

Meeting of the Town of St. Paul Council in the St. Paul Town Council Chambers on Monday July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 19:00 Hours.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mayor Glenn Andersen, Edna Gervais, Dwight Wiebe, Don Padlesky, Ken Kwiatkowski, Norm Noel, Judy Bogdan, Ron Boisvert, Gary Ward Assistant CAO and recording secretary Cindy Litwinski.

**PRESENTATION:-**Staff Sergeant Lee Brachmann

- Sergeant Brachmann is now the assistant Deputy Commissioner of Canada.
- Reviewed the Statistical Comparison from January to June 2015:
  - ❖ Assault charges and uttering threats are up from 2014 however they are lower than previous years.
  - ❖ Thefts under \$5,000.00 are lower than in 2014.
  - ❖ Mischief to property has increased from 2014.
  - ❖ Disturbing the peace is up from 2014.
  - ❖ There is an increase in drug possession charges and a reduction in trafficking charges.
  - ❖ Liquor Act charges have increased from 2014.
  - ❖ Injury MVC have decreased and property damage from MVC have increased.
  - ❖ False Alarms have decreased from last year.
  - ❖ Persons reported missing and spousal abuse have increased from last year.
  - ❖ There have been 30 impaired charges within the Town of St. Paul in 2015.
  - ❖ In April there were a total of 158 charges, May there were 234 charges and in June there were 126 charges.
- Have received a lot of positive feedback regarding the increased foot patrols.
- They are in line with their strategic strategies to:
  - ❖ Contribute to Community Safety by decreasing vandalism and increased foot patrol project
  - ❖ Contribute to safer roads by conducting enforcement projects.
  - ❖ Enhance Police community relations by increasing messages through media and radio releases.
- Still organizing the Crime Reduction Unit.
- Council thanks Sergeant Brachmann and detachment members for their service.
- Mayor Andersen thanked Sergeant Brachmann for his presentation.

Mayor Andersen called the regular meeting to order at 19:19 Hours.

- 1) Moved by Dwight Wiebe  
That, the Agenda be adopted as read

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- 2) Moved by Don Padlesky  
That, the minutes of June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 be adopted with the following amendment:  
Page 75: Motion 10) change to read: That, we Adjourn at 20:55 Hours.

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**BUSINESS FROM THE MINUTES:**

- None.

**COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Edna Gervais**

Alberta HUB

- Attended the AGM meeting on June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

- Held election and all the positions remain unchanged except that Greg Sparklingeyes is the representative for Whitefish Lake.
- Their new website is now live. Website address is: [www.albertahub.ca](http://www.albertahub.ca)
- HUB won the EDA award.
- Michael Reeves the president of Ports to Plain gave an overview on ports to plains and the working relationship with the Eastern Alberta Trade Corridor.
- Gave Administration the Alberta Hub information package to review and check for accuracy regarding Town information.

#### Concerto

- Attended meeting on June 30, 2015.
- New chair is Camille Berube and the new vice chair Nolan Crouse.
- They are currently working on a new website.
- They congratulated us on our launch.
- Smoky River MD is having their launch on November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015 in Falher.
- Had a presentation by Eco-West. St. Paul is way ahead of the game. We are already working on a project and the other concerto members are just learning about what Eco-West and FCM can do for their communities.
- Discussed the Francophone and Francophile Cities Network. They have a meeting on October 29<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup>, 2015 in Quebec. A member from Concerto will attend this meeting.

#### Donor Wars

- Finalized the information. Mentioned that February may be a better month to run the event.
- We could not monitor the statistics to track the new donors; hopefully this will be in place for the next Donor Wars event.

#### Don Padlesky

- No Report

#### Ken Kwiatkowski

##### Canada 150 Committee

- Requesting the Canada 150 committee is approved as a new Council committee and have council representatives assigned. This committee would be in place from June 2015 to July 2017. It would be beneficial for Council to attend. The focal point of the event will be the Landing Pad as it is the Landing Pad's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.
- Council would like the Town to be in charge of the Landing Pad 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration.
- Gary attends the Canada 150 Committee meetings.
- Council would like more information on this committee and would like to take the lead on the Landing Pad 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations.

