

REPORT 9-2022
CITY OF MARTENSVILLE
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
TUESDAY – SEPTEMBER 13, 2022
MINUTES

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

REGRETS:

LOCATION: City Hall – Council Chambers and ZOOM

RECORDING SECRETARY: City Clerk Carla Budnick

CALL TO ORDER: Councillor Nikkel called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM

4. REPORTS

4.2 Director of Corporate Services

4.2.1 2022 IPTI Reports & Options – Saskatchewan Assessment System

In August of 2021, the Saskatchewan City Mayors Caucus (SCMC) and the Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association (SUMA) selected the International Property Tax Institute (IPTI) to review the role of SAMA and provide recommendations for improvements in property tax assessment. The final report was provided in April 2022 with an overview of the current system in Saskatchewan and 8 possible options for change. Each municipality has now been tasked with identifying their priority “best” options to bring forward to the September SCMC meeting and subsequently develop into a cohesive joint advocacy plan for future change.

Administration did recommend that real change and improvement could be achieved by prioritizing options 1, 3, 4 and 5 which are at the root of the assessment system and its accuracy, transparency, and timeliness (to view the complete report, visit www.martensville.ca). City Council was satisfied with those recommendations and agreed to bring them forward to the next SCMC meeting.

4.5 Director of Infrastructure and Planning

4.5.1 RFD – Lake Vista Master Agreement Amendment #2

Lake Vista is managed with a Master Servicing Agreement (MSA) which contains high level details for the overall development of Lake Vista. The MSA was amended once before to include the new school and reflect the new concept plan necessary to accommodate that. A second amendment has now been drafted. The amendment is reflective of current planning studies being developed (Lake Vista Concept Plan and South East Sector Plan) and the planned priority order of development within the new areas. Administration is recommending City Council authorize the City Manager to sign the amendment.

A motion will be brought to the next Regular Council Meeting for formal approval.

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4.6 Community Economic Development Manager

4.6.1 CEDM Report

Community Economic Development Manager Dillon Shewchuk reviewed with Council things he has been working on over the past month. Plans are underway for an open house and membership meeting for the Free Pantry on October 5th to share and show what the pantry does and hopes to further formalize the pantry. Work was done to prepare for the Show n Shine on Saturday September 10th. Information has been put up on the website regarding the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee Medal program.

4.8 Fire Chief

4.8.1 RFD – Fire Prevention Bylaw

The Fire Chief was in attendance to speak to City Council about the new proposed Fire Prevention Bylaw. The existing bylaw was adopted in 2006 and many things needed updating and changed. With all the noted changes and updating, it was recommended to repeal the existing Fire Prevent Bylaw No. 47-2006 and replace it with the proposed bylaw No. 13-2022. Some of the updating included switching “Town” to “City” as well as adding procedures for writing orders, appealing orders, enforcing orders and penalties as per The Cities Act. There is also a recommendation to increase the minimum liability insurance required when setting off fireworks as per recommendations form insurance companies.

City Council had no questions, and the bylaw will come to a future meeting for formal adoption.

IN-CAMERA

6.1 Economic Development

6.2 Personnel

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 7:57 PM.

Mayor Kent Muench