

REPORT 3-2018  
CITY OF MARTENSVILLE  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
TUESDAY – MARCH 13, 2018  
MINUTES

**PRESENT:** Mayor Kent Muench, Councillors Michael Cox, Darren MacDonald, Bob Blackwell, City Manager Scott Blevins, Community Economic Development Manager Dillon Shewchuk, Corporate Services Director Leah Sullivan, Director of Recreation & Community Services Dave Bosch, Acting Director of Infrastructure Matt Gruza and Acting Director of Planning Bonnie Gorelitza

**REGRETS:** Deputy Mayor Tyson Chillog, Councillor Debbie McGuire, Jamie Martens,

**LOCATION:** Canalta Hotel – Meeting Room

**RECORDING SECRETARY:** City Clerk Carla Budnick

**CALL TO ORDER:** Councillor Cox called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M.

Mayor Muench requested that Truth & Reconciliation be added to the Round Table portion of the meeting. Council was in favour.

#### **4. REPORTS**

##### **4.4 Director of Recreation & Community Services**

###### **4.4.1 Parks/Greenspace Maintenance Standards**

Director of Recreation & Community Services, Dave Bosch reviewed with Council the proposed additions & changes to the current Parks/Greenspace Maintenance Standards Policy. Rose Leaf Park was added to the Sports Field Listings and Lake Vista MR 56/62 was added to the Park Listings. Some additional maintenance procedures to the Sports Fields included increasing fertilizing from 2 applications a year to 3 applications, infield/outfield lip edges at start of season, remove standing water on infield after rainfall and check and fill low areas along fence. The aeration schedule for Parks changed from twice a year to once a year in conjunction with fertilization application with the exception of two applications per year at the Aquatic Centre.

City Council was okay with the recommended changes and had no further questions.

The Parks/Greenspace Maintenance Standards Policy will go to the next Regular Council meeting for formal approval.

##### **4.5 Acting Director of Infrastructure**

###### **4.5.1 Snow Removal Update**

Acting Director of Infrastructure Matt Gruza gave Council an update on the recent snow removal after the significant amount of snow which was received March 2 – 4.

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**4.6 Acting Director of Planning**

**4.6.1 RFD – Parking in Lieu**

Acting Director of Planning Bonnie Gorelitz reviewed with Council a request which was received in regards to payment in lieu for off-street parking. Last April, Council approved an applicant to pay for 4 parking stalls as part of the renovation and change of use from residential to commercial uses. The renovation has been completed, the business is now open and payment has not been received. A letter was received from the applicant requesting to make payment in lieu payments in monthly installments starting one year after the business opened. The City has means to recoup these costs; however Administration is proposing an amendment to the current Zoning Bylaw to clarify all future requests for payment in lieu of off-street parking through an agreement with property owners who are requesting to pay per parking space required. By entering into an agreement under the *Planning and Development Act, 2007* this provides the City two options to recover the payment, should the business owner default. These include adding unpaid amounts to the taxes or court proceedings.

Administration is recommending that they be authorized to enter into an agreement on behalf of the City with Clearcut Coffeehouse Inc. to accept payments on a monthly basis starting one year after the business opened.

City Council was okay with the recommended changes and had no further questions.

**4.7 Community Economic Development Manager**

**4.7.1 Report**

Community Economic Development Manager Shewchuk reviewed what he has been working on over the past month. The Report to the Community has been completed and copies have been printed. The website and Facebook will be used to share with the public. The Martensville Community Guide has been printed and distributed out to the community. Two doctors who have recently expressed interest in joining a local practice have both agreed to commit to our community. Work continues on a Funding Proposal for Senior Housing Feasibility and Business Plan, with the goal to submit the application prior to the end of March. Continue to answer questions for potential business ventures.

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**5. COUNCIL MEMBERS ROUND TALBE DISCUSSION:**

**5.1 Traffic Bylaw – Parking of Recreational Vehicles**

Mayor Muench asked that the Traffic Bylaw be brought forward to review with council the current rules for the parking of Recreation Vehicles on properties. Back in 2015, some members of council had been getting some complaints in regards to unsightly RV's being parked in the front yard of properties. Administration was tasked with doing some research on how other municipalities deal with the parking of RV's and then asked to propose some new changes. City Council was presented with an amended bylaw with guidelines on parking of RV's and the bylaw received two readings before being defeated at the third reading, council had mixed feelings on what the impact would be on residents. Administration was asked to survey the community and get feedback and thoughts from them on the proposed changes, a post was put on Facebook inviting feedback on the proposed changes and nothing was received. In November 2015, the only amendment to RV parking was that it had to be parked on a 'hard surface' of the property provided it did not hang over any curb or sidewalks. The bylaw received third and final reading and was adopted. Recently some members of council have been receiving complaints again in regards to unsightly RV's being parked in the front yard of properties. Council went around the table discussing safety concerns vs unsightly views and currently have a hard time preventing RV's from parking on front properties simply because they may not look nice. Bylaw was tasked with surveying the city to see how many properties have RV's parked that may be causing a safety concern. Council will be provided the numbers and further direction will be provided at that time.

**5.2 Truth & Reconciliation**

Mayor Muench asked that this item be added to the agenda. He has nominated Martensville to host a Truth & Reconciliation Meeting on June 12, 2018.

The Truth & Reconciliation Commission (TRC) is a component of the Indian Residential Schools Settlement Agreement. Its mandate is to inform all Canadians about what happened in Indian Residential Schools (IRS). The Commission will document the truth of survivors, families, communities and anyone personally affected by the IRS experience

**6. IN-CAMERA ITEMS**

**6.1 SaskWater**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Meeting adjourned at 6:39 pm.

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Mayor Kent Muench