

REPORT 1-2020  
CITY OF MARTENSVILLE  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
TUESDAY – JANUARY 14, 2020  
MINUTES

**PRESENT:** Mayor Kent Muench, Deputy Mayor Tyson Chillog, Councillors Michael Cox, Darren MacDonald, Debbie McGuire, City Manager Scott Blevins, Community Economic Development Manager Dillon Shewchuk, Corporate Services Director Leah Bloomquist, Director of Recreation & Community Services Ted Schaeffer,

**REGRETS:** Councillor Bob Blackwell & Jamie Martens, Director of Infrastructure & Planning Matt Gruza,

**LOCATION:** City Hall – Council Chambers

**RECORDING SECRETARY:** City Clerk Carla Budnick

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

#### **4. REPORTS**

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

###### **4.4.1 RFD – Curling Club Lounge Expansion**

Director of Recreation and Community Services reviewed with City Council the Curling Clubs request to continue using the mezzanine and that the fees for the 2019-2020 season be deferred.

During the December 18, 2018 Council meeting, the following motion was passed:

“That City Council approve the Martensville Curling Club Lounge expansion proposal and further that upon completion of the 2018-2019 season the President of the Martensville Curling Club and the Director of Recreation and Community Services negotiate a rental fee for the 2019-2020 year.”

The President of the Club along with the Director of Recreation and Community Services have had a chance to meet and discuss options for the 2019-2020 year. It was noted by the Curling Club that revenues have been minimal to date, largely in part to the Mezzanine being rented out for other private functions and most hockey games occurring on the weekends when the lounge is not open.

Director of Recreation and Community Services did indicate that rentals of the mezzanine have increased due to limited space available at the Civic Centre with the expansion of Great Plains College.

City Council has no concerns with allowing the Curling Club to utilize the mezzanine space when it is not being used for private events and would like to see the proposal reviewed for the 2020-2021 year.

The motion will go to the next Regular Council meeting for formal approval

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**4.4.2 RFD – Rental Fee Reimbursement**

Councillor Deb McGuire declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting at 5:05 pm

Director of Recreation and Community Services reviewed a request the City received to reimburse a portion of the rental fee that was paid for a volleyball fundraising tournament which was held on January 4, 2020. It was noted that all proceeds from the event will go to the Hope Cancer Help Centre.

City Council discussed the event and acknowledged the importance of the cause the event was supporting, however because the event is not specifically impacting someone or something in the city Council felt they could not support this request.

Director of Recreation and Community Services also indicated Administration is currently in the process of developing a policy to address requests to waive or reduce facility fees to present to Council at a later date.

Councillor Deb McGuire returned to the meeting at 5:10 pm

**4.6 Community Economic Development Manager**

**4.6.1 Report**

Community Economic Development Manager reviewed what he has been working on over the past month. The Parks & Facilities Satisfaction Survey was wrapped up with approximately 190 responses. The 2020 Community Guide is being worked on. Work continues for the Business Expo which will be held March 13 & 14. The Mayor and Community Economic Development Manager with a Care Home in mid-December.

**5. COUNCIL MEMBERS ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION**

**5.1 RCMP – Priorities**

Mayor Muench discussed with Council that the RCMP are currently working on their priorities for the 2020 year and this is the opportunity for Council to provide comments on what some of the top priorities may be for them. There were five areas that were consistent amongst members of council and they included:

1. Youth Engagement
2. Community Policing
3. Drugs
4. Reduction in property crime
5. Responsiveness

The list will be shared with the members of the RCMP at the next Police Advisory Board Meeting.

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**5.2 FCM – Federation of Canadian Municipalities**

With FCM registration opening on January 20, 2020 Administration was looking for direction to register prior to Budget being finalized. A motion will be brought forward to the next Regular Council meeting for formal approval.

**5.3 Zoning**

Deputy Mayor Chillog was approached by a business owner who brought forward some concerns about zoning and what options are available to current/potential property owners who are wanting to open a business that is not currently zoned for that type of development. It was noted there is a process in place that allows someone to make an application to the City to have the Zoning Bylaw amended. Administration is looking to schedule further discussions and work with the business owner to go over zoning and uses within the specific district and if necessary, provide guidance on the process for a zoning amendment.

Council went in camera at 5:41 pm

**6. IN-CAMERA**

**6.1 West Sector Planning**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Meeting adjourned at 6:24 pm.

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Mayor Kent Muench