RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MURRAY HARBOUR MINUTES of REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

November 8, 2022

In Attendance: Mayor Paul White, Chair; Cllr Sandra Gordon; Cllr Marlene MacNeill; Cllr Gary MacKay;

Absent: Deputy Mayor Carol White, Margaret VanIderstine

Gallery: Terry White, John Robertson, Jaki Durocher, Ruth Stead, Pam Oickle

Staff: Anne Harnesk (CAO)

1. Call to Order:

Mayor White called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm

2. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

No conflicts declared.

3. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Cllr Gordon and seconded by Cllr MacKay, that the agenda for the November 8, 2022 Council Meeting be accepted as submitted. *Vote was 3-0 in favour; motion carried.*

4. Delegations - None.

5. Approval of Minutes

Moved by Cllr MacKay and seconded by Cllr MacNeill, that Council hereby approve the minutes of the September 14, 2022 regular Council meeting as submitted.

Vote was 3-0 in favour; motion carried.

6. Correspondence - None.

7. CAO Report/Business Arising from Previous Meetings

- a. See report attached.
- b. Financial Report: see attached

Moved by Cllr Gordon and seconded by Cllr MacNeill,

that Council hereby approves the purchase of a new printer for the CAO office to replace the existing one which is not working properly.

Vote was 3-0 in favour; motion carried.

Also moved by Cllr Gordon and seconded by Cllr MacKay, that the CAO's report be received as information. Vote was 3-0 in favour; motion carried.

8. Reports of Committees

Parks & Recreation - Deputy Mayor White

a. No report as Deputy Mayor White is away

Finance & Infrastructure - Cllr MacKay

- a. Hartwood Developments (Seniors Residences) are unable to meet with us until Spring 2024 as they are so busy. Gary to look into other options.
- b. Solar Panels are working away and were inspected after Hurricane Fiona they are all good.

Planning - Cllr MacKay

- a. Gladstone Higginbotham hire to remove school bell from roof of Fire Department.
- b. Lights that were purchased for Lobster Trap Tree last year; not even one was working when checked. Returned them to Kent and they replaced them at no charge.
- c. The Lobster Trap Tree took a bit of a beating from Fiona. We will get this year out of the tree and maybe one more. Will need to look at replacing with something different or rebuilding.

Newsletter - Cllr MacKay

- a. Need to sell 12 ads to cover the cost of the newsletter.
- b. Anne to send Gary a list of people who donated to EMO for Hurricane Fiona.

Sewage - Cllr Gordon

- a. Generator that powers the UV Light and pumps water from lagoon to out put stopped working right after Hurricane Fiona. No choice but to replace it. Anne to look into if we can split the cost between Sewage Utility and Canadian Community Building Fund (CCBF)
- b. Anne to follow up with Stephen if he has put and X on the spot for Kings County Construction to do disconnects.

EMO - Cllr MacNeill

- a. Our EMO plan is with the Province for review indications are it looks good.
- b. Anne to send the EMO bylaw to Marlene to pass along to Province. They also want a copy of the Memorandum of Understanding with the United Church.
- c. Very proud of everyone stepping up during Hurricane Fiona. It was a learning experience and I feel we did very well.

Beautification and Special Events - Mayor White

- a. Planning another Lobster Roll fundraiser, the end of November.
- b. Looking at putting on a New Years Eve Dance. Group will meet on Thursday, November 10th and will have more information at the December 7th Council meeting. We will need to apply for a liquor permit.

Moved by Cllr Gordon and seconded by Cllr MacKay, that Council apply for a liquor permit for the New Year's Eve Party. Vote was 3-0 in favour; motion carried.

10. New Business

a. Furnace Duct Cleaning

Anne received a quote from Drake Clean Up Systems. They came out and did a proper quote which was \$1,696.25. It was decided to wait on this for now as there doesn't appear to be any issues.

b. New Generator at Sewage Lagoon

See above under Sewage Report.

c. Clean Gently Used Coats, Boots, Mitts, Hats and Scarfs

Natalie Edgar wanted to know if Council would be behind a program where clean, gently used winter wear is available to those in the Village in need. Anne has a portable clothes rack that would be in the office to keep the items in. It would be open during office hours for people to take what they need.

Council was in favour of the idea as long as the items were laundered.

d. Insurance

Mayor White asked about the insurance situation with the solar panels. Anne to confirm with Tyler that coverage has been added.

e. Roof on Long House at Railhead Park

Anne to check with Shannon to see if she is willing to patch the roof on the Longhouse at Railhead park and we will bank her hours for next year or pay her as a Consultant.

11. Adjournment

Moved by Cllr MacKay and seconded by Cllr MacNeill to adjourn at 8:20 pm.

The next regular meeting of the Council will be on December 7, 2022 at 6:30 pm. The swearing in of the new Council will take place prior to the meeting.

Mayor, Paul White

Anne Harnesk, CAO