

Minutes of the General Government Committee Meeting

Held on Wednesday, March 23, 2016

Present: Jack Clark, Chairperson
Ron Lane, Mayor
Kevin Woestenenk, Councillor
Scott McDougall, Citizen Representative
Annette Clarke, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer

Addition to Agenda

Moved by Kevin Woestenenk

Seconded by Ron Lane

THAT the following addition be made to the March 23, 2016 agenda:

- 3. xiii) Website***
- 4. i) Trex Recycling***
 - ii) Committee Memberships***
 - iii) Proposal to Stop and Sell***

Carried

1. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None declared.

2. Adoption of the February 24, 2016 and March 2, 2016 Minutes

Moved by Kevin Woestenenk

Seconded by Ron Lane

THAT the minutes of the February 24, 2016 and March 2, 2016 meetings be adopted as presented.

Carried

3. Business Arising out of the Minutes

- i) Goals for Committee – tabled***
- ii) Strategic Planning – Stasia is compiling and Sylvie will review. The plan will be circulated to members of Committee for the next meeting.***

- iii) Centennial Manor – Assisted Living – A letter and motion have been sent.
- iv) Pavilion – March 2, 2016 were missed going to Council for approval.

Moved by Kevin Woestenenk

Seconded by Ron Lane

That the motion of the minutes of March 2, 2016 with respect to the Pavilion be amended as follows:

DELETE: "PLUS water/sewer, hydro, and taxes" and CHANGE TO "INCLUDES water/sewer, taxes PLUS hydro"

ADD: "Rent to be increased 2% per year over the five (5) year term of the lease".

Carried

- v) Marina Visitor Package – 2 packages to be offered. Package 1 Dockage and Golf, package 2 dockage and theatre. Both to include museum and pump out. Discussion ensued regarding transportation to and from the golf course. Investigate options ie. Gordon Twp. arranging the transportation; arranging a courtesy car/shuttle; arrange local service. Ask Robbie Colwell where cars are from at airport, check into liability insurance. Advertise on radio, marina (Roy Eaton). Facebook, website, posters at other marinas, N.C.M.T.C. circulate. Annette will consult with Lee Hayden re: administration of the program.
- vii) Manitoulin Official Final Plan Draft – Committee to review and report back to Annette.
- vii) Manitoulin Planning Board – COOP – Notice was sent to the Planning Board.
- viii) First North Channel Cruising Rendezvous - Letter was sent to Robbie. Mugs will be ordered when numbers are confirmed.
- ix) 2016 Budget – Budget is completed. Ads are to be placed in the paper for the next two weeks, and website next week. Committee asked for a Quarterly Financial Report to be submitted to committee. First report due at the April meeting.
- x) Partnership with Rainbow District School Board re: Reutilization of C.C. McLean – Invite Peter Fletcher and any other reps from the Senior Centre.
- xi) Phipps Street – Annette will prepare RFP for engineering and report back at next meeting.
- xii) Staffing Update – Jennifer Ferguson is to start in the office April 4, 2016.
- xiii) Website – Robert is working on it. He met with Stasia. He has been sent forms to include, as well as comments/ complaints/ queries. Ask for an update for April's meeting.

4. New Business

- i) **Trex Recycling – Kevin provided some information regarding a recycling program. Discussion ensued. More information required to see whether or not it is an option for this area.**
- ii) **Committee Membership – Find a replacement for Paul Flanagan. Place an ad in the paper, and website, email one week before the next general government meeting asking to be a member.**
- iii) **Proposal to Stop and Sell – A request has been made to purchase a portion of Park Street which is currently not in use. The acquired property is needed for a proposed development which would benefit the municipality from a tax assessment and housing perspective. Annette explained the process which will involve the Stop Up and Closure of a portion of Park Street. Property owners adjacent to the street have to be offered a portion of the street. If they do not want it it can be acquired and sold by the municipality. At the present time there is a set of steps to access the top of Park Street. In the past this walkway has been used by residents as a short cut from the upper bluff to Gore Street. In order to allow this to continue after a sale of the road allowance the Town would have to ensure an easement was in place for pedestrian traffic. As well, a resident is currently utilizing this street as driveway access to their property. An easement would also be required in order to allow this to continue or another access given off of Gore Street.**

Moved by Ron Lane

Seconded by Kevin Woestenenk

THAT the General Government Committee recommends to Council to stop and close a portion of Park Street and offer it for sale to adjoining landowners as per the Municipal Act subject to Council establishing a price for the said property.

Carried

- iv) **Infrastructure – According to the federal budget, there will be funding programs announced soon. Municipalities need to prioritize projects and take the necessary steps to be shovel ready for these projects. Discussion ensued. Suggestions included New Street, Drainage, items identified in Asset Management. Committee felt this should be a discussion at Council level.**

5. Adjournment

Moved by Kevin Woestenenk

THAT we adjourn at 9:33 p.m.

Carried

Meeting adjourned.

