

Council Committee as a Whole

Minutes November 7, 2024

6:30 pm

In attendance: Mel Baxter, Tim Lewis, Taylor Braun, Chris Hamblin, Trevor Thiessen (virtually) and Mayor Scott Crick

Not in Attendance: Dave Funk

Delegations: Public Works Foreman – Brian Wiebe – Provided his report to council

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

Mayor Scott Crick:

• Provided a verbal report

Noted and Discussed

Councillor Chris Hamblin

- Morris Area Foundation (MAF)-report to CAAW for October 7th, 2024
 - Morris and Area Foundation has received a number of applications for funding this year and will be reviewing these applications to make decisions on funding.
 - Giving challenge is coming up, members of the MAF will be attending the Twisters game to promote the giving challenge. They will also be at Bigway during the week of the Challenge in order to promote and help raise awareness. A flyer has been mailed and past donors have been contacted.
 - Plans are also under way for the celebration and announcement of grant awards.
 - Important dates:
 - Next board meeting: November 12th
 - Giving Challenge: November 12th 17th
 - Promotion at the Twisters game: November 8th
 - Christmas Gala and awards announcement: December 10th
- Economic Development
 - Work continues on the Development Plan. Brigitte and I have had 2 meetings with a digital media company focused on digital marketing. They are to have a proposal to us in the near future. The emphasis is to be on marketing the Industrial Park.

Noted and discussed

Councillor Taylor Braun

No report

Noted and discussed

Councillor Tim Lewis

No report

Noted and discussed

Councillor Mel Baxter

• M.A.S.S Board report

- A new cook with many years of cooking experience has been hired. She is interested in resurrecting "tea time" and possibly starting the Lowe Farm meals program again. She started November 4th.
- Still no word on the Davidson Centre start date for renovations.
- Craft program to begin shortly.
- Town and RM grants have been received. The town grant goes toward the meal program while the RM grant is used for obtaining medical equipment such as wheelchairs, walkers, etc.

Noted and discussed

Councillor David Funk (Not in attn

No report

Noted and Discussed

Councillor Trevor Thiessen

No report

Noted and discussed

Red River Supportive Housing Project: Chris Hamblin

- RRSH
 - An RFP has been put out to hire a construction Manager with the intent of fine tuning the costing and getting a better handle on how we proceed. Responses to the RFP have been received and we are in discussions with a successful company to proceed.
 - We have set up a meeting with the councils of the 3 municipalities. This has been set for November 19th.
 This will be followed by 3 open houses in early December to engage the residents of the are. Residents can attend any or all 3 meetings. All meeting swill fun from 6:30 to 8:00 PM.
 Dates are as follows:
 - Morris December 3rd
 - Rosenort December 5th
 - St. Jean December 10th

Noted and discussed

New Business:

• None

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.