

Minutes of the General Government Meeting

Held on Wednesday, February 28, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

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

Others: Joyce Foster, Gore Bay Resident
Bob Prior, Gore Bay Resident

Moved by Deborah Woods

Seconded by Scott McDougall

THAT the following additions be made to the February 28, 2018 General Government Meeting:

- a) Item 4 v) Website addition*
- b) Item 5 i) Sale of Property*
- c) Item 5ii) Legal*

Carried

1. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None declared

2. Adoption of the January 18, 2018 Minutes

Moved by Scott McDougall

Seconded by Deborah Woods

THAT the minutes of the January 18, 2018 meeting be adopted as presented.

Carried

3. Business Arising out of the Minutes

- i) Vendor Policy – changes were made and new copies presented to the Committee. Discussion ensued. Direction for more changes and will bring back one more time and be ready for April Council meeting.
- ii) Residential Tenancy – table
- iii) Splash Pad – awaiting funding announcement which is supposed to be by Friday, March 9th. Also reported on tennis courts – RFP has been sent out and due back March 9th.
- iv) Community Improvement Plan – Committee agreed not to proceed with a Community Improvement Plan.

- v) Senior Centre Rentals - Annette advised that Stasia did some research and average rentals at other similar sized locations range between \$25.00 and \$50.00 for the use of a room. Discussion ensued. Agreed to allow the "TOPS" class to be grandfathered meaning no fees charged. Administration to draft a rental policy and bring it back to Committee for approval.
- vi) Appointment of Alternate CEMC – Annette advised that Council decided against appointing Aaron Wright as CEMC based on the fact he already has too many responsibilities related to emergency response ie. CEMC in Billings; Volunteer Firefighter and Paramedic. Stasia has indicated an interest to take on this position.

Moved by Deborah Woods

Seconded by Scott McDougall

THAT we recommend to Council that we appoint Stasia Carr as alternate CEMC.

Carried

- vii) Dog Park – Annette advised that the cost of the fencing for the park is \$10,259 plus tax plus installation. There may be cheaper fencing alternatives to chain link. Place into the budget and determine whether we can afford to create a dog park.
- viii) Deer By-law – A copy of a draft by-law was circulated to the committee. Discussion ensued. Annette asked the Committee to review the map to ensure the areas that are coloured are in fact all the areas the Committee wants included in the by-law. She also asked for clarification with respect to agricultural vs regular permits. It was noted that the properties located outside the boundaries of Gore Bay cannot be part of our by-law. However, the properties located on the boundaries of Gore Bay will be included in the request to MNR for additional doe tags for hunting during regular hunting seasons. Committee felt all of Lot 5 Concession 10 should be included. Include all of Lot 12 East Range as well. Annette will make those changes. We will continue to petition MNR for extra deer seals for the properties bordering Gore Bay. Agricultural permits are historically issued in September. A request has been made to extend into October. Additional doe tags will be requested for the properties in yellow. Bob – how many deer can I potentially shoot? Explained that you can potentially shoot two deer plus deer from the agricultural permits. Clarification was made with respect to the additional tags: If approved, one additional antlerless tag will be issued for those areas included in our by-law plus the areas in Gordon Township that border Gore Bay. In addition to this program, a program exists for Agricultural deer permits, meaning Farmers can allow shooting of deer on their properties (set # of tags given by MNR) as designated in our by-law. This normally takes place in October. Committee needs more time to review the content of the by-law. Defer to next meeting for approval and recommendation to Council.

4. New Business

- i) Residential Tenancies Act Amendments – Call around and see if anyone from other municipalities are attending. Unfortunately, no one from the office has time to go to Sudbury that week because auditors are on site. We do not have a person appointed yet. Feel the best person to investigate these types of complaints would be a Chief Building Official. Again, once the CBO issue is resolved we can discuss it further with CBO.
- ii) Integrity Commissioner – Annette advised she attended a Clerk’s meeting in Central Manitoulin to discuss hiring a Joint Integrity Commissioner. This will be a mandatory requirement effective March 1, 2019. It was agreed by the Clerks in attendance that the best option would be to hire a lawyer on retainer and share the retainer fee jointly with all participating municipalities. In the event the Integrity Commissioner was needed by any one municipality, that municipality would be responsible for one hundred percent of the costs. Central Manitoulin is collecting further information from lawyers with respect to costs etc and another meeting will be held in the near future.
- iii) 2018 Budget – Annette asked questions regarding some of the higher priced items and whether to include in the budget. It was agreed to include them in the budget for consideration.
- iv) ReThink Green Follow Up Information Session – no one is available to attend
- v) Additions to Website – Scott asked whether we can add “places to stay, places to eat” and highlight on the site. Add community directory to the website. Add places to stay and eat as one tab under Discovery and Businesses on the website. Annette will have Stasia add accordingly.

5. In Camera

- i) Staff

Moved by Deborah Woods

Seconded by Scott McDougall

THAT we enter an in-camera session at 9:11 p.m. to discuss staff, property and legal.

Carried

Moved by Scott McDougall

Seconded by Deborah Woods

THAT we continue past the 11 p.m. deadline.

Carried

Moved by Deborah Woods

Seconded by Scott McDougall

THAT we come out of camera at 11:12 p.m.

Carried

6. Adjournment

Moved by Deborah Woods

THAT we adjourn at 11:13 p.m.

Carried

Respectfully submitted by
Annette Clarke, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer