

REPORT 6-2020
CITY OF MARTENSVILLE
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
TUESDAY – JUNE 9, 2020
MINUTES

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

REGRETS:

LOCATION: City Hall – Council Chambers and ZOOM

RECORDING SECRETARY: City Clerk Carla Budnick

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Kent Muench called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M.

2. DELEGATIONS

A) RCMP

Sergeant Curtis Little gave a year to year comparison for April and May 2019 & 2020. It was noted that there was a significant difference in traffic charges from 2019 to 2020 and it was attributed to the COVID-19 pandemic. There has also been an increase in theft of bikes and car break ins in the month of May 2020. City Council had no questions or comments for Sergeant Little.

Mayor Muench thanked Sergeant Little for joining the meeting.

4. REPORTS

4.1 City Manager

4.1.1 RFD – Development Incentive Policy

In 2019, City Council passed the Development Incentive Policy. As administration worked through the policy the wording became somewhat confusing. Some amendments have been proposed to update the wording and make the policy clearer for anyone reviewing the policy.

City Council was in favour of the amendments and a motion will be brought forward to the next Regular Council meeting for formal approval.

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4.3 City Clerk

4.3.1 RFD – 2020 Election

With the upcoming 2020 Municipal Election, *The Local Government Election Act, 2015* requires consideration by City Council on a number of matters and options relating to the conduct and procedures of the Election. City Clerk Budnick highlighted various items that require decisions by City Council including appointing a Returning Officer, determining if Criminal Record Checks will be required for candidates, how names will be placed on ballots as well as remuneration for Election Workers. A Mail-in Ballot Bylaw is also being proposed to offer residents who may not be around during the election an option to participate.

City Council had no questions or concerns. Motions will be brought forward to the next Regular Council meeting for formal approval.

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. Various Site and Business inquiries continue to come in. Weekly messages from the Mayor continue to go out to the public to offer information about local and provincial developments around the pandemic. Work continues on the interactive map for the City Website with revisions to be completed within the next couple of weeks.

4.6.2 RFD – Sponsorship Request

The 574 Dakota Air Cadet Squadron are looking for sponsors for trophies for their year-end Annual Ceremonial Review. They have a broad range of categories but have specifically requested the City to sponsor the Effective Speaking Award, “Presented to the Cadet who has moved on to represent the Squadron in the effective speaking program.” The request is for a one-year sponsorship.

City Council acknowledge the work the Cadet’s do within the Community but do not feel it is a good fit for City Council to sponsor the award. Community Economic Development Manager Shewchuk was tasked with informing the Squadron of council’s decision.

4.6.3 RFD – Economic Tax Incentive – Kabo Homes

Kabo Homes has submitted an application for an industrial development at 101 9th Street North. They intend to build a 2370 square foot 2-bay industrial lease building. The value of the project is over \$400,000 which would make the project eligible for a 2-year exemption term as per the Business Incentive Bylaw.

City Council had no questions or concerns. A bylaw will be brought to the next Regular Council meeting for formal approval.

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6. IN-CAMERA

6.1 Agreement

6.2 Economic Development

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 6:22 pm.

Mayor Kent Muench