

REPORT 7-2021  
CITY OF MARTENSVILLE  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
TUESDAY – JULY 13, 2021  
MINUTES

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

**REGRETS:** Director of Corporate Services Leah Bloomquist

**LOCATION:** City Hall – Council Chambers and ZOOM

**RECORDING SECRETARY:** City Clerk Carla Budnick

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

#### **4. REPORTS**

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

###### **4.4.1 RFD – Canada Community Revitalization Fund Grant**

The Government of Canada has announced the Canada Community Revitalization Fund (CCRF), a national infrastructure program designed to revitalize communities across Canada. The program is open to municipalities and other public institutions, non-profit organizations and Indigenous communities for projects that aim to revitalize downtown cores and main streets, reinvent outdoor spaces, create green infrastructure, and increase the accessibility of community spaces. Examples of projects that could receive funding under the program include, farmers markets, community and cultural centres, parks or community gardens, recreational trails and public outdoor sports facilities, multi-purpose centres. CCRF contributions can represent up to 75% of total eligible costs to a maximum of \$750,000. The city would need to commit \$250,000 from other sources to receive the full amount. Projects must be completed by March 31, 2023. Administration has identified some potential projects that qualify for the funding and is looking to City Council for direction. A motion from Council committing funding to the project is required to be submitted with the application.

After much discussion Council agreed the pathway repair and improvement project was the project to go with. The proposed project consists of new pathway connections and repair and widen existing pathways.

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#### **4.5 Director of Infrastructure and Planning**

##### **4.5.1 RFD -Subdivision – Lake Vista Phase 5B**

A referral has been received from the province for the development of single-family dwellings for the remainder of Oliver Lane and a portion of Emma Crescent. Council recently amended the Zoning Bylaw for this area of the development to R2 – Residential. There are 19 Single Family Dwelling lots to be developed.

City Council is being asked to approve the subdivision.

##### **4.5.2 RFD – Water & Sewer Repairs**

Director of Infrastructure and Planning reviewed with Council several water and sewer issues that have been identified as needing repairs. Due to the number of repairs required, a tender was prepared to obtain accurate pricing. The City’s total cost to do all the work required is approximately \$98,200 plus taxes. As this is an unbudgeted cost, the funding would come from water and sewer reserves.

City Council was in favour of moving forward with the repairs.

#### **4.6 Community Economic Development Manager**

##### **4.6.1 CEDM Report**

Community Economic Development Manager Shewchuk gave a review of things he has been working on over the past month. Three virtual Business Roundtables were held in June to get feedback from local businesses regarding opportunities, environment, and future ideas. The events were attended by 9 local businesses. Work has been done researching ‘food bank’ entities and how municipalities support them. Discussions have been started to look at options of bringing the Free Pantry back to the Civic Centre. The Regional Task Force continues to meet to discuss ongoing business matters in the respective communities. Working alongside our website developer general updates to improve the site for mobile devices, improve architecture as well as navigation.

##### **4.6.2 RFD – Information Centre/Free Pantry**

The Free Pantry has been a successful program which provides donated food and items to those in need. The City of Martensville has supported the program by providing space at the Civic Centre to run the program. Due to the demand of the program, and the support it has received from the community, there has become a greater need to organize this service to ensure that donated food and items can get to those that need it the most on a regular basis as well as to manage donations and collections of foods and any monetary or gift donations. The Martensville Visitor and Information Centre has had an informal relationship with the Free Pantry in the past and discussions have begun to see how the Martensville Visitor and Information Centre could play a greater role in the program. Administration recently met with Martensville Visitor and Information Centre and a representative of the Free Pantry to discuss the coming together of the two organizations.

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It is Administrations hope that by the coming together of the two organizations it will provide a more organized, dedicated free pantry to the public with the potential to be something the community rallies around and supports. During budget deliberations this year, \$20,000 was budgeted towards a food bank initiative. It is recommended that an initial \$10,000 be provided upon the reformation and commencement of the Free Pantry with the Martensville Information & Visitor Centre. With successful operation over the next 3 months the additional \$10,000 may be provided at that time. The funding would assist for these initial stages of the reformed organization and support the operations.

**4.6.3 RFD – A & W 100 Car Show**

With the upcoming Show n Shine that accompanies the A & W 100 on September 11<sup>th</sup>, the Martensville Lions and A & W are requesting a partial closure of Centennial Drive North. The Show n Shine typically has between 80 and 110 cars each year and has become a popular event amongst residents and car enthusiasts from surrounding areas. There is even more excitement this year as the event did not run last year due to the pandemic. The city recognizes that Centennial Drive is a busy road with development on either side, but with the assistance of the City Public Works Department a partial road closure has proven to work extremely well. The event is expected to run from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm and the RCMP and City Fire Department are notified of the event and assist in ensuring there are safe conditions for all participating and attending.

City Council was in favour of the request and motion will go to the next Regular Council Meeting for formal approval.

**6. IN-CAMERA**

**6.1 Economic Development**

**6.2 Water & Sewer**

**6.3 Personnel**

Councillor Martens left the meeting at 5:42 PM

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 P.M.

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Mayor Kent Muench