

Meeting of the Town of St. Paul Council in the St. Paul Town Council Chambers on Monday, March 10th, 2014 at 19:00 Hours.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Glenn Andersen, Ken Kwiatkowski, Edna Gervais, Dwight Wiebe, Don Padlesky, Norm Noel, Judy Bogdan, and recording secretary Cindy Litwinski.

PRESENTATION:-EC Mapping Coalition-Lynoya Henderson, Louise Reidy

- Cradle to Crayon is a project created by the St. Paul Early Child Development Community Coalition. This was formed in response to the Early Child Development Mapping Project for Alberta (ECMap) criteria to support early childhood development in our community.
- As a coalition our mission is to promote awareness in the St. Paul and area about the importance of the early years (0-5) in terms of child development and school readiness.
- The key organizations involved are Town of St. Paul FCSS, Parent-Link Centre, The boy’s and Girl’s Club, Family Literacy Program, Franco-accueil, Champions for Change and Alberta Health Services.
- The Early Childhood Development Mapping project (EC Map) is a five year provincial research project to give schools, parent and communities general information about children’s development before kindergarten.
- Using the Early Development Instrument (EDI) kindergarten teachers in our area were able to gather information about how children were developing in 5 developmental areas:
 1. Physical Health and Wellbeing
 2. Social Competence
 3. Emotional Maturity
 4. Language and Thinking Skills
 5. Communication Skills
- The EDI scores of each child fall into one of three categories;
 1. Developing appropriately
 2. Experiencing difficulty
 3. Experiencing great difficulty
- With positive early development children are more likely to do well in school, have better jobs, become good parents, develop positive social relationships, better coping and problem solving skills.
- James Heckman calculates that \$1 invested in early childhood is equivalent to \$3 spent on school aged children and \$8 on young adults.
- Alberta & St. Paul & Area EDI results:

| Developmental Area | St. Paul & Area EDI results | | Alberta EDI results 2009-2012 | |
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| Physical Health & Well-being | Developing Appropriately | 77.07% | Developing Appropriately | 74.47% |
| | Experiencing Difficulty | 7.64% | Experiencing Difficulty | 13.37% |
| | Experiencing Great Difficulty | 15.29% | Experiencing Great Difficulty | 12.11% |
| Social Competence | Developing Appropriately | 65.61% | Developing Appropriately | 76.79% |
| | Experiencing Difficulty | 21.02% | Experiencing Difficulty | 14.52% |
| | Experiencing Great Difficulty | 13.38% | Experiencing Great Difficulty | 8.69% |
| Emotional Maturity | Developing Appropriately | 61.78% | Developing Appropriately | 74.87% |
| | Experiencing Difficulty | 24.20% | Experiencing Difficulty | 14.94% |
| | Experiencing Great Difficulty | 13.38% | Experiencing Great Difficulty | 9.89% |
| Language & Thinking Skills | Developing Appropriately | 66.24% | Developing Appropriately | 77.62% |
| | Experiencing Difficulty | 11.46% | Experiencing Difficulty | 13.63% |
| | Experiencing Great Difficulty | 21.66% | Experiencing Great Difficulty | 8.60% |
| Communication Skills and General Knowledge | Developing Appropriately | 77.07% | Developing Appropriately | 70.86% |
| | Experiencing Difficulty | 5.73% | Experiencing Difficulty | 17.16% |
| | Experiencing Great Difficulty | 17.20% | Experiencing Great Difficulty | 11.97% |

- The Alberta results indicate that the majority of children in this province are developing well. Nearly 28.9% are experiencing great difficulty in one or more areas of development, however, close to 13% are experiencing great difficulty in two or more areas of development. These percentages are slightly higher than the Canadian norm.
- Could add the EC Mapping information and events to the Town website, Facebook page and the Town newsletter. We could also look into putting a display at the Wellness Centre.
- They are requesting a letter of support from Council and use of space for events at no cost.

Regular meeting of the Town of St. Paul Council in the St. Paul Town Council Chambers called to order at 19:51 Hours.

- 1) Moved by Don Padlesky
That, the Agenda be adopted as read.

“CARRIED”

- 2) Moved by Ken Kwiatkowski
That, the minutes from February 24th, 2014 Regular Council meeting be adopted as read.

“CARRIED”

BUSINESS FROM THE MINUTES:

Mesa

- Received a couple more references from Maya this morning.
- The references were for Rockford and Yorkton.
- Rockford has a community hall. Most businesses have closed in Rockford and all that is left is the community hall. Maya did help them get a \$25,000.00 grant and her fee was \$7,000.00-\$9,000.00. There was no contract signed, it was set up as a fee for service.
- Yorkton is a small community. Maya helped the Legion get a grant for approximately \$25,000.00. Maya's fee was 15%-20%. Maya is currently working on another grant for them.
- We did receive three references previously from Maya. The two municipalities would not use her services again. The third was a non-profit group who would re hire her in the future.
- We were hoping to receive more references from Municipalities that used her services.
- Other communities have trained staff in grant writing. There is another community willing to collaborate with the Town and assist us in training a staff member for this position.