#### Judy Bogdan

- Attended Airport meeting on June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Town Public Works Department will provide a quote to remove the tower and fence when they are available. The flight school is on hold due to uncertainty of economy
- Attended Alberta HUB AGM on June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2015. It was very well attended. Supper provided by Portage College Culinary Arts Program. Thorhild is the latest member of Alberta HUB. Their Website is now live. There is great networking collaboration through HUB. Constantly "in the know" about courses, latest projects and updates, road restrictions, wide load information and more. The Education program is not working as well as expected using the satellite stations. Attendance is poor. Brainstormed for possible solutions. Bonnyville has a very active Youth Entrepreneur Program through Community Futures.
- Attended Champions for Change-Downtown Revitalization Meeting on July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Jonathan Holeton has completed video of the Street Dance (2014) honoring Ag Society's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. He is able to link You Tube to Champions website and the Town if we so desire. Each local musician, speeches from Town Mayor and County Reeve, presentation to the Ag Society and the Ag Society itself will have links for full viewing. He will have DVDs for the archives for the Ag Society, Town of

St. Paul and Champions for Change. Downtown Revitalization has agreed to pay Jonathan \$300.00-\$500.00 for the production. It will be presented to Champions for Change Board for approval. Jonathan was also instrumental in preparing a video for the Graffiti project. These videos can be shared with the funders as well. It is worthwhile to support an enthusiastic local entrepreneur.

- Upcoming:
  - ❖ Golf Course meeting on July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2015.
  - ❖ Wellness Centre Grand Opening on July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015.
  - ❖ Community Futures meeting on July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2015.
  - ❖ Asset Management Workshop in Edmonton on July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

### **Dwight Wiebe**

#### **FCSS**

- Senior's Day event on June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at Recreation Centre: We have 134 senior attend the event. The comments were positive. Student volunteers were excellent. The board and two TELUS employees helped make everything run smoothly.
- Volunteer Appreciation June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2015. We had 47 volunteers come to the lunch. We gave out giveaways and door prizes and recognized Mrs. Pratch for her years of driving for meals on wheels.
- Camp Sunshine: We have 15 kids in the program and could easily have had 25. The camp definitely exceeded the needs of both the children and the parents. They came in confused, overwrought, and defensive and by the end, all were openly participating, helping each other and had become a team. We provided a fun and safe place for them to explore grief, identify feelings and helped them develop strategies to deal with the emotions in a healthy way and to share those feelings with others. They all left with new friends and asked if we could make it longer. Will be having the wrap up meeting with all the volunteers next week to discuss plans for next year. Camp Sunshine is the only grief camp in Alberta.
- Working with Recreation on Community Guide. Non-profit information will be added to the guide.
- Will be working on a Community Calendar that people can self-register events.

### **Norm Noel**

- We have pot holes that need to be patched. There is one on 46<sup>th</sup> Ave & 51 St Ave. Public Works has a list of the pot holes that need to be repaired and are working on them.
- We should follow up with TELUS regarding the holes they have made in the roads. TELUS is filling the holes however they are sinking and should be addressed before they leave Town.

## **MAYOR'S REPORT**

### **Glenn Andersen**

- 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Alberta Recycling Conference is September 9<sup>th</sup> -11<sup>th</sup>, 2015 in Whitecourt Alberta. Administration will forward the information to Council.
- Received a letter from St. Paul AG Society inviting the Town to participate in the 2015 parade. The Theme is "International Day of Charity"-Inspiring Caring, Sharing & Giving. Will forward the information to Councilor Wiebe and Kwiatkowski to bring to the Marketing Committee.
- St. Paul Fire Department raised \$7,978.57 from this year's boot drive for MS. Would like to congratulate St. Paul and area for contributing.
- Received a call from an Agriculturalist. She advised that we have some areas in Town that have weeds. Was advised that Ox Eye Daisies are weeds. Will forward the information to Parks & Recreation, Peace Officers and will put the information on our Town Website and Facebook page.
- Received the Alberta TrailTracker Guide. The Guide has a memorial to Roy Scott and an article on the Beaver River Trestle. Will scan and forward the guide to Council.

