



Council Committee as a Whole

MINUTES

March 12th, 2020

5:30 pm in the Council Chambers

In attendance: Ruth Murray, Margaret Johnston, Chris Hamblin, Tim Lewis, Scott Crick, Mel Baxter, Trevor Thiessen (left the meeting at 7:33pm)

Not in attendance:

Also, in attendance: CFO Chris Janke

Delegations:

- 5:30 Ralph Fyfe, Proposal for Benches

Minutes from last Meeting:

- *Moved by: Chris Hamblin*
- *Seconded by: Tim Lewis*

Be it resolved that the Minutes for the February Committee as a Whole meeting be adopted as presented.

Council Round Table (Committee, Board, and Personal Reports):

- Mayor Scott Crick

Mayor's Report

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Events attended or Mayoral activities (paid):

Feb 13/19: Budget Meeting (1.5 hrs)

Events attended or Mayoral activities (unpaid):

Mar 10/19: In the Mayor's Chair (0.5 hrs)

Feb-Mar: Interviews, various phone calls and correspondence, work (2 hours)

Items of Interest to Report on:

1. Very much looking forward to our budget meeting, and thankful for all of the work put in by members of Council and Staff.
2. Otherwise almost nothing to report, as I left the Friday after last Committee-as-a-Whole, and returned just five days ago. However, the next few weeks should be busy with the Twisters starting the playoffs, Heavenly Care opening in Morris, and a new flood update arriving. I certainly appreciate the more conservative approach taken by the Province this year.
3. I started my new role as CFO at Grandeur Housing on Monday March 9th, so will be less flexible on my time for the next few months as I get settled. Evening meetings should not be issues, and I will appreciate Council's support in ensuring we have Council presence where needed at this time.

Noted and discussed

- **Deputy Mayor Chris Hamblin**

Chris Hamblin – Report to the CAAW – March 12, 2020

CHMC and Assisted Living/Seniors Housing Complex

March 2nd – Economic Development Meeting to go over preliminary drawings for subdivision process.

Valley Ag meetings – plans are moving forward. Advertising and marketing moving well. They are working on bus tours as well. Dog Park Committee has asked to use the grounds for Doggie Expo. Valley Ag has agreed in principle. The committee has also asked to have the dogs in the Stampede Parade.

Noted and discussed

- **Councillor Mel Baxter**

The EMO meeting we attended on Mar-9/20 was an update on water flood conditions, emergency social services and disaster financial assistance if needed. Basically all is

dependent on rain or snowfall, temperature melt and water flow from the U.S. If the moisture content is unfavourable then we could possibly have a 2009 situation, if normal then possibly 2011 and if favourable then similar to last year-2019. Hwy 75 and 23 West may have water problems and it is likely that the Wpg floodway will be closed. A new flood forecast will be released the 3rd week of March.

The renovations to the library washrooms are now complete with the exception of some plastering and painting. New cupboards have been added at the entrance for storage of supplies such as brooms, mops etc. Sean Conway will be holding a Free Tax Service for 4 days in April. Guidelines are in place to handle a limited number of low income recipients by appt. only. Writer's and Book clubs will be wrapping up for the year.

Noted and discussed

- **Councillor Margaret Johnston**

The pool has held interviews for summer staff and offers of employment will be going out next week. They are working on a registration night for town residents.

Minor Ball registration is also open.

Noted and discussed

- **Councillor Tim Lewis**

Council Report

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By: Councilor Tim Lewis

Committees, Boards, and Activities Attended:

March 2, 2020 - Community Futures Triple R Corporation Meeting Notes

Meeting Highlights

From Staff:

- Attended the CF Manitoba Strategic planning session - submitted for the summer student application – Met with the new RM of Piney EDO – attended meeting with the RM of Ritchot regarding their Business Edge Expo – met with Stephanie Harris SEED Altona & SEED Winnipeg to discuss their Recognition counts program –attended Rhineland Inter Agency Team meeting in Altona – tea training – met with our IT company for upgrades to our computers.