- 3) Moved by Ken Kwiatkowski
That, we rescind motion 8) from the February 24th Regular Council Meeting: that, we sign a two (2) year contract with Mesa Canada Consulting corporation at \$1,900.00 per month.

“CARRIED”

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Edna Gervais

- Attended the Hospital Foundation Fundraiser. Councilor Bogdan did a good job as deputy Mayor.

- Attended the Enhancing Local Supply Chain Enhancement workshop on February 26th, 2014. It was a good workshop. The message I got from the workshop is that business won't knock on your door. You need to be active to sell your Town.
- There is a workshop on The ABC's of Customer Service on March 20th, 2014 from 9:00 Am – 4:00 PM at 5025-49th Ave.

Ken Kwiatkowski

- Councilor Gervais and I attended a workshop in Lac La Biche on February 26th, 2014. The workshop was called Enhancing Local Supply Chain Enhancement. The presenter was Gary Loblick. He started by asking, is your municipality ready for business? Do you have industrial land available for someone to come in tomorrow? He said that industrial land in this area is anywhere from \$350,000.00 - \$1,000,000.00 an acre. He also talked about offshore business that the companies are finding out that in long term, the work getting done overseas is more costly than getting it done at home, and because of this there are more and more companies shutting down overseas and setting up their manufacturing back at home. So with this, there is opportunity for us or anyone else who wants it. He had also said that for every dollar that would be invested in the manufacturing company there would be three dollars in spin off. What he meant with that is they would need to find companies that would be able to do maintenance for quick fixes and also major overhauls, and that is just one area where the spinoff would be.

Don Padlesky

NLLS

- Attended meeting on March 1st, 2014 in Elk Point.
- To take the charter bus to Jasper would cost \$200.00 per person. It would be cheaper for three members to travel together in one vehicle.
- Barb McCarthy presented the Financial Statements. Gave a copy of the statements to administration.
- 45 member committees voted in favor of a 2% increase, one municipality said no and 6 did not reply. They used the 2010 population to calculate the fee. Had they use the 2013 population numbers they would have received an extra \$99,000.00.
- Councilor Padlesky reviewed the revenues and expenses for 2013.
- In 2014 they will be replacing 3 servers, purchasing a vehicle, chairs and \$10,000.00 of e-books. They will also be making building repairs and upgrades.

MD Foundation

- After the recent Quebec lodging home fire a request was sent out to find out how many facilities in Alberta had sprinklers. We would need to change the water line going into the building in order to upgrade our sprinklers. This could be done when the building is modernized.

Judy Bogdan

- As Deputy Mayor I had the honor and privilege of representing the Mayor and Council at the following events;
 - ❖ March 1st, 2014-Hospital Gala
 - ❖ March 7th, 2014-Franco-Albertan Flag Raising at École du Sommet
 - ❖ March 8th, 2014-Wildrose Dinner
- These were wonderful opportunities to make community connections, be supportive of their endeavors and the networking in itself is so beneficial.
- Who will be spearheading the Wild Pink Yonder event? Should discuss this with the Recreation Director.
- The School Board has approved the placement of the Spirit Bear to be place on the South West corner of Racette School on 50th Ave. The cost of the monument is \$30,000.00 less \$10,000.00 work in kind. They will use fundraising, donations and grants to pay for the statue.
- There are issues with Ravens tearing up garbage. Garbage should be in a can to prevent animals from tearing it up, if it is not in a can then the addresses should be forwarded to Administration and By-Law.

Norm Noel

- No Report

Dwight Wiebe

MPC

- Received a request from DSE Auto Shine & Detail to work out of his garage located at 4122A-47th Ave. He is estimating to complete a couple of vehicles per month and only one at a time. If his business grows larger he will move to a shop. MPC sent out 9 letters to neighbors and did not receive any negative responses. They received 3 out of 9 responses back. MPC is recommending allowing this business.

4) Moved by Dwight Wiebe

That, we accept the application and allow DSE Auto Shine & Detail to work out of his garage located at 4122A-47th Ave.

“CARRIED”

- We received a request to rezone the duplex located at 5622-53rd Ave. from Residential Single Family District (R1) to Residential Multi-Family district (R3) Zoning area. They would like to expand the duplex into a 4-plex. We sent out 25 letters to the neighbors and we received 15 responses back. All 15 responses were against the rezoning change. MPC does not recommend proceeding with the rezoning change.

MAYOR’S REPORT

Glenn Andersen

MD Foundation

- Reviewed requisitions as follows: 2010-\$817,179, 2011-\$598,724, 2012-\$466,790, 2013-\$644,775 & 2014-\$400,000.
- They would like to eliminate the spikes in the requisitions and have recommended requisitioning \$400,000.00 each year. Municipalities can budget accordingly each year.