## **ADMINISTRATION REPORT**

- Would like to organize a Joint Town and County Council meeting. We need to provide the County will potential meeting dates. Potential dates that Town Council is available are: August 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> or 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015.
- Council asked Administration to look into new legislation regarding CASL CURE. The new legislation is for promotional and marketing materials sent through commercial electronic messages. The Town of St. Paul does not advertise or promote through bulk e-mails so the legislation does not apply to us. We do not need to purchase the CASL CURE program to monitor our e-mails.
- Received a letter from the Town of Slave Lake requesting sponsorship for the 2015 Alberta Development Officers Association Conference September 28<sup>th</sup> -30<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Request denied.
- Received a Thank you letter from the Ronald McDonald House Northern Alberta for our support of the silent auction and participating in the golf tournament. They raised over \$7,000.00 in the auction and over \$28,000.00 overall.
- Received an invitation from the City of Cold Lake to the north East Muni-Corr 2015 Golf Tournament on August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015. This is the same day as our regular Council meeting so we will not be putting a team in.
- Received a letter from Alta Gas notifying the Town that they will be implementing Automated Meter Reading in the Town of St. Paul. Over the next 8 months, AltaGas will be updating their natural gas meters with Automated Meter Reading technology. The installation will take approximately 10 minutes for each meter. AltaGas should be advertising this to make residents aware.
- Received a letter from the St. Paul Ag Society requesting permission to hold the annual parade down the streets of St. Paul on Saturday, September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015 starting at 10:00AM. They are also requesting the use of the parking lots of the Soccer Fields as the Parade Assembly area. Council has already approved this.
- Budget to Actual ending June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015 have been sent out if you have any questions please contact Cindy or Ron.
- Budget books have been distributed. Please see Cindy or Ron if you have any questions.
- Communities in Bloom: Judges will be out July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015. They will be in St. Paul from 9:30AM-4:00PM. The Fire Department will wash down Main Street July 23<sup>rd</sup> or 24<sup>th</sup>. We will review the Town projects with Communities in Bloom as well as discuss our plans for the Transfer Station. This year there is a residential contest. You can nominate a garden or yard to receive a Community Spirit Bloom award. Nomination forms will be added to the Town website as well as Facebook.
- Town limit signs: we should install town limit signs on all access routes to St. Paul. Administration will look into and come back with recommendations.
- Received a request from the Northeast Alberta Track & Field Club (NEAT) for sponsorship for their 14<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Paul Rodeo Road Race to be held on September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Request will be forwarded to Parks and Recreation as the NEAT club qualifies for funding if they make it to Provincials.

### Energy Rates:

- We have currently contracted for the following rates:
  - ❖ January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014-December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017-5.652KWH
  - ❖ January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018-December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019-5.754KWH
  - ❖ Proposal for 2020 is 6.090KWH-recomending to review in August/September to see what the rates are.

### Gas Rates:

- We have currently contracted for the following rates:
  - ❖ January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014-December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2014-3.795GJ
  - ❖ January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015-December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017-3.860GJ
  - ❖ Proposed rates for:
    - 2018-3.66GJ
    - 2019-3.74GJ
    - 2020-3.82GJ-recomending locking in the gas rates until 2020.

- 3) Moved by Norm Noel  
That, Administration locks in the gas contract for the best rate up to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020.

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- Mayor Andersen and Ron had a conference call with Eco-West and Municipal Affairs to discuss funding options. They require a motion from council to confirm that the Town is prepared to make a cash contribution and/or in-kind contributions of up to \$275,000.00. Ron will forward the minutes from the conference call once he receives them. They require a commitment from the Town so they can apply for FCM funding. Recommended that Mayor Andersen and Ron make a presentation to Evergreen Regional Waste Management Commission to update them on the progress of the project.

- 4) Moved by Edna Gervais  
That, the Town of St. Paul will make cash contribution of and/or in-kind contributions of up to \$275,000.00 to undertake a feasibility study for the Initiative Establishing a Waste to Value-Added Facility for the Town of St. Paul Region, Town of St. Paul Alberta and for which funding is requested from the Green Municipal Fund.

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- Wellness Centre Grand Opening is July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Preparations have been organized. Mayor Andersen will be the emcee. Gary will have a podium and microphone there. We will have opening ceremonies, ribbon cutting, site tour and snacks and refreshments.
- We have 12 volunteers to help with Haying in the 30's breakfast fundraiser. Smitties will donate the syrup and batter however they do not have the staff to mix the batter. Ray will pick everything up and bring it to the Multi-Purpose room on Friday. Town will prepare the batter on Saturday.
- AUMA conference is September 23<sup>rd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>, 2015. If we want to arrange a meeting with the RCMP at the conference we need to let Sergeant Brachmann know. As there will be a new commanding officer we would like Administration to arrange a meeting.
- The sidewalk in front of the new Evergreen Stationers store needs to be completed. Francois is looking into this.

- 5) Moved by Norm Noel  
That, we move into camera to discuss a land issue at 21:08 Hours.

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- 6) Moved by Don Padlesky  
That, we move out of camera at 21:29 Hours

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- 7) Moved by Dwight Wiebe  
That, we Adjourn at 21:30 Hours

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**Glenn Andersen** Mayor

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**Cindy Litwinski** Recording Secretary