07 as attached hereto and forming part of the minutes.”

CARRIED

DISCUSSION ITEMS

A) RFD – Road Widening

The RM of Corman Park is planning to pave Township Road 384 and require additional land on both the north and south sides of the road to facilitate the paving. The City of Martensville has been asked by the RM of Corman Park to sell a portion of the cemetery adjacent to the road requiring the paving. The RM is looking to purchase approximately 13.8m along the entire northern property line which equals a total area of 0.40278 acres for the sum of \$1. The additional land will be used as a utility buffer and to help improve the drainage ditch. It was also noted that the City will have the opportunity to negotiate, with the successful bidder, paving the section of Main Street from 16th Ave to Range Road 3052.

City Council had some questions regarding the proposal such as how much are other property owner's selling their land to the RM for? Would there be any implications to the Cemetery if City Council agreed to the proposal? It was noted that Administration had already looked into possible implications to the cemetery and as per the Act there are no concerns. Administration will speak with the RM again to get some additional information and report back to City Council at a later date.

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B) RFD – 3 Avenue South Sewer Replacement

Director of Infrastructure and Planning spoke to City Council about sewer replacement on 3rd Avenue South which contributed to several sewer and water freeze-ups this year. The City's Engineering Consultant Catterall & Wright have analyzed the condition of the sewer main and recommend replacing the failed sections of sewer main, add insulation, replace affected manholes and replace the sewer service connections to the property lines. It was also noted that this specific section of roadway is also scheduled for pavement repair next year so it would be a good time to make these repairs as the asphalt will need to be dug up prior to the asphalt repair.

City Council directed Director of Infrastructure and Planning to proceed with tendering out the project and bringing back the final tender for formal approval.

C) RFD – Ice Policy

Director of Recreation and Community Services presented City Council with a draft copy of the Sports Centre Ice Use Policy which would assist the City Staff in the ability to manage issues such as booking priorities, ice cancellations, dressing room usage and misuse of the facility. Currently the City of Martensville does not have a policy in place so at times it can be difficult for City Staff to get their jobs completed in a timely manner.

Three key points were identified with the draft policy:

1. The policy will assist staff in providing users with guidelines regarding the use of the Sports Centre
2. The policy will help ensure full utilization of available ice at the Sports Centre
3. The policy formalized the booking procedure and facility rates and fees

It was noted that administration will meet with user groups to review the draft policy and get their feedback. Based on the feedback received, Administration will amend the draft policy and bring back a final draft for Council to review.

City Council was in favour of the draft policy and will wait for the policy to come back for formal approval.

D) RCMP 2019/2020 Multi-Year Plan

City Council reviewed the Multi-Year Plan 2019/20 from the RCMP. The document highlights forecasted expenditures over the next five year for the City of Martensville. Estimates for 2019/20 and 2020/21 show a more detailed forecast based on historical trends, while estimates for 2022/23 and beyond are based on 3% inflation year over year.

Mayor Muench will sign off on the Approval in Principle.

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RES: #176/07162019 (McGuire/Martens)

IN-CAMERA

“That Council go in-camera at 6:09 P.M.”

CARRIED

IN-CAMERA

A) Township Road 384 Paving Project

RES: #177/07162019 (McGuire/Martens)

RESUME REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

“That we resume the July 16 Regular Council Meeting at 7:04 P.M.”

CARRIED

RES: #178/07162019 (McGuire/Chillog)

ADJOURN

“That Council adjourn at 7:05 P.M.”

CARRIED

MAYOR

CITY CLERK