

REPORT 3-2013
CITY OF MARTENSVILLE
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
TUESDAY – MARCH 12, 2013
MINUTES

PRESENT: Mayor Kent Muench, Deputy Mayor Tyson Chillog, Councillors Terry Kostyna, Darren MacDonald, Jamie Martens, Bob Blackwell City Manager Scott Blevins, Director of Public Works Mike Grosh, Director of Planning Bonnie Gorelitza, Director of Finance Lorraine Postma, Director of Recreation & Community Services Dave Bosch

REGRETS: Community Economic Development Manager
Dillon Shewchuk

LOCATION: Council Chambers, Civic Centre

RECORDING SECRETARY: City Clerk Carla Budnick

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Travis Wiebe called the meeting to order at 5:01 P.M.

4. DELEGATIONS

4.1 Andrew Williams & Totie Daplas – North Prairie Developments

Andrew Williams & Totie Daplas of North Prairie Developments met with Council to present their current proposal of building twenty five 2-Unit Detached Dwellings and eight 8-Unit Condos at 701 Centennial Drive South. Mr. Williams explained that there will be three product types, with the 2-Unit Detached Dwellings consisting of either two or three bedrooms and the 8-Unit Condos will have 4 units on top and 4 units on the bottom with 2 bedrooms in each unit. It was noted that there will be an Emergency Access at the north end of the property that will not be paved and will have break away barriers to prevent regular traffic flow. Mr. Williams highlighted the entrance into the area stating that North Prairie will be landscaping the entrance making it a strong and attractive area to travel by. Some concerns raised were parking issues, number of units being proposed, affects to the existing lagoon as well as traffic flow. It was noted that under the current zoning bylaw 1 parking space per unit is required, North Prairie has allotted 2 spaces per unit. With the development of our Commercial District there is a need for housing that can accommodate all price points. The proposed location is ideal as it is right next to existing Town Houses as well it is close to the City's South Access into the City. The Director of Public Works noted that they are currently in the process of looking at a Lagoon expansion. Chairman Wiebe thanked Mr. Williams and Mr. Daplas for their time.

Presentation ended at 5:30 p.m.

5. REPORTS

5.1 City Manager

5.2 City Clerk

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5.3 Director of Finance

5.4 Director of Recreation and Community Services

5.4.1 RFD – Busy Fingers Pre-School/Lease

Director of Recreation and Community Services presented to Council Busy Fingers Pre-School's proposal of leasing the Ranch House as a yearly lease rather than the nine months they are currently leasing it for. If the City does not want to extend the length of the lease the Pre-School is requesting to lease space at the Civic Centre. Director Bosch explained that currently the Civic Centre is having a hard time supplying space for programming and by bringing the Pre-School back that will add an extra strain. It was noted that during the months that the Pre-School is not in the Ranch House it has only been rented out a handful of times and usually remains empty as there is not a lot of room in the building. It is Director Bosch's recommendation that the City agree to enter into a yearly lease with Busy Fingers Pre-School and with that it will guarantee a certain amount of revenue to offset the operational costs. He also noted that the Pre-School is responsible for the janitorial supplies and any required repairs as a result of their operation. Council had no objections.

A Motion will be brought forward to the next Council meeting.

5.4.2 RFD – Bylaw Enforcement

Director of Recreation and Community Services requested this item be removed as more research needs to be completed. Council had no objections.

Information to be presented at a future Council meeting.

5.4.3 RFD – Concession Lease Aquatic Centre/Camp Kitchen

Director of Recreation and Community Services presented Council with the lease proposal received to run both the Aquatic Centre and Camp Kitchen (referred to as JR's). The previous lessee of both of these facilities has decided not to renew their lease. The new lease proposal is similar to the rates that were received last year and the new lessee is planning to run things similar to how they were run in both facilities last year. It was noted that if this proposal was not accepted the lease would need to be re-advertised and if no other proposals came in the City would need to run the Aquatic Centre Concession and the Camp Kitchen would most likely sit empty. It is Director Bosch's recommendation that the current proposal be accepted. Council had no objections.

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5.5 Director of Public Works

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5.6 Director of Planning

5.6.1 – Discretionary Use – 701 Centennial Drive South

As the topic was discussed at great lengths during the presentation by North Prairie Developments, Council had no further issues to discuss. Director of Planning is to get the drawings to Council so they can review before the next Council meeting.

A Motion will be brought forward to the next Council meeting.

5.7 Community/Economic Development Manager (CEDM)

6. ANNUAL BUDGET REVIEW: None

7. COUNCIL MEMBERS ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION:

7.1 Mayor's Report

Mayor Muench publicly thanked the Community Economic Development Manager Dillon Shewchuk and City Clerk Carla Budnick for their work on HomeStyles. He also thanked Councillor Jamie Martens for representing Council at the Senior Women's Provincial Championships that were hosted by the City of Martensville. Mayor Muench congratulated Councillor Terry Kostyna and his company Northern Sky Developments on their win of the SAM Award in the new home (custom) category for houses between 2,500 and 4,000 square feet. Mayor Muench talked about having a meet and greet for business owners and Council members. A brief talk about the field house project was touched on.

7.2 Budget Dates

Council will meet on Monday March 25th to begin Budget deliberations.

7.2 Intersection of 8th Avenue South & Reimer Road

A letter was addressed to Council identifying concerns about the safety of the intersection at 8th Avenue South & Reimer Road. The letter listed several accidents that have occurred over a period of time and they are requesting that a four way stop be put in. Council weighed their options as to whether a four way stop or a two way stop would be better. Council requested the City Manager and Director of Public Works look further into this. The idea of putting in raised Crosswalks as another alternative to adding traffic signs was also suggested. The idea of having a Traffic Engineer brought in to identify where signs should and should not be used was also discussed.

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8. IN-CAMERA ITEM:

8.1 Highway 11 & 12

8.2 District Development Appeals Board

8.3 Bylaw

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm.

Mayor Kent Muench