

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MURRAY HARBOUR
MINUTES of REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
May 10, 2023

In Attendance: Mayor, Terry White; Deputy Mayor, Gary MacKay; Cllr. Paul White;
Cllr. Jaki Durocher; Cllr., John Robertson; Cllr. Erin Welch Taglioni

Regrets: Cllr. Pam Oickle

Gallery: Glen White, Cassidy Matheson

Staff: Anne Harnesk (CAO)

1. Call to Order:

Mayor White called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

2. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

No conflicts declared.

3. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Cllr White and seconded by Deputy Mayor MacKay,
that the agenda for the May 10, 2023 Council Meeting be accepted as amended. (item b. Arbour added)

Vote was 5-0 in favour; motion carried.

4. Approval of Minutes

Moved by Cllr Robertson, and seconded by Cllr Durocher,
that Council hereby approve the minutes of the April 12, 2023 regular Council meeting as submitted.

Vote was 5-0 in favour; motion carried.

5. Business Arising from Previous Meeting

a. Community Fridge – Mayor Terry White

Terry spoke with Linda; funding should be coming soon. Need to come up with the spot where it will go. Terry will speak with John McCarthy and a couple of other carpenters regarding the shed.

b. Speed Bumps – Mayor Terry White

Terry spoke with Province. We would need to have 2 million liability insurance and the speed bumps would need to be removed each fall which is not practical. Anne to all Montague RCMP about providing a few speed traps. Anne to also investigate the “how fast you are going” signs.

c. Provide Anne with Bingo prize schedule Bingo dates and House Rules – Cllr. Durocher

Currently, we have not agreed on any of the above. We will put the idea of Bingo’s on hold for now. Cllr. Robertson had mentioned the idea of auctioning off a Bunkie. Terry to speak to John McCarthy about donating a shed or providing one at cost.

6. Delegations – Cassidy Matheson

Native Seed Collection Project – See attached. Cassidy will present five workshops as listed on her attachment (two in spring, one in summer and two in the fall.) The first workshop will be on Sunday, May 21st at 1:00 - 3:00 pm in the large room.

Cassidy will also liaise with Tara Callaghan our Landscape Architect, on planting native species in our upcoming projects.

7. Correspondence – Cape Bear Lighthouse

Looking for meeting space every two weeks from June to October 2023 at no to low cost. It was decided that \$2.00 per person would be reasonable.

Anonymous

Received an anonymous letter regarding a few issues in the Village and a few that are outside of the Village. Without knowing who sent it there is no way to respond.

Open Letter to Federal and Provincial Governments of Canada

Strange letter that looks like it was sent to a lot of Government officials.

8. CAO Report/Business Arising from Previous Meetings

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

Deputy Mayor MacKay to apply for a grant for the CCTV Cameras

Moved by Cllr White and seconded by Cllr Welch Taglioni,
that the CAO's report be received as information.

Vote was 6-0 in favour; motion carried.

9. Committees

Planning

Deputy Mayor Mackay, Chair

Not much will happen now until after lobster season.

Capital Projects/Finance

Deputy Mayor MacKay, Chair

The sidewalk extension will start later this month.

Community Garden, Fitness Park, Heritage Park, and Memorial for those lost at sea all on track to commence over the next month.

Maintenance & Infrastructure

Councillor Robertson – Chair

Maintenance

The village request for walkway repair on either side of the bridge is under consideration by the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure, and they will survey the area. Our case is strong because we are asking only for restoration of “what we had” before the bridge reconstruction.

A streetlight has recently been installed at Mariners Lane / Main Street intersection.

Insurance

Hurricane Fiona damage at Rail Head Park (eavestroughs and signage) has been confirmed as an insured Risk and estimates for their repair/replacement are being obtained.

The insurer will provide a boilerplate harassment policy to be adapted for the Village. The draft policy will be circulated in advance of the next meeting and brought to the June meeting for approval.

Road clean-up will proceed weather permitting as crews move through the area. Broken or damaged curbs or landscaping need to be reported by residents directly to the roads department; clean-up crews are not responsible for assessing and initiating repairs.

In response to the suggested litter clean-up day, several councillors volunteered that this was already organised by the WI. No further action.

Newsletter

Councillor Welch Taglioni

Spring 2023 Newsletter complete and delivered. Next issue should be end of August, beginning of September.

Sewage Utility

Councillor Durocher – Chair

We do not seem to have a way to determine the way the line from East Coast Engine joins into the system. Anne to investigate placing liens rather than disconnecting people.

EMO

Councillor Oickle - Chair

See Attached.

Fundraising

Councillor White – Chair

Councillor Durocher – Co-chair

Chili event we had 5 people show up. Remainder of Chili sold to Butlers and the Friendly Circle Setting Day, the fishermen/women were most appreciative of the coffee and muffins.

Cars are registered for the Show and Shine already.

10. New Business

a. Purchase tables from Sandi Kompst - Cllr Durocher

We have been using Sandi's tables for a few events now. They are in between sizes of the square tables and the longer tables. Sandi is looking for \$1,000 for them. Discussion followed. It was decided to offer Sandi \$700 as we have stored them in the basement for her for years.

Moved by Cllr White and seconded by Cllr Welch Taglioni,

that council approve the purchase of tables from Sandi Kompst at a cost of \$700.

Vote was 5-0 in favour; motion carried.

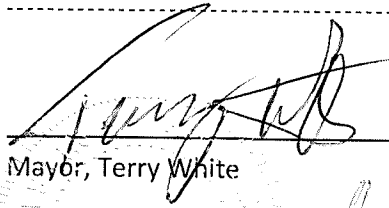
b. Arbour – Cllr. White

Friendly Circle has donated an Arbour to the Village. It is currently sitting at Railhead Park. Anne to send thank you card.


11. Adjournment

Moved by Cllr Durocher and seconded by Cllr Welch Taglioni to adjourn at 8:45 pm.

The next regular meeting of the Council will be on June 14, 2023 at 6:00 pm in the Boardroom.



Mayor, Terry White



Anne Harnesk, CAO