Budget

- Had a conference call with Ken Hughes regarding the Provincial budget.
- MSI allocations are based on assessments and kilometers of roads. Town of St. Paul will be receiving MSI operating \$180,594.00, MSI Capital \$1,066,599.00 and Basic Municipal Transportation Grant \$350,640.00.
- The reduction in the MSI Operating will affect non-profits; municipalities use MSI Operating to donate to non-profits.
- The Federal Government has announced the Build Canada Fund however the provincial Government is still negotiating.
- Received a letter from Municipal Affairs regarding Canada’s completing its 12 year mission in Afghanistan. They are requesting on March 12th, 2014 in the morning to lower the flag to half-mast and then at noon raise them to full height. We have made arrangements to have this done.

Muni-Corr

- The MD of Bonnyville will not contribute \$125,000.00 for the trestle. We are disappointed in the MD of Bonnyville’s decision. There was a motion made to give a onetime donation to Riverland Trail. We will table until the next meeting.
- Received a request from the St. Paul 4-H Multi-club requesting monetary support for the Highway Clean-up. We have donated \$300.00 in previous years.

5) Moved by Dwight Wiebe

That, we support the St. Paul 4-H Multi Club Highway Cleanup in the amount of \$500.00.

“CARRIED”

- Received information from Alberta Tourism, Parks and Recreation inviting us to consider submitting a bid for the right to host the 2017 Alberta 55 Plus Winter Games in our community.
- The Town of St. Paul sent a letter to the Minister of Justice and Solicitor General regarding policing costs and how municipalities over 5,000 population pay policing but municipalities under 5,000 population and County's do not pay any policing costs. Peace River also sent a letter to the Minister and sent us a copy of that letter.
- Handed out Wildrose 10-10 plan information to be reviewed. This will be discussed at the next Council meeting.

ADMINISTRATION REPORT

- Staff jackets are in and have been distributed to everyone.
- Stars Golf Event-we received an e-mail from Elk Point inviting us to either enter a team or donate an item for silent auction. The Golf Tournament is in Elk Point on June 5th, 2014.

6) Moved by Judy Bogdan

That, we attend the Stars Fund Raising Golf Tournament in Elk Point on June 5th, 2014.

“CARRIED”

- St. Paul and District Charity Hockey Game Fundraiser is Saturday April 12th, 2014 at the Clancy Arena & St. Paul Recreation Centre. They are requesting support for this event by making a donation towards the silent auction, purchasing tickets (\$50.00 each) or a table of 8 for \$400.00, or a sponsorship.

7) Moved by Edna Gervais

That, we purchase a table of 8 for \$400.00 and donate a silent auction item for the St. Paul & District Charity Hockey Fundraiser on April 12th, 2014.

“CARRIED”

- Hospital Foundation Fundraiser-rental of table cloths: we let them use the Recreation Centre at no cost and no charge for the set up or take down of tables and chairs. They also used our tablecloths and seat covers.

8) Moved by Judy Bogdan

That, we allow the Hospital Foundation to use the tablecloths and seat covers for their fundraising event at no cost.

“CARRIED”

- We received a response from the Alberta Justice and Solicitor General regarding the letter we sent them about policing costs. The letter states that the government of Alberta recognizes the need to examine all aspects of municipal impacts and we are currently engaged in policy work for a police costing model. They are currently awaiting further directions and instructions on this matter.
- Ribbon cutting event: we upgraded the screening unit at the Pollution Control Centre using the Federal Gas Tax Grant. We will have a ribbon cutting event for this project. We need to choose a couple tentative dates for this event between April 14th – 25th. Council is available on April 16th or 17th, 2014.
- Received an invitation from the Chamber of Commerce regarding setting up a joint meeting with Colleen Smith from Pengrowth, Town of St. Paul Council & County of St. Paul Council on April 9th, 2014. There is an option to have the meeting at 9am or 6pm. Council would like the meeting to be at 6pm. They require more information on what this meeting is about and would like to see an Agenda.
- Received an invitation from the St. Paul Minor Hockey Association to the 3rd Annual Timbits Future All-Star Game & Honoring Final Year St. Paul Canadien Midgets on March 14th at 6:30 PM at the Clancy Richard Arena.

- Received an invitation to meet with Harriet Switzer, the acting director for the Governance Services unit within the Ministry of Human Services on March 13th, 2014 at the St. Paul Alberta Supports Centre from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Human Services is in the process of creating new Family and Community Engagement Councils (FCEC's). They are recruiting for people to sit on these councils.
- Administration will register Ron Boisvert, Mayor Andersen and Councilors Bogdan and Noel for the 2014 AAMDC Golf Tournament.
- We have received the tickets for the Portage College 1st Food Science Spring Gala on May 10th, 2014. Please let administration know if you would like to attend this event.
- We have received the tickets for the St. Paul gymnastics Club Flippin Funny Event on March 15th, 2014. Please let administration know if you would like to attend this event.

9) Moved by Norm Noel
That, we move into Camera at 21:15 Hours.

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10) Moved by Don Padlesky
That, we move out Camera at 21:45Hours.

"CARRIED"

11) Moved by Norm Noel
That, we Adjourn at 21:46 Hours.

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Glenn Andersen Mayor

Cindy Litwinski Recording Secretary