- Worked with 32 clients, 85 contacts and 10 new clients

From Board:

- This month our meeting was held in the Town of Niverville Council Chamber – a big thank you to their staff & council for hosting our meeting.
- Most RM's & Town reps reported either having completed or almost completed their budget work - strategic planning sessions have either started or have been completed and are in place.
- RM of Desalaberry : has a new fire truck for the Town of St Malo.
- Town of Morris hosted the Senior Provincial Curling, Manitoba Brier rep from Morris Curling Club – March 9th flood preparedness session.
- Municipality of Emerson / Franklin – RM of Morris and the Municipality of Rhineland also mention flood preparedness and the application to the Government for grants regarding the flood preparedness.
- Town of Altona will be announcing an Immigration project this week.
- Town of Niverville: The town was awarded the 2022 Winter games.
- RM of Ste Anne: The MB/MN Transmission line where the hydro line was brought in has developed free distribution of fire wood for local residents.
- RM of Ritchot: March 23 Ile des Chenes will be hosting their home show event –movie currently being filmed in Ile des Chenes – April 14 at the Trans Canada Centre Ile Des Chenes will be hosting Edge Biz Expo.
- R.M. of Hanover: with the recent passing of long time council member Bernie Stahn, the RM will have a by-election April, 2020.
- Next meeting will be hosted by The RM of Hanover in April 2020.

March 12, 2020 – Transportation and Infrastructure (Chair)

Items of Interest to Report on:

A meeting was held March 10 with Mel Baxter, Brian Wiebe and Tim Lewis.

Annual fire extinguisher inspections have been completed by ABC Fire & Safety. One was sent away for replacement and 2 new ones were purchased.

The toboggan hill for the winter carnival was a huge success and they will have a new design again next year.

Brian and Jimmy attended the MWWA Conference in Brandon. There were many useful sessions. They got lots of compliments on the PW use of social media and many other jurisdictions would like to copy what they are doing. There was information on lead testing and that information will be passed on to Brigitte. There was also a discussion about PW involvement with EOC during emergencies. Brian has chatted with our MEC about their role.

Vehicle safeties are being completed throughout February and March.

PW would like to purchase 2 dog waste stations this year, one for Willow Park and one for beside the lift station in the development. The approximate cost is \$500 per unit.

Parking on the first block of Mulvey Street west of Main Street is an issue. Snow clearing is very difficult and access for fire trucks could also be an issue.

How do we handle sewer line inspections for new residential and commercial builds? Public works has no authority to halt construction if the sewer line is not installed correctly.

Recommendations:

Do we consider having parking on only one side of Mulvey for the first block? There is a fire hydrant on the north side so perhaps parking should only be on the south side.

Could we add the sewer line from the building to the main line to the inspections done by the building inspector as he has authority to require changes or to stop construction until the work is done to code?

This year National Public Works Week is from May 17th-23rd and we will be organizing a bbq lunch with multiple "learning stations" for the public. We will confirm a date for the open house shortly. I have completed an application for our pw team to be considered for the NPWW (National Public Works Week) awards. Having the Mayor, and Council, declare that week as Public Works Week assists in the awards applications. Plus, we would like to get as much public awareness in hopes of having an even bigger turnout this year at our open house. I've attached a sample declaration that was available from the CPWA (Canadian Public Works Association). Would it be possible for this declaration to be done at the next council meeting?

Noted and discussed

- **Councillor Ruth Murray**

CAW Report for March 12, 2020 by Ruth Murray

I did report at the Feb 27, regular Council meeting on the PVWC. I had also expressed a concern at the Multiplex when large events are hosted there re Curling Bonspiels etc. Is there enough cleaning staff on duty all day? I did attend the EMO Mtg on Flood Preparedness but Councillor Mel did an excellent job on reporting. Hopefully I can confirm the exact numbers for the Fish Fry @ St Andrews with the North Chapter of RRBC so I can confirm the handivan. Thus far I have Tim Lewis, Mel Baxter, Margaret & Shane Johnston, and myself. Just waiting for confirmation from Mayor Scott Crick. We do have a table of 8 reserved. If Scott brings Cheryl then we would have 1 spot available for the driver of the van.

Noted and discussed

- **Councillor Trevor Thiessen**

Has contacted CHMC in regards to the Morris Manor.

Project Board Reports:

- **Morris Manor Project – Trevor Thiessen**
 - Nothing new to report
- **Assisted Living Project – Chris Hamblin**
 - Nothing new to report
- **Medical Clinic Project – Tim Lewis**
 - Will reach out to RHA to see if there are any updates.

...any additional specific Board reports that need in-depth discussion outside of Mayor's/Councillors' Reports

New Business:

- Covid 19
 - Office will start posting updates from Province on social media.

Old Business: None

Meeting adjourned at 8:44 pm.